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GOVERNOR'S RACE THE ISSUES

Campaign's key subject: Plans for state income tax

Rauner favors cut; Pritzker proposes graduated system

BY RICK PEARSON AND MIKE RIOPELL
Chicago Tribune

In a recent radio interview, Gov. Bruce Rauner acknowledged that a major plank of rival J.B. Pritzker that he adamantly opposes — launching a graduated-rate income tax in Illinois — is appealing to the state's voters.

"They know the concept of a graduated income tax is popular. It's very popular to say, 'Let's just tax rich people. They've got to pay more.' That's popular," the first-term Republican said on WGN-AM 720. But Rauner went on to contend, "It doesn't work."

Taxes have become a key issue for Pritzker, a Democrat, and Rauner in their increasingly bitter campaign. Rauner wants to cut taxes but failed to block an income tax hike last year and spent the tax revenues in the budget he signed. Pritzker wants to change the state income tax system from a constitutionally mandated flat rate to a graduated-rate tax based on income, but he hasn't detailed how.

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Chase Kulakowski, 3, shown in his room in Dyer, Ind., this month, was diagnosed with acute flaccid myelitis in 2016.

What it's like to live with a polio-like condition

One child's journey with an ailment that's on the rise

BY ELVIA MALAGON
Chicago Tribune

The diagnosis was in, but Jessica Kulakowski still didn't have the answers, so she started scouring the internet to find out why her son's cold had left his right arm virtually lifeless.

Online she found case studies but nothing definitive about why her then-1-year-old boy, Chase, contracted the rare polio-like condition known as acute flaccid myelitis, or AFM. The condition, in the news as a spate of new cases have made headlines in Illinois and beyond, affects mostly children and causes muscles to atrophy, leaving some bedridden with paralysis and unable to breathe on their own. Medical experts have in some cases linked the syndrome to an enterovirus, which causes the common cold and other respiratory illnesses.

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Saudi Arabia's account of death denounced — except by Trump

International skepticism met the Saudi's account of the death of journalist Jamal Khashoggi on Saturday. Their explanation — that an argument led to a fatal brawl — is at odds with the conclusions of Turkish investigators. President Donald Trump, however, was an exception. Asked whether he thought the Saudi explanation was credible, Trump replied: "I do. I do." **Nation & World, Page 35**





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An incredible transformation? Not really.

The 'meh' blocks west of Navy Pier are a cautionary tale for Chicago's next round of megaprojects



BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

Viewed from the air, it's a stunning transformation — in just 30 years, a gritty swath of cleared land and surface parking lots has become a glistening new part of Chicago.

But people experience cities on the ground, not in the air. Put the 60 acres between Navy Pier and Michigan Avenue under a microscope and what you see is a cityscape of great expectations and half-kept promises.

The deal was simple: The city would let developers build tall at Cityfront Center, Chicago's largest real estate development of the 1980s. In exchange, there would be beautiful buildings, streets, parks, plazas and a riverwalk.

Yet the architecture, with rare exceptions, is mediocre. The public spaces were supposed to be vibrant and interconnected. Instead, they are unfinished, underachieving, largely disjointed and even, in one case, off-limits to the public.

Urban planning flops like these loom large as city officials review new megaplans from developers who pretty up their visions of skyscrapers with dazzling drawings of riverwalks, bike trails

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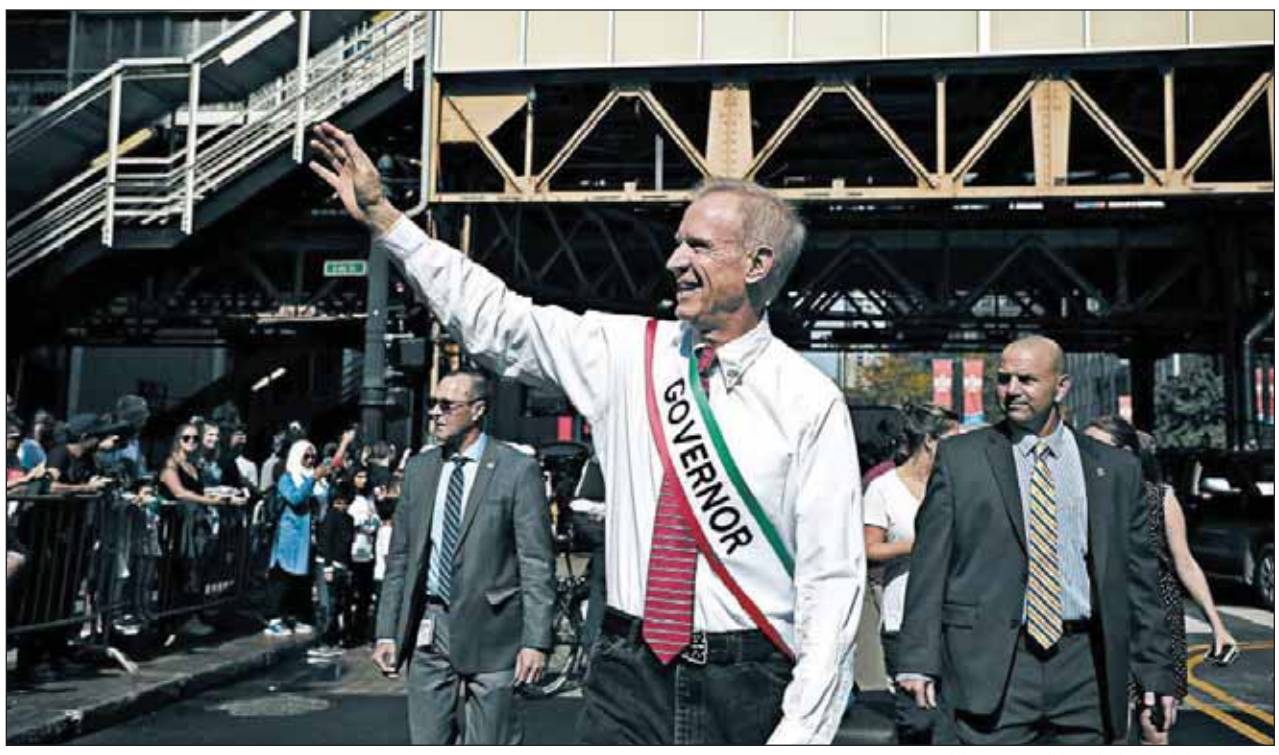


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Bruce Rauner wears the governor's sash as he walks in the Columbus Day Parade in Chicago last week.



JOHN KASS

Who will wear the sash? Who will really run Illinois?

The November elections in Illinois aren't about some Democratic revenge fantasy, punishing President Donald Trump for putting Brett Kavanaugh on the Supreme Court.

And the November elections in Illinois aren't really about some Republican revenge fantasy to punish Gov. Bruce Rauner for betraying his conservative base by signing that bill on taxpayer-funded abortion.

The November elections in Illinois — only weeks away now — are about two things:

■ Your taxes.

■ And the power of House Speaker Michael Madigan, the Southwest Side state Democratic boss, the longest ruling House speaker in American history, who has become incredibly wealthy in his tax reduction legal practice while also presiding over the fiscal collapse of Illinois.

Boss Madigan's butler, J.B. "Toilets" Pritzker, thinks if he's elected in November he'll actually be the real governor. He may have the title of governor. But all J.B. will have is a sash to wear at ceremonial events.

J.B purchased that Gold Coast mansion next to his own mansion and ripped out the toilets in the new place to make it uninhabitable, thereby getting a $330,000 property tax break.

It's bad enough that a billionaire would use a cheap toilet tax dodge and stick it to other taxpayers who have to make up the difference.

But what I can't get over is that he let his wife take the fall for it, rather than stand up and take the blame himself. Boss Madigan wouldn't let his wife, Shirley, take the fall. Most men wouldn't. But "Toilets" did. And Madigan files that weakness away in that aging yet still supple brain of his.

If elected governor in November, J.B. will wear his sash and carry silver trays of sliced apples to Boss Madigan and wait to be told when to propose his whopping tax increase, which he just can't tell you taxpayers about now, because he's not ready.

What it tells you is that this election, like the last, is all about Boss Madigan.

And whether you can see Kentucky or Missouri from your front porch, or whether you're able to see the lights of Milwaukee, there is one political truth in Illinois:

Any vote you cast for any Democratic state representative is not a vote for that Democratic state representative. It is a vote for Boss Madigan. It doesn't matter if your Democratic state rep is some slobbering loser or a good, intelligent, capable public servant

Because when the new legislature takes the oath of office in January, there will be a voice vote for speaker. And Democratic state reps — from party hacks to those suburban "independents" who talk about good government yet avoid using his name — will vote Madigan in as boss.

They know that if they don't, he will isolate then crush them. Their bills will die in committee. Their friends will turn their backs. Everyone in politics knows this. Do you know this?

Each year, I hear voters complain about Madigan's district. They think he draws his power from Southwest Siders who cash a government paycheck. But there's more to this.

Madigan uses union political money — drawn from public (government) unions whose salaries and pensions are paid for by taxpayers — to elect his Democratic majority in November. And when it's time, Boss Madigan snaps his fingers in Springfield, and they kneel on the carpets in abject fealty.

Democratic state representatives wouldn't dare to say no to him.

Only you can say no to Boss Madigan.

If you vote for a Democrat for state rep in November, no matter where you live in Illinois, you're kissing Madigan's hand. You might as well sit in his lap and ask for a bedtime story.

And then you may watch Boss Madigan leading "Toilets" by the hand. And right after the election, you might watch Madigan's protégé, the charismatic State Comptroller Susana Mendoza, make her move to take the mayor's office in Chicago.

Now, did you really think this election is about sending a message to Trump?

Oh, please, Illinois. For once, please get real.

Boss Madigan works in other ways too. The so-called conservative gubernatorial candidate, Sam McCann, is doing his own lifting for Madigan.

McCann, funded by pro-Madigan unions, is making ad buys in the hopes of taking out conservative Republican pro-life legislators like state Rep. Tom Morrison of Palatine and others. That's just what Madigan wants.

Clearly, what McCann is doing is despicable. McCann is trying to portray Morrison as some squishy RINO moderate, but Morrison is as conservative as they come.

So I wouldn't be surprised if, after the election, Madigan gets McCann a nice state job with a state pension bump. Perhaps McCann can slice Boss Madigan's apples and squeeze lemon on them so they don't brown. Sam? Don't forget. Madigan likes his apples crisp and clean.

I said at the top of this column that Rauner has betrayed his base. He's broken the Republican Party. He signed House Bill 40 providing for taxpayer-funded abortions. He's caved in other ways, too, and I've blasted him for it, repeatedly.

But consider the alternative:

"Toilets" Pritzker wearing a governor's sash. A whopping tax increase on the backs of middle-class voters. And Boss Madigan reaching for the mayor's office, munching on some crisp Sam McCann sliced apples.

And smiling that bloodless smile, master of all he surveys.

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Butt-covering parkas were the rule along Madison Street in Chicago when freezing temperatures arrived last December.

Remembering your first Chicago coat, and other mistakes after it



MARY SCHMICH

Come walk with me down the memory lane of winter coats.

I've been thinking about coats, and how they're one way to chart our lives, since I dove into the dark recesses of my closet last week, finally conceding that it was getting cold in Chicago and I could no longer avoid covering up.

As I pawed through the hangers, I was whisked back to other nippy autumns and bitter winters, taken on a time traveler's tour of all the coats I've worn and loved.

Long coats, short coats, coats in black or brown or red, button coats and zipper coats, coats with hoods and those without, so many coats come and gone.

Do you remember your first coat?

If you arrived in Chicago as an adult from somewhere warm, your first coat is likely to be as vivid in memory as your first kiss. It was probably not great, but there's a good chance you remember it.

I'd never owned a coat before I moved to Chicago, and my first winter coat wasn't one.

"That's a fall coat," serious Chicagoans tsked when I arrived at work one October day proclaiming that I'd just bought a winter coat. It was long, black, billowing, buttonless, stylish. The serious Chicagoans sneered that it would be worthless by November.

They were right. On the subject of Chicago winter, always trust the natives.

When the cold bored in that December, I bought the cheapest heavy wool coat I could find. Unfortunately, it wasn't really wool. It was a wool "blend" with a cheap lining that had shredded by March. I was very cold.

People who grow up in Chicago winters have an instinct for what constitutes a proper coat, but transplants almost always get it wrong.

"My first coat in Chicago was a burnt orange wool faux peacoat a little past the waist," recalls a friend who grew up in Southern California. "Needless to say I was never warm enough and learned my lesson by the following winter."

It took me more than one winter to learn my lesson. Why? Because like so many winter fools, I had trouble understanding that being both stylish and warm in a Chicago winter is like being both short and tall. You can't be both.

No. You can't. Your long, poofy coat may be stylish compared with the truly hideous long, poofy coats, but that is not the same as being truly stylish.

Peering into my closet the other day, I pulled out an ankle-length blue cashmere coat, bought on deep discount in my second Chicago winter. Talk about stylish. It had a little fox collar that I happily wore until I learned that wearing fur could get you pelted in the street.

Having grown up in Sun Belt places where I'd never seen a fur coat except in photos of movie stars, I'd never considered the ethics of fur. When I discovered the problem, I removed the fur collar stitch by stitch. I wore the coat for the rest of that winter, shivering all the way, because without the fur, the neckline was as gaping as the Grand Canyon.

Other coats and other winters followed.

For a couple of seasons I wore a parka designed for skiing. The sales clerk at the outdoor store promised that this miracle parka would keep me warm when it was 10 below on the slopes.

People who grow up in Chicago winters have an instinct for what constitutes a proper coat, but transplants almost always get it wrong.

Too bad I don't ski. And it took me at least one more winter before I understood an essential Chicago winter principle: You can't be warm if your butt is cold.

In coats, as in the rest of life, we learn what works by making mistakes, and I made a couple more, most notably the second-rate shearling bought on deep discount that turned out to be like wearing a coat of bricks.

Finally, a decade or so ago, I bought one of those ugly poofy coats, with snaps and a zipper from neck to knees and a hood that obscures everything but your eyelashes. I am ugly but no longer cold.

I look back fondly on all the coats of my life. I remember their weight, their color and texture, and how all of them, even the wrong ones, brought me some protection and pleasure.

With winter coming on, now's the time to take your own walk down the memory lane of coats. It will warm your heart.

And if you're new to Chicago, wondering which coat to buy, let me repeat: Cover your butt.

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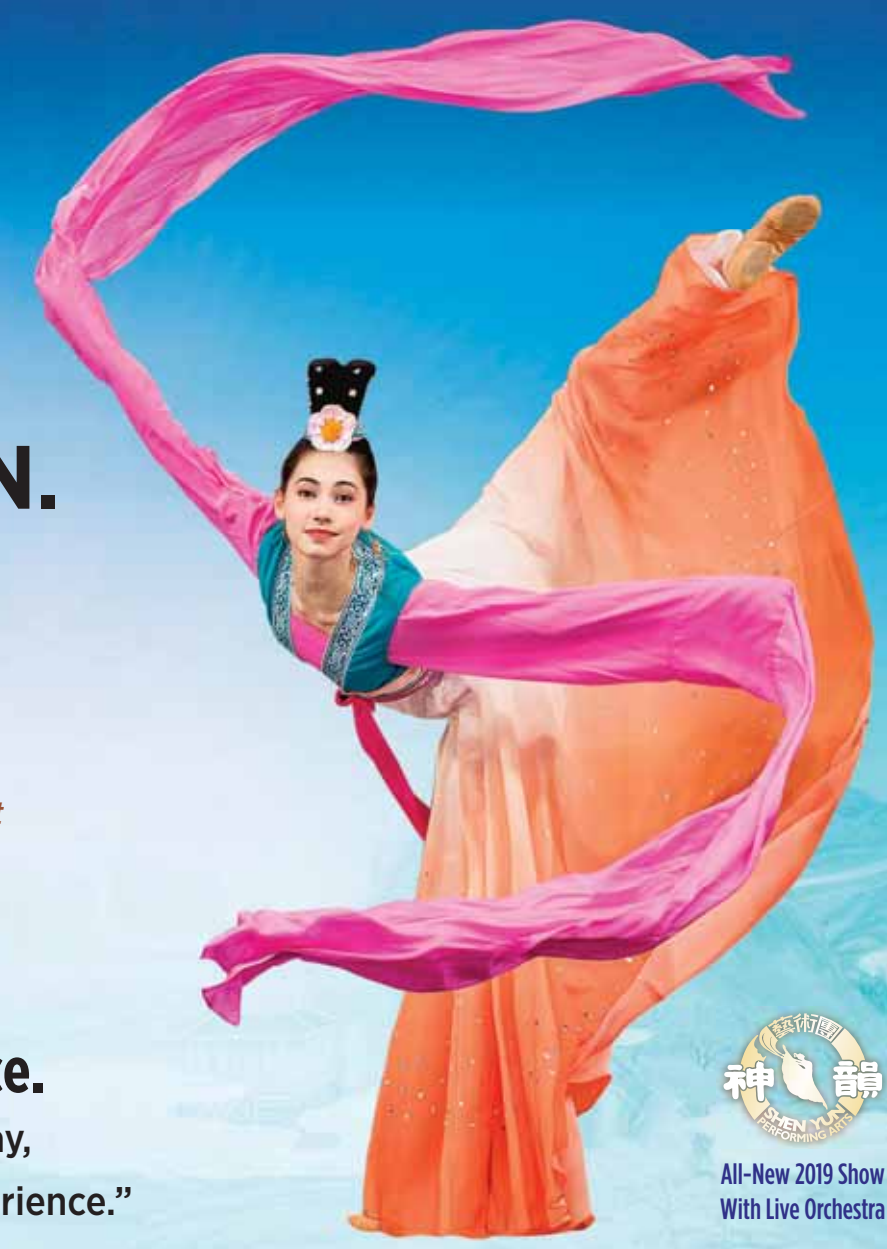
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IG, Preckwinkle differ over ditched SUV

She contends she got well-being call after odd discovery

By Gregory Pratt
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Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, center, greets supporters in the Hyde Park neighborhood after announcing her mayoral candidacy.

In addition to concluding that an abandoned SUV driven "nearly exclusively" by Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's security chief was improperly used to transport political materials, the county's top watchdog found that members of her security team did not check on her well-being after the vehicle was found.

Cook County Inspector General Patrick Blanchard's report said his investigation into the November 2016 incident, in which the security chief's SUV was found abandoned in a ditch with political campaign literature in the back, uncovered no evidence that security employees tried to confirm Preckwinkle's safety that night.

Preckwinkle, however, said in her first public comments about the incident earlier this week that she did receive a call that night from the chief of her security detail.

"Actually, I got a call in the middle of the night, so there was a check-in on my safety," said Preckwinkle, now also a candidate for mayor of Chicago.

That statement contradicted the security chief's phone log and the findings contained in Blanchard's report.

"No (Cook County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management) employees, including members of the Security Detail, checked on the well-being of the President upon learning of the recovery of the vehicle," the report said.

Later in its findings, the report concluded the investigation did not find evidence that any department employee "sought to confirm the safety of the President or the Security Specialist Operator during the night."

Asked about the discrepancy between Preckwinkle's comment and the report, spokeswoman Becky Schlikerman released a statement Thursday noting, "This (incident) was nearly two years ago. The president believes she received a call, but to clarify, she is uncertain if it was from her chief of executive protection or another member of the county team."



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A Chevy Tahoe was towed after being found abandoned near southwest suburban Lemont in November 2016.

Blanchard declined to comment, citing an ongoing investigation.

The contradiction's significance is unclear, but it's the latest twist in a story stemming from a bizarre incident during the early morning hours following the 2016 election when a Chevrolet Tahoe assigned to Preckwinkle's security team was discovered abandoned near southwest suburban Lemont.

In the Tahoe's cargo area, investigators found bags of political literature, a button with an image of Preckwinkle and a dry cleaning receipt with the phone number of her chief of security, Delwin Gadlen, according to the report, which identified Gadlen only by his title.

Blanchard's report did not say whose candidacies the political materials advanced.

But the Cook County sheriff's office, which responded to the scene, took photos showing the materials promoted the campaign of now-State's Attorney Kim Foxx, among other candidates. Blanchard's report concluded the SUV was improperly used to transport political materials but did not say who was driving when it was ditched or who placed the political materials in the vehicle. It did conclude that the SUV was driven primarily by Preckwinkle's chief of security.

On that Election Day, the security chief drove Preckwinkle to campaign events but said he did so in his personal car, according to the report. She told investigators he took her home around 9:30 that night.

A sheriff's police officer found the vehicle stuck in the mud with its engine still warm, and a witness told police that the driver had abandoned the Tahoe and walked away, Blanchard said in his report.

When interviewed by Blanchard's investigators, the security chief said the vehicle was stolen, though the alleged theft was never reported to police, the inspector general's report said.

According to the report, when asked how the political materials ended up in the vehicle, the chief told Blanchard's office he had "no idea how the vehicle was stolen."

"How would I know how the materials got there?" he added. Asked again, the chief said the vehicle was stolen and that "(a) reasonable mind could say that the material could have been planted," Blanchard said. When asked whether he was curious to learn who stole the vehicle, the chief said he had no interest and that such occurrences are commonplace, calling it "a joyride."

Preckwinkle's office has said she didn't permit or authorize the county vehicle to be used to disseminate campaign materials. She was not in the Tahoe that day and rarely travels in the vehicle, her office said.

"The president did not permit, nor did she authorize, the use of the county vehicle for the dissemination of campaign materials," Schlikerman said. "She has no information or knowledge about who placed the materials in the vehicle. She was not in the vehicle that day and rarely travels in that vehicle."

When the vehicle was found, all the tires were slashed, as was the driver's seat, the center console and the dashboard, according to the inspector general's report.

Blanchard's investigators spoke to sheriff's and county officials experienced in executive protection who said the damage "appears inconsistent with damage typically associated with vehicle theft."

Instead, the damage "looked hurried and staged," they said, according to Blanchard. All keys to the vehicle are accounted for and there were no signs of the car being forcibly started, the report said.

It's unclear how the vehicle ended up ditched. The Tahoe previously was driven to a county security specialist's home and left outside, Blanchard said.

The chief previously had told the employee to leave the key in the vehicle and he would retrieve it later, Blanchard said.

During her traditional post-County Board meeting news conference Wednesday, Preckwinkle said she believes the SUV was stolen even though officials never reported it to police.

Preckwinkle also said she has not investigated the incident and declined to comment on whether she has asked her security chief whether he placed the political materials in the vehicle, saying she won't discuss "personnel matters."

Although the report does not find any wrongdoing by Preckwinkle's office, the incident is likely to receive further scrutiny as Preckwinkle campaigns for Chicago mayor.

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Your Facebook feed is wrong, flu shot won't make kids sick

By Ese Olumhense
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The groups have membership counts ranging from three to more than 33,000.

Some of these Facebook users live in Chicago, but others come from as far away as Australia. They are united under one banner, their many posts illustrate: a push against vaccinating themselves and their children to ward off disease.

But days after Florida public health officials announced that a child who hadn't received the flu shot died of flu-related illness, doctors are reminding parents that it's critically important to weigh the science supporting vaccination over the speculation that vaccines cause autism or other illness.

Here are five things to know about flu shots for children that viral social media posts won't tell you:

1. Shots can prevent most childhood flu deaths. Last season, the deadliest flu season for kids in the U.S. in decades, flu-related illness killed a record 180 children and teens, estimates the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This death toll might have been lower if more parents and guardians vaccinated their kids, public health officials said; around 80 percent of those who died hadn't received a shot.

"These deaths for the most part could have been prevented," said Dr. Sharon Nachman, division chief of infectious diseases at Stony Brook Children's Hospital in New York. "That's the big takeaway message."

Viral misinformation about the flu shot — an injection that is recommended to everyone 6 months and older — and other vaccines can have long-term implications: The percentage of U.S. kids under 2 who haven't received any of their recommended vaccines has quadrupled in the last 17 years, a recent CDC study states. That's led to outbreaks of diseases thought to be all but eradicated — and can make flu season more deadly.

2. The earlier the better — and best before Halloween. Getting information about the need for vaccines to some parents and guardians can be complicated, said Dr. Frank Belmonte, chief medical officer of Advocate Children's Hospital.

Belmonte and Advocate Children's are part of a local coalition pressing parents to "Be Flu Free by Halloween." The public health campaign is geared toward getting kids vaccinated by Oct. 31. Doctors said the shot takes two weeks to reach full effectiveness and flu season starts kicking into high gear by November.

"I feel for parents," said Belmonte, a father of two. "There are a lot of mixed messages."

With not just Halloween, but the holidays coming up, the likelihood that your child might be at gatherings with other sick kids is high. Doctors hope that getting the shot now could lessen your child's risk. The shot is effective for several months afterward, doctors said.



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Kaiden Whittman gets a flu shot in 2016 at Advocate Children's Hospital. Last season was the deadliest flu season for kids in the U.S. in decades.

3. Flu shots don't cause the flu. The most common questions doctors said they hear are: "Can you get the flu from a flu shot?" And "Why get the shot if you can still get the flu anyway?"

No, you can't get the flu from a shot, said Belmonte, because "the influenza vaccine is a dead virus."

And "It's not 100 percent perfect, but the vaccine is safe and effective" at reducing flu's severity, said Dr. Allison Bartlett, associate medical director of the infection control program at Comer Children's Hospital.

4. Fears about vaccines often come from debunked studies. A lot of fears about childhood vaccination stem from debunked research and studies, doctors said. Even though some of the hoaxes have been exposed, research that refutes the differing claims isn't as accessible, he said.

Take, for instance, the rumor that the measles, mumps, and rubella vaccine causes autism, Belmonte said. That claim stemmed from a study published in a British medical journal in 1998 and was eventually retracted, after grave ethical violations and falsified data were discovered. A doctor behind the study was ultimately charged with professional misconduct and barred from practicing medicine in the United Kingdom.

And while many studies in the last 20 years have debunked the autism-MMR vaccine link claimed by that first study, the misinformation persists.

"It is disappointing and difficult," said Bartlett, who is also part of the "Be Flu Free" campaign coalition. "The science is settled. There is no controversy."

5. Avoiding vaccinations makes it more likely other people will catch the flu. Parents want to do the right thing for their children, Belmonte and Bartlett said, but by not vaccinating their kids — who are generally more vulnerable to flu than adults because their immune systems are not as developed — they put other children at risk.

"My kids' school is tree-nut free," Bartlett said. And while her own children aren't allergic to nuts, "I'm gonna change my behavior to keep your kids safe," Bartlett said. "Will you get your kids vaccinated?"

The more people within a group who are vaccinated, the higher the level of community protection, also called herd immunity. When many in a group are vaccinated, the spread of disease is limited. This can protect those who aren't vaccinated because they aren't able to get the vaccine and protect also those for whom a shot fails.

"It's twofold, right? It's protection for the child, and for all of those who can't get vaccinated," Bartlett said.

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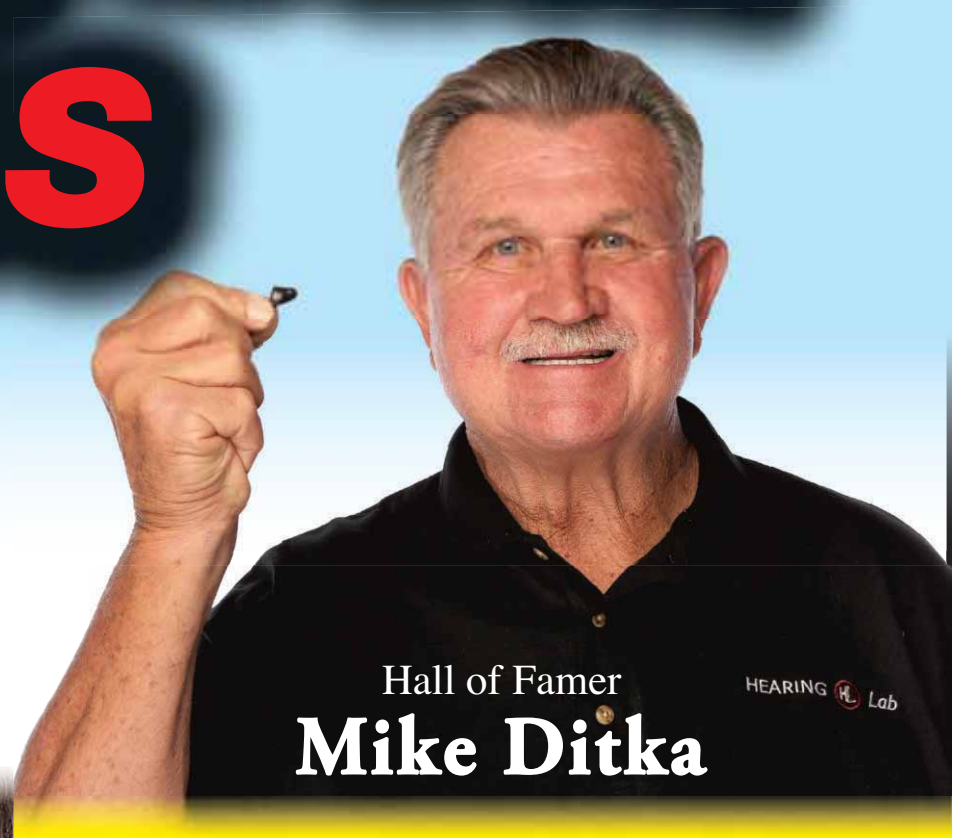
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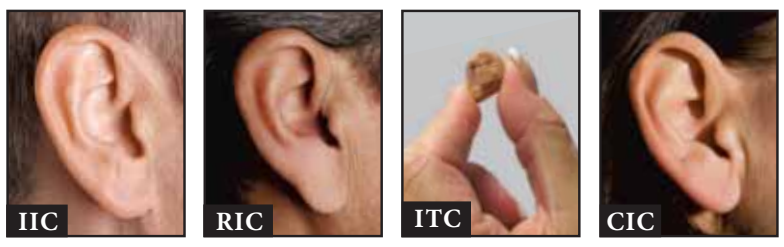
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Casten's business background under microscope

Democrat candidate for 6th Congressional District defends record

By Patrick M. O'Connell
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Illinois 6th Congressional District Democratic candidate Sean Casten, center, organizes a group photo in Downers Grove.

On the campaign trail and in advertisements, Sean Casten touts his experience as a clean energy entrepreneur with a track record of success creating jobs and helping the environment.

Years of work as the CEO of renewable energy companies, the Democrat says, make him uniquely qualified to serve in Congress as an outsider who will bring "a common-sense approach to the job." Casten is challenging incumbent U.S. Rep. Peter Roskam in the suburban 6th Congressional District.

Republicans, though, have attacked Casten's business career in campaign ads, zeroing in on a 2015 lawsuit filed by an investor in Recycled Energy Development, which converted emissions from power plants into energy. Casten was the company's president and CEO. The suit leveled allegations of mismanagement against Casten and the company's leadership, including "baseless accounting manipulations," "inflated salaries," "improperly inflated bonuses" and "irresponsible spending," according to court documents.

Casten and his family eventually settled with the investor's management firm and sold the company. Letters sent to investors in RED in the lead-up to the sale that were obtained by the Chicago Tribune stated that while preferred interest holders in RED would recoup their investment plus interest, common interest investors would not.

Casten says the allegations made in court by investor George Polk are not true. The lawsuit, the candidate said, was the result of a disagreement over the company's direction and part of a hostile takeover attempt.

"Everything that was said there was false. Period," Casten said. "If any of that was true, it would have been turned up a long time ago."

As the political newcomer referenced his business acumen and environmental credentials, Roskam seized on the lawsuit to argue that Casten is not ready to lead and has not been forthright with voters.

"That, it is a big red flag," Roskam said. "And it speaks to being entrusted to something. The people who entrusted him with investments found him not to be trustworthy."

The two candidates are tussling about the best way forward in a suburban district packed with well-educated, middle-class and affluent voters. The race has national implications — it's one of a few dozen across the country viewed by both Democrats and Republicans as critical to determining control of the House.

Casten said he is proud of his business career and called Roskam's criticisms, the focus of a television and digital advertisement, an attempt to shift the focus of the campaign away from issues such as health care, taxes and climate change. Casten recently held a campaign event at the regional offices of the Sierra Club and has been endorsed by the national group 314 Action, which promotes scientists running for political office.

"(Roskam) cannot run on his record because his record is deplorable," Casten said. "And his constituents don't like it. So he is working hard to try to paint me as something other than I am, which is a successful entrepreneur."

Casten says his businesses created jobs and, by converting industrial waste emissions into energy, cleaned the air along the way.

"Look, Roskam does not know the first thing about how to run a business," Casten said. "He is trying to ding me. He has accused me of being a politician. I've never accused him of being an entrepreneur."

Contentious legal battle

The lawsuit at the center of the debate was filed against Casten, his father, Thomas, and other members of the RED board. Sean Casten and his father started Recycled Energy in 2007. Thomas Casten is a longtime leader in the recycled energy field, founding the Trigen Energy Corporation and later serving as the chairman of the board for RED's parent company.



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Republican U.S. Rep. Peter Roskam shakes hands with Sandra Correa at a meeting in Wheaton on Oct. 10.

The lawsuit filed by Polk and his company, Tulum Management, alleged the Castens manipulated financial results at RED "in order to paint an optimistic financial picture that was simply unsupportable." The suit called the Casten family leadership a "reign of error" and said the family was more focused on "ego gratification" than running a profitable company, according to court filings. Polk filed the complaint in July 2015 in Delaware, alleging breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract.

"The Castens are focused on building an energy development company and maximizing the scope and reach of the Casten legacy," Polk contended in court documents.

Polk said he could not comment for this story, citing the court settlement. An entrepreneur and investor who focuses on energy and climate change, Polk once served as an adviser to George Soros, according to his online biography.

The matter was settled out of court after 16 months of contentious back-and-forth filings in several related lawsuits both in Delaware and Cook County. The settlement specifics were not made public, but a letter sent to RED investors in July 2016 stated the company agreed to pay Polk's Tulum $1.5 million in reimbursement of legal fees to settle the case. Casten and his family sold the company in September 2016 to Ironclad Energy Partners. One of the letters to investors, dated in September 2016, stated the purchase price was an estimated $60.6 million. The Delaware and Cook County cases were closed Sept. 28, 2016.

"We sold it under an agreement that every single investor, including Mr. Polk, agreed to because they thought that was an economically good thing to do," Casten said. "So at the end of the day, I met my obligations to everybody who was out there."

Polk's management firm, which owned 74.5 percent of preferred interests, was to receive 100 percent of its balance due on preferred investments, and RED was to purchase Tulum's common interests for $1 million, according to the RED documents. RED paid Tulum $46.35 million to buy out its interests. But while preferred interest investors would get their principal back with 15 percent annual interest, common interest holders would get little if any return on their investment, according to copies of internal letters sent to shareholders in July and September 2016, in the lead-up to the company's sale. "We do not anticipate distributions to Common Interest holders at close," one of the letters stated, according to copies reviewed by the Tribune.

Polk and Tulum Management's lawsuit in Delaware was a response to a lawsuit filed by RED Parent in Cook County Circuit Court that essentially attempted to block Polk from obtaining an independent audit of the company's financials. Polk contended that RED Parent's financial performance had triggered his right to take control.

Casten said RED "never got anything but a clean audit," including the one performed during the course of the litigation. Without a clean audit, he said, they would not have been able to sell the company.

"Anybody who's been involved in litigation knows that just because you say something in court, doesn't make it true," Casten said. "It was all, basically, an intimidation play."

Business to politics

From 2000 to 2007, Casten was president and CEO of Turbosteam, a company that specialized in the design and sale of equipment to recover waste energy at industrial facilities and turn it into electric power. Turbosteam became a subsidiary of RED. Polk's investment firm said in court filings that it learned in April 2013 that RED "violated the operating agreement by authorizing the inappropriate transfer of funds in May 2012 to prop up Turbosteam, which was in the zone of insolvency and facing imminent bankruptcy."

"The overall impact of the Castens' mismanagement is substantial," the lawsuit states. "Under the Castens' reign of error, all of the assets have yielded at least 20 percent less cash flows — and in some cases as much as 80 percent less cash flows — than originally projected and several ... are now inactive and thus effective write offs."

In an October 2015 deposition, when asked if Turbosteam was still operating, Casten said, "We are winding it down."

Polk's lawsuit also alleged that the Castens' role in a California company called Greenleaf Power "terminated under acrimonious circumstances."

Asked about the Castens for this story, Greenleaf's chief financial officer, Rob Pennington, responded with an emailed statement: "We have no comment, other than to state that RED and the Castens remain a supportive investor in Greenleaf Power."

Casten, in a March essay entitled "Check Your Ego: How Running a Company Prepares You for Public Service," said the family spent millions of dollars on legal fees defending itself before opening discussions about selling the company.

"We made money for our investors," Casten wrote. "... We made lemonade out of lemons."

After the sale of the company in 2016, Casten decided to put his experience in energy policy to use by running for office.

Clean energy model

Casten also served as chairman of the United States Combined Heat and Power Association. He graduated from Middlebury College in Vermont and holds master's degrees in biochemical engineering and engineering management from Dartmouth College. Turbosteam's systems helped Middlebury College win an award from the Environmental Protection Agency in 2005. Casten has said that the model for the businesses was to use technologies to lower carbon emissions, reduce energy costs and turn a profit.

The model for Casten's renewable energy business endeavors is sound and a real effort to use technology to turn emissions from power plants into electricity, said James Braun, an engineering professor and director of the Center for High Performance Buildings at Purdue University.

"That's a good concept," Braun said.

Recycled Energy Development's industrial waste energy recovery and cogeneration of combined heat and power processes, Braun said, are scientifically solid.

"If you can use that waste heat for other applications, that makes huge sense," Braun said.

The average efficiency across all power plants in the U.S., Braun said, is about 30 percent, so anything that improves that is welcome. Cogeneration is not a new concept, Braun said, and has been used at many college campuses, including Purdue, for decades. Other forms of turning waste heat into electricity have been harder to implement, he said, because it is difficult to find methods that can do it economically. Those processes require extra hardware and can be costly.

Braun said calling the technology "clean energy" is a bit of a misnomer. "Let's just say 'cleaner,' " he said.

The process tries to improve the efficiencies of energy production, but it still produces emissions and byproduct into the environment. Most electricity generation still uses fossil fuels, Braun said, so there will be some environmental impact. Still, the Castens' business model aims to try to reduce emissions and turn waste into energy.

"It's a good idea," Braun said.

Casten speaks at length about energy and environmental policy at candidate forums and embraces his background as an asset.

"I'm extremely proud of my businesses," Casten said. "I'm happy to talk about them at any time."

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New Illinois School Report Cards shift emphasis to student growth

By Karen Berkowitz
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New ratings will show up on the Illinois School Report Cards set to be released Oct. 31 as the State Board of Education rolls out a new system for reporting school performance.

The state will assign each public school a rating that sums up its performance on multiple indicators. Rather than focus on the percentage of students meeting or exceeding expectations, the rating formula for K-8 schools will now emphasizes students' academic gains in relation to those of other students across the state.

Student growth counts for one-half of a school's rating at the elementary and middle school level.

Rae Clementz, director of assessment and accountability for the State Board of Education, said educators and school leaders have been asking for an accountability system that speaks to the effectiveness of instruction.

"They want a system that measures the impact of a school on student learning no matter where a student starts," Clementz said during a conference call with reporters Oct. 17.

The school report cards will continue to report the percentages of students meeting or exceeding expectations, or who fall into other categories.

"We still have standards that we want all students to meet, so proficiency is still included in the system. But growth, at least at the K-8 level, makes up the biggest slice of the pie," Clementz said. "Growth is important because it does not correlate to income or other types of demographic factors. Every student can and does grow."

For the 2018 report cards, the State Board is using the framework of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), which replaced the No Child Left Behind law when Congress in late 2015 reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. Every Student Succeeds establishes a 15-year timeline for achieving four academic goals.

By 2032, at least 90 percent of third grade students should be reading at or above grade level and 90 percent or more of fifth grade students should meet or exceed expectations in math. At the high school level, 90 percent or more of ninth grade students should be on track to graduate with their cohort, and 90 percent or more of students should graduate from high school ready for college and career.

Similar to No Child Left Behind, the new accountability system tracks the progress of specific groups that make up the school's enrollment, including white, black, Hispanic and Asian students, along with low-income students; English language learners and students with disabilities.

One goal of Every Student Succeeds is that all English learners achieve proficiency in English within five years of their identification as English learners. In addition to monitoring those on their way to English proficiency, the accountability system will track students who've transitioned out of bilingual education as a separate student group.

Under the new Illinois reporting system, each school will land in one of four categories ranging from exemplary to low performing based on a list of weighted measures. To receive an exemplary rating, a school must be in the top 10 percent of schools in the state, which means the top 67 schools. In addition, no student group at the school can perform below the level of the 33 schools that make up the lowest five percent of schools in the state.

A school that's not among the top 10 percent, but has no bottom-performing student groups, will receive a commendable designation.

Schools with one or more low-performing student groups will be deemed underperforming, unless they fall within the lowest-performing category reserved for the lowest five percent of schools.

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For now, one-half of each high school's rating will be based on the school's graduation rate.

Clementz said the addition of the PSAT exam to the high school testing program next spring will allow the state to use student growth as a factor in the future. Ninth grade students will take the PSAT 8/9 exam and 10th grade pupils will take the PSAT 10. The PSAT is aligned with the SAT exam that Illinois gives to high school juniors.

At both the elementary and high school level, proficiency in English Language Arts and math each will count for 10 percent of a school's rating. The progress of English learners will count for another five percent.

Starting in the 2019-20 year, student performance on a state science test will be a factor and count for five percent of a school's rating. Various measures of school quality and student success, including the results of a school climate survey, will collectively account for 25 percent of each school's designation in the future.

Chronic absenteeism will account for 20 of the school's rating at the elementary level this year, as the state focuses a spotlight on students who could become lost in statistics showing an overall high rate of attendance, Clementz said.

Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing 10 percent or more of all school days during the prior academic due to both excused and unexcused absences.

"The new report card contains many new features that are designed to tell a more complete story about each school district and each school in our communities," said Ralph Grimm, chief education officer for the State Board of Education.

He said the report cards provide information about which schools and students need more resources and support to ensure educational success.

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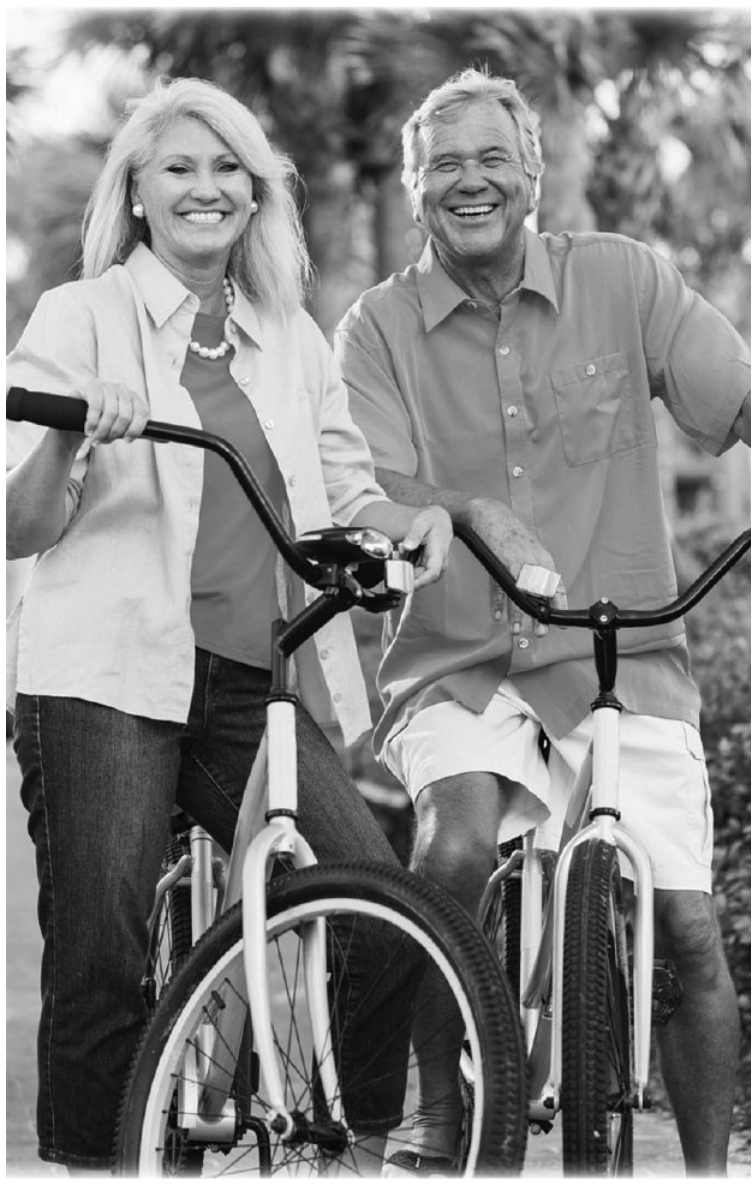
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A small brown bat is held by an officer at the Lake County Animal Control office in Mundelein. Rabid-bat reports in the Chicago area has jumped 37 percent over last year.

Reports of bats with rabies on the rise in Chicago area

By Ted Gregory
Chicago Tribune

Just in time for Halloween, Illinois public health officials have what might be scary news: The number of rabid bats reported in the Chicago area this year jumped by 37 percent from last year.

Before anxiety levels rise too high, it might be important to note that a rabid bat remains a relative rarity, with 63 reported in Chicago and its five surrounding counties so far this year. That's up from the 46 rabid bats reported all of last year in the six-county region.

Statewide, 79 diseased bats have been recorded so far this year, surpassing last year's total of 58, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. The numbers have fluctuated over the years, from a high of 117 in 2010 to a low of 40 in 2014, according to state data.

Nearly all of this year's reports were from Cook and surrounding counties. Cook County has recorded 26 so far this year, followed by 19 in Will County — a sizable jump from four recorded last year — and eight in DuPage County, down from 12 last year, according to the state health department.

"It's pretty much calmed down now," Will County Health Department spokesman Steve Brandy said Thursday. "We had a lot of people find live ones in their houses." One of the more notable rabid bat sightings occurred in June, he said, when a Naperville resident was able to trap the bat in a washing machine.

The increased number of reports probably resulted from more awareness of rabid bats, Brandy said, leading to more reporting and more testing of the animals. Only a very small portion of the bats that are screened test positive for rabies.

An Illinois health department report in July said the yearly number of bats submitted for rabies testing in the U.S. has ranged from 1,300 to 1,700 over the past five years. About 3 percent typically test positive for rabies, the department said, close to the rate for those for bats submitted for testing this year in Illinois.

Elsewhere in the Chicago region, Kane County reported seven rabid bats; McHenry County reported two; and Lake County one. A total of 21 counties in Illinois reported rabid bats.

Since 1995, more than 7,000 animals per year — most of them wild — have been diagnosed nationally with the potentially deadly disease that attacks the central nervous system of animals, including humans.

Besides bats, rabies is most common in skunks, raccoons and foxes, although it's known to infect deer and woodchucks, among other animals.

People usually are exposed to the rabies virus when an infected animal bites them. Exposure also can occur if an animal's saliva enters an open cut or mucous membrane in the nose, mouth or eyes.

If an animal bite occurs, the Illinois Department of Public Health recommends washing the wound thoroughly with soap and water and seeking medical attention immediately. The local health department or the county animal control office also should be notified immediately. The animal should be captured without damaging its head and only if direct contact with the animal can be avoided.

Experts advise against touching wild animals and say all animal bites should be reported to the local animal control office.

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An elevated walkway between the high-rises of CityView Condominiums in Cityfront Center was locked after residents complained about visitors lingering along their private terraces.



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A Cityfront Center riverwalk esplanade on the north bank of the Chicago River dead-ends near the Spire site. The master plan called for the esplanade to continue to Lake Shore Drive.

Incredible transformation?

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and other amenities teeming with smiling, attractive people.

For the 53-acre Lincoln Yards on the North Side, developer Sterling Bay wants to construct 12 million square feet of buildings, including towers as tall as 800 feet. It's sweetening the deal by proposing amenities like an extension of The 606 bike and pedestrian trail east of the Kennedy Expressway.

At The 78, a 62-acre project on the Near South Side that Amazon is considering as an HQ2 site, developer Related Midwest has laid out plans for 13 million square feet, including skyscrapers up to 950 feet tall. Its sweeteners include a 100-foot-wide, half-mile-long riverwalk lined by restaurants and shops.

The planner of both projects, the Chicago office of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, co-designed Cityfront Center's master plan. But if Cityfront Center is any guide, some of the promised amenities will never materialize.

Real estate busts, changes in property ownership and the absence of a firm timetable for improvements all share the blame.

So does a lack of effective oversight by the city's Department of Planning and Development and the City Council's zoning committee, which were charged with monitoring Cityfront Center.

The district's shortcomings open a window onto a broader subject: Whether public space serves the public or real estate developers — developers who promise more parks and plazas in order to win permission to build more profitable square footage.

Millennium Park has taught Chicagoans that great public spaces provide focal points of urban life and lead to millions of dollars of private investment around them. At their best, these parks and plazas act as a social glue, bringing together people of different backgrounds in a metropolitan area separated by the fault lines of race and class.

Bad public spaces do none of that, as revealed by a small piece of Cityfront Center — Ogden Plaza Park, a sloping 1-acre parcel across Columbus Drive from the NBC Tower.

The plaza's pavement is cracked. In its center, the hands of a floor clock sculpture by artist Vito Acconci are gone. Homeless men camp out behind the plaza's concrete walls, leading other people, like Kari Boyer, a claims specialist who works nearby, to remain on the park's edges.

Once, Boyer recalled, she saw human feces in the park, which was pretty unappetizing as she ate lunch.

"So I sit out here a lot of the time," she said, referring to a bench along Columbus.

Three years go, when developers floated plans for a new apartment tower next to the plaza, they dangled a $3.5 million plan to redesign the park.

Yet now that their 47-story high-rise is finished and rent is pouring in, the park remains unkempt and unwelcoming.

"If it's space, not place, it dissipates energy," said Ethan Kent, senior vice president of a New York-based nonprofit, the Project for Public Spaces, who has walked through Cityfront Center.

High aspirations, harsh realities

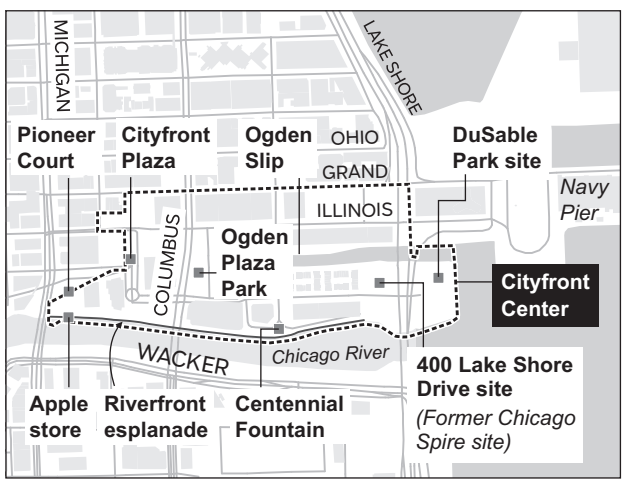
Bounded by Lake Michigan, Michigan Avenue, the Chicago River and Grand Avenue, Cityfront Center is part of the Streeterville neighborhood east of Michigan Avenue. It once was home to warehouses, factories, docks and a canal-like channel of water called a "slip."

The industrial facilities were built by the Chicago Dock and Canal Co., which was established in 1857 by Chicago's first mayor, William B. Ogden, with help from his lawyer, Abraham Lincoln.



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The Chicago Spire site, seen this month, is just a hole in the ground. Plans for the tower failed in the 2008 recession.



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In the early 1980s, having reconstituted itself as a real estate investment trust, Chicago Dock and Canal joined with the real estate arm of the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States to redevelop its land into what became Cityfront Center.

Chicago, a city of big plans, had never seen anything quite like it.

The project's cost was pegged at $3 billion, equivalent to more than $6 billion today. Some 13.5 million square feet of office space was planned — enough to fill 3½ Willis Towers. There would be hotels, apartments and shops. And the design aspirations were high.

Reacting against sterile modernist complexes like Illinois Center, an island of steel and glass built in the 1970s, Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and New York's Cooper, Eckstut Associates drew up a master plan based on the traditional town-planning principles of the design movement called the New Urbanism.

The plan, whose aims were included in the 1985 ordinance that changed Cityfront Center's zoning, proposed extending Chicago's street grid through Cityfront Center. It called for masonry-clad buildings with setbacks and distinctive bottoms, middles and tops.

It demanded public spaces that would be ample in size, not mere pocket parks.

"It's the spaces that endure over time in cities and that create the identity, the addresses and the value," Alexander Cooper of Cooper, Eckstut said at the time. "The buildings will come and go." (Cooper declined to be interviewed for this story.)

The goal was a "progression of spaces which are intended to unify the entire mixed-use project," according to a 1987 document signed by then-planning commissioner Elizabeth Hollander and Chicago Dock's president, Charles R. Gardner.

Thirty-one years later, no one disputes that Cityfront Center is a real estate success, even though it includes Chicago's most infamous hole in the ground — the foundation for the unbuilt Chicago Spire, the twisting, 2,000-foot condominium tower that went bust in 2008.

The area, which turned out to be a better site for apartments than offices, is home to thousands of residents and generates tens of millions of dollars in annual property tax revenue.

Its developers spent millions on street, park, plaza and utility upgrades. They even kept a "view corridor" that preserves a vista of the Tribune Tower as you look west over the aforementioned slip, which is named for former Mayor Ogden.

"We're proud of converting a former industrial park into a connected commercial and residential section of the city," Gardner said in a recent interview at his Cityfront Center apartment, which overlooks the Ogden Slip.

But the saga of a now-closed promenade at Gardner's residence — CityView Condominiums, a pair of 12-story high-rises at 440 and 480 N. McClurg Court — paints a more complex picture, one that hints at how private agendas have trumped public space at Cityfront Center.

When the buildings opened in 1991, there was an elevated public walkway between them, reachable by stairs from the street. The idea was noble: An above-ground path that would extend west to Ogden Plaza Park.

Yet residents complained about visitors hanging out along their private terraces, Gardner said. So the gates to the privately owned promenade were locked.

Instead of demanding a reinstatement of public access, city officials in 2012 granted the CityView Condominium Association's request to eliminate it.

The gates remain locked today.

Problem promenades

The gating of that promenade is but one example of Cityfront Center's fragmented public spaces. The most prominent of them, a riverfront esplanade, gracefully lines the Chicago River's north bank east of Michigan Avenue before it comes to an abrupt end.

Chiefly designed by Chicago's Lohan Associates, which was hired to oversee implementation of Cityfront Center's master plan within the trust's portion of the complex, the esplanade is a handsome spot for strolling, lined by mature trees, obelisk-shaped light standards and plantings.

But it doesn't continue all the way to Lake Shore Drive, as the master plan called for. Nor does it continue east to DuSable Park — the public space, east of the drive, that would honor Chicago's first permanent nonindigenous settler, Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable.

There is no DuSable Park.

Instead, the esplanade runs smack into a shabby wood fence that lines the Chicago Spire's weed-strewn site.

"It'll be nice when it opens up," said Streeterville

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resident Betsy Peterson while she was walking her dog.

"For tourists, it's terrible. We're stopped every day by tourists who don't know how to get to Navy Pier. They're lost and frustrated."

Related Midwest, the developer that now controls the 2.2-acre Spire site, has proposed finishing the esplanade and has promised $10 million for building DuSable Park as part of its plan for a two-tower residential and hotel complex on the property.

The developers also suggest an eastward extension of another Cityfront Center promenade, this one on the south side of Ogden Slip, to DuSable Park.

But who knows if all that will happen?

The promenade along the slip could be vulnerable to NIMBY pressure, given the presence of adjoining town houses.

As the story of the gated plaza at CityView Condominiums suggests, not everybody wants strangers streaming past their front door.

Dull plazas and weak connections

Promenades are about moving; plazas are where you stop and take in the city. They are its living rooms. But Cityfront Center's plazas don't issue much of a welcome.

The problems begin at what's supposed to be the western gateway to the district — Pioneer Court, a large but underachieving expanse of pavement at 401 N. Michigan Ave., next to the new Apple store.

On the plaza's north side are rows of trellislike pavilions, trees and shrubbery. While those features provide much-needed places to sit, they block the view into the heart of Cityfront Center and partly obstruct the path to it. They even end in a cul-de-sac of fountains that forces pedestrians to retrace their steps.

Getting from one of Cityfront Center's plazas to the other, it turns out, is no walk in the park.

The portion of the project west of Columbus Drive is built on bilevel streets in sync with the double-decked stretch of Michigan Avenue; the eastern zone is at ground level. Utilitarian outdoor staircases do their best to draw together these disparate realms. But they're no Spanish Steps.

To the east of Pioneer Court is Cityfront Plaza, which adorns an elevated roadway that links North Michigan and Columbus.

A long rectangular space with sunken seating areas, it's hardly the bustling hub of activity envisioned by Chicago architect Adrian Smith, who helped craft the Cityfront Center master plan while at Skidmore, Owings & Merrill.

As he designed the handsome NBC Tower, one of Cityfront Center's few distinguished buildings, Smith envisioned the plaza as a front door for the buildings around it. They, in turn, would enclose the plaza and energize it when their inhabitants spilled out onto the streets.

Yet the plaza is still surrounded by surface parking lots, including two that flank the NBC Tower.

Metropolis Investment Holdings, which bought the properties in the 1990s, said in an email that it is "reviewing various options to build two beautiful buildings." But it declined to provide renderings or a timetable.

For now, then, Cityfront Plaza continues to feel like a nice little park that sits incongruously atop a road.

Things are worse at Ogden Plaza Park, which is named for the former mayor and administered by the Chicago Park District. Modeled on an English garden, the plaza is a case study in good intentions gone wrong.

Take the concrete walls on the plaza's flanks, which shield it from the noisy traffic on Columbus. Unfortunately, the walls also provide a screen for the homeless men who sleep in the plaza. Put off by their presence, people walking their dogs typically stick to the plaza's fringes.

As the cracked pavement shows, the Park District is letting the plaza fall apart. And a previously announced effort to remake the public space, which would add stepped terraces and a dog-friendly area, doesn't seem to be going anywhere.

Hopes for such a remake rose in 2015 when Chicago developer Jupiter Realty floated its plan for the 465 North Park apartment tower.

Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, whose downtown ward includes Cityfront Center, said he would seek such a "public benefit" in determining whether to approve the developer's plan.

Yet now that the hypercurvy high-rise is open, no remade plaza accompanies it.

The public's been stiffed again.

Reilly did not return calls asking him to explain the situation.

Subpar streets and buildings

Seen from afar, Cityfront Center projects a sense of order. Its buildings along the Chicago River form a nearly continuous wall, much like the range of high-rises along North Lake Shore Drive. Lower buildings step down to the Ogden Slip.

But something's wrong when you walk the streets. They, too, are a kind of public space, but they do a poor job of accommodating the public.

Many are lined with blank-walled parking garages. Most lack interesting storefronts. They don't form the sort of coherent cityscapes — rows of carefully articulated buildings of brick and stone — that Cityfront Center's planners foresaw.

Why? For starters, developers and city officials failed to anticipate the impact of the 1995 reopening of Navy Pier, which turned the once-crumbling municipal dock into a popular entertainment hub that drew hordes of pedestrians.

The pier "was derelict at the time. There were those that thought it would wash into the lake," Gardner said.

Instead, Cityfront Center's big east-west streets, Illinois Street and Grand Avenue, were conceived as wide arterial roads that would move traffic to and from Lake Shore Drive and nearby expressways.

No matter how much you dress them up with trees and sidewalk plantings, they're so wide and busy with car traffic that they feel like drag strips.

Another reason for the bad pedestrian vibe: Because Cityfront Center has no alleys, some of its streets, most notably New Street, must take on that utilitarian role, with entrances to loading docks and parking garages. They aren't alleys, but they're alleylike.

Ultimately, though, the blandness of Cityfront Center's streets can be attributed to the city's unwillingness to enforce its own design standards:

- One states that "the maximum effort shall be made to contain parking in below-ground structures." The developers of 474 N. Lake Shore Drive, a blunt 61-story residential tower whose 15-story parking garage is covered with ugly louvers, apparently didn't get the memo.
- Another says that the first floor of all structures facing major roads like Illinois and Grand "shall maximize space with active uses such as retail, daycare, restaurants, et cetera." Anyone who has walked past the hulking River East Center at 350 E. Illinois knows that mandating human scale is easier said than done.
- Still another requirement, based on the idea that masonry walls are better at framing walkable streets than sleek glass ones, says "reflective glass shall not be allowed." Yet many of Cityfront Center's recent high-rises, like 500 Lake Shore Drive, have walls of, you guessed it, reflective glass.

Not all glass buildings are street-deadening, of course. But if you're going to have mandates, you need to stick to them. Or you need better mandates.

In retrospect, it was a mistake for Cityfront Center's planners to prescribe the use of certain types of materials and compositions. Styles and technologies invariably change over multidecade projects. So do owners and their tastes. It would be wiser to rethink the fundamentals of good urban design than mandating superficial features.

Real change?

All this is not to say that Cityfront Center is beyond repair — or that its shortcomings portend failures at The 78, Lincoln Yards or the proposed redevelopment of the 25.6-acre Tribune Media site at 777 W. Chicago Ave. that the Chicago Plan Commission approved Thursday.

The current development boom has put city officials in a stronger position to regulate public space — and deliver better results — than they occupied 30 years ago, said David Reifman, commissioner of the city's Department of Planning and Development.

He pointed to the success of Lakeshore East, a 28-acre cluster of mostly residential high-rises across Randolph Street from Millennium Park. Skidmore, Owings & Merrill planned the development.

Early in the project's life, in 2004, the project's developers built a 6-acre park with curving pathways, fountains and swaths of grass. Today, the park teems with activity. Reifman said it exemplifies the city's embrace of "placeled development," which views public space as a driver of commercial districts rather than a tacked-on amenity.

The commissioner also cited the rezoning ordinance for the Tribune Media site, which requires "un-gated and unobstructed public access" to proposed riverfront open space. It also mandates that successive chunks of the riverfront be completed before the city allows the first building in each phase of the multiphase project to be occupied.

"Today, we look at the idea of open spaces more carefully," he said. "The thinking has evolved."

But Lakeshore East and the Tribune Media site are models of limited relevance for The 78 and Lincoln Yards. They're only about half the size of the megaprojects, and Lakeshore East's park is more of a hidden gem than a highly visible amenity.

While it's all to the good that city officials insist they're now taking a harder line on maintaining access to public space than they've done at Cityfront Center, little of a fundamental nature has changed since the district was planned more than 30 years ago.

The cash-poor city still relies on private developers to build and finance public space in exchange for zoning bonuses. It still links the required completion of public spaces to the completion of new construction.

As long as it continues to do so, delivery of the promised amenities will remain vulnerable to disruption from recessions and changes in property ownership.

Even when new high-rises that are supposed to produce better public spaces are finished, as the saga of Cityfront Center's Ogden Plaza Park reveals, city officials can't always be counted on to make good on their promises to produce a "public benefit."

Their assurances about the quality of future public space would be more credible if they had detailed plans for fixing existing parks and plazas.

Buzzwords like "placeled" development mean little without the sharpening of outdated standards for human-scaled streets and vibrant public spaces.

All the dazzling renderings in the world are no guarantee that you'll be strolling along beautiful riverwalks.

There's a dramatic difference, Cityfront Center shows, between real estate success and building a great city.

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In Ogden Park Plaza, the hands of a floor clock sculpture by artist Vito Acconci are gone and the pavement is cracked.



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A man sleeps in Ogden Plaza Park. Developers of a nearby tower dangled plans to redesign it but didn't follow through.



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Cityfront Plaza was envisioned as a front door for the buildings around it. Yet it is still surrounded by surface parking lots.

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An unexpected journey with polio-like condition

AFM, *from Page 1*

Two years after her son's diagnosis, questions linger for the northwest Indiana mom, who worries anew each time the toddler complains of an ache or has the sniffles: Could this be another complication related to AFM?

"It's like living in paranoia because there's just no answer to anything," Kulakowski said.

Nationwide, the rare condition has gotten more attention after federal health officials reported an increase in cases in recent weeks. They include at least 10 diagnosed in Illinois and at least seven in Minnesota, leaving parents like Kulakowski perplexed: How could such a complicated medical journey begin with their little one's runny nose?

Now 3 years old, Chase races his toy dump trucks through the family's Dyer, Ind., home, a stark difference from when the paralysis of his right arm caused him to lose his balance. His parents remember the agony of watching him fall as he tried to walk. But a nerve transfer — which restored movement to his shoulder and elbow — and continued physical therapy enabled him to use his right arm again, and he continues to build up its strength. In therapy he's using a bat and knocking things down to strengthen his arm.

"I'm not sure he's ever going to fully recover from it," Kulakowski said. "I don't see it as a realistic outcome. I think he's always going to know he's different."

Paralyzed after nap

Chase's medical journey started with a runny nose in October 2016 that doctors initially thought was a respiratory infection. Then seemingly over a two-hour nap, Chase's right arm became paralyzed. He had been under the watch of a baby sitter, but the caretaker only noticed that the boy was tired that day.

David Kulakowski, Chase's father, knew something was seriously wrong that night while getting his son ready for a bath. He took off the boy's shirt and saw his small arm "just flop." The father picked up the arm, let it go and watched the limb fall down. That prompted the couple to take the boy to a nearby urgent care center, where they were told it appeared the boy had AFM. Skeptical of the quick diagnosis, the couple took Chase to two hospitals for additional opinions. He spent three days at Lurie Children's Hospital in Chicago, where he underwent an MRI. He was diagnosed and discharged with a list of options for physical therapy.

What Chase was diagnosed with is so rare that the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that it affects less than 1 in a million people. Since 2014 there have been 386 confirmed cases of AFM. While the condition itself isn't believed to be contagious, the viruses that may lead to AFM are. On its website, the CDC explains that nonpolio enteroviruses — which normally don't make people sick, and if they do, it's often the common cold — can lead to AFM.

Jessica Kulakowski found support in an online community of parents seeking answers about the condition. Chase had been around other children who probably got the same virus. Yet he was the only one who developed AFM. "Why it continued to his spinal cord? They don't know," she said. "That's the one thing they can't answer, and here we are two years later and still nobody can answer it."

Because one exact cause is not known, health officials have looked into possible clues in everything from viruses to environmental toxins to genetic disorders. Some AFM cases have been connected to a severe respiratory illness caused by enterovirus D68, but Chase tested negative for it, his mother said.

AFM happens when a virus travels to a person's spinal cord, affecting the specific area that correlates with the person's muscles. Chase didn't show the most severe symptoms other children have shown, such as being unable to swallow or breathe. Some children start to show signs of weakness after a prolonged cold. Other warning signs include eyelid or facial dropping and difficulty moving the eyes.

Chase's 'batteries'

There is no cure for AFM, but doctors can provide supportive care to patients including physical and occupational therapy. Then the parents started to hear about nerve transfers to restore movement in the paralyzed limbs. A private Facebook group of parents dealing with AFM led the family last December to Shriners Hospitals for Children-Philadelphia for a nerve transfer.

Doctors moved nerves from Chase's rib area — which were considered redundant because they perform the same function as other nerves — to his shoulder and elbow where the nerves weren't working. The process is really reconnecting a person's brain to the muscles, said Dr. Dan Zlotolow, an orthopedic hand surgeon who operated on Chase. The results are more promising the younger the patient is and the sooner it happens after the initial injury, Zlotolow said.

In Philadelphia, doctors have done nerve transfers in 16 children with AFM who had paralysis in their hand, arm or shoulder, Zlotolow said. Other doctors across the country have focused on doing the procedures on AFM patients with paralysis in the legs.



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David and Jessica Kulakowski watch son Chase, 3, play in Dyer, Ind. A nerve transfer and physical therapy helped him use his right arm again; he continues to build up its strength.

The rare condition has gotten more attention since federal health officials reported an increase in cases. They include at least 10 diagnosed in Illinois.

In the 16 cases, the children have regained movement, but building up the strength of the muscles will take time, Zlotolow said.

The nerve transfer was an hourslong procedure that was explained to Chase by telling him doctors were going to try to make his arm work again, Jessica Kulakowski said. "And he said, 'Oh, he's going to put batteries in there,'" she remembers him saying. She commemorated the date of the surgery by getting a tattoo of batteries on her back.

Uptick in cases

The family made the drive back to Indiana from Philadelphia with Chase and a Spider-Man toy in identical bright-red casts. As his parents took care of Chase, the toddler took care of Spider-Man, making sure they took their medicine together. Three months after surgery, Chase was able to lift his arm and move his elbow with support from his father. Since then he's continued therapy. He's working on picking things up, and he tends to default to his left arm now to do things like toss a ball.

When Chase was first diagnosed, it was part of a wave of cases that were reported nationally from August to October 2016. The CDC is again seeing a rise in cases similar to increases in 2016 and 2014, but officials don't know why more people are getting AFM every other year. The spikes tend to occur from August to October.

Dr. Nancy Messonnier, of the CDC, said in a recent conference call that there have been 62 confirmed cases — the majority involve minors — this year in 22 states. There are an additional 127 suspected cases of AFM that officials are further investigating. The CDC began tracking the cases in 2014 when it started to see a bubble of cases.

Messonnier said the condition is rare, and doctors have been relying on an assessment of symptoms and MRI results to make an AFM diagnosis. The CDC investigates outbreaks of illnesses across the country by gathering information from state health officials, doing laboratory testing and by consulting medical experts, Messonnier said. Health officials still can't pinpoint whether anyone in particular is more at risk or even why that person would be more likely to get it.

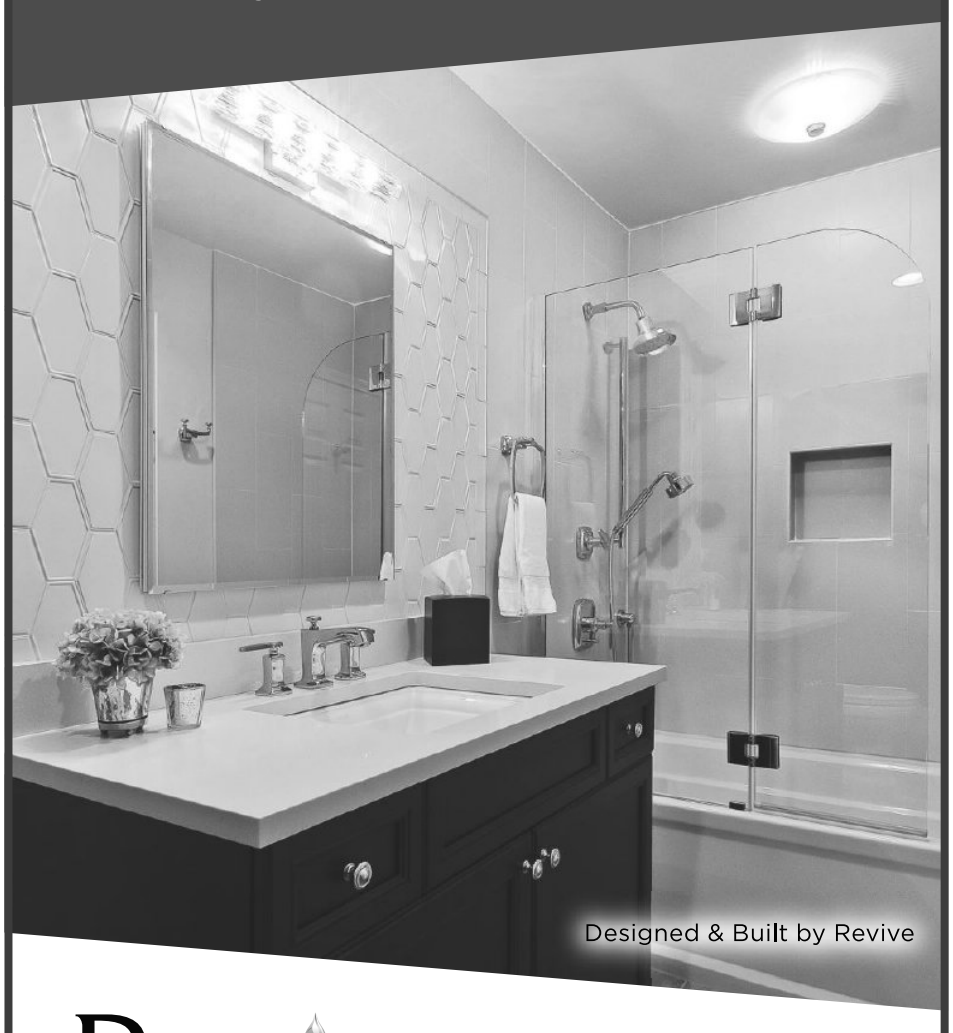
"There is a lot we don't know about AFM, and I'm frustrated that despite all our efforts we haven't been able to identify the cause of this mystery illness," Messonnier said. Though the condition has been compared to polio, the CDC reports that polio is not the cause of AFM, she said.

Jessica Kulakowski said she and other parents have been using the increase in cases to get the word out about the need for more research and resources. Her son was featured in a recently created Instagram account about children with AFM. Among the hashtags used under photos of Chase was #WENEED RESEARCH.

The increase also means parents are now coming to Kulakowski with questions. She still doesn't have many answers. "What are we supposed to do for our kids if nobody has any idea?"

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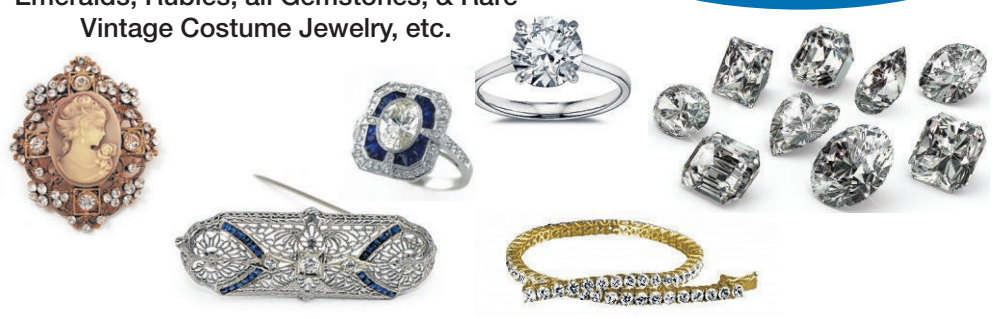
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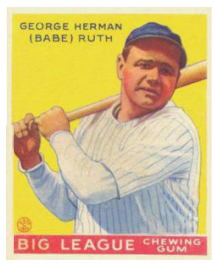
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You can absolutely trust that Republican lawmakers DO NOT want to let insurers deny health coverage on the basis of pre-existing conditions! (Please look over here at this shiny bauble. Gaze at it for hours.)

Republicans have taken no steps to remove the pre-existing condition protections that became law under the Affordable Care Act. (Please do not look at the lawsuit filed by 20 Republican state attorneys general and the governors of Maine and Mississippi. DO NOT look at that lawsuit, which seeks to do away with the Affordable Care Act's pre-existing condition protections. (LOOK AT THE SHINY BAUBLE! DO IT NOW!)

There is nothing that Republicans care about more than making sure all Americans have access to health care and aren't discriminated against by insurers on the basis of pre-existing health conditions. (This is false. Please ignore it. LOOK! THERE'S ANOTHER SHINY BAUBLE! THAT MAKES TWO!)

You should trust the Republicans. (Please keep staring at the shiny objects.)

No less than President Donald Trump has promised that pre-existing condition protections — which are the most popular part of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare — are sacrosanct. (He doesn't know what that words means. Keep your gaze fixed on the bauble. It's sparkling now.)

On Thursday, Trump tweeted: "All Republicans support people with pre-existing conditions, and if they don't, they will after I speak to them. I am in total support." (Please do not look at the letter Attorney General Jeff Sessions sent to House Speaker Paul Ryan announcing that the Justice Department would not defend Obamacare's protections for people with pre-existing conditions. LOOK AWAY! THERE ARE BAUBLES TO SEE! THEY ARE SO SHINY!)

Trump is "in total support" of people with pre-existing conditions. (WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU? Why are you looking at the part of Sessions' letter to Ryan that says the decision not to defend Obamacare's pre-existing condition protections was made "with the approval of the President of the United States?" Stop looking at that. Look over here; now there's a puppy playing with the shiny baubles. LOOK AT THAT ADORABLE PUPPY!)

Everything's going to be fine as long as you put your trust in Republicans. (You won't believe what that cute puppy is doing now! LOOK AT HIM!)

Even if pre-existing condition protections are eliminated (and they DEFINITELY WON'T BE. Look at the puppy, please), Trump and his party have an excellent alternative health care plan that would never take Americans back to the days when outrageously high premiums made people with certain health conditions uninsurable. (YOU ARE NOT GOING TO BELIEVE THIS! That puppy now has both baubles in his mouth, AND he's chasing his tail. You have got to watch this instead of looking for that GOP health care plan that doesn't exist.)

Don't think for a moment that the president of the United States and all of these Republicans are lying to you in advance of the midterm elections. (WHO'S A GOOD DOG?! Oh now he's batting the baubles with his paws!)

It's not like they have flatly stated that they will try again to repeal Obamacare and all its various consumer protections next year. (Don't try to Google Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's recent interview with Reuters in which he said of Obamacare: "If we had the votes to completely start over, we'd do it." Why would you want to look at something like that when you can watch this adorable ... oh, no. It appears a caravan of Central American migrants fleeing violence are coming this way!)

Besides, if you don't use Obamacare, you've got nothing to worry about anyway, right? (You would be wasting your time if you looked up the fact that the Affordable Care Act prevents all insurance plans, including employer-provided plans, from denying or charging more for coverage of people with pre-existing conditions. What you should really be paying attention to right now is that caravan of migrants, because they're probably going to attack that sweet puppy, who has been playing with the shiny baubles.)

Everything is going to be fine. (It's not. Millions of people could lose insurance or see their costs go through the roof. THAT CARAVAN OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN FLEEING VIOLENCE AND HOPING FOR A BETTER LIFE IS ATTACKING THE PUPPY! DEAR GOD, WILL YOU LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING? WHERE ARE YOUR PRIORITIES?!)

Don't worry.

(Worry. Oh, and look. The migrants just stopped to pet the puppy. They actually seem quite nice. Now please get back to staring at the puppy and the shiny baubles. Just focus on that until after Nov. 6 and everything will be A-OK.)

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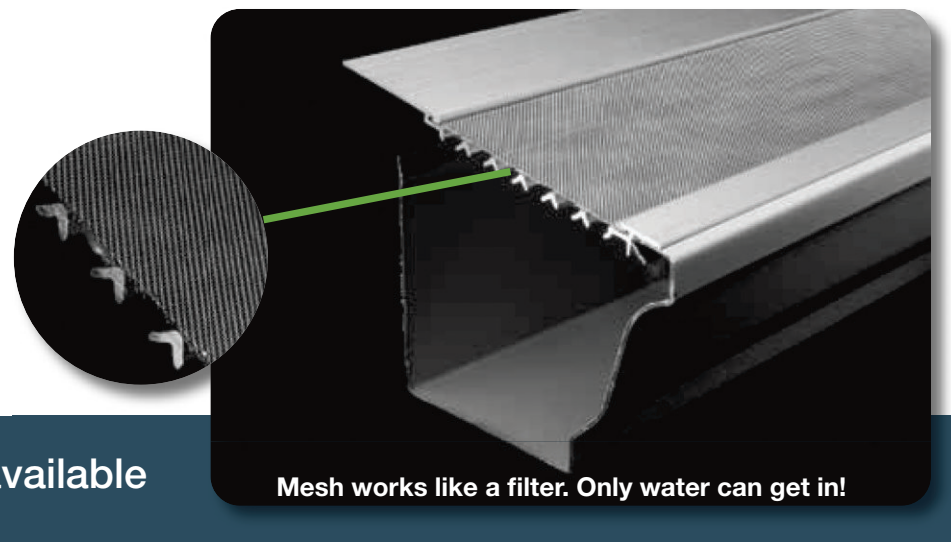
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In seeking his second term, Kelley said he brings 30 consecutive years of experience with the sheriff's department, during which time he worked in nearly every division. Reilly said he has more college education and expects to earn his Ph.D. in global leadership/criminal justice. Both have received awards for their police work.

Kelley, 51, of Lockport, has been with the sheriff's department since 1988, serving as a deputy in the Adult Detention Facility, an investigator with the Will County state's attorney's office, patrol sergeant and as a sergeant in the criminal investigations division.

He was elected sheriff in 2014 as a Democrat, and also has served in other elected offices, including Lockport city alderman, Lockport Township collector and township trustee. He was named the sheriff of the year in 2017 by the Illinois Crime Commission, he said. During his tenure, Kelley also received departmental awards for meritorious service and distinguished service.

"My accomplishments, training, and experience are superior to that of my opponent. I have 17 more years of police experience than my opponent and 25 more years at the Will County sheriff's office," Kelley said.

Reilly, a 53-year-old Republican, who has been a deputy with the sheriff's department since 2013, and previously served as a Joliet Police officer from 1989 to 1997. During that time, the Wilmington man's assignments included working for an organized crime/drug enforcement unit, and working with local and federal agencies to solve murders, armed robberies, murder for hires and other high-profile cases, including political corruption, Reilly said.

He was named deputy of the year in 2016, and was Joliet police officer of the year in 1991 and 1993, he said.

He left to work at his family's construction company for 16 years and returned to college.

"As an officer for 15 years, I committed to my career by going back to school to earn a PhD in criminal justice," said Reilly, whose dissertation on community policing is research that he will use in the sheriff's office.

"Will County residents deserve real leadership, and as sheriff, I will bring my experience to fix the issues plaguing our county and make our communities safer," Reilly said.

Kelley said he is running on his record of accomplishments.

The opioid epidemic is the biggest issue facing the county, he said.

During his tenure, he, implemented a county substance abuse prevention coalition, and recently received a $1.25 million federal grant to increase collaboration within the communities to prevent and reduce youth substance abuse.

All personnel have been trained in the use of Narcan, an opioid antidote, to save the lives of overdose victims.

Kelley said he also developed the "Hidden in Plain Sight Trailer" for mobile drug training and parental education on drug usage warning signs, added five new drug detection canines and started a drug enforcement interdiction team.

School violence is another issue for Kelley. He said implemented an "active shooter" training program for the entire department. He also partnered with Homer School District 33C to receive a $500,000 grant to improve school security and safety.

Kelley said he also plans to address the increasing number of family crisis intervention calls by hiring another social worker to help families and provide resources and counseling to those affected.

On the fiscal side, he said he saved hundreds of thousands of dollars by bringing foreclosures in house and not paying fees to a private law firm, and modernized patrol scheduling to increase coverage without increasing costs.

"I will continue to look for ways to save the taxpayers money" by applying for grants and reviewing operational procedures, he said.

Kelley said he also implemented programs to increase transparency and integrity of department members, and consolidated 50,000 pieces of evidence into one location, in the designing of the new Public Safety Complex.

Reilly said his top issues are addressing the unsolved murders, the opioid crisis and the increase in crime due to the drug problems.

"I have seen our current administration sit by and do nothing to fix these issues," Reilly said.

To address unsolved homicides, such as Semaj Crosby, Reilly said he will bring in new leadership and working closely with federal agencies to bring a "fresh set of eyes" to these cases.

Reilly said he has written a "comprehensive heroin strategic plan," which includes reorganizing and expanding the current narcotics unit and creating a new plainclothes tactical unit to address the "rising criminal behaviors plaguing out communities."

This tactical unit will be taken off patrol and assigned to areas where crime, such as burglary to motor vehicles and retail theft, pops up, and work midnights when these crimes occur so they can respond rapidly, Reilly said.

He plans to implement community policing strategies that are in his doctoral dissertation.

Deputies will take "accountability" for the areas they are assigned to work in, identify "hotspots," work with owners to make improvements to the area, such as improving the lighting or removing abandoned vehicles, he said.

"If we give deputies more responsibility, there will be a dramatic decrease in calls and it frees them up to do more important calls," Reilly said.

Deputies also will be specially trained to assist in educational programs and calls for service in ways to better offer social support programs to those persons and families in need, he said.

Reilly said these changes will come "at no additional cost."

"We have the manpower for these units," he said, adding that he will reorganize the department use personnel more effectively.

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Drivers beware: Mating season means more deer on roadways

By Tony Briscoe
Chicago Tribune

As deer-mating season gets into full swing, Illinois motorists should be prepared to see more Bambis in the roadway, according to transportation officials.

Vehicle crashes involving deer are most common during breeding season, which begins in autumn and lasts through the winter months. In Illinois these collisions begin to ramp up when deer are most active in October and peak in November, according to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

In 2016, nearly 15,000 crashes in Illinois involved deer. Many of those collisions occurred on rural roadways during early morning or evening hours.

Illinois has created a map plotting the prevalence of deer-related accidents from 2005 through 2014. In Chicago, stretches of the Kennedy Expressway appear to have the highest deer activity among the major highways.

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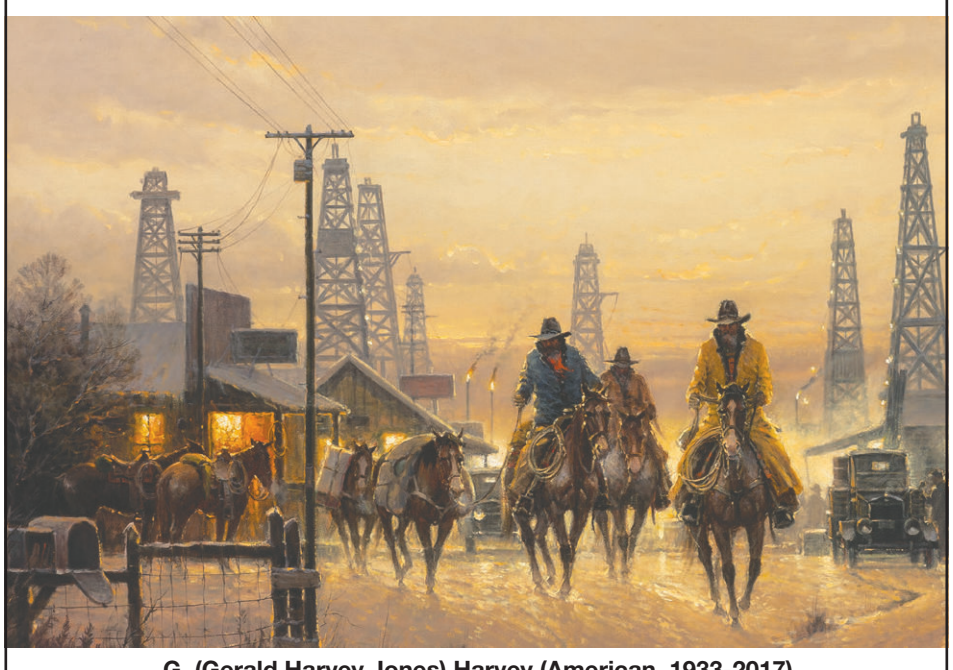
During mating season, drivers are encouraged to keep a safe distance between other vehicles and be prepared to stop. Motorists are advised to slow to a stop and wait for deer to move along rather than swerve into traffic or off the road to go around them.


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To coax deer to move from the roadway, state officials recommend that drivers flash their headlights or honk their horns.

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From the day he was born, Lincoln Maxberry could melt anyone's heart with his exuberance, twinkling eyes and dimpled laughter.

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Soon, they received a frightening call: Lincoln's white blood cell count was incredibly high, most likely due to leukemia. The couple brought him to UChicago Medicine's Comer Children's Hospital where the diagnosis was confirmed. Their son, a year old at the time, had acute lymphoblastic leukemia (ALL), the most common type of childhood cancer.

Pediatric oncologist Jennifer McNeer, MD, reassured the family. The standard treatment for young boys with ALL is three years of chemotherapy. McNeer was optimistic Lincoln would be cured.

Still, watching their son go through cancer treatment has been "excruciating at times" for the family. "I can't imagine what Lincoln must feel every day with chemotherapy," his mom said.

But true to form, Lincoln has remained upbeat throughout treatment. His attitude and energy have even lifted the spirits of his Comer Children's care team.

"Lincoln flirts with everybody," McNeer said with a smile. "Needing to keep him in his room for chemotherapy has been a challenge because he wants to be on the move."

Lincoln's diagnosis has brought the Maxberry family closer, with his two older siblings, Miah and Gage, stepping up to help with his care and household chores.

Now almost 2, Lincoln is in remission — with no evidence of leukemia. Between his family and his care team, he has the support needed to overcome cancer. "And with his spirit," McNeer added, "he's up for the challenge."







Lincoln with mom and siblings Gage and Miah



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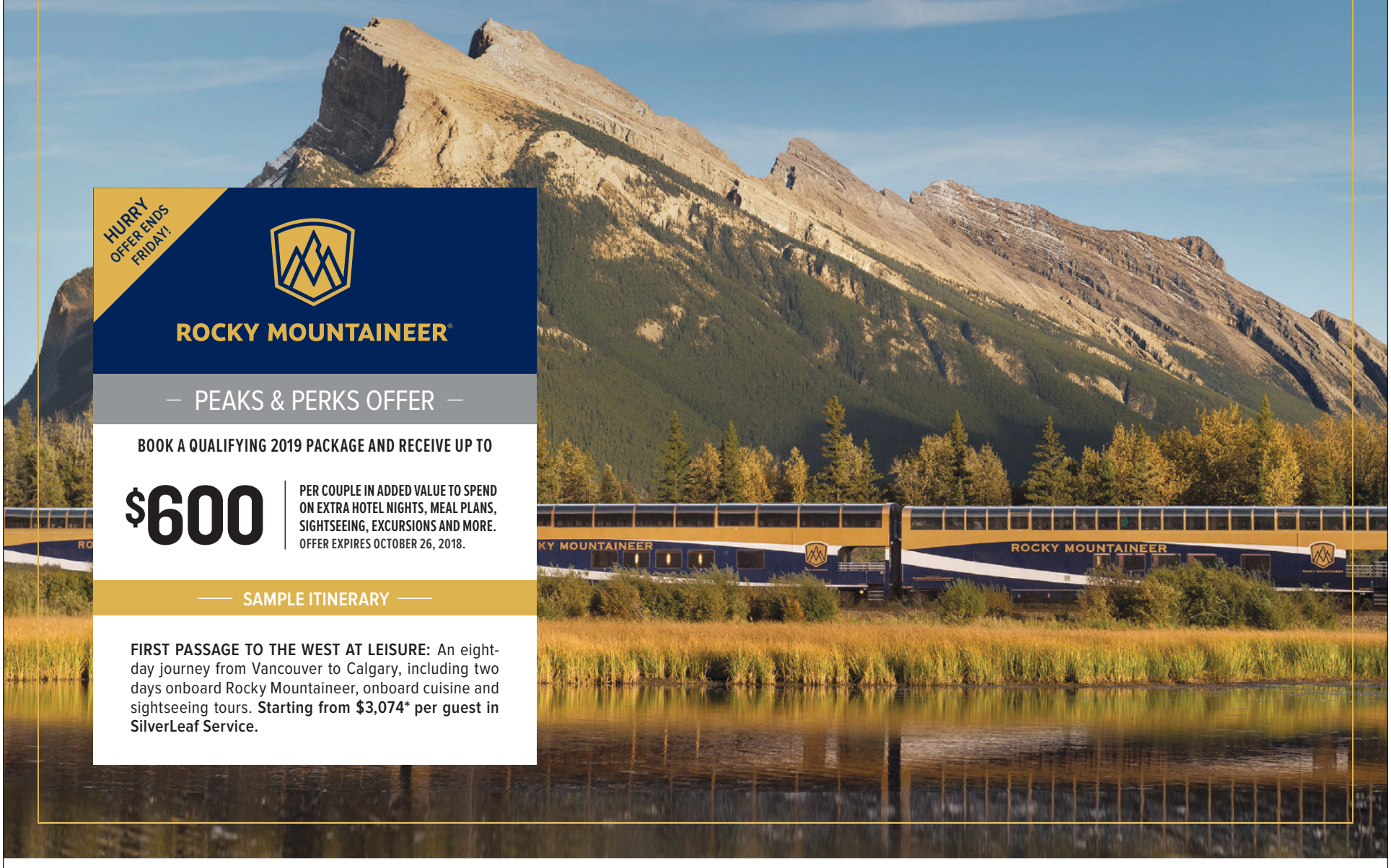
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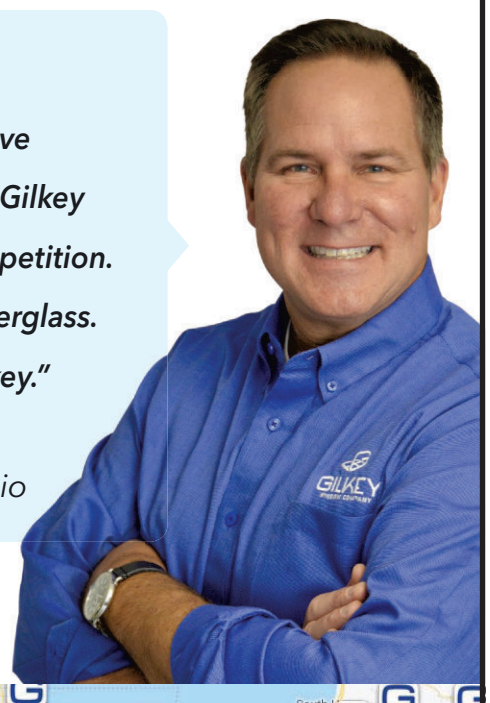
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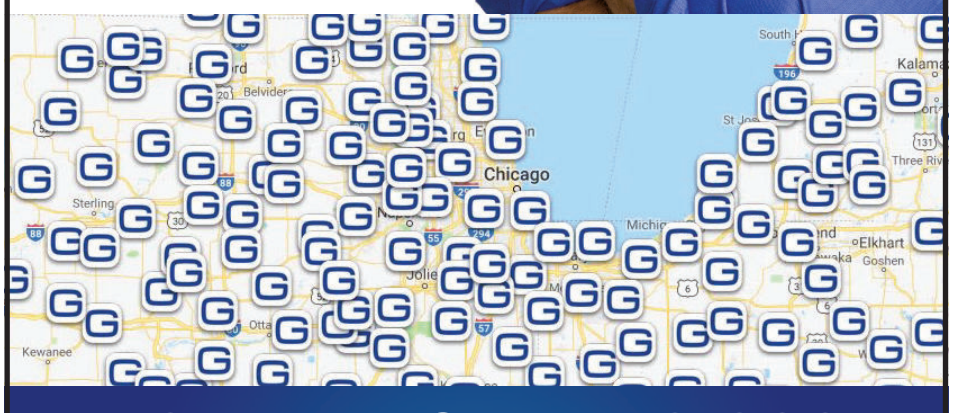
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A telling issue: Plans for state income tax

Tax plans, *from Page 1*

Across the country, of the 41 states that impose a state income tax, all but nine have a graduated-rate system.

Under a flat-rate income tax system, everyone pays the same rate regardless of how much money they make. Taxpayers in a graduated-rate structure pay a different percentage based on their incomes and, typically, people who make more pay higher rates.

Pritzker's support for a graduated income tax to replace the state's current 4.95 percent flat rate has created a conundrum for his campaign. While calling it a "fair tax," he has repeatedly declined to offer any specifics on tax rates and income levels.

Instead, Pritzker repeatedly has said the tax rates would be negotiated with legislators after a thorough examination of the state budget. But the lack of detail has created an opening that Rauner has quickly filled, warning that all taxpayers would face an increase, though the Democrat says that's not his intent.

Rauner recently launched a digital ad showing Pritzker in different settings explaining how the rates will have to be "negotiated with the legislature," each followed by an ominous "dun, dun, duun" sound effect while a photo of the governor's chief political nemesis, Democratic House Speaker Michael Madigan, is displayed.

"Mr. Pritzker won't answer this question because he knows the middle class is gonna get crushed," Rauner said during the last debate of the two main candidates in Quincy earlier this month.

Pritzker said the issue of tax rates takes away from the fundamental issue of modernizing the state's tax system, in part by asking "people like Gov. Rauner and me and the wealthiest people in this state to pay more."

"The point of it is that we want to lower property taxes across the state, pay for our schools differently because that's causing a lot of the property tax increases that people are feeling," Pritzker said at the debate.

"And we want to lower taxes on the middle class and those striving to get there because people who are living paycheck to paycheck, they're the first ones who are going to be able to spend that money on something that's good for them and good for the economy of the state of Illinois," he said.

Pritzker has sought to defend his vagueness on tax rates by noting that voters ultimately would have to approve a constitutional amendment to allow a graduated income tax to replace the currently required flat-rate tax. That means no changes could occur directly until at least 2020, the earliest that it could appear on the ballot.

In the meantime, Pritzker also has talked about a de facto graduated tax created by raising the state's current flat rate, but adding more deductions for lower and middle-income wage earners.

At the final debate, Pritzker did offer a tidbit of specifics when he said a teacher making about $51,500 per year should get an income tax cut. But afterward he declined to say whether a plumber making $60,000 per year would see a tax cut.

The left-leaning Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy, in its most recent review of state taxation, ranked Illinois as having the eighth-most-inequitable tax system in the nation for lower- and middle-income wage earners, in part because of the effects of its flat-rate tax and its reliance on sales and property taxes.

The group said taxpayers in the lowest 20 percent of incomes pay on average 14.4 percent of their income in state and local taxes while the top 1 percent pays an average rate of 7.4 percent.

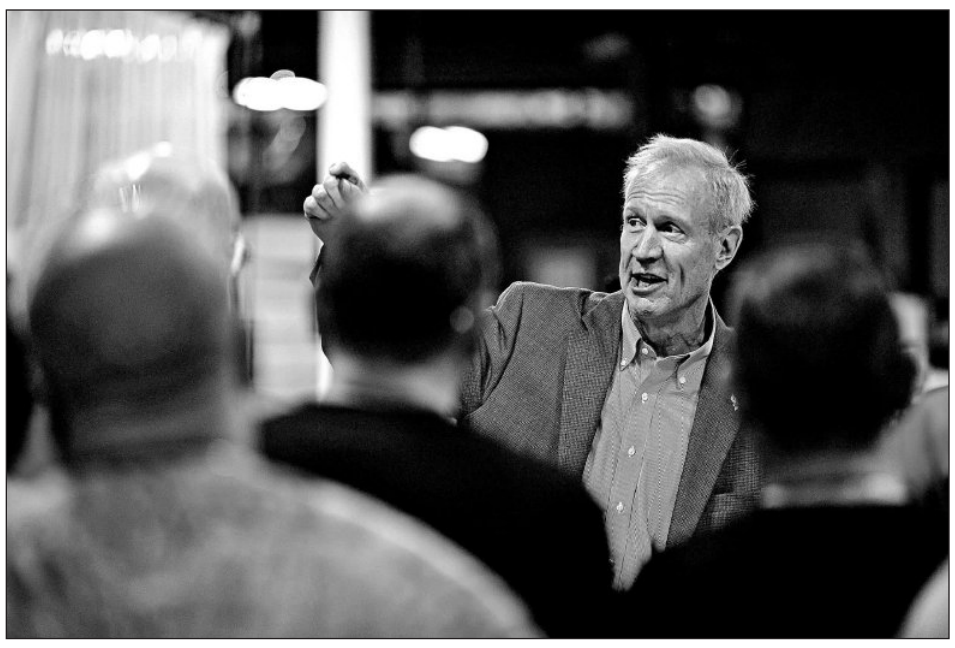
Last year, state lawmakers raised income taxes and ended the state's two-year budget impasse over the passionate objections and veto of Rauner. At the time, the governor called the move "another step in Illinois' never-ending tragic trail of tax hikes."

However, Rauner has called the state budget that he signed earlier this year "a great bipartisan effort," though it relies on the new money generated by the income tax hike he vetoed.

On the campaign trail, Rauner has vowed to reduce the state's current income tax rate incrementally but has not given details on what spending cuts he would make to adjust to the decline in revenue.

Rauner also has attacked Pritzker over a comment he made to the Daily Herald Editorial Board about taxing the mileage that people drive instead of the typical tax on gasoline as a way to pay for roads in an era of a shift to electric vehicles and hybrids and increased mileage from gas-powered vehicles.

However, Pritzker didn't propose such a mileage tax. He told the Daily Herald in January that "some states, they have done tests recently for VMT (vehicle mileage tax)."



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Gov. Bruce Rauner wants to cut taxes but failed to block an income tax hike last year and spent the tax revenues in the budget he signed.



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J.B. Pritzker wants to change the state income tax system from a constitutionally mandated flat rate to a graduated rate tax based on income but has not detailed how.

No matter what the winner of the governor's race wants, he'll have to work with a state legislature controlled by Democrats to get anything done.

"I think it's something we should look at, we have to be careful how it's implemented and that's why it should only be a test at this point," Pritzker said then.

No matter what the winner of the governor's race wants, he'll have to work with a state legislature controlled by Democrats to get anything done. Changing taxes is never an easy thing for supporters to do in Springfield, where a bevy of newly elected state lawmakers will be wary of the political perils.

And beyond income taxes, both candidates have talked about the need for a massive statewide construction program, which would cost billions of dollars, but they offer few details.

Last time, lawmakers and Democratic Gov. Pat Quinn paid for it with a combination of increased vehicle fees, taxes on alcohol and other goods, and money from video gambling in bars and restaurants.

Pritzker supports legalizing and taxing marijuana for recreational purposes and has said expanding gambling and allowing sports betting should be considered.

Rauner has not embraced marijuana legalization and instead has talked about using existing state tax dollars, encouraging public-private partnerships, getting more federal dollars from President Donald Trump's administration and the potential of expanded gambling.

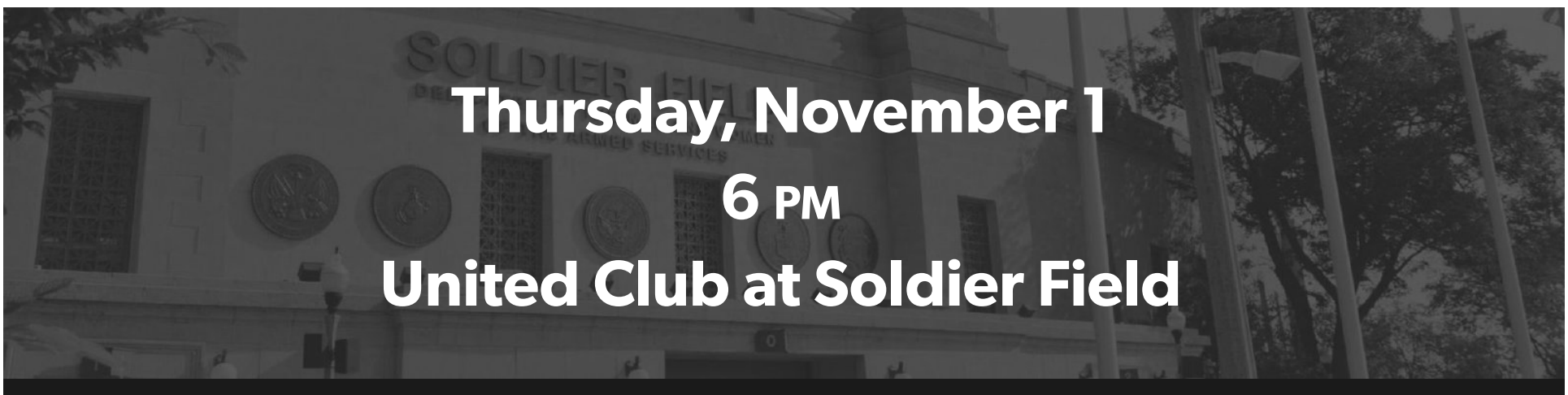
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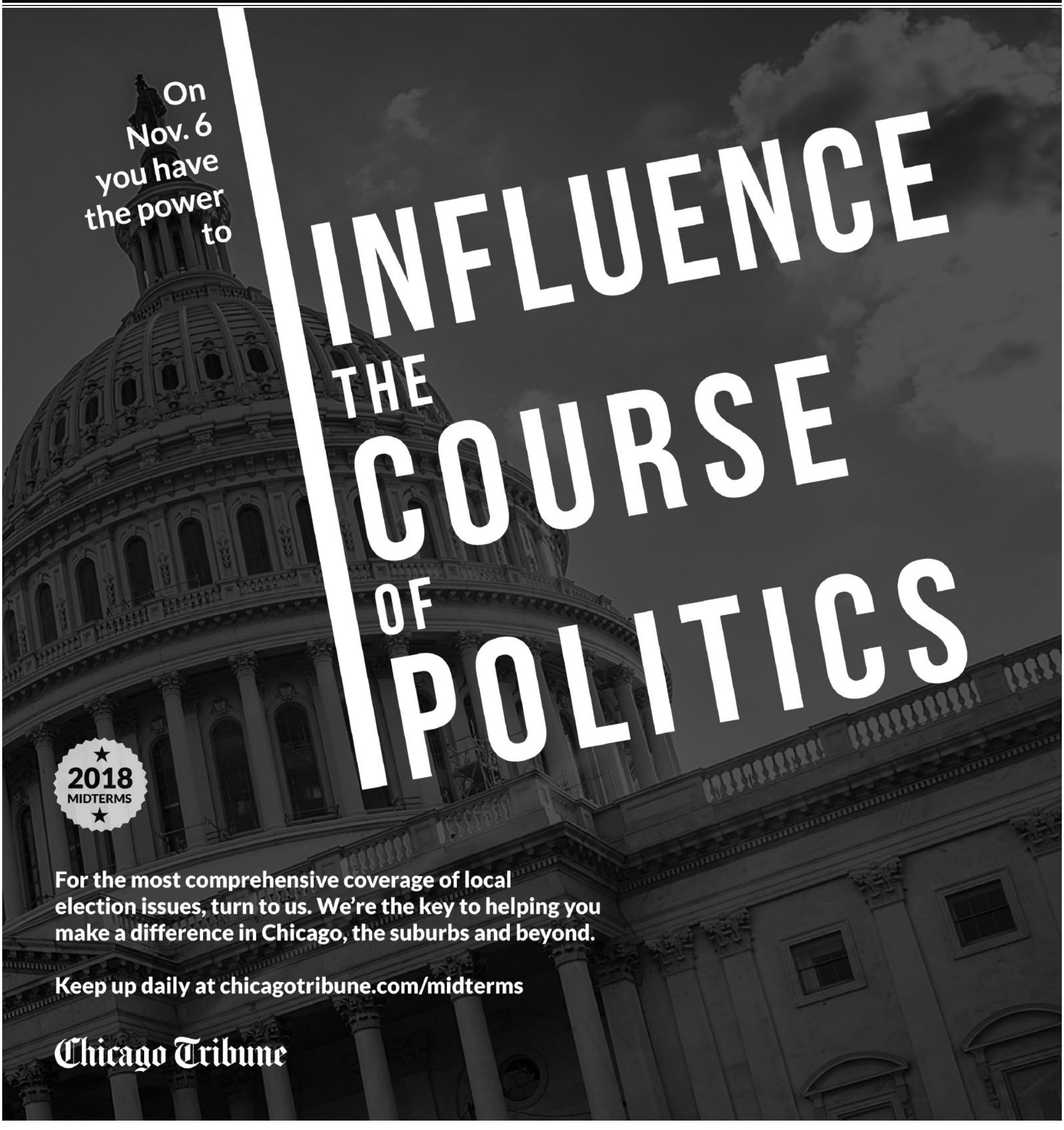




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The U.N. recently released a report about the growing quantity of greenhouse gases. And the Treasury Department said the deficit jumped 17 percent, to $779 billion.

Americans are living high at the expense of posterity



STEVE CHAPMAN

When the First World War ended 100 years ago, no one had to be told that it was an important event. Every story on the front page of The Chicago Daily Tribune on Nov. 11, 1918, had something to do with it.

We are still feeling the repercussions. The war, among other things, helped lead to the creation of Saudi Arabia under the House of Saud, whose crown prince has dominated the news in recent days.

What will be remembered of the present moment a century from now, by contrast, is not so widely understood. Elizabeth Warren, Kanye West and even Mohammed bin Salman will probably be forgotten. The most enduring consequences may come from two developments that have drawn far less attention: new warnings about climate change and a big increase in the federal budget deficit.

The United Nations released a report this month highlighting the hazards posed by the growing quantity of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere. The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change said this phenomenon has raised the Earth's temperature and "has already resulted in profound alterations to human and natural systems, bringing increases in some types of extreme weather, droughts, floods, sea level rise and biodiversity loss."

These effects will grow worse over time, though they could be moderated with firm global action to reduce emissions. But the chances of that happening are slim. President Donald Trump withdrew the United States from the Paris climate accord, which commits every other country to ambitious measures to curtail global warming.

Congress has also shown minimal interest in remedies, which would require sacrifices on the part of the voting public. Despite the clear scientific consensus and the growing evidence, it's proved far easier to ignore the problem than to attack it.

Opponents have managed to block action by denying that climate change is occurring, questioning the human role in it, suggesting it won't do much harm or insisting we can't afford any feasible solutions. Mostly, though, they have succeeded by exploiting the natural tendency of people to do things that suit their needs even when they will put a heavy burden on posterity.

That same impulse was behind the 2017 federal tax package, which slashed rates on individuals and corporations. Supporters insisted the cuts would boost economic growth so much that they would pay for themselves.

But Monday, the Treasury Department reported that the deficit for the fiscal year that just ended totaled $779 billion, a 17 percent jump over fiscal 2017. Total revenue as a share of gross domestic product fell by 4.6 percent. At a time of economic prosperity, the Treasury should be raking in a windfall. Instead, it's falling behind.

Though Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said the deficit is "very disturbing," he blamed it on the high cost of Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid.

But outlays as a share of GDP have fallen sharply since 2009. What mostly accounts for the enormous deficit is the decline in revenue — a product of tax cuts.

It's not impossible to balance the budget. We did it in the 1990s. But restraint soon gave way to recklessness. We have entered an era in which trillion-dollar deficits will be the norm, not the exception.

In June, the Congressional Budget Office reported: "At 78 percent of gross domestic product (GDP), federal debt held by the public is now at its highest level since shortly after World War II. If current laws generally remained unchanged, the CBO projects, growing budget deficits would boost that debt sharply over the next 30 years; it would approach 100 percent of GDP by the end of the next decade and 152 percent by 2048. That amount would be the highest in the nation's history by far."

What do congressional Republicans propose to do? The House voted last month to make the tax cuts permanent — which would raise the 10-year cost of the tax package to a staggering $2.7 trillion.

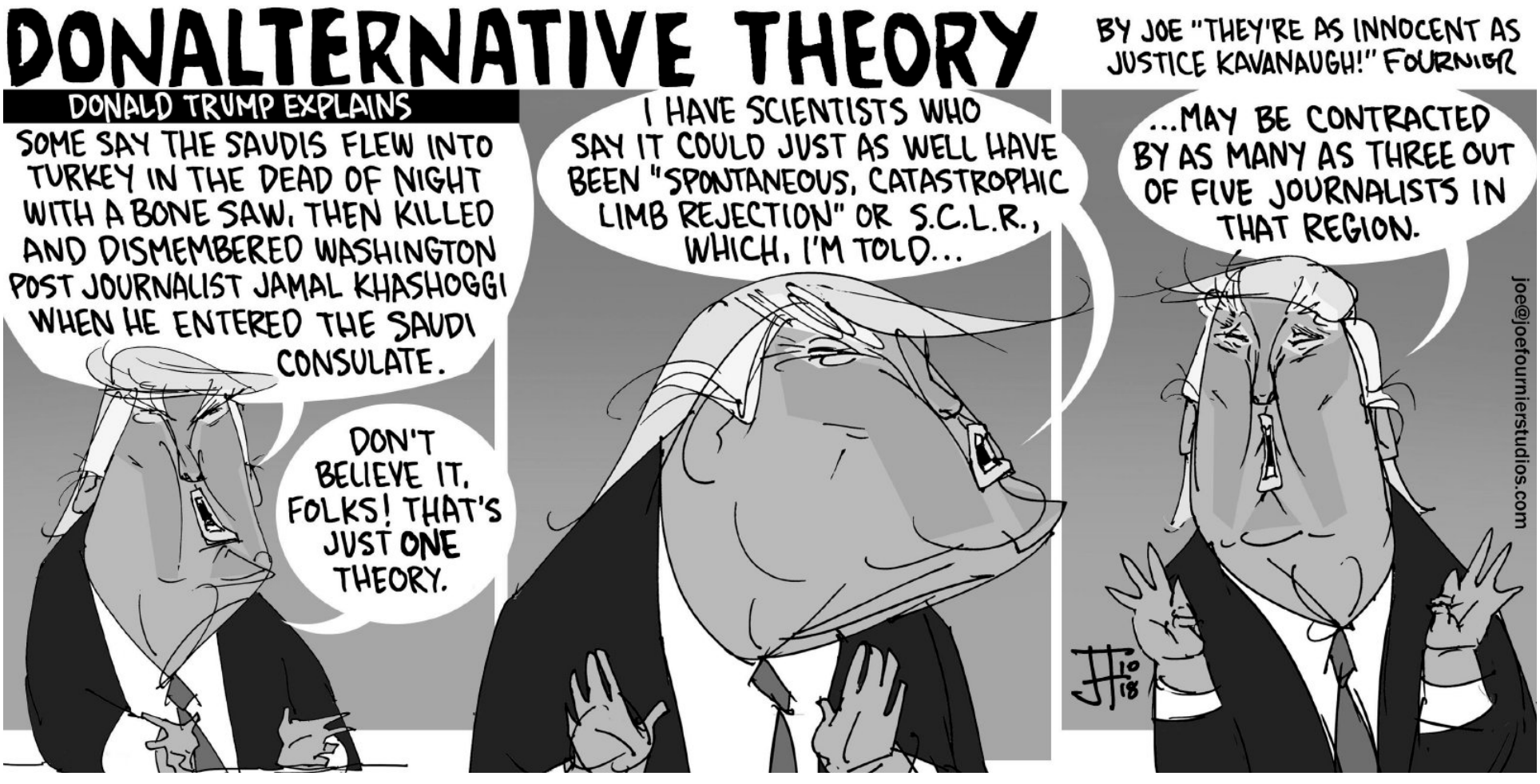
In both the environmental and the fiscal realms, Americans are living high at the expense of our children and grandchildren. Instead of taking corrective measures that would yield benefits to future generations, we are creating ecological damage and government debt that will sorely afflict them.

It's not too late to act to undo many of the mistakes that we've made. But our policymakers show no desire to act soon, if ever. In 2118, our descendants will look back and wish we had.

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CHANGE OF SUBJECT

By Eric Zorn



Scrap the gas tax!

It's time to start charging drivers by the mile

On Jan. 1, 1990, Illinois raised its motor fuel tax to 19 cents a gallon from 16 cents a gallon.

It's a tax that helps maintain roads, bridges and highways — the critical infrastructure of our economy.

And if you drove 12,000 miles that year — roughly what most people drive every year — in a passenger car that got 28 miles per gallon, the average back then, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration — you'd have paid a little more than $80 in state gas taxes. That translates to about $160 in 2018 dollars, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics inflation calculator.

Nearly 29 years have passed. Roads have continued to crumble. Bridges have continued to rust. And politicians have continued to quail at the idea of raising the gas tax to keep up with the rising prices of infrastructure repair.

If you drive 12,000 miles this year in a passenger car that gets 38 miles per gallon, the new and improved average, according to NHTSA, you'll pay about $60 in state gas taxes — $100 lower in inflation-adjusted dollars, or 62 percent less, than you paid in 1990.

Very similar numbers apply to the federal gas tax, which has been stuck at 18.4 cents a gallon since 1993.

Simply raising the gas tax, as President Donald Trump and members of his administration proposed in 2017, is not an ideal solution to this chronic problem.

The increasing number of hybrid and electric cars on the road means that overall consumption of gasoline is continuing to fall, which means the burden of higher per-gallon taxes will fall even more disproportionately on those who can't afford modern high-mileage vehicles.

A better solution — not ideal but better in line with today's reality — is to scrap the per-gallon gas tax altogether and replace it with a mileage tax. Such a tax would turn every road into a toll road and has the potential to put the burden of maintaining and fixing the roads most heavily on those who use and damage them the most.



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Motor fuel tax revenue is being outpaced by the projects it needs to pay for, such as the recent $134 million reconstruction of the ramps connecting the Stevenson Expressway and Lake Shore Drive in Chicago.

The notion has come up in the race for governor between Democrat J.B. Pritzker and Republican incumbent Bruce Rauner. More about that in a moment.

A vehicle-miles traveled (VMT) tax could be flexible — lower rates for lighter vehicles and rural residents; higher rates during rush hours or in dense urban settings — to encourage fuel economy and reduce energy-wasting congestion. Charitable uses and travel on existing tollways could be tax exempt. If set wisely and indexed for inflation in the cost of road repairs, a VMT tax could make hand-wringing about how to pay to fix our transportation system a thing of the past.

Yes, most of us would pay more, either directly through a VMT tax or indirectly through the higher costs of goods delivered by truck. But under such a user-pays system, what we pay would more fairly reflect the benefit each of us receives from having access to a smooth network of roads.

Are there drawbacks and pitfalls? Sure! The main concern about VMT taxes is the threat that implementing them poses to privacy. Measuring not only how many miles a person drives but where he or she drives requires the installation and use of GPS technology that theoretically allows The Man (or divorce lawyers or data-mining capitalists) to retrospectively map your movements.

Yes, some of that tracking can be done now with toll transponders and ubiquitous surveillance cameras, but the idea of the government knowing where your car is and has been at all times is a dilapidated bridge too far for many people. This is true even for those not committing crimes or headed to illicit assignations.

Deviously clever people would probably find ways to hack the system and avoid paying a VMT tax for all the miles they drive. Retrofitting every car on the road with devices that upload mileage data and equipping the state with the hardware and software to process that data and collect VMT taxes would require a significant upfront investment from a state already awash in red ink.

Yes, yes.

But some states and countries are already experimenting with various forms of this idea as they, too, see the purchasing power of their gas taxes plummet. Are there ways to wall off the GPS data and erase it as soon as it's used for tax purposes? Would it work to take mileage readings annually or at the gas pump, and levy VMT taxes accordingly?

"I think it's something we should look at," Pritzker said of the general notion during a meeting with the Daily Herald Editorial Board in January. "We have to be careful about how it gets implemented," he was quick to add, "and that's why it should only be a test at this point."

Well!

Rauner, cynically and opportunistically, has been exploding with indignation over this utterly sensible statement ever since. "Pritzker came out and said, 'Let's tax everybody by the miles they drive — let's put a box in people's cars — track how many miles when they drive to work, when they drive to school, when they go to the grocery store.'" he said during one debate. "That is big government, big taxing."

"He wants a car tax," seethed a Rauner campaign commercial. "How much is it going to cost us just to drive to a family member's house?"

Rather than fight back — point out that Rauner has refused to consider raising the gas tax and has offered no ideas of his own for covering infrastructure repair (unless you count paying construction workers lower wages) — Pritzker has merely deflected the charge by saying, truthfully though misleadingly enough, that he "has never proposed a vehicle mileage tax."

He won't even defend his own notion, just as he won't explain what his ideal graduated income tax system would look like.

Neither Pritzker nor Rauner is willing to endorse expanding sales taxes to a range of consumer services that are taxed in neighboring states, even though the service economy is growing. Neither is willing to support levying state taxes on retirement income, even though that's done in all but three of the 41 states that impose an income tax and Illinois is facing punishing cash shortfalls.

If only there were a tax on cowardice. We could balance the budget with these two guys alone.

Re: Tweets

The winner of this week's online reader poll for funniest tweet is @UnFitz: "Laser surgery is like regular surgery except the doctor goes 'Pew! Pew!' through the entire thing."

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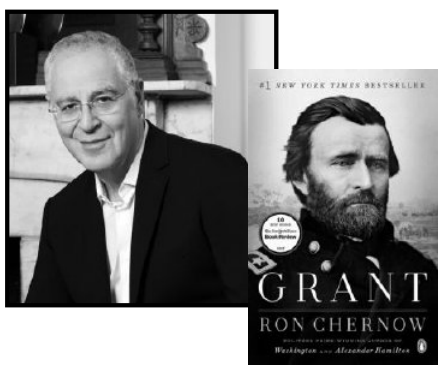
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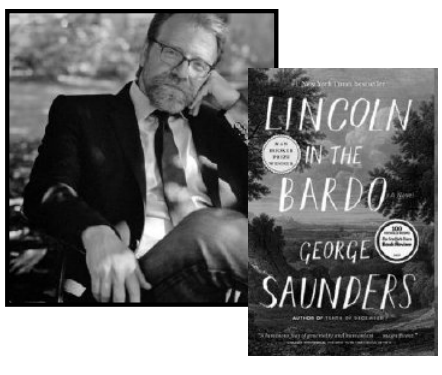
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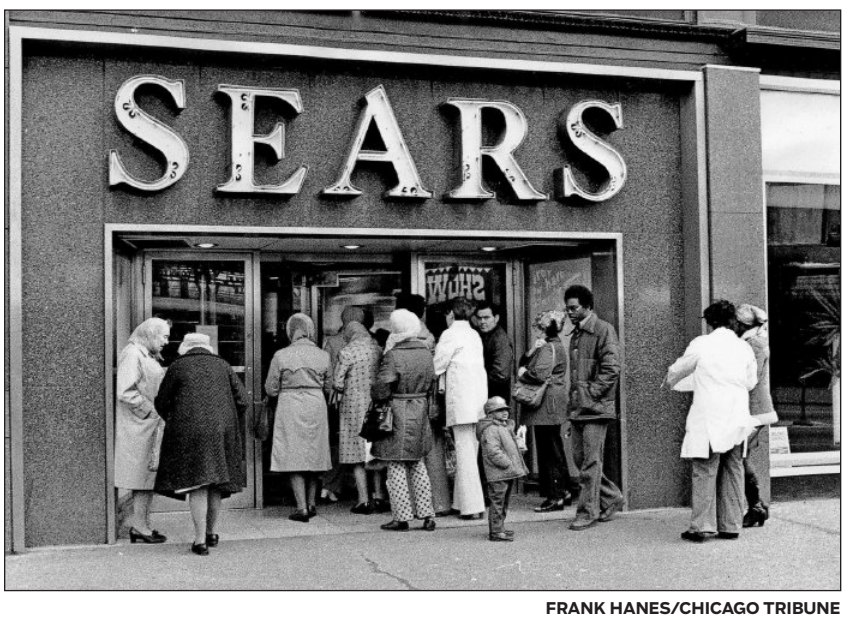
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SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO.

Shoppers filled the parking lot at a Sears store in Park Forest in 1964.



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People wait to get into the remodeled Sears store at State Street and Congress Parkway in 1978. Mayor Michael Bilandic was walking through the store.

WHEN SEARS RULED

By Lara Weber

Founded in Chicago in 1893, Sears, Roebuck & Co. has served more than a century of shoppers — and provided jobs to generations of Chicagoans at its corporate headquarters and ubiquitous department stores. Recent word that the company, now known as Sears Holdings Corp., has filed for bankruptcy doesn't surprise anyone who's been following the once-mighty retailer's long struggles. Unable to compete in an era of online shopping, Sears has been shuttering stores and scaling back operations for decades. For many of us, though, the company's demise has rustled up great memories of shopping at Sears — the place that supplied the American Dream with its Toughskins jeans, Craftsman tools and Kenmore appliances.



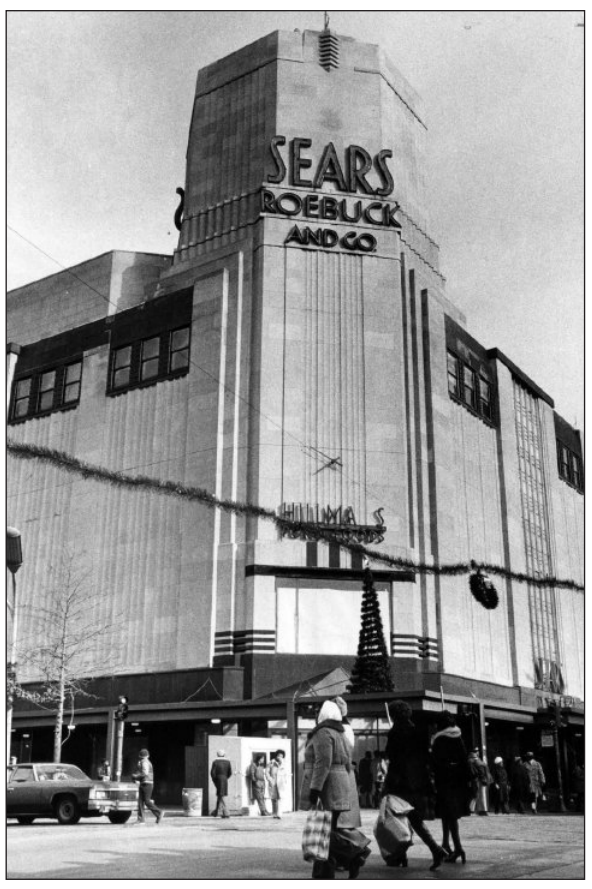
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Salesman Lenny Vertucci shows a lawn mower to customer Henry Furlanetto of Hodgkins at a Sears store in Oakbrook in 1989.



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This election and jobs

A basic question confronts voters each Election Day: *What kind of country do you want for yourself and your children?*

The open-ended wording invites many responses. But for this election, at this moment a decade removed from the Great Recession, here's an answer: Voters want more job opportunities for all — and they want more responsible, responsive government. Put another way, Americans want to live in a country where everyone can afford to pay the bills, including taxes.

These are not esoteric whims. They are the building blocks of a prosperous, caring society. Everyone should have the chance to earn a living, provide for a family and advance a career. When people need help, a government safety net should be in place. The link between the two is taxpayers: The more people work and earn in the private sector, the greater the tax revenue, which generates funding for government services.

Our concern during the years of recovery following the 2007-09 financial crisis has been growth too poky to make up for the lost years and to pay for everyone's future needs. The stock market came back, but average U.S. economic growth until 2016 was a sleepy 2 percent. That's not good enough. The U.S. nearly fell back into recession in late 2015. On the other side of the ledger — the government spending side — Medicare and Social Security remain on perilous paths toward insolvency in 2026 and 2034, respectively.



SCOTT STANTIS

The positive news is that the American economy is dynamic and efficient, capable of great reaction time. Give employers incentives to bet on their future business success and they'll go for it: They'll hire, expand operations, seek out new markets, buy new equipment. That's happening. America is booming, and the reason is tax reform and business deregulation driven by President Donald Trump and the Republican-led Congress. They've given employers reasons to invest.

The economy is growing at 4 percent. Unemployment is at 3.7 percent, the lowest since 1969. The jobless figures for African-Americans and Hispanics are near record lows. Already have a job? You may be in line for a raise because wage growth is accelerating. Amazon's recent announcement that it is increasing pay for all U.S. workers to $15 an hour is a signal employers must pay more to attract and retain talent.

Our support for tax reform as a means to stoke growth and prosperity translates into endorsements of several Republican members of the U.S. House from the Chicago area seeking re-election. The most prominent is Rep. Peter Roskam of Wheaton, one of the architects of tax reform. You can read our endorsements and the candidates' answers to our surveys at chicagotribune.com/candidates. Electing candidates such as Roskam who want to protect job growth will keep the country headed in the right direction.

We recognize the Republican-backed tax cuts don't come free of charge. If surging employment and business growth don't generate enough new federal revenue, the cost over a decade could reach $1.5 trillion. Still, it represents an important investment in the country's present and future. The tax code was outdated. American companies paid taxes at higher rates than global competitors. Now those rates are aligned. Businesses that were tempted to move headquarters overseas will stay, repatriate earnings, hire and invest.

Ideally, Congress also would have found ways to control federal spending and reform Social Security and Medicare to not exacerbate the nation's $21 trillion of debt. There are ways to do so, such as limiting benefits to the wealthy, without hurting vulnerable people. The country still needs to rescue those programs.

But Republicans had a window in which to cut taxes to spur growth. It was the right move because without a robust economy, the country goes backward, not forward. Without significant job growth, Social Security and Medicare will begin to run short of funding. More years of 2 percent growth would doom America to mediocre employment levels, with no good possibility of ever collecting enough new revenue to curb the debt.

So what kind of country do you want? One that provides the maximum number of jobs. That's important to remember on Election Day.

The flu pandemic that ravaged Chicago: Could it happen again?

One hundred years ago, one of the worst plagues in history — a pandemic of Spanish influenza — spread across the globe and slammed into Chicago. The 1918 flu pandemic killed quickly — sometimes in less than a day — and indiscriminately. It attacked not only the elderly and weak, but otherwise healthy adults in their 20s and 30s.

The flu quickly overwhelmed public health officials. On a single October day, Chicago authorities reported 135 deaths and 1,342 new cases. By the following week, there were more than 2,000 new cases a day. All told, about 10,000 Chicagoans were among the 675,000 Americans who died of the flu. Across the globe, an estimated 50 million or more died, often from a secondary infection, bacterial pneumonia.

The answer to the question in our headline: Could a pandemic sweep the globe again? Yes. There have been three pandemics since the 1918 scourge, the last in 2009.

The major differences between now and 1918: Flu vaccines and better medical care, including antibiotics and other treatments, now spare many lives that would have been lost a century ago. Even a regular flu season, however, is lethal. Last season's flu outbreak killed 80,000 Americans, including 180 children. There were spot shortages of antiviral medications like Tamiflu.

That's why getting vaccinated is still the smartest way to protect yourself, your community and your world. Vaccines may be more or less effective every season, depending on whether manufacturers correctly predict which strains will circulate. If they figure wrong, more people are vulnerable. But that's not an argument to shun the vaccine.

"I'm tired of hearing people say, 'Well, I didn't get sick and I didn't get the flu shot.' Or, 'I don't like it, my arm hurts,' " Surgeon General Jerome Adams said recently. "Those 80,000 people who died last year from the flu, guess what? They got the flu from someone. So it's critically important that we impress upon folks that it is not just for them. It's their social responsibility to get vaccinated."

Preparing for the next pandemic should be a top national security issue, argue authors Lisa Monaco and Vin Gupta in Foreign Policy. Monaco, a former homeland security adviser to President Barack Obama, and Gupta, a physician and assistant professor at the University of Washington, report that investments "to contend with such outbreaks have declined to their lowest levels since the height of the Ebola response in 2014, with U.S. federal dollars cut by over 50 percent from those peak levels." That's shortsighted.

The ultimate goal is a universal vaccine that would offer almost-complete protection against the disease for years, if not for life, with a single shot. That's a tall order given that medical researchers are confronting a shape-shifting, fast-mutating virus dedicated to devising ways to evade the body's defenses. But it isn't impossible. "Vaccines are the best tool" to battle flu viruses, Michael Osterholm, a University Of Minnesota infectious disease expert, tells us. Those investments in better vaccines will reap huge dividends, he says, in lives saved.

While that work continues, the best defense is to be vaccinated, to wash hands and to keep them away from your face. No one knows how severe this season will be. But this year, as every year, preparedness is the best antidote to fear.

And the next time you're strolling through a cemetery that was accepting burials in early decades of the 20th century, note how many lifespans ended in 1918.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The Democrats' hope for a blue wave rests on female voters coming out to register their displeasure with the president's party. Women will be acting as a political force. But women don't automatically ally with other women, as Sen. Susan Collins' vote to confirm Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court demonstrated. Sisterhood doesn't override partisanship or deeply held moral views. Victims of sexual harassment didn't all believe Christine Blasey Ford. Women don't act as one. The question is why so many people are still surprised that they don't, even after the election of 2016. Political scientists have found that some of the very attacks that were supposed to alienate all women in 2016, such as Mr. Trump's jab that Hillary Clinton was playing the "woman card," instead made a segment of women more enthusiastic about him, and more hostile to her.

Susan Chira, The New York Times

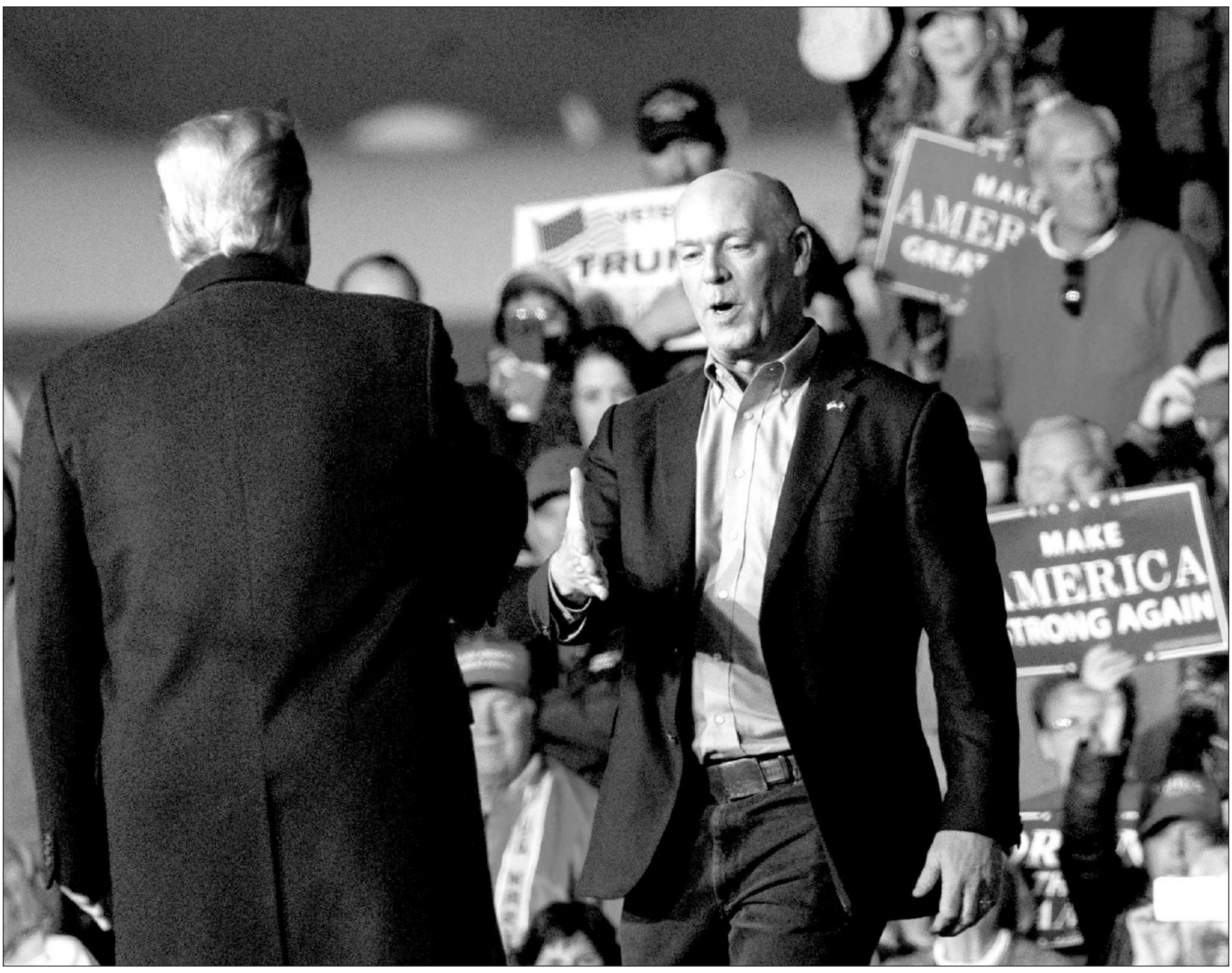
"Chicago P.D." ... is troubling at many levels, including that Chicago city agencies assist in the production of a show that depicts the poor of the city as little more than a mob while CPD officers are angels walking the Earth. Obviously the poor of Chicago commit many crimes, while most CPD officers are genuine public servants. But the second-degree murder conviction of a Chicago policeman who shot to death an African-American teenager who was threatening no one, and had a knife but no firearm, puts the phoniness of "Chicago P.D." into perspective. ...

Further troubling about "Chicago P.D." is that the show lauds torture of suspects. Brutalized suspects always turn out to be guilty as sin, and the beatings always cause them to reveal information that saves an innocent life. ... Constitutional protections are laughed at on "Chicago P.D." In this season's premiere, the protagonist busts into the apartment of a dope dealer, threatens his girlfriend and starts burning the dealer's $100 bills to get the dealer to admit where the stash house is. The detective has probable cause, so why couldn't the entry to the dealer's apartment have been done legally? Because real heroes don't waste time filling out forms for some namby-pamby warrant!

Gregg Easterbrook, The Weekly Standard

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U.S. Rep. Greg Gianforte, R-Mont., right, greets President Donald Trump during a rally Thursday in Missoula, Mont. Trump praised Gianforte for his 2017 assault of a reporter.

Trump defends press freedom, then praises a press basher



Clarence Page

Two weeks after Washington Post columnist Jamal Khashoggi disappeared, President Donald Trump said he believes the Saudi-born journalist is dead, that high-level Saudis played a role and the consequences will "have to be very severe" for such "bad, bad stuff."

Then the president flew to Montana where he praised Republican Rep. Greg Gianforte, calling him "my guy" for having "body-slammed" a reporter for The Guardian newspaper.

"By the way, never wrestle him," said Trump, yielding to the temptation to feed more laugh lines to the cheering crowd of his supporters. "Any guy that can do a body slam, he's my kind of — he's my guy."

Not mine. As a patriotic American, I hate to describe our president's attitude as thuggish, but when the shoe fits ...

Gianforte, in case you missed it, pleaded guilty to misdemeanor assault of Guardian reporter Ben Jacobs during Gianforte's special election campaign in May 2017. Reporter Jacobs tried to ask then-candidate Gianforte a question about the Grand Old Party's health care plan. On an audio recording of the episode, one can hear Gianforte tried to duck the question; he then grabbed Jacobs, throwing him to the ground and punching him.

Trump's "guy" went on to win the special election anyway and was sentenced, after an apology to Jacobs, to community service, anger management training, a six-month deferred sentence and a $300 fine.

And Trump got his laughs. Trump habitually bashes the media as a convenient foil for this speeches. Trump famously points to news cameras and bashes media as purveyors of "fake news." But this new attack reached the new plateau in Montana of actively encouraging a physical attack — without mentioning the "bad, bad stuff" that happened to Khashoggi.

The Saudi-born Virginia resident was last seen entering Saudi Arabia's consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2. Saudi agents were waiting inside, according to information leaked by Turkish officials to reporters. Within minutes, the Turks believe, he was tortured, beheaded and dismembered. On Friday, the Saudis confirmed Khashoggi is dead and said their investigation found that a fight inside the consulate led to his death.

The earlier Turkish account indicated that Khashoggi's fingers also were reportedly severed, perhaps as a special — and sick — message to other writers who might be considering even the mildest criticism of Saudi Arabia's autocratic rulers.

The Guardian's U.S. editor, John Mulholland, denounced Trump's remarks about the Gianforte incident as "an attack on the First Amendment by someone who has taken an oath to defend it." I second that motion.

Either Trump is tone-deaf to his role as an international leader, which he has demonstrated on numerous occasions, or he simply doesn't care as long as his punchlines work. Either way, his joking around with the idea of assaulting a news reporter who simply was doing his job sends an ugly message to the world.

The American president's words matter. President Trump's anti-media "fake news" and "enemy of the people" language already has been embraced by autocrats around the planet who define "fake news" pretty close to the way Trump does, as any news that he doesn't like.

Media bashing is an old game, of course, but its language changes. Prior to the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks in 2001, it was typical for despots to call dissenters "communists" or "Marxists." Afterward, the fashionable language changed to "terrorists," even when the alleged perpetrators were the same.

In June, for example, Egypt passed a "fake news" law criminalizing the spread of false information, making it even easier for the regime to jail purveyors of unwelcome news. Similar accusations in Vietnam reportedly led to a suspension and fines this summer for a local news website.

"It's a constant refrain," Joel Simon, executive director of the New York-based Committee to Protect Journalists (I'm a board member), told Politico. "You hear all sorts of autocratic leaders from all over the world who are upset about media coverage, framing it as fake news."

Even Khashoggi, now confirmed dead, cannot rest in peace. Hard-line Republicans and conservative commentators have been mounting a smear campaign against the widely honored columnist to help shield Trump from criticism of his handling of the dissident journalist's alleged murder and its links to Saudi Arabian operatives.

Considering the sensitive international nature of this atrocity, the CPJ, Human Rights Watch, Amnesty International and Reporters Without Borders have jointly called for Turkey to ask United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres to launch a U.N. investigation into the "extrajudicial execution" of Khashoggi.

Around the globe, we have seen democracy under siege in recent times, including in Turkey, which currently leads CPJ's list of countries with the most journalists who are in jail for doing their jobs. Pushback is necessary. When press freedom is shackled, so is democracy.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Back from the brink

Illinois voters will face an important decision in the upcoming statewide election. Though it is well known that Illinois is in dire financial trouble, will the tax-and-spend political party responsible for it be held accountable? So many areas of state problems currently exist that only one will be discussed here: the exorbitant cost of the state's higher education system, seemingly due to inefficiencies, bloated salaries and an expensive pension system.

Two of my grandchildren are seniors this year at large suburban high schools, and though both are excellent students ranking near the top in their class standings, neither is considering applying to the University of Illinois. The grandson just had an older sister graduate from the U. of I., and his parents — my daughter and her husband, both graduates of Illinois state universities — do not believe the cost was worth it.

The granddaughter is also looking at out-of-state schools, though her mom and dad are both U. of I. College of Engineering graduates. And why not? Nearby out-of-state universities offer quality educations for less than the U. of I. In an effort to be "a national university," the U. of I. has seemed to show deference to out-of-state and out-of-country students, most of whom will not remain in our state after graduation. Someone once famously said that perception is reality, and the perception among our grandchildren, many of their peers and their peers' parents is that things are better elsewhere. And so the Illinois "brain drain" continues.

One of our sons is an emergency room physician and is now living with his family out of state, never to return. When a seriously ill or critically injured patient in his ER doesn't respond to medical emergency resuscitation procedures, the patient is said to be "CTD," circling the drain. Will Illinois voters continue to elect politicians who will keep the state of Illinois CTD?

— *Louis Antonacci, Hampshire, Ill.*

A terrible mess

Is this the best we have?

We have two extremely wealthy, supposedly intelligent and well-meaning gentlemen running for our state's highest office. They combined have spent over $200 million trying to convince us that each is the better candidate. How pitiful.

With all the money spent reaching out to "we the people," we still do not have an awareness of either candidate's understanding of our state's biggest challenges and how either of them will provide resolution. All we hear is the personal attacks, each candidate claiming his opponent is unworthy of our vote. I'm afraid that they are both right.

Would it not be reasonable and beneficial for voters to hear what each candidate sees as our biggest challenges? We would then be able to assess whether or not Gov. Bruce Rauner or J.B. Pritzker has a real understanding. Then, if they would present their plan with a timeline as to how they will approach the solutions, we could decide whom we believe will be able to guide our state out of the terrible mess we are in. It would be much better than to hear again about "toiletgate."

— *Dave Roberts, Frankfort*

Serious demeanor

Why is Secretary of State Mike Pompeo smiling all the time? It looks to me that he is very insecure. Or maybe he's trying to make other people happy, like someone throwing a party who wants everyone else to enjoy themselves.

Is Pompeo's a genuine smile? Is Mike like a dog who wags his tail when he meets other dogs?

Imagine Robert Mueller, the special counsel in charge of the Russia investigation, smiling all the time. Imagine John Kerry, former secretary of state under Barack Obama, smiling all the time. Imagine any responsible politician smiling all the time.

There is something wrong with this picture. An individual holding this position should be displaying gravitas or seriousness of purpose.

You may think this trivial, but people all over the world are watching the behavior of President Donald Trump's emissaries.

— *John K. McManus, Chicago*

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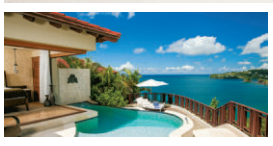
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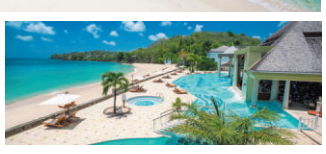
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‘Saudis still aren’t coming clean’

Riyadh’s account of killing denounced — except by Trump

By Christopher Torchia, Zeynep Bilginsoy and Sarah El Deeb
Associated Press



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Barriers block the road leading to Saudi Arabia’s consulate, background, in Istanbul, where a journalist was killed.

ISTANBUL — Turkey will “never allow a cover-up” of the killing of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi in Saudi Arabia’s consulate in Istanbul, a senior official in Turkey’s ruling party said Saturday, reflecting international skepticism over the Saudi account that the writer died during a “fistfight.”

The Saudi explanation — that an argument in the consulate led to a fatal brawl — is at odds with the conclusions of Turkish investigators, who believe that Khashoggi was deliberately killed by a team of Saudi agents who were dispatched to Istanbul.

Turkey’s comment was one of many critical reactions to Saudi Arabia’s announcement early Saturday of the writer’s death, indicating the kingdom’s efforts to defuse a scandal that has gripped the world were falling short.

President Donald Trump, however, was an exception.

Asked whether he thought the Saudi explanation was credible, Trump replied: “I do. I do.”

Trump told reporters Saturday afternoon that he would be speaking with Mohammed bin Salman, the crown prince of Saudi Arabia, soon and is considering placing sanctions on Riyadh, though preferably not on U.S. sales of arms and other military equipment.

“That would hurt us far more than it would ... them,” Trump said.

He said no one in his administration had heard audio or seen video of what transpired in the Saudi Consulate nor reviewed transcripts of any recordings.

“I’m not satisfied until we find the answer,” he said, referring to how Khashoggi, a U.S. permanent resident who was living in self exile in Virginia, was killed.

Trump appeared to initially accept the Saudi explanation, but U.S. lawmakers, intelligence officials and foreign policy experts quickly accused the Riyadh government of a cover-up.

“This is an admission of guilt, but the Saudis still aren’t coming clean with the truth,” Sen. Jack Reed, R.I., the ranking Democrat on the Armed Services committee, said in a statement. “The Saudi’s latest version of events still isn’t credible, and the Trump administration must not be complicit in allowing them to sweep this under the rug.”

Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Bob Corker, R-Tenn., said the Saudi version of events changes “with each passing day, so we should not assume their latest story holds water.”

Other nations also expressed criticism.

Germany’s chancellor, Angela Merkel, and the foreign minister, Heiko Maas, issued a joint statement, according to Reuters, saying: “We expect transparency from Saudi Arabia about the circumstances of his death. ... The information available about events in Istanbul is inadequate.”

“The Spanish government is dismayed by early reports from the Saudi prosecutor about the death of the Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi,” Spain said in a statement.

Despite outrage over the killing of the columnist for The Washington Post, it is unclear to what extent the top leadership of Saudi Arabia, a key U.S. ally and a powerful player in a volatile region, would be held accountable for what human rights activists describe as an extrajudicial killing by Saudi agents.

The only way to find out what happened would be through an international investigation led by a U.N.-appointed panel, the editorial board of The Washington Post said.

Saudi Arabia’s “latest version asks us to believe that Mr. Khashoggi died after becoming engaged in a ‘brawl’ with officials who had been sent to meet him. His body, Saudi officials told several journalists, was handed over to a ‘local collaborator’ for disposal,” it said, while also criticizing Trump for allegedly trying to help top Saudi leaders escape “meaningful accountability.”

Saudi Arabia said 18 Saudi suspects were in custody and intelligence officials had been fired.

But critics believe the complex scheme that led to Khashoggi’s death could not have occurred without the knowledge of Mohammed, the 33-year-old crown prince whose early promises of sweeping reform are being eclipsed by concerns that he may be an impulsive, even sinister figure.

The Saudi narrative of Khashoggi’s death contrasts with Turkish pro-government media reports that a Saudi hit squad traveled to Istanbul to kill Khashoggi and dispose of his body, which has not been found.

The overnight statement, released by the state-run Saudi Press Agency, that the writer died in the consulate also came more than two weeks after Khashoggi, 59, entered the building for paperwork required to marry his Turkish fiancee — and never came out.

Saudi Arabia initially denied any knowledge of his disappearance.

The kingdom has described assertions in Turkish media, based on purported audio recordings that Khashoggi was tortured, killed and dismembered inside the consulate, as “baseless.”

Turkish politicians pushed back Saturday.

“It’s not possible for the Saudi administration to wiggle itself out of this crime if it’s confirmed,” said Numan Kurtulmus, deputy head of Turkey’s Justice and Development Party. He also said Turkey would share its evidence of Khashoggi’s killing with the world and that a “conclusive result” of the investigation is close.

“God have mercy on you my love Jamal, and may you rest in Paradise,” Khashoggi’s fiancee, Hatice Cengiz, tweeted following the Saudi announcements.

Washington Post contributed.

Mexico slowly processes migrants from caravan

Many apply for asylum, get 45-day visitor permits

By Mark Stevenson and Sonia Perez D.
Associated Press



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An immigrant waits Saturday to get into a shelter for the night after crossing the border from Guatemala into Mexico, which is processing small groups from the caravan.

CIUDAD HIDALGO, Mexico — Mexican authorities for a second straight day Saturday refused mass entry to a caravan of Central American migrants held up at the border with Guatemala, but began accepting small groups for asylum processing and gave out some 45-day visitor permits that would theoretically allow recipients time to reach the United States.

Seeking to maintain order after a chaotic Friday in which thousands rushed across the border bridge only to be halted by a phalanx of officers in riot gear, authorities began handing out numbers for people to be processed in a strategy seen before at U.S. border posts when large numbers of migrants show up there.

Once they were processed, migrants were bused to an open-air, metal-roofed fairground in the nearby city of Tapachula, where the Red Cross set up small blue tents on the concrete floor. Easily 3,000 people or more the previous day, the crowd on the bridge thinned out noticeably.

But the slow pace frustrated those stuck on the bridge, where conditions were hot and cramped, and some pleaded at the main gate: “Please let us in, we want to work!” Behind it, workers erected tall steel riot barriers to channel people in an orderly fashion.

Each time a small side gate opened to allow small groups in for processing, there was a crush of bodies as migrants desperately pushed forward.

Scarleth Cruz hoisted a crying, sweat-soaked baby girl above the crowd, crying out: “This girl is suffocating.”

Cruz was among the many who appeared willing to accept any kind of migratory relief Mexico might offer. Cruz, 20, said she was going to ask for political asylum because of threats and repression she faced back in Honduras from President Juan Orlando Hernandez’s governing party.

“Why would I want to go to the United States if I’m going to be persecuted” there as well, she said.

Mexico’s Interior Department said in a statement that it had received 640 refugee requests by Hondurans at the border crossing. It released photos of migrants getting off buses at a shelter and receiving food and medical attention.

At least a half-dozen migrants fainted amid the heat, and a steady stream abandoned the bridge to cross the Suchiate River by swimming, fording its shallows with the aid of ropes or floating in groups of about 10 on rickety rafts.

None was detained within sight of observers despite the presence of police lining the bridge.

Some migrants tore open a fence on the Guatemala side of the bridge and threw two young children, perhaps age 6 or 7, and their mother into the muddy waters about 40 feet below. They were rafted to safety on the Mexican bank.

Some on the bank yelled warnings to migrants on the bridge not to get on buses organized by Mexican authorities, claiming it was a ruse to deport them. There was no evidence of anyone being deported through such trickery, but the warnings made plenty leery of boarding, like Fidelina Vasquez, a grandmother traveling with her daughter and 2-year-old grandson.

A Mexican migration official who declined to give his name because he was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly said that between Friday and Saturday, authorities had deported by bus about 500 people who voluntarily decided to return.

Migrants have commonly cited widespread poverty and gang violence in Honduras, one of the world’s deadliest nations by homicide rate, as their reasons for joining the caravan.

“One cannot live back there,” Vasquez said, standing next to the main border gate.

Hector Aguilar, a 49-year-old sales manager who worked as a taxi driver in Honduras’ Yoro province to feed his four children, said he had to pay the two main gangs there protection money in order to work.

“On Thursdays I paid the 18th Street gang, and on Saturdays the MS-13,” Aguilar said. “Three hundred lempiras per day” — about $12.50, a significant amount in low-wage Honduras.

At the gate, Mexican workers handed food and water to the migrants. Through the bars, a doctor gave medical attention to a woman who feared her young son was running a fever.

Some migrants returned to Tecun Uman on the Guatemalan side to buy food and supplies. Local women brought water for the migrants to bathe.

The caravan had elicited a series of angry tweets and warnings from President Donald Trump early last week, but Mexico’s no-nonsense handling of the migrants at it southern border seems to have satisfied him more recently.

Report: Auto crashes on rise in states legalizing recreational pot

By Ryan Beene
Bloomberg News

As the push to legalize marijuana gains momentum, so is evidence that more permissive policies on the drug are putting motorists at risk.

The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety reported in a recently released study that traffic accidents are rising in states that have legalized recreational marijuana. That followed stark warnings from the National Transportation Safety Board, which has issued several recommendations to combat drug-impaired driving.

“The last thing in the world that we want is to introduce another legal substance where we may be adding to that toll and to the carnage on our highways,” said David Harkey, president of the Insurance Institute. “With marijuana impairment, we’re just now starting to understand what we don’t know.”

After retail sales of recreational cannabis began, the frequency of collision insurance claims in Colorado, Nevada, Oregon and Washington state rose about 6 percent higher than in nearby states where marijuana is still illegal, the IIHS said in the study.

A separate IIHS study saw a 5 percent increase in the rate of crashes per million vehicle registrations reported to police in Colorado, Oregon and Washington versus neighbors that haven’t legalized the drug.

“The bottom line of all of this is that we’re seeing a consistently higher crash risk in those states that have legalized marijuana for recreational purposes,” Harkey said.

Recreational cannabis is also legal in Alaska, California, Maine, Massachusetts and Vermont while 22 other states have legalized the drug for medical purposes, according to the IIHS, which is financed by insurers. Harkey said policy makers should take heed of the findings as more states are set to consider ballot referendums or legislation to expand legal use of the drug.

Combating drug-impaired driving presents many challenges. Experts say more research is needed to better understand marijuana impairment. Motorists sometimes mix different drugs, or drugs with alcohol, making it harder to isolate their effects.

Drugs were detected in 30 percent of drivers who died in accidents in 2006 and were tested for drugs, according to the NTSB. That number jumped to 46 percent in 2015. In random roadside testing, more than 22 percent of drivers showed evidence of drug use, according to National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data.

Among the NTSB’s recommendations was one that called for the traffic safety administration to develop specifications for “oral fluid” screening devices that law enforcement can use to test drivers for drug impairment during roadside stops.

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From Indian chief's daughter to slur

Trump's use of name Pocahontas just part of girl's sad history

By Steve Hendrix
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The tug of war over Pocahontas, the Indian chief's daughter who was born on the James River and died on the Thames River, has been going on for more than 400 years.

Since the first years of the Virginia colony, the girl with a short life and a long history has been a pawn, moved this way and that to serve the interests of colonists, nations and tribes, tobacco sellers, filmmakers and activists.

Now she's been dragged into 21st-century politics, her name regularly invoked as a slur by a U.S. president against a U.S. senator — Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass. — who might try to unseat him.

President Donald Trump has tweeted: "Pocahontas (the bad version), sometimes referred to as Elizabeth Warren, is getting slammed. She took a bogus DNA test and it showed that she may be 1/1024, far less than the average American. Now Cherokee Nation denies her, 'DNA test is useless.' Even they don't want her. Phony!"



Warren

Appearing in a presidential tweet is only the latest incarnation of a name that first showed up in colonial reports written by quill and then in 17th-century London newspapers. After a long absence from public attention, she reappears in the discourse of antebellum Virginia, celebrated as the first ally of white settlers in the New World.

"They were sick of hearing about the pilgrims and the Mayflower as the beginning of it all, when really it all began in Virginia," said Helen Rountree, a professor emeritus of anthropology at Old Dominion University. "They were trying to assert a national identity, and they used her to do it."

In 1995, Pocahontas joined the pantheon of modern Disney princesses in an animated blockbuster that has played out ever since on DVDs and in academic papers alike. Books, re-enactors and toy makers have all put their spin on Pocahontas.

Whatever the myths, her real life was a painful one. She lost a husband, left her homeland and died abroad, all by her early 20s. The historical record is conflicted and controversial, but there are settled facts. Her real name was Matoaka, and she was born in about 1596 to a Powhatan chief ruling over more than 30 Algonquin-speaking tribes, according to the National Park Service history of the Jamestown Colony site. Pocahontas was a nickname, often translated as "playful one."

The English settled Jamestown in 1607. Relations with the native residents were mixed, with the Powhatans providing food. Pocahontas, often portrayed as an 11- or 12-year-old, frequently accompanied deliveries of food to the English and became something of a darling to them.

English Capt. John Smith, in later years, related the story of Pocahontas saving his life at a time of conflict with the tribe, stopping the blow that would have killed him by placing her head on his. This drama driven by a maiden's love has been irresistible to storytellers from the colonists to Disney animators.

But today's Pamunkey Indians, descendants of Pocahontas's tribe, cite oral tradition to contend that she would have seen Smith as an elder to be honored and that his life was unlikely to have been in danger.

In any case, Smith went back to England, and Pocahontas married a man from a related tribe. In 1613, a new English captain, Samuel Argall, kidnapped Pocahontas as a way of gaining leverage over her chieftain father. He had her lured aboard his ship and then demanded a ransom for her release.



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A statue of Pocahontas stands in Gravesend, England, where she is buried. Her real name is Matoaka. Pocahontas was a nickname, of sorts, often translated as "playful one."

The captive was placed in the care of an English priest, Alexander Whitaker, who reportedly instructed her in English and Christianity. By the colonists' telling, she converted and fell in love with one of the settlers, John Rolfe. They wed with her father's blessing (her husband agreed to a divorce), she was baptized "Rebecca" and the couple left for England.

By the Pamunkey telling, she left her people because she was dragged or duped, acquiescing only because it was the best way to help her people. Rather than being in a love match, Pocahontas was a prop the English would use to promote the colony in London.

Pocahontas toured the British capital with her husband and their new son. They had just embarked on a return trip to Virginia in 1617 when she fell ill and was taken ashore at Gravesend, died and was buried there. Researchers note that a dysentery outbreak was reported aboard.

Rolfe returned to the colony, and, eventually, so did their son, Thomas. They became part of the state's genealogical fabric, and Pocahontas's line extends down the generations.

Robert E. Lee's wife, Mary Anna Randolph Custis, could claim her as an ancestor, as could Edith Wilson, first lady to President Woodrow Wilson. And she is an ancestor of Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, D-N.H.



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Security forces block the main road at the site of a suicide blast — one of several attacks Saturday — during the first day of parliamentary elections in Kabul, the Afghan capital.

36 dead as violence mars chaotic Afghan elections

By Rahim Faiez, Amir Shah and Kathy Gannon
Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghanistan's first parliamentary elections in eight years suffered from violence and chaos Saturday, with a multitude of attacks killing at least 36 people, key election workers failing to show up and many polling stations staying open hours later than scheduled to handle long lines of voters.

Problems surrounding the elections — already three years overdue — threaten to compromise the credibility of polls that an independent monitoring group said were also marred by incidences of ballot stuffing and intimidation by armed men affiliated with candidates in 19 of the country's 32 provinces. Some areas have yet to vote, including Kandahar, where the provincial police chief was gunned down Thursday.

Stakes were high in these elections for Afghans who hoped to reform Parliament, challenging the dominance of warlords and the politically corrupt and replacing them with a younger, more educated generation of politicians.

They were also high for the U.S., which is still seeking an exit strategy after 17 years of a war that has cost more than $900 billion and claimed more than 2,400 U.S. service personnel.

Deputy Interior Minister Akhtar Mohammed Ibrahimi said 36 people were killed in 193 insurgent attacks across the country: 27 civilians, eight police officers and one Afghan soldier. He said attackers used everything from grenades to small-arms fire to mortars and rocket launchers, and that security forces killed 31 insurgents.

Polling stations also struggled with voter registration and a new biometric system aimed at stemming fraud, but instead created enormous confusion because many of those trained on the system did not show up for work. Also, the biometric machines were received just a month before polls and there was no time to do field testing.

Many polling stations opened as much as five hours behind schedule.

Afghanistan's deputy chief executive Mohammad Mohaqiq expressed outrage at the chaotic start to polling and assailed election preparation by the country's election commission.

"The widespread reports today of confusion and incompetence in the administration of the elections suggest that bureaucratic failures and lack of political will to prioritize organizing credible parliamentary elections may do more to delegitimize the election results than threats and violent attacks by the Taliban and Daesh," said Andrew Wilder, vice president of Asia Programs at the U.S. Institute of Peace, using the Arabic acronym name for the Islamic State group.

Commission deputy spokesman Aziz Ibrahimi said results of Saturday's voting will not be released before mid-November and final results will not be out until later in December.

Only 25% think Kavanaugh told entire truth, poll says

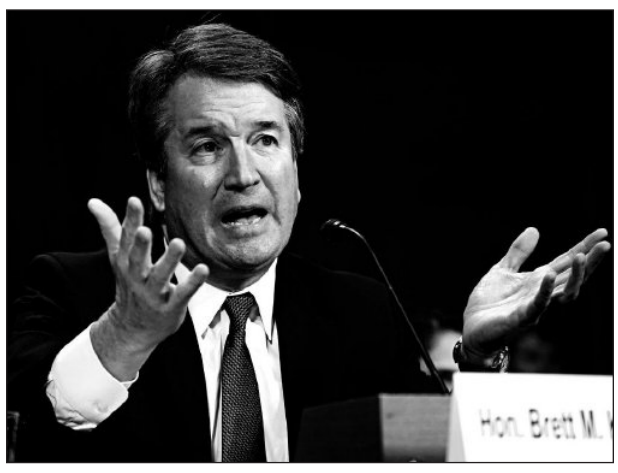
By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Just 1 in 4 people thinks Brett Kavanaugh was completely honest when he heatedly rebuffed charges of sexual assault and heavy drinking during his Supreme Court confirmation hearing, and Republicans and Democrats hold divergent views of whether his sworn testimony to senators was credible, a poll released Friday showed.

The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research survey also found that the public was unimpressed by how major players handled the extraordinary battle, which culminated Oct. 6 in a near party-line confirmation of Kavanaugh by an exhausted Senate. President Donald Trump, Senate Republicans and Democrats and the FBI each earned approval from a third or less of the poll's respondents.

Overall, the survey provides detail about how a polarized nation regards the conduct and outcome of the Kavanaugh battle, just weeks before Nov. 6 midterm elections in which GOP control of the House and perhaps the Senate are at stake. Republicans hope partisan tensions heightened by the fight will drive conservative voters to the polls to counteract the white-hot enthusiasm already shown by Democrats motivated by their antipathy toward Trump.

Thirty-nine percent said they believe Kavanaugh was mostly honest but hiding something when he testified last month before the Senate Judiciary Committee, the drama's most unforgettable day. Another 31 percent said he was largely lying, and 25 percent said he was totally truthful. A combative Kavanaugh denied California college professor Christine Blasey Ford's testimony to the panel that he sexually assaulted her at a 1980s high school gathering when they were teenagers, and he rebutted classmates' descriptions of him as a heavy drinker.



ANDREW HARNIK/AP

A defiant Brett Kavanaugh testifies Sept. 27 before members of the Senate Judiciary Committee in Washington.

Six in 10 Republicans, including roughly even proportions of men and women, said they think Kavanaugh was entirely truthful when he appeared before the Judiciary panel. They included Ricky Richards, who took the survey and agreed to explain his views in a subsequent interview.

Richards said he believed Kavanaugh, citing repeated FBI background checks that unearthed no wrongdoing, testimony from supportive witnesses and the body language of Kavanaugh and his wife at the Judiciary session.

"He was angry, but he handled himself better than I would have," said Richards, 59, an engineering consultant from Clifton, Texas.

He said Ford's testimony seemed "purely scripted," and he faulted her for not recalling some details of what she says happened to her, which experts have said is common for trauma victims.

Fewer than 1 in 10 Democrats, men and women, said they think Kavanaugh was fully candid during his appearance. Just over half said he was mostly lying while the rest said he was largely truthful but was hiding something.

"It's just the way he presented himself, the way he answered questions. He was so defensive," said Barbara Heath, 60, a Democrat and former factory worker from Springfield, Ohio. "To me, he was covering up a lot of things."

Overall, 43 percent disapprove of Kavanaugh's confirmation while 35 percent approve.

Forty percent of all men approve of Kavanaugh's elevation to the high court, while only 30 percent of women do. Yet party identification washes much of that difference away: Around three-quarters of Republican men and women favor Kavanaugh's confirmation, a view shared by only about 1 in 10 Democrats of both genders.

The AP-NORC poll was conducted Oct. 11-14 by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research, with funding from The Associated Press and NORC at the University of Chicago. The margin of error is plus or minus 4 percentage points.

Oldest fossils or just rocks? Scientists at odds over Greenland site

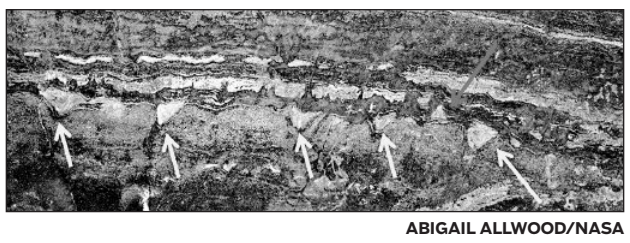
By Joel Achenbach
The Washington Post

It was an extraordinary claim: Scientists studying a rock formation in Greenland said they had discovered the Earth's oldest fossils, a series of small, cone-shaped structures left by microbial mats some 3.7 billion years ago.

The announcement in 2016 in the pages of the journal Nature generated global media coverage and potentially carried cosmic significance. These alleged fossils suggested life appeared on Earth soon after the planet cooled enough to be habitable. The implication was that, given the right conditions, life is common, sparking into existence quickly anywhere in the universe.

A NASA astrobiologist, Abigail Allwood, hoped it was true, but she wanted to take a look for herself. In September of 2016 she and her colleagues traveled to Greenland.

This month they published a rebuttal of the previous study in the journal Nature.



ABIGAIL ALLWOOD/NASA

Scientists point out that some structures go down and some up, showing formation through geological processes.

Allwood and her colleagues say the Greenland structures do not have a biological origin. They're just rocks.

The "conical" structures previously identified as fossilized stromatolites aren't truly conical, the new report states. The authors say they're the cross-section of what is a ridge, an elongated structure formed through natural tectonic forces. "They're not ice cream cones. They're Toblerone bars," said Allwood, who works at the NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.

The lead author of the 2016 paper, Allen Nutman, a geologist at the University of Wollongong in Australia, said he and his co-authors are "mystified" by the Allwood report and stand by their earlier interpretation.

The new report is the latest eruption of contentiousness in paleobiology, which has long been marked by disagreements over what's a fossil and what's just a bit of interesting geology.

The age of the Greenland site is not in dispute. It is possible that there are relics of early life in the formation. But the burden of proof is on Nutman, said Roger Buick, a University of Washington scientist who two years ago expressed skepticism about the 2016 report.

Latinos deal with monumental task

Key sites require improvements to preserve history

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press



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Cesar Chavez has a memorial garden in Keene, Calif., but the site of his birthplace sits abandoned in Yuma, Ariz.

GLORIETA PASS, N.M. — A makeshift memorial to Hispanic Civil War Union soldiers in an isolated part of northern New Mexico is a typical representation of sites linked to U.S. Latino history: It's shabby, largely unknown and at risk of disappearing.

Across the U.S., many sites historically connected to key moments in Latino civil rights lie forgotten, decaying or in danger of quietly dissolving into the past without acknowledgment. Scholars and advocates say a lack of preservation, resistance to recognition and even natural disasters make it hard for sites to gain traction among the general public, which affects how Americans see Latinos in U.S. history.

The birthplace of farmworker union leader Cesar Chavez sits abandoned in Yuma, Ariz. The Corpus Christi, Texas, office of Dr. Hector Garcia, where the Mexican-American civil rights movement was sparked, is gone. And no markers exist where pioneering educator George Sanchez captured images of New Mexico poverty for his 1940 groundbreaking book "Forgotten People."

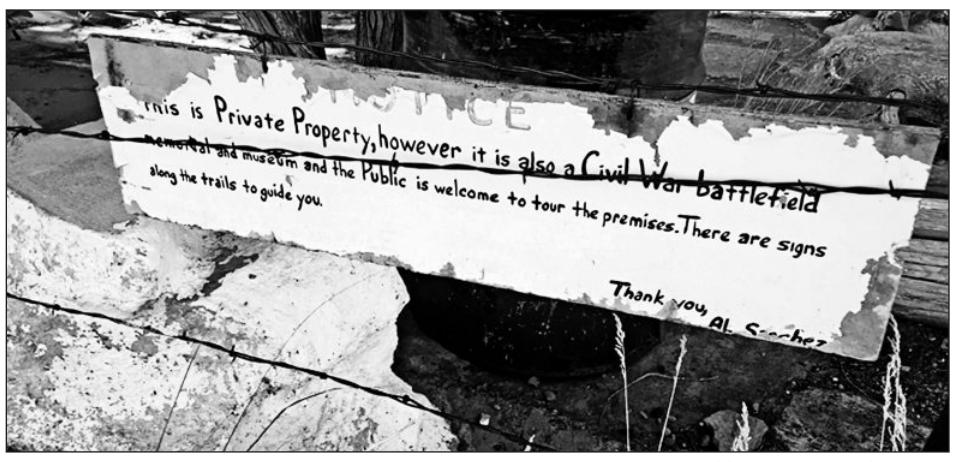
"People need to see history, they need to touch it, they need to feel it, they need to experience it," said Maggie Rivas-Rodriguez, a journalism professor at the University of Texas who has worked to preserve Latino historical sites. "When something is preserved, it's a daily reminder of our history."

Many states have historical markers and sites dedicated to Latino history, but they usually center around the Spanish exploration era, colonial times and Old West settlement periods, scholars and advocates say. Those are "safe" sites because they downplay the racism and segregation Latinos had to overcome, said Luis Sandoval, a nonprofit consultant in Yuma who is pushing for the region to honor Chavez's legacy.

As the nation's Latino population grows, local tourism groups and the National Park Service in recent years have responded.

In 2012, the National Park Foundation's American Latino Heritage Fund launched a campaign to improve the representation of Hispanics in national parks. The National Park Service also convened an "American Latino Scholars Expert Panel" made up of members including Rivas-Rodriguez and Yale history professor Stephen Pitti.

Before leaving office, former U.S. Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell announced that four Latino national landmarks were among the 24 new National Historic Landmarks. Chicano Park — a collection of murals under a San Diego highway that became a gathering place for activists during the 1970s Chicano Movement — was among them.



RUSSELL CONTRERAS/AP 2017

A sign references a makeshift memorial to Hispanic Civil War Union soldiers near Santa Fe, N.M. It is a typical representation for many sites linked to U.S. Latino history.

But Albuquerque, N.M.-based activist Ralph Arellanes Sr., says much more needs to be done nationwide to save Latino sites.

The makeshift memorial in northern New Mexico dedicated to Hispanic Union soldiers during the Battle of Glorieta Pass is a good example. The memorial off Interstate 25 is 20 miles southeast of Santa Fe and was built by retired District Attorney Alfonso Sanchez. It has wooden saints and crude signs explaining a battle that has been called "the Gettysburg of the West."

"I'm glad it's there. But it looks like just a taco stand, without any tacos," said Arellanes, whose great-great grandparents served as trail guides for the Union.

The site marks where Union soldiers beat back the advancing Confederate Army, ending the battle for the West during the Civil War. Hispanic soldiers played a key role.

Arellanes wants state lawmakers to dedicate about $5 million to revamp the site. Pecos National Historical Park officials give tours of the battlefield, but reservations often have to be made weeks in advance.

Arellanes also thinks New Mexico should preserve the birthplace of United Farm Worker cofounder Dolores Huerta, who was born in Dawson, a mining town.

Besides money, advocates sometimes have to fight local historical commissions that decide whether markers are erected, according to John Moran Gonzalez, director of the Center for Mexican American Studies at the University of Texas. That is why advocates in recent months have struggled to erect a monument commemorating the 1918 Porvenir Massacre — the killing of 15 unarmed Mexican-Americans in a border village by Texas Rangers.

Still, some advocates say progress is coming.

In Austin, Texas, for example, a group of volunteers operates the Austin Tejano Trail aimed at giving visitors guided tours of important churches, homes and plazas linked to the city's Mexican-American history.

Earlier this year, a Houston building where Mexican-American civil rights leaders planned President John Kennedy's historic visit the night before his assassination was designated as a National Treasure by the National Trust for Historic Preservation after years of pressure.

Millions spent to guard Confederate cemeteries

By Jim Salter
Associated Press



ERIC ALBRECHT/AP

Workers move the vandalized statue of a Civil War soldier at Camp Chase Confederate Cemetery in Columbus, Ohio. The VA has spent nearly $3 million safeguarding cemeteries.

ALTON, Ill. — After last year's deadly clash between white nationalists and counterprotesters in Charlottesville, Va., the federal government quietly spent millions of dollars to hire private security guards to stand watch over at least eight Confederate cemeteries, documents from the Department of Veterans Affairs show.

The security effort, which runs around the clock at all but one of those VA-operated cemeteries, was aimed at preventing the kind of damage that befell Confederate memorials in the U.S. in the aftermath of the Charlottesville violence.

None of the guarded cemeteries has been vandalized since the security was put in place. Records obtained by The Associated Press through the Freedom of Information Act show that the VA has spent nearly $3 million on the cemetery security since August 2017. An additional $1.6 million is budgeted for fiscal 2019 to pay for security at all Confederate monuments, which could include other sites. The agency has not determined when the security will cease.

Private security was needed "to ensure the safety of staff, property and visitors paying respect to those interred," Jessica Schiefer, spokeswoman for the VA's National Cemetery Administration, said in a statement. The agency "has a responsibility to protect the federal property it administers and will continue to monitor and assess the need for enhanced security going forward."

Most of the protected cemeteries are in the North, in places far removed from the Confederacy. Vast numbers of the buried soldiers were prisoners of war who were held nearby. Many succumbed to smallpox and other diseases. The cemetery monuments are typically simple and solemn, serving more to acknowledge the deceased than to celebrate the slaveholding nation they defended.

Government watchdog groups and some members of Congress question if the spending is still necessary.

Steve Ellis, executive vice president of the non-partisan Taxpayers for Common Sense, said the cost of security represents the sort of "spending inertia" too common in government. "Unfortunately what happens with the government is once you start spending money on something, you generally continue to spend money on it," he said.

Democratic Rep. Bobby Rush of Chicago, whose district includes one of the protected cemeteries, said in a statement that while he supports the VA's decision to prevent vandalism, officials "must remain vigilant in evaluating" government spending.

Monuments to the Confederacy have become especially polarizing since nine black parishioners were gunned down by an avowed white supremacist at a church in Charleston, S.C., in 2015. The confrontation in Charlottesville on Aug. 11, 2017, reopened the wound. In the weeks that followed, vandals damaged Confederate sites across the country, and cemeteries were not spared.

A bronze statue of a rebel soldier was toppled and decapitated on Aug. 22, 2017, at Camp Chase Confederate Cemetery in Columbus, Ohio. Two days later, the VA contracted with the Westmoreland Protection Agency, based in Sunrise, Fla., to provide unarmed security guards at Camp Chase and two other cemeteries — North Alton Confederate Cemetery in Alton, Ill., and Woodlawn National Cemetery in Elmira, N.Y. The 30-day contract cost $91,357, according to the documents.

About a week later, someone threw paint on a 117-year-old Confederate memorial at Springfield National Cemetery in Missouri, hours before President Donald Trump was scheduled to speak in Springfield.

On Sept. 6, 2017, the VA amended the monthly contract to add Springfield and four additional national Confederate cemeteries: Point Lookout Confederate Cemetery in Scotland, Md.; Finn's Point National Cemetery in Pennsville Township, N.J.; Confederate Stockade Cemetery in Sandusky, Ohio; and Confederate Mound at Oak Woods Cemetery in Chicago.

Schiefer did not directly answer questions about why the eight cemeteries were chosen but said the National Cemetery Administration "routinely monitors the need for additional protection and security at all of its sites." Decisions, she said, are based on factors such as historical significance, replacement and repair value, and previous vandalism or threats of vandalism at particular sites.

Contract specifications call for round-the-clock security at seven of the cemeteries, and during daytime hours only at the Chicago cemetery. Spot checks by the AP found guards at the cemeteries in Columbus and Alton, but no one during the day at the Chicago cemetery. Schiefer said the VA does not discuss security procedures.

Whether because of the added security or other reasons, no vandalism has occurred at any of the cemeteries since the August 2017 incident in Springfield, the VA said.

Lee descendant: Trump supports 'idol of white supremacy'

By Kristine Phillips
The Washington Post



Robert Lee IV

An indirect descendant of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee said he was "disheartened" that President Donald Trump called his ancestor a "great general."

Robert Lee IV, a North Carolina pastor who has been openly critical of his great-great-great-great uncle, accused the president this month of lying about the legacy of the Southern Civil War general.

Speaking in front of 4,000 supporters at a recent rally in Lebanon, Ohio, Trump declared that Lee was a "true great fighter" and "great general," and claimed that President Abraham Lincoln once had a "phobia" of Lee, who "was winning battle after battle after battle."

"He is showing us that he supports an idol of white supremacy and of hatred," Robert Lee IV said of the president in a video statement he shared this month with his 31,000 Twitter followers. "Robert E. Lee fought for the continued enslavement of black bodies. It was for states' rights, yes, but it was for states' rights to own slaves. I find myself saddened by the state of our nation."

Trump later tweeted that the point of his comments about Lee, which were made during an anecdote about Ohio-born President Ulysses S. Grant, was to praise the Union general.

Robert Lee IV caused some controversy after a speech at the MTV Video Music Awards in August 2017, a few days after the white nationalist rally in Charlottesville, Va. — held to protest the city's plan to remove a statue of the Confederate general — where counterprotester Heather Heyer was killed.

Lee, dressed in a black cleric's shirt and collar, introduced himself as the descendant of the general "whose statue was at the center of violence in Charlottesville."

"Today, I call on all of us with privilege and power to answer God's call to confront racism and white supremacy head on," he said. "We can find inspiration in the Black Lives Matter movement, the women who marched in the Women's March in January, and, especially, Heather Heyer, who died fighting for her beliefs."

Lee said later that he resigned from his post at Bethany United Church of Christ in Winston-Salem, N.C., after some members raised concerns about the attention the congregation was receiving because of his outspokenness. Some church members were troubled by his comments praising the Black Lives Matter movement, the Women's March and Heyer, he said.

The Confederate general's legacy has been scrutinized, and fights about whether to keep monuments dedicated to him have consumed cities.

Nonvoters elect not to

Motivations myriad, but many feel not voting a valid choice

By Gabriel Pogrund and Jenna Johnson
The Washington Post



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Organizer Karen Reynolds, left, meets at a coffee shop with fellow activists who have been hosting voter sign-up events in Clarksville, Tenn.

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. — Interest in the midterm election is at a fever pitch in much of the country, with both Democrats and Republicans far more passionate than they've been in more than a decade.

Could this be the year that Tennessee's Montgomery County shows up to vote?

Located northwest of Nashville along the Kentucky border, this county often has one of the lowest voting rates in the state — in a state that often has one of the lowest rates in the country, and in a country that has one of the lowest rates in the world, trailing most developed nations.

During the divisive 2016 presidential election, Montgomery County registered its lowest turnout in the last six presidential elections. Of residents who were old enough to vote, just 42 percent actually did, according to a Washington Post analysis. Meanwhile, the national rate was 61 percent and statewide was 51 percent, according to the U.S. Elections Project.

Historically, those numbers fall in midterm elections.

"I had no reason to," said Austin Batey, 25, a call-center operator and libertarian who didn't vote in the 2012 or 2016 presidential elections and doesn't plan to vote in November. "I just don't feel I can change politics. Or, if I could help change it, I'd just be voting for someone whose solutions I don't agree with."

"For every one thing I like about a politician, there are 10 things I don't like," he said. "Take Trump, I like his tax cuts, but then he's jacking up the deficit ... it's trading off one evil for another. .. . I'll just stay at home and not have my blood pressure raised."



An Austin Peay State University student wears her politics on her jacket.

He's not alone. The reasons for not voting may vary by location but feature similar strains of disillusionment and skepticism. Tennessee has harsher voting restrictions in place than states with higher turnout rates, but few people cite those as reasons for not voting.

Montgomery County residents offered a list of reasons: The state mostly has been controlled by Republicans for years, so many right-leaning nonvoters say their chosen candidate doesn't need their support to win and left-leaners say their candidate will never win.

Both sides ask the same question: Why bother?

Others said they don't care about politics — often citing its nastiness — and don't want to pick a side.

And still others said they just can't get excited about the candidates on the ballot.

"I just think that it's a waste of my time," said Leo Meeks, 39, a lifelong Clarksvillian who majored in political science in college but hasn't voted in at least eight years. Even if he did vote, he said, the winner is often determined by gerrymandered districts or the electoral college — not voters.

"Because whoever's going to get into office is not going to be influenced based on what my goals are or what my needs are or what the public's needs," he said. "It's going to be driven by capitalism, by big companies ... Money controls."

The Washington Post analyzed voting data from more than 3,000 counties in the 2016 election and found that those with lowest rates of participation, as measured by those eligible to vote, were concentrated in a handful of states: West Virginia, Texas, Georgia, Tennessee, Kentucky and Arizona.

Politically speaking, these are states that are mostly controlled by Republicans — and all voted for Trump in 2016.

Demographically, the counties with the lowest participating rates are often impoverished, sparsely populated and rural; their residents make less money than most Americans and are less likely to own their home or have a college degree.

The wealthiest counties in the country had the highest rates of participation, while the poorest counties had the lowest rates.

"No one's ever pushed me to do it; no one's told me it was important," said Zantwinette Ellis, 20, a single mother who has lived in Clarksville her entire life, and has spent most of it bouncing between homes and, in recent years, between low-paying jobs. "They pound you about jobs. 'Get a job, get a job.' They didn't pound you about voting growing up. It doesn't feel relevant to me. It's not a big thing in my life."

Montgomery County is home to Tennessee's fifth largest city, Clarksville, and its poverty rate is average. Some of its residents are military members stationed at nearby Fort Campbell, who remain registered to vote in their home states, although that population alone doesn't explain the county's low rate.

Trump won more than 56 percent of votes cast in the county in 2016, even though its demographics more closely align with those of Democratic strongholds: Its population is one of the youngest in the state, thanks to a university and the nearby military base, and it is more diverse than Tennessee as a whole, as 71 percent of residents are white, 20.5 percent are African-American and 10 percent are Hispanic.

Typically, young Americans and minorities have lower voting rates than older, white residents. Homeownership and having children in the school system, among other means of rooting in civic life, generally propel people to vote, studies have shown.

Logan Russell, an 18-year-old college student studying music, said that once he is done with school, he will deeply research candidates and vote — but he's not willing to make the investment of time now.

"I'd be one person versus millions who probably have spent less time thinking about their vote than I have," Russell said. "We make point-zero-infinite percentage difference. I can do more by spending that time helping a friend out. I mean, really, that's helping their life more than voting for somebody who may or may not be pressured into voting for something I may or may not like."

Democrats and Republicans have pushed to change Tennessee's embarrassingly low standing in the nation when it comes to voter participation.

Before the Oct. 9 registration deadline, activist groups across the state held registration drives.

But they also used a tool deemed more effective: talking up voting to their relatives, friends, co-workers and people they encounter in their communities.

A leader of the county GOP wrote personal letters to everyone she knows who doesn't regularly vote.

The executive director of the Tennessee Equality Project handed out flyers promoting voter registration when he stopped for gas or food.

A transgender college student posted links to voter registration information whenever a friend complained about politics or the president on Facebook.

When members of Clarksville Indivisible, a liberal grass-roots organization, met for lunch at a Mediterranean restaurant downtown, they asked their two servers if they were registered to vote. A member of the group said she has been registering members of her mosque and recently helped to register a salesman who called her home with an offer to replace her windows.

But the results have been sobering at times. The activists have been surprised by the number of people they have encountered who have never voted and proudly want to continue that streak. According to data obtained by The Post, this year's final registration tally is 109,923 — barely an increase over the 108,538 registered in 2016.

"I'm struggling. I mean, what do you say to someone who says, 'I don't vote,' " said Karen Reynolds, a Clarksville Indivisible organizer.

She became politically active in early 2017 when Tennessee state lawmakers considered legislation that would limit the rights of LGBT individuals, including her son.

On a recent Friday afternoon, Clarksville Indivisible and other activist groups set up a voter registration booth at Austin Peay State University and registered more than 50 students to vote.

Dozens of students said that they plan to vote in the midterm election this fall — but few could name any of the statewide candidates, even those in the contested Senate race between Republican Rep. Marsha Blackburn and Democrat Phil Bredesen, the state's governor from 2003 to 2011.

Many others said they have no plans to vote.

"I would rather not vote in something I don't know about," a freshman nursing major said as she had lunch with classmates. "If I voted, I would probably just vote however my parents voted."

Another young woman at her table agreed: "I'm not into politics."

Sitting nearby, D'Andrea "Dede" Holloway, 20, said she has no interest in voting because she doesn't believe that politicians from either party can attain any of the things that they promise. In 2016, she found Trump's promises shallow and empty, especially coupled with proposals that she considered anti-immigrant.

During the Democratic primaries, she loved the message of Bernie Sanders and was angered by how she felt he was treated by Democratic Party officials.

"I've thought about voting, but I just don't want to put my faith in a person," said Holloway, who is from Knoxville and is studying early childhood development and social work.

Mike Rittenberry — a 58-year-old former drug addict and born-again Christian who owns a tire shop decorated with signs reading "Honk for Jesus" and "Jesus is Coming Back" — similarly would rather put his faith in God than a politician.

"I don't know who to believe or who not to believe when it comes to the president and senators and Washington and this and that. I just put it all in God's hands," said Rittenberry, an ex-felon who has never explored having his voting rights restored. "I know God is really the one who's running this country. I really believe God has placed President Trump there for a reason."

In keeping with statistics showing lower participation during nonpresidential elections, several Clarksville residents who voted in 2016 said they don't plan to do so this fall.

Blanca Zamarron, a 29-year-old restaurant manager at the El Toro Mexican taqueria, said that she voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016 but hasn't seen her life change much under Trump's leadership, so she doesn't think voting in the midterms this fall is "a big thing."

And Rachelle Batey — who is married to Batey, the call center operator — said that she plans to join her husband in not voting this year because politics has become too divisive.

One of her close friends unfriended her on Facebook after they disagreed about the allegations of sexual abuse against Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh.

"I just stay away from it all," said Batey, 27, a former massage therapist who home-schools her two children and usually votes Republican, as she did for Trump in 2016. "I'm one of the biggest fence sitters and sometimes I feel like I'm alone on my little fence. These days, you're either right or you're wrong. Well, I like some things Republicans do, I like some things Democrats do. I view myself as a feminist, but I see some feminism is getting turned into hatred. So I can't vote this time."

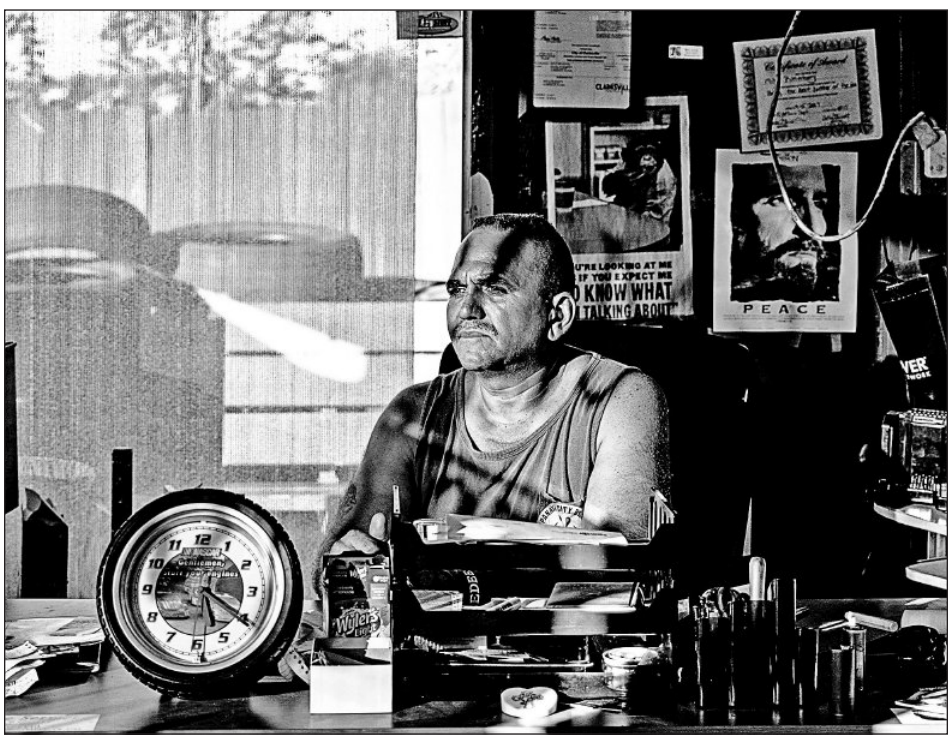
Batey recalled going into the voting booth with her father, a Southern Baptist preacher, when she was a child.

But now, she said, it's all too exhausting.

"I'm one of those people who believes if you don't vote, you can't criticize, because you don't put your voice in," she said. "But now I'm done with it. This time I don't want to put my voice in."



Rachelle Batey, playing with her daughter Kaydence at a playground in Clarksville, said she plans to join her husband in not voting this year because politics has become too divisive.



Mike Rittenberry, who owns a tire shop in Clarksville, would rather put his faith in God than politicians. "I don't know who to believe or who not to believe," he says.

Russians mock agency's spy gaffes

But Putin may not find subject all that funny, experts say

By Sabra Ayres and Laura King
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RT

Bellingcat, a journalism website, identified these Russians as GRU officers Anatoliy Chepiga, left, and Alexander Mishkin.

MOSCOW — For a secret service, Russia's GRU spy agency has been in the public eye an awful lot lately.

And it hasn't been a good look.

Like Russian President Vladimir Putin, the GRU — the country's military intelligence agency — is more accustomed to being feared than being mocked.

But a recently exposed run of bumbling spycraft — think Austin Powers, not James Bond — has made the spy agency the subject of biting humor, at which Russians happen to excel.

Memes and jokes abounded on Russian social media last month after an unintentionally comic turn on RT, the Kremlin-backed international broadcaster, by the two men suspected of traveling to Britain and trying to kill turncoat Russian spy Sergei Skripal.

The pair claimed, unconvincingly, to have been innocent tourists drawn to ecclesiastical architecture in the quiet southern English city of Salisbury.

Another wave of online gibes came this month when authorities in Britain, the Netherlands and the United States unveiled what they described as compelling proof of cyberattacks around the world by Russian intelligence agents, resulting in the indictment of seven Russian agents by the U.S. Justice Department.

The consequences for Russia have been anything but amusing, including diplomatic expulsions and sanctions.

But the humiliating espionage-related gaffes and brazen denials, while providing plenty of fodder for dark humor, are probably no laughing matter for Putin, analysts say.

"The real source of frustration for Russian leadership is not at the credibility of Russia as some sort of normal, (law-)abiding state in an international system that has now been exposed for having conducted all these notorious operations," said Michael Kofman, a specialist in Russian military and security issues at the Wilson Center, a think tank in Washington.

Instead, he said, the Kremlin is worried about its "brand, image and reputation as a great power."

And Putin, a former KGB officer whose approval ratings have been slipping, is doubtless "unhappy with the image of Russia as being incompetent, and the potential public perception of themselves as fools," Kofman said.

Some Putin-watchers saw peril for the head of the GRU, Igor Korobov.

Unconfirmed reports in the Russian media said that after the U.S. indictments of seven military intelligence officers, the Russian president summoned Korobov for an official dressing-down.

In the eyes of the Kremlin, the Russian intelligence services are so closely associated with the state itself that "it's an embarrassment to the state that Putin is the head of," said Alina Polyakova, an analyst at the Washington-based Brookings Institution. "It's almost a personal attack."

Still, the Kremlin is not at all likely to change its behavior despite the public revelations about sloppy spycraft.

"If Putin is showing his anger, it is not because they are spying and hacking and killing, but because they are not doing it well enough," Mark Galeotti, an expert on Russian security services and a senior fellow at the Institute of International Relations Prague, wrote in a blog post.

The overarching Kremlin narrative, primarily for a domestic audience, is that of Putin standing up to an arrogant West — and any tactic employed is presented as a fair one, analysts said.

However implausible official denials might be, opinion polls show most Russians believe their government is routinely accused by foreign powers of acts it did not commit — for example, meddling with U.S. elections.

The Skripal affair has been a case in point.

In March, when the former Russian spy and his daughter, Yulia, were found to have been poisoned with a Soviet-era nerve agent, Novichok, the Kremlin not only denied involvement, but demanded proof of the suspects' guilt, which seemed at the time like a tall order.

But British authorities, painstakingly poring through footage gathered by near-ubiquitous security cameras, identified two Russian men traveling under the names Alexander Petrov and Ruslan Boshirov, and produced a meticulous timeline of their movements.

It was at that point that the Kremlin appeared to overplay its hand and tip the grim episode into farce: The two sat for the RT interview, insisting they were sports nutritionists on a holiday jaunt to Britain — and that with all the iconic tourist sites available to them in London, what they really wanted to see was the cathedral in a provincial city.

Russian Twitter memes depicted the spies striking an elaborately casual demeanor at the Salisbury train station, with Queen Elizabeth II peering suspiciously at them. A cartoon showed them dragging a towering Soviet-era statue to compare its height with the spire of Salisbury Cathedral.

A Russian political scientist, Grigorii Golosov, mused on Facebook that thanks to the efforts of the two, the word "Novichok" was now better known to non-Russian speakers than "Sputnik."

Then it got worse for Russia.

Bellingcat, an independent investigative journalism website based in Britain, revealed the identities of the two as Anatoliy Chepiga and Alexander Mishkin. Not only were they both GRU officers, it developed, but each had been designated a Hero of Russia, Russia's highest military honor.

By then, the dark online jokes were primed and ready. When it came to light that Mishkin, during his upbringing in a rural town, had been a teenage DJ with a penchant for Europop, a Russian news outlet pulled together a compilation of the top hits of the era and dubbed it "DJ Novichok EuroDance Mix."

Soon afterward, Dutch investigators announced that they had ousted four Russian spies who were caught trying to hack into the computers of the Hague-based Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, which had been investigating the Skripal case.

As the Kremlin railed against a Western plot to discredit Russia, a slapstick-style slip-up came to light: The agents had saved their taxi receipts from the GRU headquarters in southern Moscow to the airport, where they caught a flight to Amsterdam.

And the exposed agents unwittingly led researchers down a trail revealing a consecutive passport-numbering system that in turn led to the exposure of 305 agents in one traffic-police database — each of whom had registered their cars at the address of the GRU headquarters.

During Russian spies' recent spate of seemingly fumbled misdeeds, the Kremlin's response has been consistent, analysts say.

"Step No. 1 is deny; Step No. 2 is to undermine whoever made the allegations," Polyakova said. "And usually Step No. 3 is to spin multiple versions of the story, to try to confuse the public narrative about what is the truth, and what is not."

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

Marchers clog London streets to demand a new Brexit vote

LONDON — Hundreds of thousands of protesters opposed to Britain's impending exit from the European Union marched through central London on Saturday, demanding a new referendum and to have a say on the government's final Brexit deal with the EU.

Organizers say another vote is needed because new facts have come out about the costs and complexity of Britain's exit from the bloc since voters chose to leave in 2016.

They estimated that 700,000 people took part Saturday in the "People's Vote March," which saw 150 buses of marchers pour into the British capital from all across the country.

"What's clear is that the only options on the table now from the prime minister are a bad Brexit deal, or no deal whatsoever," London Mayor Sadiq Khan, who joined the march, told the BBC.

Trump says U.S. will pull out of intermediate range nuke pact

ELKO, Nev. — President Donald Trump said Saturday that he will pull the United States from the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty with Russia.

Trump said Moscow has violated the agreement, but he provided no details.

The 1987 pact helps protect the security of the U.S. and its allies in Europe and the Far East. It prohibits the United States and Russia from possessing, producing or test-flying a ground-launched cruise missile with a range of 300 to 3,400 miles.

Trump made the announcement Saturday after a campaign stop in Elko.

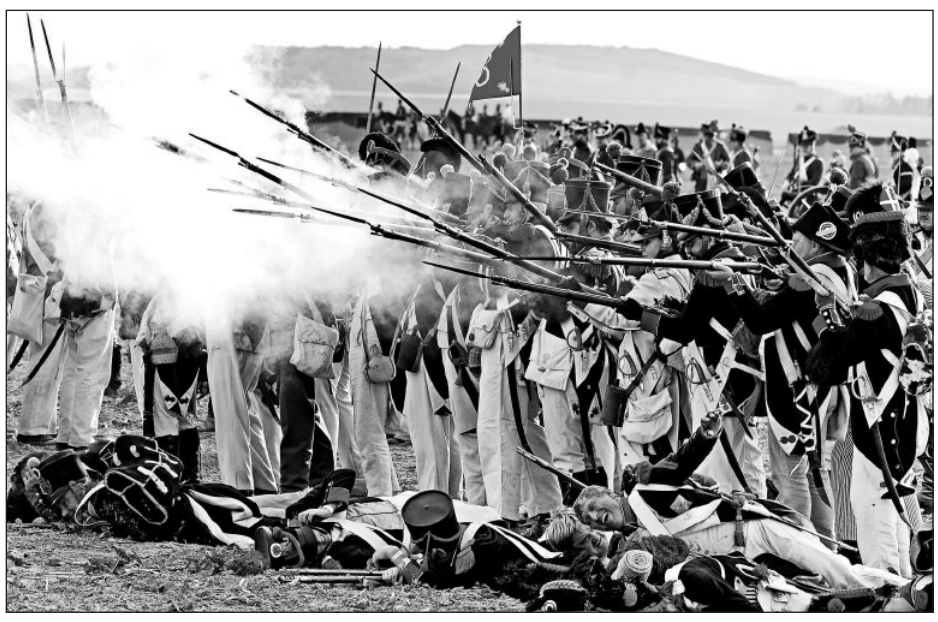
"We are going to terminate the agreement and then we are going to develop the weapons" unless Russia and China agree to a new deal, Trump said.

Europe, Japan send spacecraft on 7-year journey to Mercury

TOKYO — European and Japanese space agencies said an Ariane 5 rocket successfully lifted a spacecraft carrying two probes into orbit Saturday for a joint mission to Mercury, the closest planet to the sun.

The European Space Agency and the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency said the Bepi-Colombo spacecraft was sent into orbit from French Guiana as planned to begin a seven-year journey to Mercury.

The spacecraft, named after Italian scientist Giuseppe "Bepi" Colombo, has sent the first signal after the liftoff. ESA said the $1.5 billion mission is one of the most challenging in its history. Mercury's extreme temperatures, the intense gravity pull of the sun and solar radiation make for hellish conditions. The spacecraft will arrive in 2025.



JENS MEYER/AP

History buffs take part Saturday in the re-enactment of the October 1813 Battle of Leipzig, which saw the defeat of Napoleon I's army by forces from Prussia, Austria, Russia and Sweden. The fight is considered one of the bloodiest battles in European history.

Immunotherapy study shows progress against breast cancer

For the first time, one of the new immunotherapy drugs has shown promise against breast cancer in a large study that combined it with chemotherapy to treat an aggressive form of the disease.

Results were published by the New England Journal of Medicine.

Drugs called checkpoint inhibitors have transformed treatment of many types of cancer by removing a chemical brake that keeps the immune system from killing tumor cells.

The new study tested one from Roche called Tecentriq plus chemo versus chemo alone in 902 women with advanced triple-negative breast cancer. About 15 percent of cases are this type — their growth is not fueled by the hormones estrogen or progesterone, or the gene that Herceptin targets, making them hard to treat.

Women in the study who received Tecentriq plus chemo went two months longer on average without their cancer worsening compared with those on chemo alone. The combo did not significantly improve survival in an early look before long-term follow-up is complete.

Previous studies found that immunotherapies work best in patients with high levels of a protein that the drugs target, and the plan for the breast cancer study called for analyzing how women fared according to that factor if Tecentriq improved survival overall.

The drug failed that test, but researchers still looked at protein-level results and saw encouraging signs. Women with high levels who received the combo treatment lived roughly 25 months on average versus about 15 months for women given chemo alone.

Ga. officer fatally shot near school; suspects flee

SNELLVILLE, Ga. — A Georgia police officer was killed after being shot while responding to a suspicious vehicle parked near a middle school, according to media reports.

News outlets reported that multiple law enforcement agencies were searching for suspects following the Saturday afternoon shooting near Snellville.

Police said Gwinnett County police officer Antwan Toney, 30, died at a hospital. He had been with the department for nearly three years.

The shooting happened Saturday about 3 p.m. near Shiloh Middle School. Authorities say the suspects crashed the vehicle a short time later and witnesses reported seeing as many as four people running from the scene.

It's unclear if any of the suspects were injured.

Snellville is about 25 miles northeast of Atlanta.

Mega Millions set to jump to largest jackpot in U.S. history

SAN DIEGO — The Mega Millions lottery may see a streak of jackpot rollovers end as it heads toward a $1.6 billion jackort, the largest prize in U.S. history.

As more tickets sell, chances grow that at least one buyer will pick all six winning numbers Tuesday. That would stop the streak of 25 rollovers.

Based on sales projections, 75 percent of the 302 million possible combinations will be chosen for Tuesday's drawing, said Carole Gentry, spokeswoman for Maryland Lottery and Gaming. "It's possible that nobody wins again, but it's hard to fathom," Gentry said.

No one matched Friday's numbers of 7, 15, 23, 53, 65 and 70 to claim an estimated prize of $1 billion.

Mega Millions is played in 44 states, Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

In Tanzania: Mohammed Dewji, called Africa's youngest billionaire, said Saturday he is free more than a week after his Oct. 11 abduction from a luxury hotel in Dar es Salaam, the commercial capital of Tanzania. Police said captors demanded a ransom but did not divulge the amount or say whether it was paid. Dewji is 44.

In the Netherlands: Former Dutch Prime Minister Wim Kok, a trade unionist-turned-politician who inspired a new breed of pragmatic Social Democratic leaders who swept to power in Europe in the 1990s, died Saturday at 80. Kok helped steer the Netherlands to unprecedented economic success from 1994 to 2002.

OBITUARIES

DON SANDBURG 1930-2018

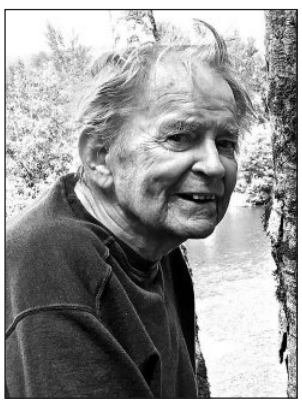


WGN-TV

Don Sandburg as the clown Sandy, second from right, in a 1963 photo for 'Bozo's Circus.'

Writer, producer, performer on WGN's 'Bozo's Circus'

By Bob Goldsborough
Chicago Tribune



DOUG SANDBURG

Don Sandburg played a key role in the early success of the popular children's program in the 1960s.

Don Sandburg played a key role in the early success of WGN-Ch. 9's popular children's program "Bozo's Circus" the 1960s, as a writer and producer as well as a performer.

Sandburg played Sandy the Tramp, a clown who never spoke.

"I couldn't have gotten a word in edgewise anyway," Sandburg joked to the Tribune in 1984, referring to his decision to make Sandy a character of action, not words, on the often madcap telecast.

Sandburg, 87, died of complications from Alzheimer's disease on Oct. 6 at his home in Springfield, Ore., said his son, Doug. He had been an Oregon resident for more than two decades. He had lived in Glenview during his time working for Channel 9.

Born in Rocky River, Ohio, outside of Cleveland, Sandburg graduated from Withrow High School in Cincinnati. He attended Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, where he studied psychology. Years later, he returned to college, earning a bachelor's degree from California State University, Northridge.

Sandburg worked as a salesman, but was interested in acting and appeared in a production in Sandusky, Ohio, where he met his first wife, an actress. Sandburg soon joined the staff of WLWT-TV in Cincinnati, where he started out as a prop master and quickly began directing locally produced TV programs.

While at WLWT, Sandburg worked alongside two future Chicago broadcasting icons: Wally Phillips, who worked on the sister radio station, WLW, and Bob Bell. In 1961, WGN hired all three, with Phillips going on to become a top-rated morning host at WGN-AM, and Bell and Sandburg joining Channel 9.

Sandburg began working on "Bozo's Circus" with its debut in 1961. He worked behind the scenes as a producer and writer, and he also came up with the character of Sandy. He worked alongside Bell, who played Bozo; Ray Rayner, who played a country clown named Oliver O. Oliver; and Ned Locke, who played Ringmaster Ned.

In 1964, Sandburg wrote an essay in the Tribune extolling the benefits of watching a circus show on color TVs.

"The circus world always has been a world of gay uninhibited color," Sandburg wrote. "Bozo's Circus has made every effort to incorporate this much desired concept to sharpen the public's interest in color television and usher in a new adventure in TV viewing."

Despite Sandburg's success on "Bozo" — the waiting list for tickets grew to several years — he yearned for bigger stages. In January 1969, Sandburg left Channel 9 and Chicago to move to the West Coast to seek larger opportunities in the entertainment world.

Through legendary TV executive Fred Silverman, Sandburg found behind-the-scenes jobs in Hollywood. He produced segments on Sid and Marty Krofft's children's show "The Banana Splits" and produced "The Virginia Graham Show." He also produced the animated children's TV series "Cattanooga Cats" and some episodes of "Star Trek: The Animated Series," his son said.

Sandburg's final work in Los Angeles was in the late 1970s, producing a CBS comedy-variety show, "The Shields and Yarnell Show." By that time, however, he was finding TV work hard to come by.

With a longstanding interest in boating — Sandburg loved sailing — he began working as a yacht broker. He left Hollywood in 1978 to move to Saint Croix, where he oversaw a theater, called Island Center, and he filled it with a variety of acts, including reggae bands and his old "Bozo's Circus" colleague Marshall Brodien. And Sandburg even put on the clown suit again, reprising his role as Sandy for audiences at the Island Center.

Around 1982, Sandburg moved to Fort Lauderdale to work again as a yacht broker. Some years later, he and his second wife bought an RV and traveled the country before settling in Oregon about 21 years ago, his son said.

Outside of TV projects and boat-related work, Sandburg enjoyed building HO-scale model railroads, his son said.

Sandburg was the final living member of the original cast of "Bozo's Circus."

A first marriage to Elizabeth "Bette" Sandburg ended in divorce. In addition to his son, Sandburg is survived by his second wife, Gabrielle; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON OCTOBER 21 ...

In 1797 the U.S. Navy frigate Constitution, also known as "Old Ironsides," was launched in Boston's harbor.

In 1833 Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite who established the Nobel Prizes, was born in Stockholm.

In 1879 Thomas Edison invented a workable electric light at his laboratory in Menlo Park, N.J.

In 1959 New York's Guggenheim Museum, designed by architect Frank Lloyd Wright, was opened to the public.

In 1995 rioting inmates surrendered control of a prison dormitory in Greenville, Ill., ending a one-day uprising that began after the government ordered federal prisons locked down nationwide.

In 2003, invoking a hastily passed law, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush ordered a feeding tube reinserted into Terri Schiavo, a brain-damaged woman at the center of a bitter right-to-die battle.

In 2012 George McGovern, a liberal icon who challenged President Richard Nixon for the White House, died in Sioux Falls, S.D.; he was 90.

In 2014 a South African judge sentenced Oscar Pistorius, the first double amputee to compete in the Olympics, to 5 years in prison in the shooting death of his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp, on Feb. 14, 2013. **Also in 2014** Washington Post editor Ben Bradlee, who guided the newspaper's coverage of the Watergate scandal that led to President Richard Nixon's resignation in 1974, died in Washington; he was 93.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS
Oct. 20
Powerball ..... 16 54 57 62 69 / 23
Powerball jackpot: $470M
Lotto ..... 03 13 22 23 27 46 / 11
Lotto jackpot: $18.25M
Pick 3 midday ..... 215 / 5
Pick 4 midday ..... 0851 / 7
Lucky Day Lotto midday 03 07 24 26 28
Pick 3 evening ..... 770 / 2
Pick 4 evening ..... 4303 / 9
Lucky Day Lotto evening 04 13 20 21 37
Oct. 19
Mega Millions 15 23 53 65 70/ 7
Mega Millions jackpot: $1B
Pick 3 midday ..... 734 / 1
Pick 4 midday ..... 0264 / 8
Lucky Day Lotto midday 05 07 14 33 37
Pick 3 evening ..... 620 / 0
Pick 4 evening ..... 6468 / 6
Lucky Day Lotto evening 06 18 27 29 37

Oct. 23 Mega Millions: $1.6B

INDIANA
Oct. 20
Lotto 04 10 11 21 22 41
Daily 3 midday ..... 938 / 7
Daily 4 midday ..... 1060 / 7
Daily 3 evening ..... 171 / 2
Daily 4 evening ..... 1766 / 2
Cash 5 ..... 01 22 37 38 39

MICHIGAN
Oct. 20
Lotto 01 13 23 30 39 46
Daily 3 midday 307
Daily 4 midday 6448
Daily 3 evening 458
Daily 4 evening 2451
Fantasy 5 ..... 04 05 10 26 34
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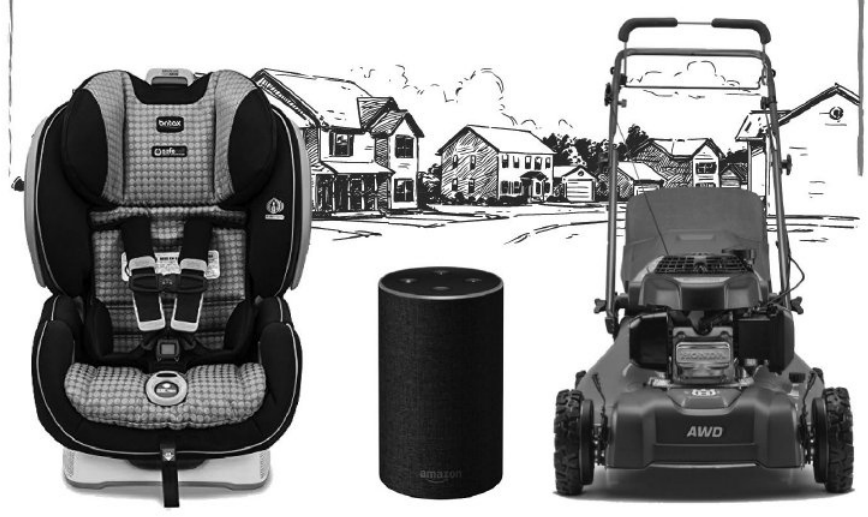
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Michael 'Munk' Naselli
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Munk~In the wind, we hear you; in our hearts, we feel you; in your example, we live you. With love, Diane, Ed, Selina/Anthony, Shana & Tina
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Death Notices

Bartsch, Sr. Dominic 'Ida'
Sr. Dominic Bartsch (aka Ida), Holy Spirit Missionary Sister, passed away peacefully on Oct. 20th. She had five loving brothers and four loving sisters along with many nieces and nephews. A wake service will be held at 7 PM on Monday Oct. 22nd at the Convent of the Holy Spirit, 319 Waukegan Rd., Northfield and the Funeral Mass will be held there on Tuesday, Oct. 23rd at 10:30 am. Interment will be at St. Mary Cemetery in Techny. In Lieu of flowers, donations for the retired members of the Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters would be appreciated. Info 847-901-4012 or www.smithcorcoran.com

Smith-Corcoran Funeral Homes

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Bentley, Arlene J.
Arlene J. Bentley of Des Plaines. Beloved wife of Stuart Bentley; loving mother of Sandra (Paul) Cord, Scott Bentley and Stuart (Mercedes) Bentley; cherished grandmother of Daniel (Sheila) Cord, David (Marina) Cord, Tyler Bentley, Cooper Bentley and Ethan Bentley; great grandmother of Theresa and Colin Cord; dear sister of Marilyn Bennett. Visitation Monday October 22, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Friedrichs Funeral Home**, 320 W. Central Rd., (at Northwest Highway) Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Visitation Tuesday October 23, 9:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Service 11:00 a.m. at **Friedrichs Funeral Home**. Interment private. Funeral information (847) 255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com.
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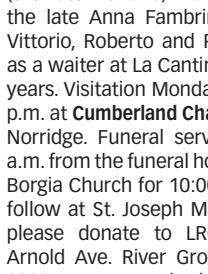
Bianchini, Enrico
Enrico Bianchini, 93, Born in Lucca, Italy; Devoted husband of the late Leonetta nee Fambrini; Beloved father of Delfo (Fran) Bianchini, Enrica (Tom) Burian and Michael Bianchini; Loving grandfather of Eric (Carly) Bianchini, Danielle (Vince) Mathe, Marc Bianchini, Matthew Burian and Francesca Bianchini and great-grandfather of Cecelia, Emma and Rocco; Dear brother of the late Alessandro (the late Adriana) Bianchini and brother-in-law of the late Anna Fambrini; Fond uncle of Massimo, Vittorio, Roberto and Paola. Enrico proudly served as a waiter at La Cantina in The Italian Village for 40 years. Visitation Monday Oct. 22nd from 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral service begins Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. from the funeral home proceeding to St. Francis Borgia Church for 10:00 a.m. Mass. Entombment to follow at St. Joseph Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, please donate to LRCA/Leyden Workshop 8607 Arnold Ave. River Grove, IL 60171. Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com

CUMBERLAND CHAPELS

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Bielatowicz, Frank J.
Frank J. Bielatowicz of Lombard, formerly of Westchester, age 96. U.S. Army Veteran WWII. Beloved husband of the late Elizabeth "Betty", nee Moore; loving father of Mary Ellen (the late James) Keith and Rose (Tony) Hawrylicz; proud grandfather of Katherine C. Johnson, Anthony F. and Lindsay R. Hawrylicz; dear brother of the late Joseph (the late Irene) and the late Adeline (the late Joseph) Jarzab. Owner of Oak Park Auto Parts store for 12 years. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Monday, October 22, 2018 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral Tuesday 9:30 a.m. from the funeral home to Divine Providence Church for 10:00 a.m Mass. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Wounded Warriors Project or Alzheimer's Association appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to John Welc, Funeral Director. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.
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Boyd, Daryl Ann
Daryl Ann (Davis) Boyd, 74, of Palatine, passed away on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights. She was born on July 31, 1944 to Wilfrid Elmer and Rose (Kopca) Davis in Chicago, IL. Her parents preceded her in death.



Daryl took tremendous pride in her children and grandchildren. She was an animal lover and was often rescuing creatures in need, from her son's kindergarten roosters, to dogs, cats, salamanders and even the wayward seagull with buckshot in his wing. Daryl enjoyed learning about the world and loved to travel. She was an avid reader who loved history. Daryl found much pleasure in studying the native bird species and bird watching.
She is survived by her son, Daryl Charles (Maria) Boyd; daughter, Courtney (James) Kulp; her beloved sister and best friend, Diane Joseph-Feldman; brother, Richard Alan Davis; grandchildren, Rachel, Kate, Chandler, and Michael Boyd, Graham and Keaton Kulp; niece and nephew, Diana and John Joseph. She is preceded in death by her cherished sister, Dawn Davis and brother-in-law, Hyman Feldman.
A private memorial service will be held at a later date. She will rest eternally at Memory Gardens in Arlington Heights, IL, with her parents, grandparents and her sister.
Memorial contributions may be made in her name to one of her favorite places in Illinois: the Lincoln Park Zoo at https://www.lpzoo.org/support-zoo
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Brickman, Leslie Pepi
Leslie Pepi Brickman. Beloved wife of Alan for 41 ½ years. Loving mother of David Brickman. Dear sister of Larry (Anita) Brown. Devoted friend to many. Service Tuesday 12Noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 North Buffalo Grove Rd (one block North of Lake Cook Rd.), Buffalo Grove. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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Buffington, Jack M., M.D.
Dr. Jack Mortimer Buffington died on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at his home in Wilmette, Illinois. A member of the "Greatest Generation," Jack was born December 5, 1924 in Buhl, Idaho. Later, his family moved to Glenwood, Iowa, where he resided until adulthood.



While in Glenwood, Jack began his school years in a one-room schoolhouse. At the age of 17, in the wake of Pearl Harbor, he enlisted in the Army Air Core, becoming a First Lieutenant. A bomber pilot, he commanded the B-17, and later, the B-29. Throughout his life, Jack valued and reminisced about his experiences serving his country. He experienced the thrill of a lifetime in 2015 when he took the Honor Flight to Washington, D.C. to pay his respects to those who served in WWII.

While stationed in Nebraska, Jack had his pre-med training at the University of Nebraska, and later at Iowa State University. Thereafter he attended the University of Nebraska medical school.

"Introspection" was an important value to Jack and he felt that "I have to understand myself in order to understand others," a value which drew him to psychiatry and which he sought to inculcate in his children. A life-long learner, he attended the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, graduating from the analytic program in 1976 and becoming affiliated with the Institute as a Research Associate, Clinical Associate, and Continuing Education faculty member. He was always a valued member of the analytic community, and contributed a chapter titled "Emerging Values in a University Community" to the volume Late Adolescence: Psychoanalytic Studies. He authored numerous articles, papers, and panel presentations throughout his career.

Jack served as Director of Northwestern University's Student Mental Health Service from 1974-1985. From 1970-1995, he was also involved at Evanston Hospital's Department of Psychiatry in a variety of capacities.

Jack leaves behind his significant companion in life for the past ten years, Jean Sampson of Wilmette and Winnetka. Jack's greatest enjoyment and fondest life memories were his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

His first wife, Valucha de Castro, preceded him in death. Together, they had three children, Paul (Lori); Sandra, her two children, Chalo (Eve) and Analucia; and Gigi (Steve). Jack was also preceded in death by his second wife, Babette (Bobbie). She had three children, whom he adopted and considered his own. They are Marilyn Langworthy (James); Carol Gerner (Philip), their sons, Kevin and Brian; and Margaret (Margie) Guidarelli (Mark) and their children, Jack (Brittney) and their daughter, Emilia; Jenny Ofman (Rick) and their daughter, Charlotte (Charley); Jeff, Joe; and Joanie Hartmann (Kevin).

The Memorial Service will be held on October 26, 2018 at 2:00pm at First Presbyterian Church of Wilmette, 600 9th Street, Wilmette, Illinois 60091 (847) 256-3010. A reception will follow.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jack's memory to the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, 122 South Michigan Avenue, Suite 1300, Chicago, Illinois, 60603 or to an organization of your choice.

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Chertkow, Glenn
Glenn Chertkow, 78, after a short illness. Beloved husband for 50 years of Susan nee Klein; loving father of Randall Chertkow and Heather (John) Cumings; cherished grandfather of Chloe and Eva. A highly respected Chicago lawyer, he practiced for over 50 years, mainly in the Pilsen community with the support of his outstanding staff. A memorial service will be held Monday 3 PM at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Legal Assistance Foundation of Chicago, www.lafchicago.org. Info: 847-256-5700.

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Childs, Chester A. '"Chet"'
Chester "Chet" A. Childs, age 74, of Forest Park. Navy Veteran. Beloved brother of Karen Richmond, Laurie (Edward) Parker and Debra (Peter) Desmond; fond uncle of Carrie Parker, Michelle Shapiro, Missy (Craig) Zilm, Jeff (Shayla) Parker, Jim Pilkey and Laura Pilkey Maron; dear friend of Adrienne Adelman.



Visitation Friday, October 26, 2018 from 3 P.M. to 9 P.M. and October 27, 2018, 9:00 A.M to 9:30 A.M. at **Hitzeman Funeral Home & Cremation Services**, 9445 West 31st Street, Brookfield. Funeral Saturday 9:30 A.M. to St Louise de Marillac Church, 1144 Harrison Ave, La Grange Park, IL 60513 (Corner or 30th & Raymond), Mass 10:00 A.M. Subsequent Private Interment at Assumption Cemetery, Wheaton. Motorcycling, reef diving and trips deep into the Panamanian jungles and mountains defined Chet's identity. Memorials appreciated to: The Glaucoma Foundation, 80 Maiden Lane, Suite 700, New York, NY 10038. Information 708-485-2000 or www.HitzemanFuneral.com

HITZEMAN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES

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Cohen, Barbara Frances
Barbara Frances Cohen, nee Pozen, age 83, respected special education teacher with the Special Education District of Lake County (SEDOL) for 13 years; beloved wife of Philip Cohen; loving mother of Avery (Susan Shulman) Cohen, Sara (Mark) Hermanoff, Matthew (Sabrina) Cohen and Laura (Craig) Frisch; adored grandmother of Nathaniel and Eli Cohen, David, Robert, and Bennett Hermanoff, Nathan and Andrew Cohen, and Hana and Ari Frisch; devoted daughter of the late Sam and the late Anne Pozen; dear sister of Herbert (late Milly) Pozen and Merle (late Howard) Miller. Service Monday, 1:00pm at Congregation Solel, 1301 Clavey Rd., Highland Park. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Congregation Solel, Education Fund, www.solel.org. Info: The GOLDMAN FUNERAL GROUP, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Cohen, Linda Kathryn
Linda Kathryn Cohen nee Silverman, 74, beloved wife of David Allan Cohen for nearly 50 years; loving mother of Keith (Aida) Cohen, Natalie (John) Stratton and Renee Cohen; cherished Bubby of Karley-Ann, Matthew Conner and Rachael Rose; dear sister of Iris Silverman Martin (James Martin). Chapel service, Monday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. For information or condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

Shalom Memorial Funeral Home

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Cornyn, Marian C.
Marian C. Cornyn, age 97, of Winnetka, IL. Beloved wife of the late Harry E. Fairfield and John E. Cornyn. Loving mother of Virginia, Kathleen, Harry (Lori) Fairfield, John (Joyce), Madeleine (Miles) Shanley, Mary Ann (Skip) Kasjens, Julie (Joseph) Felicelli, Donna (David) Green, Carolyn (James) Clemons, and Mark (Maria) Fairfield. Proud grandmother of 21. Cherished great grandmother of 33. Fond great great grandmother of 3. Visitation Friday, October 26, 2018, 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass Saturday, October 27, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at Saints Faith, Hope & Charity Church, 191 Linden Street, Winnetka, IL 60093. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Jude Childrens Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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Cottini, Angelo
Angelo Cottini, 89, of Norwood Park. Beloved husband for 61 years to Irene P., nee Mahoney. Loving father of Carol (Robert) Johnson and Stephen (Stephanie) Cottini. Proud grandfather of Patrick, Brian, and Colleen Johnson and Sean (Lauren), Heather, and Ryan Cottini. Dear brother of Virgil (Judy) Cottini and the late Daniel Cottin. Angelo was a U.S. Army veteran of the Korean War and a retired 50 year employee of Peoples Gas Co. Visitation Monday, October 22, 2018 at the **M J Suerth Funeral Home**, 6754 N. Northwest Hwy., Chicago, IL, from 5-9 pm. Funeral Tuesday, 9:30 am prayers at funeral home to St. Thecla Church (Devon & Oak Park Aves.). Mass 10:00AM. Donation may be made to the American Heart Association appreciated. Interment All Saints Cemetery. For more information call 773 631 1240 or www.suerth.com

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Crnkovich, Mary A.
Mary A. Crnkovich, nee Sikich, age 97, a 60 year resident of LaGrange Park, formerly of McCook, IL. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Crnkovich; daughter of the late Michael Sikich and Margaret Sikich, nee Stefanac; loving mother of Richard (Janifer) Crnkovich, Sandra (Rodney) Pezelj; devoted grandmother of Suzy May, Kim (Melanie Kosar) Crnkovich and Lisa (John) Uckerman; great-grandmother of 8; sister of the late Matthew (the late Ernie) Sikich, Zon (Caroline) Sikich, Kaye (the late Art) Erdmann; grand dog Rocky. Visitation Monday, October 22, 2018 from 3 P.M to 8 P.M. and Tuesday, October 23, 2018 from 10:30 A.M. to 11 A.M. at **Hitzeman Funeral Home, Ltd.** 9445 W. 31st Street, Brookfield. Funeral Tuesday 11 A.M. to St. Louise De Marillac, LaGrange Park, Mass 11:30 A.M. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Mary is a proud Home Maker and secretary for 29 years in real estate. Information 708-485-2000 or www.HitzemanFuneral.com

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Curley, Robert
July 13, 1931 – October 2, 2018



Bob was born and raised in Chicago, IL, the eldest child of Rose and Stanley Curley. He attended St. Basil Catholic Grammar School, De La Salle Institute high school, completed his Bachelor of Science at the University of Illinois, earned his J.D. from the DePaul University College of Law, and served as an officer in the U.S. Army. He is survived by the love of his life, wife, Betty; children, Robert, Jr. (Barbara), Leslie (Mike) DeVolder and Cathy; eight grandchildren (Robert Curley, III, Maeve Curley, Emily DeVolder, Claire DeVolder, Jack DeVolder, Emma Topping, Campbell Topping, and Oliver Topping); and his twin sisters, Joan Ulaszek and Dolores Kustom. Married for 61 years, Bob enjoyed many wonder-filled adventures with Betty, traveling the world, enjoying new experiences and vistas, and making life-long friends all along the way. Their home was frequently the hub of social activity, with friends, family and work colleagues all gathering together for generous hospitality which usually featured sporting competitions ("Fairfield Rules" always applied, gold medals awarded after), dance and song. A gifted businessman, Bob undertook a succession of corporate counsel/executive management positions at Simoniz, Brunswick, Apeco Corporation, ultimately serving as CEO of PC Distributing. He was a proud member of the Chicago, Illinois State and American Bar Associations. Throughout his career he was known for his calm demeanor under pressure, strong principles, fairness, and for being a great mentor. He approached all life's endeavors with a positive spirit, great gusto and a terrific sense of humor. No matter the situation, Bob was always quick with a joke to make everyone feel comfortable. As an active member in his church and civic communities, Bob served in various capacities at the Church of St. Mary (Lake Forest, IL), St. Patrick Catholic Community (Scottsdale, AZ), the St. Mary's Men's CRHP group, the Knights of Columbus, the board of Boys Hope, Kiwanis, the planning commission for the City of Lake Forest, the Lake Forest Croquet Club, the board of the homeowners' association of DC Ranch (Scottsdale), extraordinary minister for the Sagewood Catholic community and a founding member of the Audubon Road Social Society (Riverside, IL). Bob also loved sports, especially playing them. He was a gifted tennis player, but also enjoyed golf, skiing, windsurfing, basketball and volleyball. A Chicagoan at heart, he was an avid fan of the White Sox, Bears, Bulls and 'Hawks. Everyone who knew him will miss his passion for life. After battling the effects of Parkinson's for the past several years, he returned to heaven peacefully after spending his final days with his wife and children at his side. A Mass and celebration of life will be held at the Oasis Center at Sagewood, 4555 E. Mayo Blvd., Phoenix on Monday, October 22nd at 11:30am. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Charities or the National Parkinson's Foundation.

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DiJulio, Richard W
Richard W. DiJulio, 76, of Winthrop Harbor, passed away Oct. 14, 2018. He was the devoted husband of Karen, nee Hall, of 45 years of marriage; the loving father of Paul & Lisa; proud grandfather of Alyssa, Anthony and John; cherished son of the late Irene and Sam; and the dear brother of Amelia Campo.
Funeral Mass will be 7pm Tues. Oct 23 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church (the old church), 15000 W Wadsworth Rd, Wadsworth with visitation two hours prior to the Mass. Entombment Ascension Cemetery, Libertyville. Arrangements by **McMurrough Funeral Chapel** (847) 362-2626. Please sign the guestbook at libertyvillefuneralhome.com

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Ramón Vasquez 1938-2017



Ramón could usually be found smiling behind the counter of the neighborhood restaurant he co-owned for over 20 years. He loved cracking jokes to customers, and was widely known and loved by people in his neighborhood. His wit will be greatly missed at his weekly poker night with his four brothers. Ramón passed peacefully in his home over the weekend, surrounded by his wife, Tonya, their two children, Katarina and Victoria, and his four brothers. An animal-lover, Ramón leaves behind his two cats, Fiona and Ray, and her dog, Sammy. Ramón loved to read [illegible] to anyone [illegible]

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Dolan, William J.

William J. Dolan, 85, survived by his beloved wife Carolyn Rose, nee Zimmerman; loving children William Jr., Robert (Christine), Richard James, and Edward Dolan; dear siblings John (Kathleen) Dolan and Mary Anne (Steve Linne). He was preceded in death by his parents Gerald and Marion Dolan and siblings Paul, Walter, Grace, Richard and Robert Dolan. William honorably served in the U.S. Army. In lieu of flowers donations to a veterans cause organization are appreciated. Services and interment private. Info 773-736-3833 or www.smithcorcoran.com

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Dorsey, William F. 'Horsey'

Army veteran.age 69 beloved husband of Darlene F. Father of Michael, Sean, Timothy and grandchildren Donovan, Galvin, Riley.
He is survived by Virginia Jung (Joseph) brother Patrick s.j. and the late Michael D. His niece Kelly (Georg)
and Nephews Mike, Brian, and Kevin. Interment Corinth, Ms.

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Eng, George

Eng, George, 98, of Chicago, passed away Sunday, October 14, 2018. Beloved husband of the late Marjorie; loving father of Kathy, Steven, Jonathan and David. Dear grandfather of Caitlin, Andrea, Lindsey, Jennine, Kira and Spencer. Private services have been held.

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Farina, Philip J.

Philip J. Farina 71, of La Grange Park, husband of Marcia Farina for 37 years; father of Margaret Farina (Keith Tyrka); stepfather of Kelly Nagy; grandfather of Luke & Zachary; step-grandfather of Abigail; brother of Len (Kathleen) Farina; uncle of Peter (Sandra) Farina & AnnMarie (Jim) Gitchell. Phil was a graduate of Little Flower Grade School, St. Rita High School and DeVry University. He was a proud & decorated veteran of the Vietnam War, receiving a bronze star and purple heart, and was a member of American Legion post # 1941. He was a retired transmission engineer for AT&T and past president of the Telephone Pioneers of America. Phil was a lifelong Bears & White Sox fan. He was an avid sportsman before his health began to fail due, in part, to exposure to Agent Orange. Visitation Sunday 3-8 p.m. at **Hursen Funeral Home & Crematory**, SW corner Roosevelt & Mannheim Rds, Hillside/Westchester. Family and friends are invited to meet at St. Mary Catholic Church, 19515 115th Ave. Mokena, IL on Monday for visitation from 9:30 a.m. until time of Mass 10 a.m. Interment will also be on Monday at 2:30 p.m. at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood. In lieu of flowers, memorials to The Cantigny Foundation suggested. Funeral Info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com

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Feurer, Kay A.



Feurer, Kay Judge (nee Morley), 83, of Springfield, formerly of Chicago, passed away October 18, 2018. She was born in Chicago on March 19, 1935 to Thomas and Mary (McInerney) Morley. Kay was the loving mother of Timothy and Jeffrey, the loving mother-in-law of their wives, Irma and Michelle, and the devoted grandmother of Stephen, Jennifer and Will. She is survived by her dear siblings, Eileen and Richard and friend and sister-in-law Lynn Didesch, as well as many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother, Thomas Eugene Morley. According to her wishes, no services will be held and her body is to be donated to the Anatomical Gift Association.
Kay was an avid reader of two to three books a week. She worked for Illinois Bell, was a volunteer leader for ARC which is now SPARC; was active in the Federated Junior Women's Club. She found her passion for the Arts when she eventually became company manager for the Springfield Ballet Company and served as Executive Director of the Springfield Area Arts Council. She was instrumental in the creation of First Night Springfield and saw her dream of an arts center with the opening of the Hoogland Center for the Arts. She took great pride in helping everyone in the local art community thrive. She served on the Allocation Panel of the United Way; was a committee member of Lincoln Academy; was a member of the American Symphony Orchestra League; served on the Board of Directors for the Illinois Art Alliance and the Illinois Alliance for Arts Education.
She then moved back to Chicago to be an Executive Assistant to the Illinois President of JP Morgan and retired from Chase Bank after twenty years of service.
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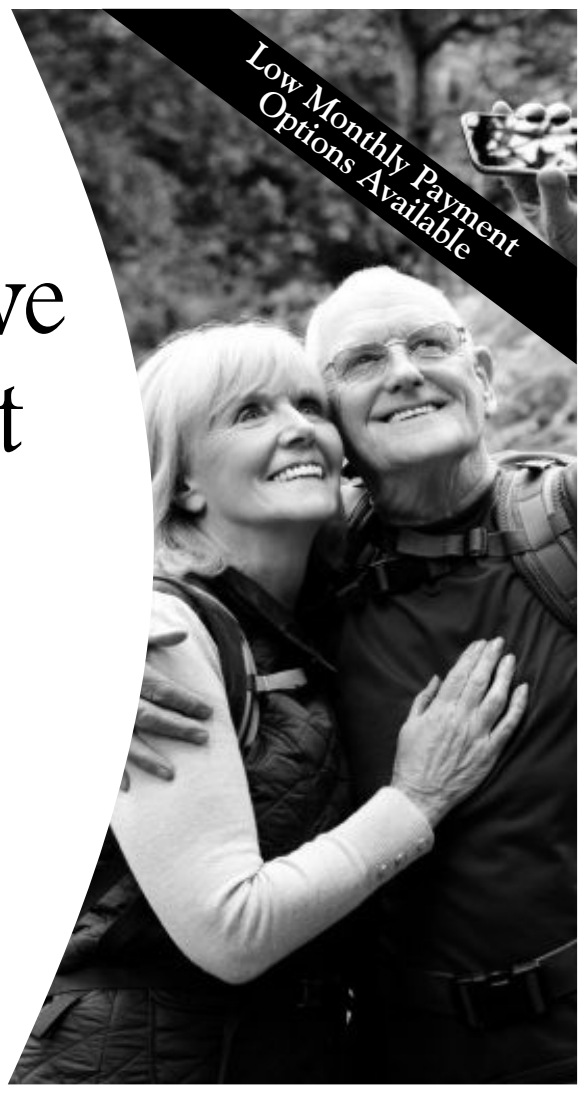
Gale, Evelyn

Evelyn Gale, beloved wife for 50 years of the late Edwin. Devoted daughter of the late James and Helen Podkasik. Loving mother to James (Rosalie), Robert (Carol), Jeffery (Mary), and Nancy (the late Michael) Luisi. Cherished Grandma and NaNa to James, Matthew, Jessica (Eric Rukavina) Gale, Christina (Alex Guenther) Gale, Robert, James (Amanda), Beth (Mark) Breier, Michael and Anthony Luisi. Great-Grandma to Colin, Emma, and Kiera. Auntie to Gerri (Andrew) Orgler, Maureen, and Darlene. Blessed to have many wonderful friends. Evelyn was a dedicated Volunteer to the Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, St. Priscilla-CWC, served as a condo board asssoc. VP, and a member of the Niles Senior Center. Visitation Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 3:00-9:00 p.m. at **Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home**, 8025 W. Golf Road in Niles. Funeral Friday, October 26 at 9:30 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Priscilla Church. Mass 10:30 a.m. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Memorials appreciated to the Les Turner ALS Foundation, 5550 W. Touhy Ave, Skokie, IL 60077. Info 847-581-0536 or www.colonialfuneral.com

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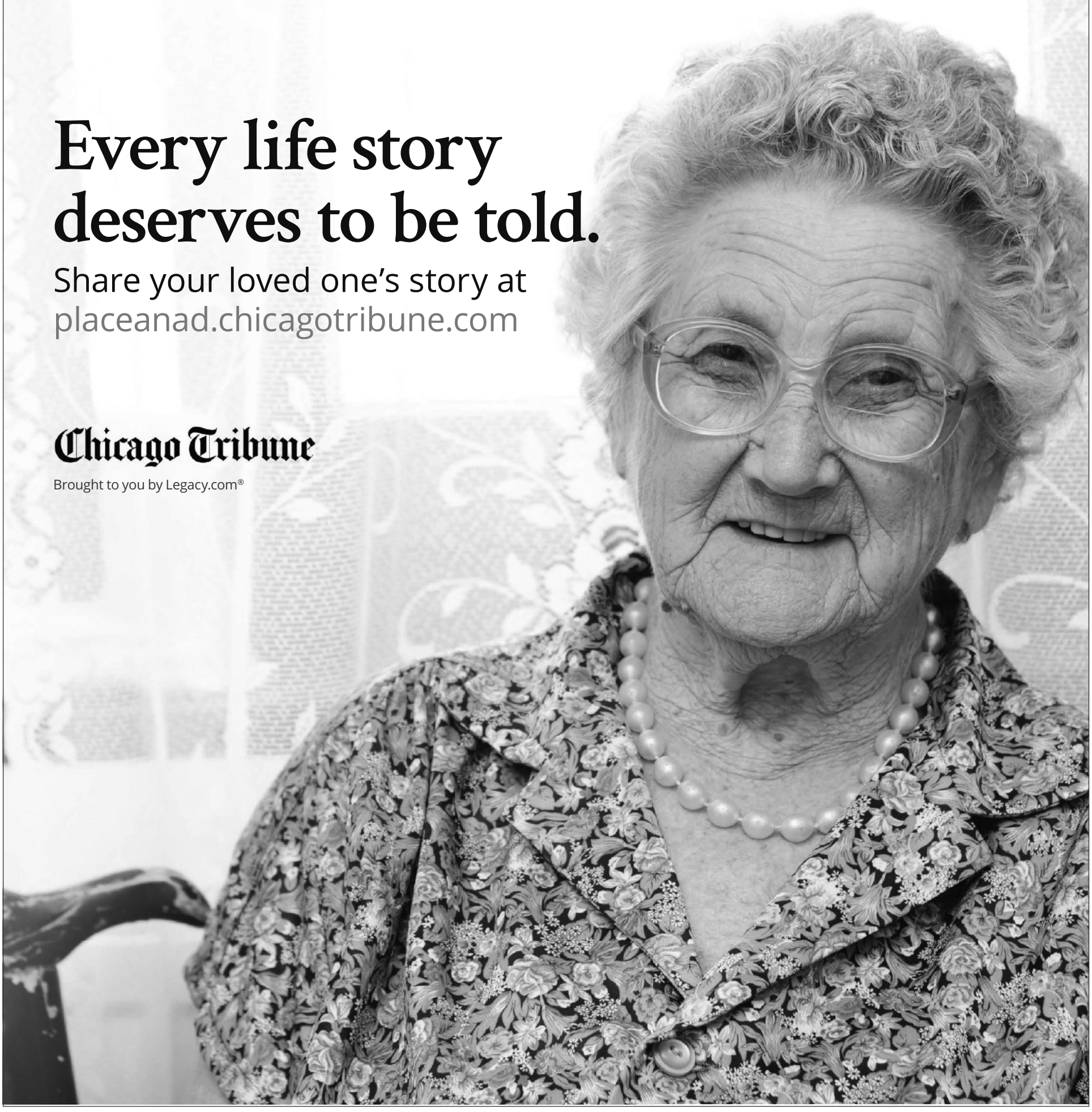
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Gartland, Mary N.

Mary N. Gartland, age 87 , a resident of the Villa St. Benedict community in Lisle, IL and a former longtime resident of Chicago, passed away peacefully on October 19, 2018 at Villa St. Benedict surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Chicago, IL on December 26, 1930. Mary was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 66 years Eugene S. Gartland. She is survived by her loving children Maureen (Tom) Farrell, Mary Jean (Bob) Bazzetta, Kristine (Joe) Domek, Kathleen (John) Esposito, Eugene (Caryn) Gartland, Eileen (Tim) Riemersma, Geraldine (Tom) Kunkel, Mark (Sheila) Gartland, Colleen (Dave) Kushner; her cherished grandchildren Patrick Farrell, Matthew (Amanda) Farrell, Sarah Bazzetta, Kathleen (Mike) Passananti, Lizzie and Julie Bazetta, Corey (Jamie) Fennessy, Casey Domek, Kelli Esposito, Ryan, Scott, and Claire Gartland, Katie and Erin Riemersma, Kelly, Billy and Kristy Kunkel, Colleen, Nora and John Gartland, David, Sarah, Ashley and Sydney Kushner; her adored great-grandchildren Mona, Louie and Eddie Passananti; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. Siblings include Raymond Dunphy, Harriet Amico, Sandra Joan Wisz and Bobby Dunphy. She was preceded in death by her parents Mary and Raymond Dunphy. Mary was a proud graduate of Providence High School Class of 1948 and was a member of their Alumni Club. She embraced her role as the mother of nine children. She went on to work for Sears, Roebuck, and Company for 20 years. She was a devout Catholic and a longtime member of Our Lady of the Snows Parish in Chicago and most recently at Sacred Heart Monastery Chapel in Lisle. Throughout her life she gave selflessly of her time and talents to numerous church and Catholic school activities. Mary loved performing Irish dances and even taught four generations of family and friends how to Irish dance as well! She will be remembered for being the ultimate hostess of parties and gatherings, rooting on her dear Chicago Cubs, performing in community productions, giving her time to fund raisers, being a dear friend to many, but most of all being the best mother, grandmother and great grandmother anyone could ask for. She will be deeply missed. For those who would like to leave a lasting tribute to Mary's life, memorial donations may be directed to either the Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter 8430 W Bryn Mawr Ave #800, Chicago, IL 60631 or the Benedictine Sisters of the Sacred Heart, 1910 Maple Ave. Lisle, IL 60532. Visitation will be Saturday, October 27 from 9:00 AM until the time of the Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 AM at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 1500 Brookdale Rd. Naperville. A private family interment will take place at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL at a later date. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services**. For more information, please call (630)355-0213 or visit www.friedrich-jones.com. "Flowers bloomed as she passed by."

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Gerbeck, Claire M.

Claire M. Gerbeck, age 86, of Oak Park; devoted daughter of the late Mario and Flora Gerbec; loving sister of the late Gordon (Marlene) Gerbec; fond aunt of Lynn (Brendan) Mulcrone and Laura Gerbec; dear friend of Susan Hobbs. Claire received her doctorate in bio chemistry from the University of Illinois. For many years she worked as a research chemist and Supervisor in the Chemistry Laboratory at Edward Hines, Jr., Veterans Administration Hospital. Visitation 4 to 8 p.m., Monday October 22, at Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Private interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to: Chicago Tribune Charities (mccormickfoundation.org) are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-383-3191 or drechslerbrownwilliams.com

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Gerson, Noreen F.

Noreen F. Gerson nee Rosenberg, beloved wife of Ira Gerson. Loving mother of Julie (Alan) Levy and the late Laura Gertzfeld and loving stepmother of Melissa (John) Kay and Jennifer (Jeremy) Kloepfer. Cherished grandmother of Maya, Eli, Calista, Kayla, Carly, Taylor, Morgan, and Finley. Fond sister of Howard (Eleanor) Rosenberg and the late Jeffrey Rosenberg. Dear aunt, cousin, and friend to many. Noreen was a selfless teacher to countless students for over 25 years. Funeral service Monday 1PM at Am Yisrael Conservative Congregation, Northfield, IL. Interment Shalom Memorial Park, Arlington Heights, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, remembrances to your preferred Alzheimer's Disease charity would be appreciated. Info at **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-Mitzvah (630-648-9824) or www.MitzvahFunerals.com.

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Hafner, Arthur W.

Arthur W. Hafner PhD, age 75, passed away peacefully at his Northbrook home on October 20th following a valiant battle with pancreatic cancer. A beloved and cherished husband, father, and Zayde, he is survived by his loving wife Ruth, nee Austin children Tamar (Jack) Waller, Zach (Elizabeth), Ethan (Melissa), and Jeremy (Julie) Hafner, and 11 grandchildren. He will be sorely missed. Graveside services Monday 3 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery (9900 Gross Point Rd., Skokie. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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Hauber, R. Wanda

R. Wanda Hauber, of Naples, FL, passed away on October 16, 2018. She was born in Manchester, NH, and educated at the University of NH from which she received a Bachelor of Science degree cum laude. She was a member of Mortar Board, Kappa Delta Pi and Phi Kappa Phi honorary societies, and Theta Upsilon sorority. After a brief beginning in NH, she relocated to Chicago where she pursued a business career in management and Human Resources, became an Assistant Vice President at Dovenmuehle, Inc., a mortgage banking firm, and later retired from her position as Director of Human Resources for the American College of Surgeons. She and her beloved husband, Carl, moved to Naples, FL in 1999 and in 2006 founded the Museum of Military Memorabilia, Inc., which is still under development by successors now known as the Naples Museum of Military History. Wanda is survived by her daughter, Carla (Gregory) Vassmer of Winnebago IL; three grandchildren, Benjamin (Lisa) Vassmer of Collinsville OK; Libby Vassmer (Joseph Jose) of Arlington Hts IL; M. Carl Hauber of Cocoa Beach FL; three great grandchildren, Cheyenne and Ethan Vassmer of Collinsville OK and Amelia Vassmer of Arlington Hts IL; two nieces, Libby Comeau (Terry) of Nashua NH and Barbara Murphy (Jeffery) of Pittsboro NC; a nephew, C. Wayne Libby, Jr. (Sandra) of Nashua NH; two great nieces, Logan Comeau of Boston MA and Jennifer Anderson of North Nashua NH and two great nephews, Travis Comeau (Jen) of Nashua NH and Scott Libby (Laurie) of Merrimack, NH. Interment will be private at Naples Memorial Gardens. Memorial donations to either The Humane Society of Naples, 270 Airport-Pulling Rd N, Naples FL 34104 or The Naples Museum of Military History, PO Box 112800, Naples FL 34108 are suggested in lieu of flowers.

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Heller, June L.



Mrs. June L. (Pisano) Heller, born on June 12, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois, to the late Anna Pisano and the late Phillip Pedi, passed away at age 88 on September 24, 2018. June was the wife of the late Stanley R. Heller, Sr.. June is survived by her son, Stanley, Jr. (Flavia); daughters, Jayne (Don) Tyler and Sandra (John) Bulva; sisters, Mary Jane (Jim) Struberg and Patricia Paddi; and 13 grandchildren. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 27 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, Illinois, 60025. Following that, there will be a celebration of life at 11:30 a.m. at Valley Lo Club, 2200 Tanglewood Drive, Glenview, Illinois, 60025.

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Herst, James T 'Jim'

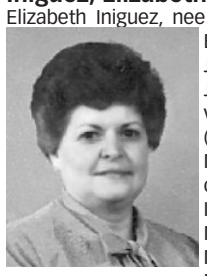
Jim Herst, 91, of Highland Park, passed away on October 17, 2018. Born in Chicago, June 15, 1927, beloved husband of Barbara nee Schamberg and the late Ilene nee Himmel; devoted father of Cindy Herst and Bruce "Benyamin" (Jodi) Herst; proud grandfather / great-grandfather of five wonderful grandchildren and four exceptional great-grandchildren; cherished brother of the late Stuart (Ros) Herst and the late Elaine (Bud) Levis. An Army Staff Sergeant veteran of WWII, followed by college at the University of Southern California. Jim then joined the family business, Herst-Allen Co. After its sale, he continued independently as a builder/developer. He later began a satisfying practice in direct marketing, having founded in 2006 and then sold and later retired from Performance Source Inc. Known for his active interest of lyrics written for the American Music Theatre, he often was called upon to settle questions of originality of such songs. Memorial contributions: Ilene H. Herst Youth Leadership Fund, North Shore Congregation Israel, 1185 Sheridan Rd., Glencoe, IL 60022. Memorial Services will be held on Monday, October 22 at 3:00 pm at North Shore Congregation Israel, Glencoe, IL. For Shivah or other info: 847-256-5700.

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Iniguez, Elizabeth

Elizabeth Iniguez, nee Miller, age 82, of Lombard.



Beloved wife the late Joseph; loving mother of James (Tammy) Iniguez; devoted grandmother of James (Bailey), Tabitha, Teagan, and Michael; great-grandmother of Dean Robles and Sophia Iniguez; fond sister of James, Nilda, and the late Ralph Miller; aunt of Vincent (Julia) Mille, Tracy, Joe (Leslie), Tina (John), Otto Jr, and JoAnn.
Visitation Tuesday, October 23rd, 3-9 PM at **Knollcrest Funeral Home**, 1500 S. Meyers Rd. (3 blks. S. of Roosevelt Rd.) Lombard. Funeral Wednesday, 9:45 AM from the funeral home to St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1025 E. Madison, Lombard. Mass 10:30 AM. Interment private. Funeral Info: www.knollcrest.net or 630-932-1500.

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Johnson, Rita A.

Rita A. Johnson nee Hugoboom. Beloved wife of the late Russell E. Johnson and the late Martin Martensen. Loving mother of Thomas, James (Sally) and Martin Johnson, Marene Martensen, Marla (Wm.) Wickstrom-Brandt nee Martensen and the late Michael Martensen. Cherished grandmother of Mark and Greg Greenwald, Amber (Shaun) Wishnevski, Chris Johnson, Kaja (Rob) Adrian and Julia (Noah) Vulpitta. Proud great-grandmother of many.Services Sat. 10-27 at St. Celestine Church 3020 N. 78th Ct. Elmwood Park Visitation 9am Mass10am. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, please donate in Rita's name to San Miguel School 1954 W. 48th St. Chgo, IL 60609.

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Jones, Carolyn Jane



Carolyn J. Jones, age 60, of Northbrook, IL, beloved wife of Charles P. Barkley, died September 29, 2018.

Carolyn is survived by her dear and loving brother Robert R. Jones and sister-in-law Jo Ann D. Ivy. Carolyn was preceded in death by her parents Richard W. Jones, Lois Z. Jones Lee, and Raymond H. Lee; and by her dear Aunt, Lou Alexander.

Born January 6, 1958 in Joliet, IL, Carolyn was a graduate of Joliet Central High School. She went on to study psychology and mathematics at Northern Illinois University, graduating summa cum laude. Carolyn received her law degree from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champagne and thereafter practiced at the firm Rooks, Pitts & Poust in Chicago.

Over the last two decades of her life, Carolyn's attention and energy were focused on the plight of animals. A tireless advocate for the dog rescue community, she helped draft Chicago's original anti-puppy-mill ordinance. Carolyn found her greatest joy volunteering at Alive Rescue, a no-kill animal shelter in Chicago; the high value reward for her work being kisses from puppies.

Carolyn was a devoted and loving wife to Charlie Barkley. Throughout their marriage they most enjoyed spending time with each other, family and friends. Carolyn held a special place in her heart for her mother Lois, her brother Bob, and Moogley. Carolyn had a passion for travel and she appreciated the beauty of each and every sunset.

Carolyn was a kind, beautiful, and gentle woman who was loved dearly by so very many.

A memorial service for Carolyn will be held at 11:00 AM on Saturday, October 27th, 2018 at the Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, IL 60022. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to Alive Rescue, 2227 W. Belmont Ave, Chicago, IL 60618 (aliverescue.org).

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Kanak, Richard Herman

Richard Herman Kanak. Beloved husband of the late Eleanor Marie. Loving father of Donna Marie, Diane Eleanor Bonner and Richard Jr. (Gia). Proud and devoted grandfather of Nicholas, Jessica , Richard III and Jackson. Dear brother of Darlene Lorenz and brother in law of George Bruser. Honorable veteran who served his country during WW II. in the U.S. Navy. In lieu of flowers, please thank a veteran or a active member of the military for their service to our country. Visitation Friday October 26, from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM at **COGLIANESE FUNERAL HOME**, 7508 S. County Line Road (one block south of I55/Stevenson) Burr Ridge. Funeral Service Saturday 11:00 AM at Funeral Home. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. 630 654 8484 or www.coglianese.com

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Kelly, Aldon Charles 'Al'

Al Kelly, age 78, long time resident of Western Springs, passed away July 31, 2018. Husband of 54 years to Kristin E. Kelly (Olson); father of Sean (Katherine) Kelly and Kolleen (William) Rom; grandfather of Eleanor Kelly and Conor, Mackenzie, and Cooper Rom. Brother to William Kelly, son of the (late) Rachel Damulakis and a friend to many. He will be dearly missed. A memorial will be held at the American Legion Post 1941, 900 S. LaGrange Rd, LaGrange, IL 60525, Sunday, October 21, 2018 from 2-5 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to CatNap From The Heart, LaGrange Park, IL

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Kreher, Stephen

Stephen "Steve" Kreher ,73, US Navy veteran who served in Vietnam. Steve was a Realtor for 22 years with Lake View Realty who served his community with integrity and distinction. Long time parishioner of St. Benedict Parish and a member of the Holy Name Society. Steve will be missed by his many dear friends. Memorial Mass Wednesday October 24th, 2:00 pm, St. Benedict Church 2215 W Irving Park Rd. Inurnment October 25th 2:00 pm, Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Arrangements by Grein Funeral Directors greinfuneraldirectors.com

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La Gioia, Joseph J. Jr., Esq.

Joseph J. La Gioia Jr. Esq, age 77, of Niles, beloved companion for 58 years of Carole Mc Carty; dearest brother of Salvatore La Gioia, the late John (Karin), and the late Annie (the late Joseph) Cascio; loving uncle of Geoffrey, Salvatore, Clayton, Paula, Carolyn, Guy, JoJo, John Michael and the late Joseph; great uncle of many. Visitation at the **Skaja Terrace Funeral Home** 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave. Niles Wednesday 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Funeral Thursday 9:15 am to St. Isaac Jogues Church for Mass at 10:00 am. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum. Joseph was a graduate of St. Philip High school, the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana and the DePaul Law School. He was a passionate patron of the Chicago Lyric Opera and a longtime cast member of the Chicago Bar Association Annual Bar Show. Donations to PAWS Chicago in Joe's name would be appreciated. Inf. 847-966-7302

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Larson, Jr., Russell Arthur

Russell Arthur Larson, Jr., 88, of Northfield. Born October 15, 1930 in Chicago to Russell A. Larson, Sr. and Mabel Larson nee Lindgren. Passed away peacefully at home on October 14, 2018, surrounded by his loving family. Beloved husband of 62 years of Marilyn Lee Larson nee James; loving father of Kathryn (Thomas) Conway, Sharon Larson, and the late David Larson; cherished grandfather of Jessica, Daniel, Megan & Kevin Conway, Emily & Amy Claps; dear brother of Carol (Bruce) Calhoun and the late Richard Larson. Russell was a 1948 graduate of New Trier High School, a veteran of four years in the US Air Force during the Korean War, and a 1956 graduate of Northwestern University. Visitation Monday, October 22, 2018 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass,10:00 a.m. at **Saint Philip the Apostle in Divine Mercy Parish**, 1962 Old Willow Road, Northfield, IL 60093. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the LOSS Program of Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60654. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990

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Lazik, Richard D. 'Ritchie'

Lieutenant Colonel Richard "Ritchie" D. Lazik, retired, age 47, devoted son of Judith, nee Handel and the late Phillip Lazik, cherished father of Audrey (Philip) Lamborn and Lauren Lazik, dear brother of Marc (Jennifer) Lazik, beloved husband of Nevaeh James, dear nephew of Charles (Shari) Handel, Jerry (Libby) Handel, Nancy (the late Kirk) Zelinske and Harriet (the late Philip) Ross, fond uncle of Evan and Noah Lazik, dear cousin of many, former husband of Jennifer Lane. Richard served proudly in the military including tours in Iraq, Honduras and Korea. Graveside services Thursday Oct 25th at 11 AM at Memorial Park Cemetery, Beth Olam Section, 9900 Gross Point Rd., Skokie. Contributions in Richard's name to PTSD United, www.ptsdunited.org or the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Info: **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals** 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824), or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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Leiding, Charles H. 'Chuck'

Charles 'Chuck' H. Leiding, 92, died peacefully at home on October 17, 2018. Survived by his loving wife, Gloria; children Patricia (Tom) McHugh, Carolynn Leiding, Bob (Janice) Leiding; grandchildren Jim, Tom, Julie, Sarah, Jessi, Alex; 18 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews. Born January 6, 1926 and raised in Chicago, Chuck attended St. Andrews High School and went on to the US Merchant Marine Academy in Kings Point, N.Y.. Chuck travelled the world providing supplies to the troops during WWII. Chuck and Gloria were married in December of 1947 and were blessed with 70 wonderful years together. They raised 3 children and enjoyed life while living in Chicago, IL; Meadowdale, IL; North Hollywood, CA; St. Cloud, FL; and Palatine, IL. Chuck's kind and thoughtful manner was cherished by all who knew him. We hope to live by his example. In respect to Chuck's wishes the family will have a Celebration of Life gathering at a later date. For information, please contact **DuPage Cremations and Memorial Chapel** at (630) 293-5200. In lieu of flowers, contributions to JourneyCare Hospice Foundation of Barrington would be appreciated.

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Maloney, Donald Bernard

On Oct. 16, after a five year battle against cancer, Don passed away peacefully, surrounded by the presence and love of his family. The courage and quiet strength he showed as he faced each new complication was an inspiration to all who cared for him. The most important things in his life were family and friends. Friends made in Japan when in the army were still close 50 years later and a poker group formed at work is still meeting monthly. If you were his friend, it was for life. His greatest joy was in his family: his wife Sherry, son Steve (Dawn), daughter Trayce (Tony) and grandchildren Patrick, Ryan, Michael and Shay Maloney and Anthony, Nick and Sophie Biancalana. Following the growth and achievements of his grandchildren was a full time job. He was often heard to say that he was very blessed to have this special family bond. He was born in Chicago in 1935, moved to Evanston in 1947 and graduated from Evanston Township High School. He served 3 years in the Army Security Agency, 2 of them in Japan, returned in 1958 to enroll in the U. of Ky. where he met his future wife Sherry. They married in 1961 and moved to Northbrook in 1967. He began his accounting career at Alexander Grant & Co. and then at Signode Corp. as Manager of Accounts Receivable. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Helen Maloney and brother Jack Maloney Jr. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to The Village Presbyterian Church or Heartland Animal Shelter. Memorial Service will be held on Oct. 25 at 7:00 P.M. at the Village Presbyterian Church 1300 Shermer Northbrook (847) 272-0900

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Masterson, John P.

John P. Masterson, beloved husband of Jean for 62 years; loving father of Mary Beth (John) Riordan, Michael (Roberta) Masterson, Maureen (Sam) Pulia, Laura (Shane) Benning; dear grandfather of Katy, James, Sean, Ashtyn, Montana, Joe (Melissa) and Steve (Gianna); great-grandfather of six; fond brother of the late: Mary (Al) Marinari, Sr. Kathleen S.P.S.M.W. and James "Edward" (Elsie) Masterson; brother-in-law of Gerald (the late Jessie) Wegrzyn; uncle of many. Retired Professor Emeritus at DePaul University. Memorial visitation Saturday, October 27th, 9:00 am until time of memorial mass 10:00 am at Divine Infant Church, Newcastle & Canterbury, Westchester. In lieu of flowers, memorials to University of St. Mary of the Lake preferred. Arrangements entrusted to **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**. Funeral info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.

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McMillen, Timothy

Timothy McMillen; beloved son of the late Marian and Charles; loving brother of Charles, Jr. (Linda), Thomas, Laura, Candace, and Michael; fond uncle of many; US Navy Veteran. Visitation Sunday 3-8 PM and Monday 9 AM until time of service 10:30 AM at **Gibbons Family Funeral Home** 5917 W. Irving Park Rd (½ Block East of Austin) to Arlington Cemetery. For info 773-777-3944 or www.GFFH.com

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METCALFE, EVELYN ELIZABETH

Evelyn Elizabeth Metcalfe, 95, of LaGrange. Beloved wife of the late Lincoln Douglas. Loving mother of Lynne D. Kornecki. Devoted grandmother of Douglas (Kira) and David (Emily). Cherished grandmother of Noah, Dylan, Nadia, Tyler and Chloe. Dear sister of the late Roberta (late William) Welther, the late Theodore (Charlotte) Filson and the late Josephine (late Calvin) Cookman. Fond aunt of many. Visitation 3 to 8pm Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2018 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside where Funeral Service will be held at 10am on Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018. Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the American Heart Assn. appreciated. Evelyn was a Registered Nurse for over 50 years. She was a 2nd Lieutenant in the U. S. Army Nurse Corps in WWII. She was a life member of the Good Samaritan Hospital of Downers Grove. She was a member of the Jane Austin Society, a longtime member of First United Methodist Church of LaGrange, and a Friend of the LaGrange Library. Funeral home phone 708/352-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com

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Meyers, Lorraine R

Lorraine R. Meyers nee Reinglass. Beloved wife of Alvin Meyers for 62 years. Loving mother of Jerome (Isabella Budeer) Meyers and David (Pamela) Meyers. Cherished grandmother of Joshua and Samantha. Fond sister of Joel (Renee) Reinglass. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Graveside Service Monday 2:00 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery 9900 Gross Point Rd Skokie, Il. For Info contact Weinstein and Piser Funeral Home, 111 Skokie Blvd Wilmette, Il 60091 847-256-5700.

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Mick, Melvyn

Melvyn Mick, 82, at rest October 16, 2018. Beloved husband of Marita. Loving father of Amy, Mary, Robbie (Rob) Frantal, Tom, and Lorrie. Proud grandfather of Luke and Mark. Melvyn was owner of Skokie Valley Material for over 50 years, growing it into a very successful business. Happy spirited man, army veteran, and volunteer and donor for church and Guatemalan orphanage. Visitation will be held Thursday, October 25 from 4 to 8 p.m. at **N.H. Scott & Hanekamp** Funeral Home, 1240 Waukegan Rd, Glenview. and Friday, October 26, 2018 from 9:15 am until time of the mass 10 am at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 1747 Lake Ave., Wilmette. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to School Sisters of St Francis, 1501 S. Layton Blvd., Milwaukee, WI 53215, for the orphanage in Santa Apolonia, Guatemala, where he volunteered extensively for many years. Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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Moreth, Shirl

Shirl Moreth; Beloved wife of the late George F. Moreth; Dear daughter of the late Ellen nee Hudec and the late Adolf Youn, step-daughter of the late Eugene Koch. Loving mother of Patricia Moreth, Michael (Helene) Moreth, Lauren (Rod) Davis and the late Terrence D. Moreth.; Fond grandmother of Josh (Christie) Lukin, Matt (Amber) Lukin, James Wiley (partner Alyssa Lyman) and Jessica Wiley; and the late Dawn Marie Lukin. Great-grandmother of Theodore Lukin and Layla Lyman. Niece of the late Geraldine Kimberling. Visitation will be held Monday, October 22, 10 AM until the time of funeral mass at 11 AM at St. Alexis Roman Catholic Church, 400 W. Wood Street, Bensenville, IL 60106. Family interment will be private. Arrangements by **Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale**. For information 630-703-9131 or www.powellfuneraldirectors.com

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Olson, Eleanor (Selander)

Born November 21, 1913, died suddenly in Lombard, IL, on October 4, 2018. Preceded in death by beloved husband, Howard. Survived by son Jim (Sandy), Andover, MN, and daughter Fran Olson Rouzee, Lincoln, NE, grandchildren Joanne Olson Dodson (Roger), Russellville, AR, and David Olson, Forest Lake, MN. Resident of Lexington Square in Lombard for the last 30 years where she happily enjoyed the friendships and lifestyle that was available. Lifelong Cubs fan, threw out ceremonial first pitch on 100th anniversary of Wrigley Field in 2016. Celebration of life service October 27, 2:00 at Lexington Square, Lombard. Memorials to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Villa Park, IL or Memorial Garden at Lexington Square.

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Pisano, James J.

James J. Pisano Jr., 88, a Korean War Veteran who served in the U.S. Army, passed away October 16, 2018. James formerly resided in Wilmette, Illinois and was formerly of Chicago. Beloved husband of the late Michaelina nee Smetana (2005). Loving father of Michael James "Jamie" (Christine) and Gabriella. Cherished brother of Rosemary (the late Richard) Schnell. Dear uncle of the late Timothy Scott. Retired pharmacist and proprietor of Pisano Pharmacy (Fullerton/Cicero) and Kings Rexall Drugs in Antioch, Illinois. Committal services will be held at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, Il; pending date and time. Arrangements entrusted to Chicagoland Cremation Options of Schiller Park, Illinois.

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Pizana, Victoria A.

Victoria A. Pizana, beloved wife of the late Jesse; loving mother of Sandra (Roberto) Chavoya and Rose (Michael) Aguirre; dear grandmother of Daniel, Nicholas, Victor, Jessica and Michael; great-grandma of Alexander and Camila; fond sister of Josephine Sandoval, Sara Urbina, Jose (Lupe) Lopez and the late Frances Santoyo and Librada Martinez; aunt and friend to many. Visitation Monday 3:00 - 9:00 pm at **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**, SW corner of Mannheim & Roosevelt Roads, Hillside/Westchester. Prayers Tuesday 9:00 am from funeral home to St. Domitilla Church, Hillside. Mass 10:00 am. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. Funeral info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.

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Pomierski, Renee L. 'Nay Nay'

Pomierski, Renee L. "Nay Nay" age 73. Called home to God on October 14, 2018. Renee often expressed her gratitude to God for wonderful parents, brother, sister, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and for many close and dear friends who remained faithful to her from the time of her childhood to her last moments on earth. Renee gave special thanks to her many neighbors who were always on call especially during her days of struggling with cancer for thirteen months In lieu of flowers memorials in her name to School Sisters of St. Francis, 1501 South Layton Blvd. Milwaukee, WI 53215. Memorial gathering 9:15 A.M. Meet at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 4646 N. Austin Ave. Chicago. Saturday, October 27, 2018. Until 10 A.M. Funeral Mass. Procession to St. Adalbert Cemetery for graveside Inurnment. For info www.kolbusmayfh.com or (773) 774-3232.

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Prinzing, Karena

Karena Prinzing, 52, loving daughter of the late Raymond and Patricia; dear sister of Robert (Kelly); cherished aunt of Stephanie Willis; devoted great aunt of Esther. Visitation at **Simkins Funeral Home** 6251 Dempster St. Morton Grove Wednesday from 11 a.m. until time of service at 12:30 p.m. Cremation private. In lieu of flowers, donations to Douglas Center 3445 Howard St. Skokie, IL 60076 appreciated. Sign online guestbook at www.simkinsfh.com 847-965-2500

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Roberts, Lt. James Thomas

Born in Chicago on Sept. 6, 1939, passed peacefully at home on Oct 13, 2018 at age 79 surrounded by his loved ones. He is survived by his wife, Kathleen (Morgan) Roberts; his children Jason Morgan Roberts and Mary Rose Roberts; his brother Tim Roberts and sister Marsha Spaniel; his brother- and sister-in-laws Ed Morgan, Keith Spaniel and Penny Roberts; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents Marshall Thomas Roberts, his mother Mary Rose Roberts (Kamarauskas), and his brother John and sister Mary Margaret. James attended St. David's Catholic Grammar School and De LaSalle High School. He was a Chicago Park District lifeguard on Oak Street Beach; a clerk at the city's Union Stock Yards meat packing district; a soldier in the U.S. Army during Vietnam where he taught survival swimming skills; a mainframe computer operator for the Circuit Court of Cook County; an owner of The Hideout tavern in Bridgeport; a Chicago Fire Department (CFD) firefighter and a lieutenant with the Fire Prevention Bureau, later returning to the CFD as a lieutenant at Engine 8 in Chinatown. He also was a lifelong member of the Hamburg Club in Bridgeport and beach commissioner in charge of lifeguards for the Village of Michiana, Michigan. Family and friends will gather for a Memorial Visitation on Saturday, October 27, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. until time of Memorial Mass, 11:00 a.m. at St. Barnabas Catholic Church, 10134 South Longwood Drive, Chicago. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in his name to the Michiana Shores (Indiana) Volunteer Fire Department at 911 El Portal Dr, Michiana Shores, IN 46360 or (219) 872-1788. Arrangements were entrusted to the **Kerry Funeral Home & Cremation Care Center** in Palos Heights. 708-361-4235 ~ www.kerryfh.com



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Rom, Jim

Jim "James Carl" Rom; cherished son of the late Dorothy nee Hahn and Carl; loving brother of Rev. Gregory, Patricia (Glenn Paustian), Matthias, Marialice (Deacon Steven) Wagner, Jeanmarie, Stephen (Lillian) and Margaret (Joseph) Kukec; fond uncle of many; Family & Friends will gather for a Memorial Mass at 3 PM Sunday, October 28 at St. Pascal Church (Melvina & Irving Park Rd). Private Interment at All Saints Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to **Gibbons Family Funeral Home**. For info 773-777-3944 or www.GFFH.com

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Russell, Loretta T.

Loretta T. Russell, nee Zbylut, age 83, of Chicago, beloved wife of the late John T. Russell; loving mother of James Russell, Donna (Andrew) Mendez, Cathy Russell (Bill Patterson), Susan (Frank) Janis and the late Diane (Ken) Everett; cherished grandmother of Katie and Loren Mendez. Fond daughter of the late John and Rose Zbylut; dear sister of Lt. Col. Robert (the late Elaine) Zbylut. Visitation Sunday 3:00 – 8:00 pm at the **Skaja Terrace Funeral Home** 7812 N. Milwaukee Ave., Niles, Funeral Monday 9:15 am to St Juliana Church Mass 10:00 am. Entombment St Adalbert Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers donations to St. Juliana Church appreciated. 847-966-7302 or sign guest book at www.skajafuneralhomes.com

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Rychlock, Timothy John 'Tim'



born on December 19, 1978, to Donna Rychlock and Jim Rychlock, passed away at age 39 on October 13, 2018 in Coldwater, Mississippi.

Timothy is survived by his sisters, Amy (Chaz) Taylor and Abbi (Rachel) Rychlock; niece, Alexis; and nephews, Lucas and Colton.

Tim grew up in Homer Glen, IL and graduated from Lockport Township High School in 1997. He enjoyed family, friends, fishing, and food. He also had a passion for drawing and history. Tim, you will be truly missed!

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Sawka, Eileen M.

Eileen M. Sawka, nee Brum. Age 94. Longtime Resident of Summit Argo, Illinois , currently of Palos Hills. Beloved Wife of the late Michael Sawka. Loving Mother of Michaleen Sawka and the late Michael (Donna) Sawka. Proud Grandmother " JuJu" of Michael and Debbie Sawka. Dearest JuJu to many. Eileen was a 34 year employee of Lever Brothers. Visitation Monday 3 PM until 9 PM at **Foran Funeral Home** 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th St just west of Harlem). Visitation on Tuesday from 8:30 AM until time of the Celebration of Life Service at 10 AM. Interment Fairmount Willow Hills Cemetery. Eileen was a 34 year employee of Lever Brothers. In lieu of flowers, donations in Eileen's name to a Veteran or Animal Program would be appreciated. Condolences may be sent to Eileen's family on her personal tribute website at www.foranfuneralhome.com. 708-458-0208

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Schachter, Jeffrey D.

Jeffrey D. Schachter, age 80, of Pembroke Pines, FL, formerly of Chicago, former owner of Schachter's Baking Co. and Jeff's Laugh Inn, husband of Ana, nee Gutierrez, father (by an earlier marriage) of Fran (Jim) Lucari and Betsy (David) Kipnis, grandfather of Eric, Brandon, Alana and Alex, brother of Beth Elpern (the late Ed) Burrows, step-father of Nurlas and Nilda Gutierrez, son of the late Abraham and Resea. Funeral services Monday, October 22nd, 11 AM at Westlawn Cemetery's Chapel, 7801 W. Montrose, Norridge. Interment to follow. Contributions in Jeffrey's name to the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824), or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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Schafer, M.D., Michael F.

Michael F. Schafer, M. D., age 76, Former Chairman of Department of Orthopedics, Northwestern Memorial Hospital, for 35 years. Beloved husband of Eileen M. Schafer nee Briggs; loving father of Steven (Laura) Schafer, Brian (Jeannie) Schafer, Kathy (Kevin) Ryan, David, M. D. (Denise) Schafer and Daniel (Dennise) Schafer; loving grandfather of Samantha, Peyton and Carleigh Schafer; Patrick, Brendan, Thomas, Mary Grace Schafer and the late John William Schafer; Kelly, Maggie and Brennan Ryan; Madeline, Alex and Nathan Schafer; Marian, Teddy, Oliver and Charlie Schafer; brother of Lea (Stuart) Bitkoff and Theresa (Dennis) Eckman. Visitation, Sunday, October 21, 2018, 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 P.M. at Donnellan Family Funeral Home, 10045 Skokie Blvd., at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass 10:00 a.m., Monday, October 22, 2018, at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL 60025. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the Michael F. Schafer, M. D. Research and Education Endowment at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, 420 East Superior Street, Rubloff Bldg., 9th Floor, Chicago, IL 60611. Funeral Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or 847-675-1990

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Schrimpl, John (Jack)

Preceded in death by his beloved wife of 65 years, Florine. Loving father of Jay (Karen), Jeri, Joan, Joyce, Jan, and Terri. Proud grandfather of Jeffrey, Marisa, Carly, Jessica, Eden, Christina, and Sommer. Called to heaven October 6, 2018.

Jack is joyfully reunited with Florine, mother Hazel, father Roy, stepfather Tom Fitzgerald, sister Joan, brother Jerry as well as countless other relatives and friends.

Memorial mass at St. Matthew Catholic Church, 1555 Glen Ellyn Road, Glendale Heights, IL 60139 at 10AM, Saturday, 10/27/18 with luncheon to follow at Ki's Restaurant.

In lieu of flowers contributions to National Multiple Sclerosis Society greatly appreciated. www.nationalmssociety.org

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Schroeder, Evelyn

Evelyn Schroeder, nee Kranich, 94, passed away on October 12, 2018. Wife of the late Henry; mother of Gayle (Gilles) Marcotte and the late Glenn. Evelyn was a lifelong resident of Arlington Heights, IL. Service will be private.

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Shea, Helen D

Helen D. Shea (nee Ochwat), 96, of Darien, proudly served in the Women's Army Corp in WWII, railroad industry veteran for over 40 years; devoted wife of the late Michael Shea for 64 years; beloved mother of Timothy and Brian (Fredericka); loving grandmother of Nicole (Michael Cappiello) and great grandmother of Adrian Brian Cappiello; cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Helen is remembered for her tremendous kindness, endless generosity, unceasing love of family, and devotion to her husband Michael. She helped many family and friends, giving her time and hard work.

The family will receive visitors in the chapel of Our Lady of Peace Catholic Church, 701 Plainfield Rd., Darien, IL on Saturday, Oct. 27 at 10:30 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass in the church at 11:00 a.m.

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Smith, Kathleen Virginia 'Kay'

Kathleen Virginia Ludden Smith, 92, died October 16, 2018, in Lake Villa, IL. She was born to Patrick Ludden and Ellen Henry on July 22, 1926, in Chicago, IL. She married Robert Smith on January 12, 1952, and they were happily married for 57 years. She is survived by her 4 kids, 10 grandkids and 3 great-grandchildren and dedicated friends.

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Sobbe, Ronnie Owen



Ronnie O. Sobbe, age 68, of Countryside. US Army Veteran. Beloved husband of Gerrie for a wonderful 33 years. Loving father of Robert (Katherine) Hastings, Tamara (Jarek) Oliszewicz, and the late Tricia Hastings. Devoted grandfather of Madison Hastings, Elena and Emilia Oliszewicz. Dear son of the late William and Shirley Sobbe. Cherished brother of Sharon Gettings and Phyllis Taddie. A Celebration of Life will be held at Janosik Banquets, Hickory Hills, IL. In his honor, wear your favorite flannel shirt. Please contact the family at ArmyVet1017@gmail.com for further details and to RSVP. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Society.

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Sommers, Carl

Carl Thomas Sommers, 79, passed away on October 12, 2018. He was born in Chicago, IL, on August 21, 1939, to Thomas and Irene (nee Dyzinski) Sommers. Carl retired from being CEO for 50 years from Ruprecht Company. He was a loving husband, father, and grandfather who enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren and watching them grow and becoming fine young gentlemen.

Carl is survived by his loving wife Julianne; his loving children Walter (Julie) Sommers and Stephen (Kelene) Johnson; and his loving grandchildren Jackson, Andrew, and Charlie Sommers and Everhett Johnson. He was proceeded in death by his parents. Services will be private. Memorial contributions may be directed to the Alzheimers Association 225 N. Michigan Avenue, Fl. 17, Chicago, IL, 60601 or https://www.alz.org/illinois. Info: **Wenban Funeral Home** (847) 234-0022 or www.wenbanfh.com

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Sparagana, Ann Lynn



Ann Lynn Sparagana, 61, passed away peacefully September 20th, 2018. Artistic and talented since childhood, Ann graduated from the School of the Art Institute of Chicago in painting, drawing, and metal arts. A dedicated teacher at Chiaravalle Montessori, Park View Montessori, and Bright Horizons, Ann's love of and respect for children was reflected in the nurturing, joy, and creativity of her classrooms. Her mission was to give children the best possible introduction to a life of learning. Uniquely individual, Ann will be deeply missed by all whose lives she touched with her kindness, generosity, adventurous spirit, and irreverent humor. Ann is survived by her father Mario Sparagana (Susanne, d 2014); siblings Ruth McLaren (David), John Sparagana (Katie Kahn); nieces and nephews Susanne and Andrew McLaren, Marina and Hannah Sparagana; dearest friend Judy Killheffer (Olie), Jack and Charlie Killheffer. A memorial will be held October 28th, 1-4 pm, Evanston Art Center. Donations may be made in Ann's name to one's favorite animal charity.

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Spengler Wynne Hammond, Irene Florence

Irene Florence Spengler Wynne Hammond formerly of Chicago and currently of Marshall, MI, died on October 16, 2018. She was born on May 22, 1929 to Earl H. and Florence M. (Jochum) Spengler in Chicago, Illinois. On September 10, 1949, she married the love of her life, Conrad Joseph (Joe) Wynne at St. Viators Catholic Church in Chicago, with whom she had six beautiful children. He predeceased her in 1972. Also predeceasing were her beloved second husband, William H. Hammond, brother and sister in law, Earl R. and Irene Spengler and their daughter Carol, and through her husband, Joe, her sisters and brothers in law, Peg and Frank Mallek, Marty Wilp, Jeannie and Chris Christian, Connie Grant, Grace Wynne and several beloved nieces and a nephew. Left to cherish her memory are her six loving children, Jim (Cathy) Wynne, Mary (Bob) Currie, Eileen (Russ) Wickund, Gina Wynne, Nora (Steve) Jamski, and Michael Wynne, special niece Carlette Spengler Kolesnik, Sisters and Brother in Law, Nancy Wilp, Kate (Bill) Walsh, as well as 7 grandchildren,14 Great Grandchildren, and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Spoo, Robert Allen 'Bob'



Bob Spoo, 80, of Rockford, IL, formerly of Charleston, IL, died October 15, 2018 at his home. A mass celebrating his life will be held at The Chapel of the Holy Spirit, Techny, at 11am on November 9th, 2018 with Father Carlos Paniagua-Monroy officiating. A celebration of his coaching career will take place at Eastern Illinois University at a later date. Bob was born November 2nd, 1937 in Chicago, IL, the son of John and Helen Spoo, nee Fuzi. He married Susan Biederer in 1972. Survivors include his daughter Katharine Spoo of Rockford, IL, and several nephews and nieces. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Jack Spoo, sister Carol Mingey, and beloved wife Susan.

Bob was a former football coach and retired in 2011 after 50 years on the field. Over 25 seasons as Head Coach at EIU, Bob led the Panthers to 9 playoff berths and accumulated 5 conference championships. He was selected Gateway Conference Coach of the Year once, and Ohio Valley Conference Coach of the Year 3 times. Bob also enjoyed stints as quarterbacks coach at the University of Wisconsin and Purdue University, his alma mater, where he quarterbacked the team and was selected co-captain for the blue grey game in 1958. He accepted his first Head Coach position at Loyola Academy where he went on to lead his 1969 team to an undefeated record and a Prep Bowl win at Soldier Field. Also in 1969, he was voted Illinois Coach of the Year, and was inducted into the Loyola Academy Hall of Fame in 1985. Coach Spoo was also inducted into the EIU Hall of Fame, OVC Hall of Fame, and in 2018 was selected by the Chicago Tribune as one of the 30 greatest all-time college coaches in Illinois. In 2000, he was the runner up for the Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year Award. Coach Spoo leaves behind an incredible legacy by way of the countless young men that have gone on to succeed in life, football, and coaching secondary to his leadership and guidance. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Eastern Illinois University Athletic Department Attention: EIU Football or to Loyola Academy Athletics Attention: Football.

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Stein, Lillian L.

Lillian L. Stein (nee Bavlsik) beloved wife of the late Edward Stein; loving mother of Eugene, Peggy (Jerry) West and John (Debbie) Stein; devoted grandmother of Rachel, Tracy, Jason, Diana, Sean, Michelle, Johnnie Ann, Dawn and Butch; dearest great grandmother of Seanna, Gabriel, Anthony, Connor, Carter, Cayden, Lauren Jr., Tiffany, Michael, Cara, Ashley and Phillip; dear great-great grandmother of Mason, Chris, Nick, Ara and Mia; cherished aunt & great Aunt of many. Visitation Monday 3-9 P.M. Funeral Service Tuesday 10:00 A.M. at **Lawn Funeral Home** 7909 State Road (5500W) Burbank Il 60459 Interment Resurrection Cemetery Funeral info (708) 636-2320.

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Strazz, Lino C.

Lino C. Strazz, beloved husband of the late Mary G., nee Golden. Loving father of Julie S. (David) Graham and Peter Strazzabosco. Cherished grandfather of Allison and Benjamin Graham and Isabella and Leonardo Strazzabosco. Dear brother of Donald (Gloria) Strazzabosco, and the late Sergio (Ruth) Strazzabosco. Beloved brother-in-law to the late Richard J. (Pat) Golden, the late Warren (Pat) Golden, and the late Carole (the late Bill) Gallagher; uncle, friend, and neighbor to many who will miss his warmth and charm. Lino was a lifelong Chicago real estate professional, starting with FC Pilgrim Co. and concluding with Draper and Kramer. He was a former president of the Institute of Real Estate Management, Chicago Chapter. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Attn: Donation Processing,The Michael J. Fox Foundation, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014. Visitation Monday 9:30am until time of Mass at 10:30am, at St. Cornelius Church, 5205 N. Lieb Ave, Chicago. Interment St. Luke Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or www.smithcorcoran.com

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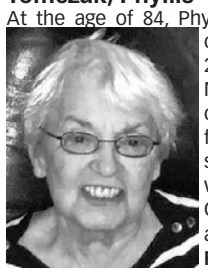
Taylor, Allan

Allan Taylor, 87, of Northbrook and St. Petersburg, FL, passed away June 24, 2018. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother and uncle. Mr. Taylor was a veteran of the US Air Force, a retired Cook County Sheriff and a Scottish Rite Mason. A memorial service will be held Friday, October 26, 2018 at 10:30am at **N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home**, 1240 Waukegan Road, Glenview. Funeral information 847-998-1020.

N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home

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Tomczak, Phyllis



At the age of 84, Phyllis passed away peacefully on Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at Presence St. Joseph Medical Center, as the result of a heart condition, with her family by her side. Funeral services for Phyllis Tomczak will be held on Tuesday, October 23, 2018, at 9:15 a.m., from the **Fred C. Dames Funeral Home**, 3200 Black at Essington Rds., Joliet, to Holy Family Catholic Church, 600 Brook Forest Ave., Shorewood, for a Mass of Christian Burial to be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville. Visitation will be held Monday from 3:00 until 7:00 p.m., at the funeral home chapel. For more information, please call 815-741-5500 or to read the full obituary you may visit her Memorial Tribute at www.fredcdames.com

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Verbeke, Anne E.



nee Olin, 82, of Olympia Fields, Illinois was born into eternal life on October 16, 2018. Anne passed away after a brief illness. Born in 1936 Anne was one of six children born to Clinton and Edna Olin from Aledo, Illinois. Anne was raised by her mother Edna T, after losing her father to cancer when she was two years old. Following in her mother's footsteps, Anne attended The Villa de Chantal which was a Catholic girls boarding and day school operated by the Sisters of the Visitation graduating in 1954. Anne went on to attend Fontbonne University, a women's only college, operated by the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph (CSJ). Anne graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1958. Anne met the love of her life Edmund (Ed) Verbeke in 1956. They were married shortly after her college graduation in Alexis, Illinois at St. Theresa's Catholic Church in August of 1958. After their wedding, Anne and Ed moved to Norfolk, Virginia where Ed served in the Navy on board the USS Mullinnix assigned to the Atlantic Fleet. During Ed's service, Anne taught school in Hull Massachusetts on Cape Cod. Anne's first baby was born in 1959 in Norfolk Naval Hospital while Ed was away at sea. After Ed's active duty, Anne and Ed moved to St. Louis, his hometown, where he joined Ford Motor Company. Anne and Ed had three more children, one of whom passed away shortly after birth. In 1962, Anne moved with Ed to Livonia, Michigan, a suburb of Detroit, following Ed's transfer by Ford Motor Company, where she had two more children bringing the total to five. By 1964, Anne had four children under five-years old. Anne managed this chaos while Ed traveled throughout the world as an auditor for Ford. Anne and Ed lived in Michigan for fifteen years, during which time she made many friends and was extremely active in the religious education program of her parish church, St. Edith, where she was the Religious Education Director. Anne, with help from Ed, ran the program unpaid for 9-years until Ed's transfer by Ford to Chicago in 1975. Anne and Ed settled with their family in Olympia Fields and Anne immediately picked up where she left off by becoming the Religious Education Director at her new parish St. Irenaeus in Park Forest, Illinois. Anne, again with help from Ed, ran the program unpaid for 12-years retiring in 1988. Anne joined the diocese of Gary, Indiana in 1992, her first paid position since 1958, eventually becoming Director of the Office of Parish Pastoral Councils and Lay Ecclesial Ministry. In 1996, Anne graduated from Catholic Theological Union with a Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies. Anne and Ed celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in 2008 and by this time, all five children were married and she and Ed were blessed with ten grandchildren. Anne finally retired from work in December of 2015 at the age of 79 years. Anne was most proud that she and Ed were able to send all five children to college, no small feat on one salary. A further source of pride was the advanced degrees earned by many of her children and grandchildren. Anne is preceded in death by her mother and father Clinton and Edna T Olin, her daughter Mary Catherine, and her husband of sixty years, Ed Verbeke. Anne is survived by her sister Mary Olin Gillen, her children Thomas (Carrie), Timothy (Barbara), Anne (Mathew) McManus, John (Jill), Sarah (Paul) Machamer, eleven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Donations in Anne's memory can be made to the Anne Verbeke Lay Ecclesial Ministry Endowment; the endowment provides scholarships to students, with financial need, enrolled in the Diocese of Gary Lay Ecclesial Ministry program at Catholic Foundation for Northwest Indiana 9292 Broadway Merrillville, IN 46410.

Visitation 3-9 p.m. Sunday October 21, 2018 at **Lain-Sullivan Funeral Home** 50 Westwood Dr. Park Forest, Illinois. Lying-in-State Monday 9:00 a.m. October 22, 2018 at St. Agnes Catholic Church, Chicago Heights, Illinois. Mass 10:00 a.m. Interment Private. For information or to express your memories visit our online guest book at www.lain-sullivan.com. or call 708-747-3700

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Weise, Judith Elizabeth

Judith E. Weise (nee Koch), age 74, of Oswego, IL passed away on Friday, October 19, 2018. She was born on August 6, 1944 in Chicago, IL. Judith is survived by her daughter Janet (Scott) Morlock, son Michael Weise and 8 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Lawrence J. Weise. Visitation will be held on Monday, October 22, 2018 from 4:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at **Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 24021 Royal Worlington Dr., Naperville. Funeral Service, Tuesday, 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment Risen Lord Cemetery, Oswego. Info: 630-922-9630 or www.beidelmankunschfh.com

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Whitman, Alice Louise Cassriel

Alice Louise Cassriel Whitman, 92, beloved wife of the late Leonard B., loving mother of Marcia (Allan) Curtis, Arthur (Audee) Whitman, Larry (Susan) Whitman and Stuart (Charles Austin) Whitman; devoted grandmother of Kevin (Melissa) Curtis, Brian (Cathy) Curtis, Karee (Jason) Schwartz, Lynsee Whitman, Katie Whitman and Nikki Whitman; great-grandmother of Molly, Julia, Cassidy, Jason, Myles, Ryann and Ella; preceded in death by her parents, Leon and Matilda Cassriel, and by her sisters, Carolyn and Lila. Graveside service Monday 11:15 AM at Memorial Park Cemetery, 9900 Gross Point Road, Skokie. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Heart Association or Campaign for Cedars-Sinai, www.giving.cedars-sinai.edu. Info: **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 847-256-5700.

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Wojcik, Donald L.

Donald L. Wojcik. Age 81 of Palatine. Loving father of Suzanne (Frank) Racel and Maureen (John) Forsythe. Dear grandfather of Kristin (Matt) Castello, Kaylee (Alex) Hilderbrand, Kyle Racel, Kayla, Blaine and Shane Forsythe. Great-grandfather of Masyn, Grace and Hudsyn. Memorial Mass Friday, October 26, 12:30 p.m., at St. Paul of the Cross Church, 140 S. Northwest Hwy., Park Ridge. Interment private. Info., **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Wolf, Louis

Louis Wolf age 94. Beloved husband of Debra nee Schleyer. Loving father of Rachel (Seth Wiener) and Ashley. Proud grandfather of Eliana Rose. Devoted brother of the late Sylvia (the late Joseph) Berke. Service Sunday 12PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Waldheim Jewish Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Lev lalev Orphange, www.levlalev.com. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Young, Jr., Gerald D. 'Jerry'

Gerald (Jerry) Devereaux Young (Jr), born on October 17, 1928 in Brock, NE, passed away peacefully in Littleton, CO on July 27, 2018.

His life began in rural Nebraska, moving from town to town as his father, a civil engineer, planned and designed much of the area's infrastructure. Jerry graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1950 and from the UN College of Medicine in 1954. He earned a master's degree in public health from John Hopkins in 1959. Jerry passed his boards in Aerospace Medicine and Family Practice, completed his Residency in Aviation Medicine at the USAF School of Aerospace Medicine in (1959-61) and in 1963 was a Fellow of the American College of Preventive Medicine.

His Air Force career (1954-77) inspired his lifelong love of aerospace medicine, creating opportunities for involvement at the crux of medical knowledge as to the impacts of flight and space travel on the human body. As a USAF flight surgeon, he helped develop Aircrew Standards while in the Surgeon General's office, worked directly with NASA on maintaining the health of astronauts in the Mercury and Gemini programs, and completed his AF career as the Chief of Aerospace Medicine and Deputy Surgeon in the Strategic Air Force Command Surgeon's office at Offutt Air Force Base. He retired at the rank of Colonel, a "full bird."

While his career as an AF officer and doctor allowed Jerry and his family to travel, learn and explore the world in Asia and Europe, he wasn't quite done yet. He next took on the challenge of Occupational Medicine.

As the Olin Chemical Regional Medical Director (Lake Charles, LA 1977-81), he was not only a plant physician and regional director. He also participated in three research projects which studied the impacts of various chemicals on people. This led to his development of specific health plans for the chemical plants.

Jerry and family settled in Barrington, Illinois in 1981 when he became the Medical Director of ARCO Metals. He was responsible for the health of 10,000 employees in the Metals industry and designed three of the 16 medical facilities ARCO Metals utilized.

Jerry completed his career as the Regional Medical Director of UNOCAL (1985-95). He was responsible for the occupational health care of UNOCAL employees in a 40 State area in the fields of oil, gas and chemicals.

While living in Illinois, Jerry and wife Alita were supporters of the Field Museum, the Barrington Area Arts Council, enjoyed Tower Lake Progressive Dinners, Music in the Home concerts as well as Chicago's theater, opera and city events. Helping with bird counts in Lake County and enjoying trips to see the beautiful changing colors in the fall were also at the top of Jerry's list, especially if his children could participate.

When not engaged in medicine and traveling the world, Jerry enjoyed hunting and played golf frequently! During college he played in dance bands across the state of Nebraska, with big band jazz always his favorite. He enjoyed ski vacations with his children and grand-children not to mention trout and salmon fishing in many locales. After the death Alita, his wife of 65 years, in 2017 he moved to Colorado to be near family. Jerry is survived by his son, David (Naomi) Young, Philadelphia, PA, his three daughters, Lucinda Young, Olympia, WA, Kristin (Dennis) Sesko, Littleton, CO, and Karen (Mitsuhiro) Young Iwamoto, San Diego, CA; and his beloved grandchildren Alexis Young, Scott and Kurt Sesko, and Leena Iwamoto.

Services for Gerald will be held privately. Memorials in Gerald's name may be made to: Omaha Home for Boys, 4343 N 52nd St, Omaha, NE 68104, www.omahahomeforboys.org

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Zalud, Joseph A.

Joseph A. Zalud, 89, of Burr Ridge, son of Anne and Joseph, husband to Barbara, father of Joseph, died peacefully on 9/18 after a long battle with cancer. Born in 1929, a year that would affect a generation, it touched his and the lives of many for the rest of their years.

He proudly served as a soldier in the Army for two years during the Korean War. Trained under the 101st Airborne Division, he later became Sergeant, and commanded a group in engineering for bridge demolition. This also left an indelible mark on his life. He later left a memorial brick in the Burr Ridge Veterans Memorial as a love to his service.

He later married Barbara, and was a devoted husband to her to the end. He cherished her good cheer, and often commented how lucky he was. It was to be a mutual feeling. Funny at the time and now warmly, while rarely apart, he always asked about her while she would ask if he asked about her. They had a son, Joe, who greatly appreciated his service to the country and for being a good father. Good times, memories, and experiences. Thank you.

He served for years on the Burr Ridge Planning Commission, and helped the village form its identity early on. He was instrumental in getting the Pleasantdale area annexed into Burr Ridge, in a vote that passed by a very slim margin.

Other service included such things as handing out flags at the 4th of July Parade as a member of the VFW, and other functions related to his family's affiliations. He pitched baseball in High School, did Little League coaching, and with his son finally saw his beloved Cubs win the World Series. He joked that any team can have a bad century.

As Vice President he worked for House of Doors for fifty years, and helped transform the firm to a known name in the industry. He did work on such projects as Navy Pier and Soldier Field, and was a top salesman.

In closing, thanks to all in his life that made it special, for without you it would not have been as fun or memorable. Thank you. Especially to FC, MT, JJ, J&J P, BS, R&P R, T&P N.

Services were private. A non-service memorial will be held at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside on Saturday, October 27th from 2 to 4pm. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the American Cancer Society or Salvation Army.

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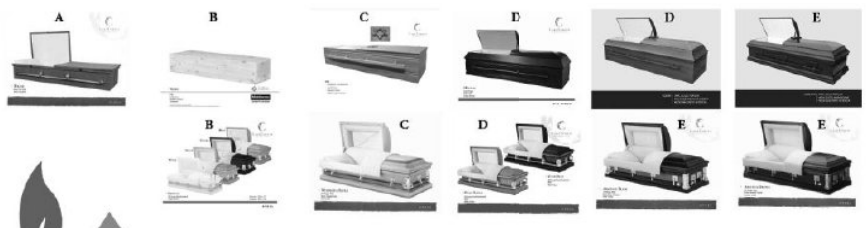
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SUNDAY, OCT. 21 NORMAL HIGH: **60°** NORMAL LOW: **41°** RECORD HIGH: **87° (1953)** RECORD LOW: **26° (1952)**

Hard freeze set to follow season's first snow

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH	LOW
50	38

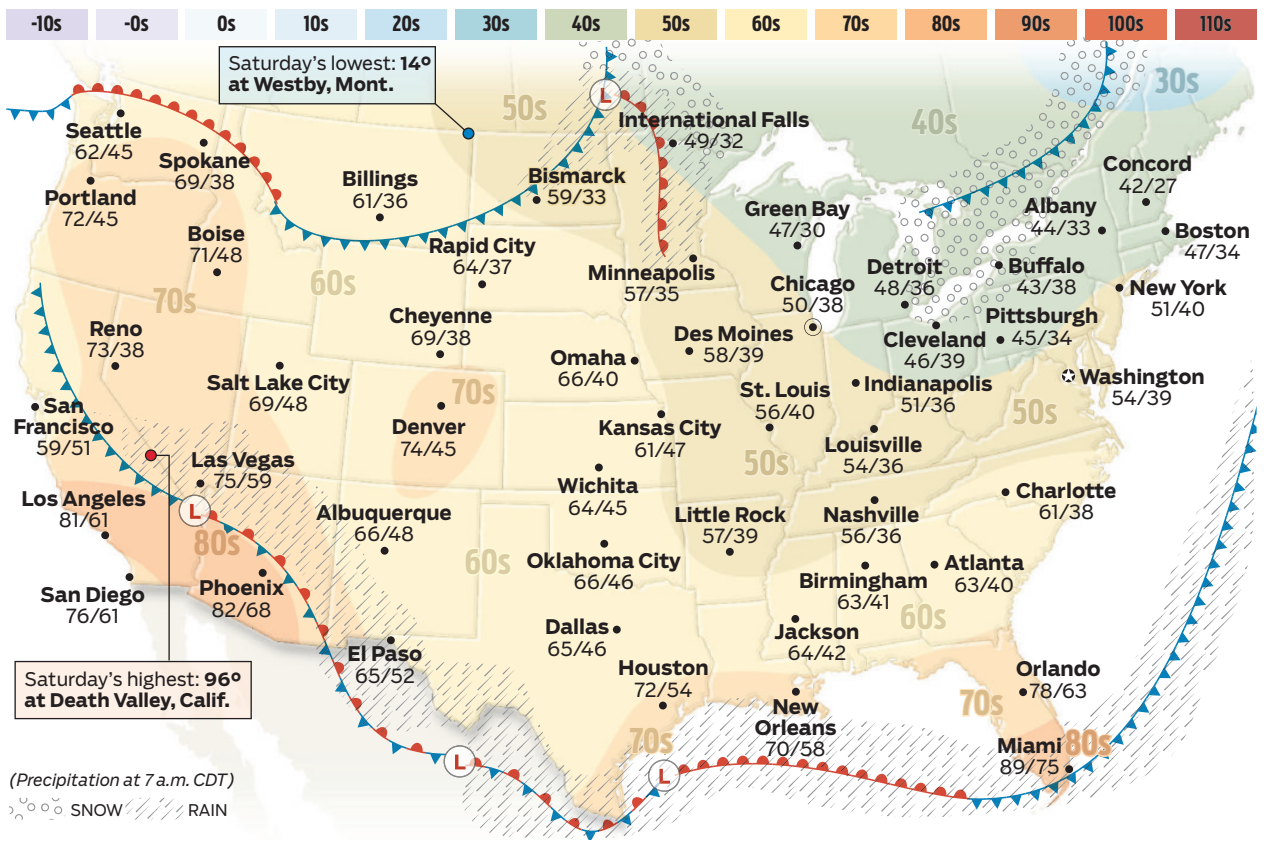
■ **Freezing temperatures in much of the area to start the day. Cold high pressure recedes off to the south and east, bringing a southwest flow back to our area.**

■ Widespread frost/freeze as the day opens.

■ Very dry air overhead with dew points in the lower 20s. Generous sunshine and southwest winds allow temperatures to rebound from the early morning chill, peaking around 50 degrees.

■ Partly cloudy and not as cold overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Sunrise on Sunday will see sub-30-degree temperatures away from the city and Lake Michigan — readings in the lower 30s are expected in the city and along the lakefront.

A wind advisory was in effect Saturday afternoon as a strong cold front swept through our area from the northwest. Building convective cumulus clouds developed along and ahead of the frontal boundary, producing wind gusts over 60 mph in spots, along with snow showers and rain/snow mixed graupel. Strongest wind gust was 63 mph near Midway Airport with reports of downed trees and power outages.

Temperatures look to average about five to six degrees below normal during the week ahead, with a northwest-to-west flow aloft keeping the Midwest and Great Lakes on the southern edge of colder air to our north.

MONDAY, OCT. 22

HIGH	LOW
59	36

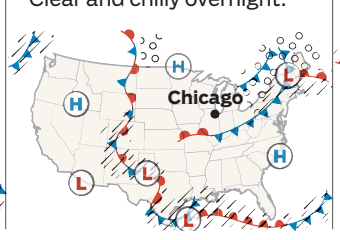
Pacific-source high pressure follows a weak cold front into the area. Near-normal high temperatures for the first time in almost 2 weeks. Clear skies overnight. Breezy winds out of the west-northwest.



TUESDAY, OCT. 23

HIGH	LOW
53	34

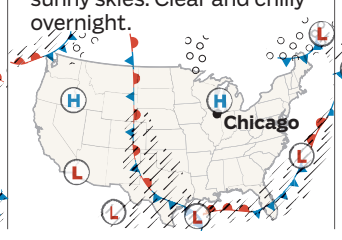
Cooler air rides northeast winds into the area. Sun/cloud mix, breezy and modestly cooler. Highs 50-degrees at the lakefront and mid 50s well inland. Clear and chilly overnight.



WEDNESDAY, OCT. 24

HIGH	LOW
50	34

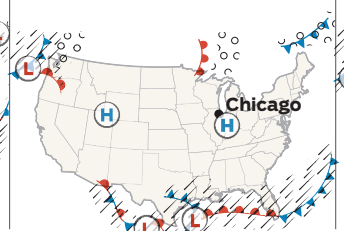
High pressure is centered directly overhead. A light easterly component to the winds keeps high temperatures in the upper 40s to lower 50s under mostly sunny skies. Clear and chilly overnight.



THURSDAY, OCT. 25

HIGH	LOW
53	35

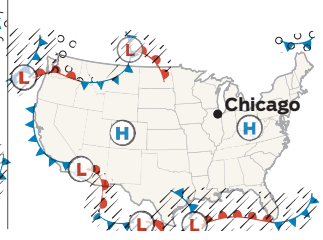
The center of high pressure is still overhead. Mostly sunny with highs in the low to mid 50s. Clear skies overnight. Light southeasterly winds.



FRIDAY, OCT. 26

HIGH	LOW
56	40

Partly cloudy skies and a little warmer – highs 55-60. Partly cloudy overnight. Southwest winds.



SATURDAY, OCT. 27

HIGH	LOW
57	45

Partly cloudy with a chance of showers during the day as well as at night. Highs 55-60. Southwest winds.



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Dear Tom,

How accurate are the weather forecasts in the Old Farmer's Almanac?

— Greg Dove, Chicago

Dear Greg,

Several analyses of the accuracy of forecasts in the Old Farmer's Almanac have indicated their predictions are about 52 percent correct in their day-to-day forecasts. Their seasonal forecasts score better. In general, National Weather Service forecasts, both short and long term, are much more accurate.

The current Old Farmer's Almanac winter forecast for the Chicago area calls for warmer and wetter conditions than normal, and with less snow than we would normally expect. This is based mainly on the expectation of a weak El Nino condition (warmer surface waters than normal in the tropical Pacific Ocean) to prevail during the winter. If this occurs, it should prevent cold-air incursions from lingering in the Midwest.

Write to: ASK TOM
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WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

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October snowfalls came at Chicago from different directions

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- *18 Octobers with measurable snow (0.1" or more) 13.5%*

Three significant snowfalls (3" or more) stand out:

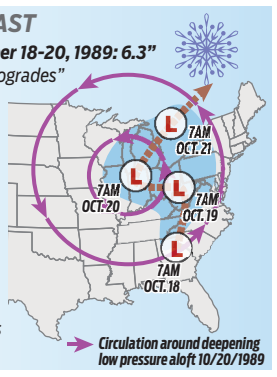
- *3.0" October 20, 1952—snow triggered from the north*
- *4.4" October 26-27, 1967—snow from the southwest*
- *6.3" October 18-20, 1989—snow from the southeast*

SNOW FROM THE SOUTHEAST

Surface low pressure track—October 18-20, 1989: 6.3"

Cold air overhead, storm system "retrogrades" (moves west); Snow never more than 3-inches deep—melted as it fell

- **10/18** *Low pressure moves north —snow begins in Chicago (0.7")*
- **10/19** *Low pressure moves from Ohio toward Chicago —heavy, wet snow in Chicago (3.8")*
- **10/20** *Low pressure moves away from Chicago to NE, snow gradually ends (1.8")*



SNOW FROM THE SOUTHWEST

Storm track—October 26-27, 1967: 4.4"

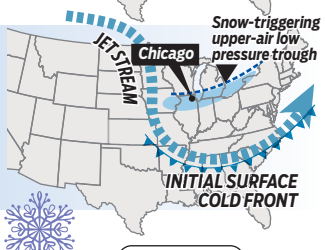
Cold air overhead—snow began evening of 26th; heaviest 4AM-9AM, October 27



SNOW FROM THE NORTH

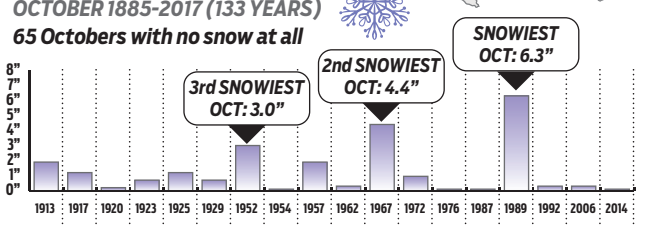
Midnight map—October 20, 1952: 3.0"

Cold front passed through earlier on October 19th. Heavy snow at midnight—6 AM on the 20th



OCTOBER 1885-2017 (133 YEARS)

65 Octobers with no snow at all



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

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CHICAGO DIGEST

SATURDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	53	33	Midway	53	38
Gary	55	41	O'Hare	51	35
Kankakee	55	35	Romeoville	52	32
Lakefront	52	40	Valparaiso	57	41
Lansing	54	37	Waukegan	51	36

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Sat. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	0.10"
October to date	4.20"	2.00"
Year to date	42.08"	30.34"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Fri. (through 7 p.m.)	Trace	Trace
Season to date	Trace	Trace
Normal to date	0.1"	0.0"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Wind	NW/SW 10-20 kts.	W/NW 10-20 kts.
Waves	3-5 feet	2-5 feet
Sat. shore/crib water temps		59°/58°

U.S. SNOW COVER

OCT. 15	2018	2017
Area covered by snow	1.7%	0.4%
Average snow depth	0.1"	0.0"

TRACKING THE COLD

SINCE OCT. 15	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sub-32° highs	0 days	0 days
Subzero lows	0 days	0 days

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Saturday's reading	Good
Sunday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Particle

SUNDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	7:10 a.m.	5:59 p.m.
Moon	4:59 p.m.	3:46 a.m.

FULL	3RD Q	NEW	1ST Q
Oct. 24	Oct. 31	Nov. 7	Nov. 15

SUNDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	8:54 a.m.	6:40 p.m.
Venus	8:09 a.m.	5:41 p.m.
Mars	3:13 p.m.	12:58 a.m.
Jupiter	9:33 a.m.	7:18 p.m.
Saturn	12:33 p.m.	9:42 p.m.

BEST VIEWING	TIME	DIRECTION
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	Not visible	
Mars	8:00 p.m.	29.5° S
Jupiter	6:45 p.m.	5° WSW
Saturn	7:30 p.m.	17.5° SSW

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

MIDWEST CITIES

SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois						
Carbondale	su	53	36	pc	62	41
Champaign	su	54	38	su	66	38
Decatur	su	53	38	pc	67	38
Moline	su	53	40	su	62	36
Peoria	su	52	39	su	63	37
Quincy	su	57	43	su	67	38
Rockford	su	50	34	su	59	34
Springfield	su	54	39	pc	67	37
Sterling	su	52	36	su	61	34
Indiana						
Bloomington	su	52	36	pc	62	39
Evansville	su	53	36	pc	63	41
Fort Wayne	pc	50	35	pc	58	38
Indianapolis	su	51	36	su	62	39
Lafayette	su	51	36	pc	63	37
South Bend	pc	48	34	pc	57	39
Wisconsin						
Green Bay	pc	47	30	su	56	35
Kenosha	su	49	36	su	58	36
La Crosse	su	53	33	su	58	34
Madison	su	49	32	su	57	34
Milwaukee	su	50	35	su	58	36
Wausau	pc	47	28	su	53	32
Michigan						
Detroit	pc	48	36	pc	56	40
Grand Rapids	pc	46	37	pc	56	39
Marquette	cl	42	34	pc	53	36
St. Ste. Marie	cl	42	32	pc	51	37
Traverse City	sh	45	37	su	56	39
Iowa						
Ames	su	58	36	su	61	34
Cedar Rapids	su	53	35	su	59	33
Des Moines	su	58	39	su	62	36
Dubuque	su	52	34	su	59	33

OTHER U.S. CITIES

SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	pc	67	49	cl	67	51
Albany	pc	44	33	cl	51	38
Albuquerque	pc	66	48	pc	68	51
Amarillo	pc	66	44	su	73	47
Anchorage	sh	52	41	sh	48	36
Asheville	su	53	35	pc	65	40
Aspen	su	59	34	pc	59	38
Atlanta	su	63	40	pc	67	47
Atlantic City	pc	52	38	pc	56	51
Austin	pc	69	54	rn	58	53
Baltimore	pc	54	40	su	59	47
Billings	pc	61	36	su	59	36
Birmingham	su	63	41	pc	70	48
Bismarck	su	59	33	su	55	27
Boise	su	71	48	pc	66	48
Boston	rn	47	34	pc	52	43
Brownsville	sh	76	68	sh	71	59
Buffalo	rs	43	38	sh	50	42
Burlington	sh	40	32	cl	48	40
Charlotte	su	61	38	su	66	44
Charlstn SC	su	64	47	pc	71	59
Charlstn WV	pc	47	32	pc	62	42
Chattanooga	su	59	39	pc	67	44
Cheyenne	pc	69	38	pc	64	36
Cincinnati	su	52	35	su	62	41
Cleveland	sh	46	39	cl	56	47
Colo. Spgs	su	71	45	pc	67	39
Columbia MO	su	58	42	pc	68	41
Columbia SC	su	64	40	su	69	49
Columbus	pc	50	33	su	59	41
Concord	pc	42	27	pc	50	33
Crps Christi	cl	72	60	rn	65	59
Dallas	pc	65	46	cl	64	50
Daytona Bch.	pc	75	64	sh	80	68
Denver	pc	74	45	pc	68	43
Duluth	pc	52	35	pc	52	35
El Paso	sh	65	52	pc	72	58
Fairbanks	pc	48	27	su	44	29
Fargo	su	55	33	pc	50	24
Flagstaff	ts	59	38	ts	57	37
Fort Myers	pc	88	67	pc	85	67
Fort Smith	su	62	38	pc	65	45
Fresno	su	86	55	su	82	52
Grand Junc.	pc	67	45	pc	67	47
Great Falls	pc	61	32	su	61	38
Harrisburg	pc	50	37	pc	57	43
Hartford	pc	46	32	pc	53	40
Helena	pc	66	36	su	63	36
Honolulu	pc	85	75	pc	86	75
Houston	pc	72	54	rn	68	56
Int'l Falls	pc	49	32	cl	43	28
Jackson	pc	64	42	pc	69	50
Jacksonville	pc	70	60	sh	78	67
Juneau	sh	51	43	rn	47	46
Kansas City	su	61	47	pc	69	43
Las Vegas	pc	75	59	pc	77	57
Lexington	su	52	34	pc	61	41
Lincoln	su	68	41	su	65	36
Little Rock	su	57	39	pc	63	43
Los Angeles	su	81	61	pc	79	61
Louisville	su	54	36	pc	64	42
Macon	su	67	40	pc	72	50
Memphis	su	57	38	pc	64	46
Miami	pc	89	75	sh	82	75
Minneapolis	su	57	35	pc	57	32
Mobile	su	72	51	cl	76	62
Montgomery	pc	66	43	pc	72	53
Nashville	su	56	36	pc	66	40
New Orleans	su	70	58	cl	75	66
New York	pc	51	40	pc	56	48
Norfolk	pc	58	40	su	62	46
Okla. City	pc	66	46	pc	69	49
Omaha	su	66	40	pc	64	36
Orlando	pc	78	63	pc	81	68
Palm Beach	pc	86	74	cl	81	73
Palm Springs	su	89	66	pc	89	66
Philadelphia	pc	50	37	pc	56	45
Phoenix	ts	82	68	pc	85	67
Pittsburgh	sh	45	34	pc	57	44
Portland, ME	sh	46	31	pc	50	36
Portland, OR	pc	72	45	pc	73	46
Providence	sh	47	31	pc	52	40
Raleigh	su	58	38	su	63	45
Rapid City	su	64	37	su	61	35
Reno	su	73	38	su	71	39
Richmond	su	57	36	pc	62	45
Rochester	sh	42	36	sh	52	41
Sacramento	su	84	47	su	80	45
Salem, Ore.	su	73	43	su	74	44
Salt Lake City	pc	69	48	pc	65	47
San Antonio	pc	73	58	rn	61	55
San Diego	su	76	61	pc	73	61
San Francisco	pc	59	51	pc	59	51
San Juan	pc	86	78	pc	86	77
Santa Fe	pc	60	41	pc	65	42
Savannah	su	67	47	pc	73	59
Seattle	pc	62	45	pc	66	47
Shreveport	pc	63	43	pc	65	49
Sioux Falls	su	61	35	su	60	30
Spokane	pc	69	38	su	69	38
St. Louis	su	56	40	pc	69	43
Syracuse	ss	40	34	cl	50	40
Tallahassee	su	72	48	pc	78	61
Tampa	pc	82	62	pc	84	65
Topeka	su	65	44	pc	70	41
Tucson	ts	81	63	pc	79	61
Tulsa	su	65	43	pc	68	46
Washington	su	54	39	su	60	46
Wichita	su	64	45	pc	68	46
Wilkes Barre	su	41	30	pc	49	37
Yuma	su	90	65	pc	88	66

WORLD CITIES

SUNDAY	FC	HI	LO
Acapulco	ts	85	76
Algiers	su	85	60
Amsterdam	pc	64	52
Ankara	ts	63	41
Athens	pc	73	60
Auckland	pc	68	52
Baghdad	ts	77	68
Bangkok	ts	89	78
Barbados	sh	84	77
Barcelona	su	75	60
Beijing	pc	70	42
Beirut	ts	79	71
Berlin	pc	58	42
Bermuda	pc	80	69
Bogota	ts	65	50
Brussels	pc	63	47
Bucharest	sh	67	49
Budapest	cl	59	46
Buenos Aires	pc	73	57
Cairo	pc	91	72
Cancun	ts	85	77
Caracas	ts	73	65
Casablanca	pc	77	62
Copenhagen	cl	57	47
Dublin	pc	60	42
Edmonton	su	53	31
Frankfurt	pc	57	38
Geneva	su	65	42
Guadalajara	ts	79	60
Havana	pc	87	71
Helsinki	cl	52	49
Hong Kong	pc	81	74
Istanbul	pc	69	58
Jerusalem	pc	75	60
Johannesburg	pc	71	44
Kabul	pc	69	40
Kiev	pc	57	35
Kingston	pc	89	79
Lima	cl	69	62
Lisbon	pc	74	58
London	pc	65	44
Madrid	pc	73	51
Manila	pc	92	77
Mexico City	sh	67	55
Monterrey	rn	64	57
Montreal	cl	39	31
Moscow	cl	47	35
Munich	pc	56	34
Nairobi	pc	81	57
Nassau	pc	86	76
New Delhi	su	91	64
Oslo	cl	57	38
Ottawa	pc	39	28
Panama City	ts	82	74
Paris	su	65	49
Prague	pc	56	32
Rio de Janeiro	pc	73	65
Riyadh	pc	92	72
Rome	ts	75	50
Santiago	pc	78	50
Seoul	pc	68	45
Singapore	ts	88	77
Sofia	sh	61	45
Stockholm	sh	54	46
Sydney	su	71	58
Taipei	pc	84	70
Tehran	pc	75	59
Tokyo	pc	71	57
Toronto	cl	43	36
Trinidad	ts	84	75
Vancouver	pc	60	47
Vienna	sh	55	40
Warsaw	pc	55	37
Winnipeg	su	54	35

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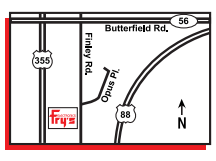
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PrairiErth Farm owners Hans, left, and Katie Bishop left comfortable jobs in the insurance industry to start their farm.

Struggling to survive

Local farmers seeing fewer consumers wanting weekly box of veggies

By Greg Trotter | Chicago Tribune

In the heart of corn and soybean country, Hans and Katie Bishop of PrairiErth Farm are cultivating an unconventional dream, one pesticide-free, dirt-encrusted sweet potato at a time.

They left comfortable jobs at an insurance company to start their farm, located about 160 miles southwest of Chicago, where they grow organic vegetables sold locally and in stores and restaurants in the Chicago area. Like many young farmers drawn to the local food movement, the Bishops were enthralled by the idea of growing and selling fruits and vegetables that end up on plates in their communities, not commodity crops exported to other countries.

Their passion remains strong, but they've had to adapt to a changing food industry rife with new competitors.

"They always say, 'The consumer is fickle,' and it's true. They know exactly what they want. So being able to meet that demand, and it's ever-changing, has always been very difficult," said Katie Bishop, 40, who left her job at State Farm's corporate headquarters in 2015 to farm full time on 25 acres outside of Atlanta, Ill.

Farmers like the Bishops have seen competitors offering their own organic fruits and vegetables sprout up like weeds in recent years. From large grocers with robust selections of organic produce to meal kit startups touting healthy and quick foods, consumers have an abundance of options.Once the province of hippy co-ops and farmers markets, organic produce can be purchased at any Walmart, Jewel-Osco or Aldi — or home-delivered via Amazon and other online retailers.



Greenhouse manager Dylan Grose loads a batch of sweet potatoes at PrairiErth Farm.

This rush of competition has hurt revenue at many small farms in Illinois — particularly those that rely on sales through what's known as community supported agriculture programs, or CSAs. Some farms have scaled back operations or closed altogether. Others, like PrairiErth, have changed their business models to survive.

CSAs, where community members pay a certain amount for a weekly box of vegetables from the harvest, are designed to support local farming "so that the farmland becomes, either legally or spiritually, the community's farm," according

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Packing shed assistant Caleb Phillips washes radishes fresh from the field.

Two Sears stores tell different stories

One shows run-down present, other debuts scaled-down future

By Lauren Zumbach
Chicago Tribune

The Sears stores in Niles and Oak Brook opened within two years of each other in the early 1960s. Both topped 200,000 square feet and anchored their respective malls, with grand openings attended by company executives.

Today, they bear only a passing resemblance, down to the different logos atop each store's entrance.

The store at Oakbrook Center, where Sears held a fanfare-filled grand reopening earlier this month, has shrunk to 62,000 square feet, a sliver of its former footprint. Ongoing construction will carve up the rest of the building between a children's entertainment concept and handful of other retailers.

But the rows of windows feel bright and open. There is a lounge by the entrance, with phone chargers for adult shoppers and a toy kitchen to entertain kids. And while the store packs a startling variety of products onto a single floor — mattresses, artificial Christmas trees and shoes are displayed within feet of each other — all were neatly arrayed on a recent weekday afternoon.

That wasn't the case 20 miles north at the Sears in the Golf Mill Shopping Center in Niles, where shelves of jeans and handbags were jumbled and some items had slipped to the floor. The paint on the store's monochrome brick outer walls was weathered, and the carpet and tile looked dated compared with Oakbrook Center's scuff-free wood-style floor.

The scaled-down Oakbrook Center store may offer a window into the retailer's plans for the future — if it can finally achieve its long-sought turnaround after filing for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection this week. Meanwhile, Sears is preparing to relegate the Niles store to the past. The Golf Mill Shopping Center location is among nearly 190 Sears and Kmart stores the company plans to close in the coming months.

Two days after the bankruptcy filing, however, the Niles store appeared to be the busier of the two, drawing in shoppers in search of closeout-sale prices.

The comparison points to a key challenge Hoffman Estates-based

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Collaborative robots helping human workers, not replacing them

By Alexia Elejalde-Ruiz
Chicago Tribune

During more than 25 years as a factory worker, David Young has seen a parade of robots take over tasks he and his colleagues used to do by hand.

So Young, a machine operator, isn't fazed by the sleek new "cobot" — collaborative robot — perched at his workstation at Kay Manufacturing in Calumet City.

The silver cobot, resembling a modern desk lamp, is being trained to do visual inspections of the automotive parts that Kay makes, its arm rotating the part so that an attached camera can detect any defects.

It's a task Young says he won't miss doing himself, just as he doesn't miss the manual work that gave him arthritis in his hands and feet before other robots took over those duties.

"It is hard to see every little thing," said Young, 58. "This will make my job easier."

Collaborative robots, one of the fastest-growing segments in robotics, are becoming an increasingly popular automation tool for manufacturers seeking to boost productivity.

Designed to augment the capabilities of human workers rather than replace them, cobots are billed as safe for people to interact with, easy to program and inexpensive to install – a potential game-changer for small- and mid-size manufacturers that have lagged their larger competitors in the automation game.

Whether cobots maintain their promise as human helpers rather than substitutes remains to be seen. Their impact on employment may not be so benign once the technology evolves beyond repetitive tasks and they become better at thinking and learning, said Darrell West, founding director of the Center for Technology Innovation at the Brookings Institution.

"I don't think they represent a major threat to humans," West said. "But the prices are coming down and these cobots are getting more sophisticated, so down the road they could."

Yet cobot manufacturers insist the machines will free up their human colleagues to do more interesting jobs.

"There are endless needs for companies to get workers doing high-value tasks," said Walter Vahey, president of the system test group at Massachusetts-based Teradyne, a leading supplier of industrial automation that owns two of the biggest cobot brands, Universal Robots and MiR.

Cobots, currently 3 percent of all robot sales, are forecast to have a 34 percent share by 2025, when global spending on robotics is estimated to hit $13 billion, according to the Robotic Industries Association.

Jurgen von Hollen, president of Denmark-based Universal Robots, calls the technology "the big equalizer" that will help smaller manufacturers grow amid challenges to hire and retain manual labor. It also will help them meet customers' increasing demand for flexibility as product life cycles get shorter, customization abounds and tariff policies shift, he said.

"We are in the embryonic stage of people understanding the potential," said von Hollen, whose company projects 50 percent annual sales growth over the next five years; it recently sold its 25,000th cobot to Kay and this week one of its cobots rang the closing bell on the New York Stock Exchange. "The challenge is to get that message across about what this can actually mean to a small company."

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Local farmers are struggling to survive

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to a definition on the U.S. Department of Agriculture's website. The model givesfarmers a consistent revenue stream with relatively low overhead costs.

But many Illinois farmers say their CSA sales peaked three or four years ago and that the concept has since fallen out of favor with consumers, who value convenience and customization.

Band of Farmers, a coalition of farmers selling produce in the area through a CSA program, has seen its ranks dwindle since forming in 2015. Fourteen of its current and former farmers — more than one-quarter of its peak membership — no longer make weekly produce boxes available. Six of them are no longer in business, said Cliff McConville, chairman of Band of Farmers and owner of All Grass Farms in Kane County.

Radical Root Organic Farm in Libertyville scaled back its operation this year after experiencing a decline in sales through its CSA program and at the Logan Square Farmers Market. Radical Root ended participation at the farmers market, dropped from about 140 CSA boxes to 70, and is focusing on business at its farm stand, said Alison Parker, 39, who started the business in 2009 with her husband, Alex Needham.

"We saw it coming a couple of seasons ago," Parker said. "The CSA wasn't this shiny new thing anymore."

Nick Batchelder and Becky Stark of Midnight Sun Farm in Capron, Ill., decided this will be the last season for their CSA program. Just a few years ago, Midnight Sun packed about 100 boxes a week for its members; now, that number's closer to 60, Batchelder said.

With declining sales and two young children, both Batchelder and Stark took full-time jobs off the farm. Midnight Sun will continue to sell its produce and eggs at the Glenwood Sunday Market in the Rogers Park neighborhood, Batchelder said. Beyond that, they're trying to figure how how to sustain the farm into the future.

"We don't want to hang it up and quit just because one goofy business model didn't work," Batchelder said. "If nothing else, I have a nice 50 acres to hunt deer on."

Changing with the times

Illinois isn't the only state that's seeing a decline in CSAs and other direct-to-consumer farm sales.

"What you're seeing in Illinois is what we're seeing here in Iowa and I would guess lots of different states," said Craig Chase, program manager for local food programs at Iowa State University. Farmers in Iowa have reported a gradual decline in customers staying with their CSA programs from one year to the next, Chase said.

As recently as 2015, a USDA survey of local farm marketing practices put total direct-to-consumer sales in the U.S. at $3 billion, with states like California, New York and Pennsylvania leading the way. About 7,400 farms participated in community supported agriculture, according to the survey, a marketing practice that brought in about $226 million. That's less than farmers markets and on-farm stands, but still a sizable chunk of sales.

Such a survey could look very different today given the dramatic changes to the competitive grocery landscape in the last three years.

Last year, Amazon bought Whole Foods Market for $13.7 billion, a seismic deal that spurred all major grocery retailers to establish online delivery or pickup options, expanding access to fresh produce. Even prior to the deal, grocers across the board had been beefing up their natural and organic food offerings.

The meal kit industry, which offers consumers healthy, convenient options, is booming as well. Companies like Blue Apron and HelloFresh have moved aggressively into the Chicago market in recent years, and parent companies of local grocers like Jewel-Osco and Mariano's have purchased meal kit companies and begun selling their products in stores.

"It's not necessarily that the local food movement is going away. It's more of a change in how consumers are buying food," said Raghela Scavuzzo, local foods program manager for the Illinois Farm Bureau.

Farmers have to adapt to the changing times, said Arthur Neal, the USDA's point person on developing local food systems.

"Farmers are not immune from having to deal with market competition and production innovation," said Neal, deputy administrator of the transportation and marketing program for the USDA.

To succeed in this "day and age of convenience," farmers have to consider diversifying not only their products but also their strategies for selling them, Neal said. Selling produce into food hubs — separate entities that can assist with marketing and distribution — can help small farmers access stores and restaurants, he said. Partnerships with other farmers also are key to survival.

Technology could play an important role in reviving old channels of commerce. Green City Market, one of Chicago's largest and most renowned farmers markets, launched a new app this summer after noticing a decline in foot traffic, particularly on Wednesdays, said Melissa Flynn, the market's executive director. The app allows shoppers to pre-order fruits and vegetables from specific vendors. So far, more than 500 people have signed up for the app.

Times have changed, and so must farmers, Flynn said.

"Farmers can't just show up anymore," she said. "They have to be marketers."

Power in numbers

The vast majority of produce sold in Chicago-area grocery stores comes from California, Arizona and Mexico.

Chains like Mariano's and Jewel-Osco say they're carrying an increasing amount of produce grown in Illinois and neighboring states and that they would carry more local produce if there were a consistent year-round supply.

But for a small farmer, making the leap to supplying a large grocer requires a significant increase in agricultural production and capital investment. Marketing and distribution are also significant hurdles, said Irv Cernauskas, co-owner of Irv and Shelly's Fresh Picks, a Niles-based food hub that delivers produce from more than 100 farms in Illinois, Wisconsin, Michigan, Indiana and Iowa.

Beginning in 2016, Cernauskas and co-owner Shelly Herman formed the Fresh Picks Farmer Alliance in an effort to solve some of those challenges by providing "last-mile" distribution, technology and marketing support for farmers, they said. Though the bulk of Irv and Shelly's business is still its home delivery service for local and organic produce, the company is trying to grow sales to retailers, too, in part to offset recent declines in sales directly to consumers.

The alliance so far has used more than $600,000 in grant money — $350,000 from USDA's local food promotion program and the rest from Chicago Community Trust and Kinship Foundation — to buy equipment, build infrastructure, and boost marketing and technology. For example, about $37,000 of that grant money helped build a new pack house on the Bishops' PrairiErth Farm where produce from other farms can be collected and stored before being trucked to Chicago.

The alliance is now selling produce to Mariano's and other retailers in Chicago.

The food hub has increased its annual marketing budget to $75,000 — still a tiny fraction of what's being spent by companies like Amazon and Blue Apron — and plans to launch a new website before the end of the year.

"We're never going to be able to spend the marketing dollars and the technology dollars (that the larger companies do), but maybe we can do enough," Herman said.

Farmers should use social media and other online platforms to tell their authentic and compelling stories to consumers, said Ariana Torres, an assistant professor of horticulture at Purdue University.

"The younger generations are relying more on technology to make food purchases," Torres said. "Farmers have to embrace that."

'The consumer is the big boss'

Farmer John Peterson is worried about more than declining sales. Peterson, 69, is a pioneer of CSA farming in Illinois, an eccentric, counterculture figure of Midwestern agriculture who was made semi-famous by the acclaimed 2006 documentary "The Real Dirt on Farmer John."

Angelic Organics, Peterson's farm in Caledonia, Ill., founded in 1990, packs about 1,700 boxes of produce a week this year through its CSA program — a decline of more than 26 percent from its peak of 2,300 boxes a week in 2015.

But Peterson isn't giving up on the CSA model. He recently signed on to partner with Harvie, a new Pittsburgh-based online platform that helps farmers customize CSA boxes for consumers in order to increase customer retention and profitability.

"When people have a relationship to a farm, when they have a farm in their mind and in their heart, they're engaged more as citizens of this planet," Peterson said. "I can lament the declining sales and the struggles for farmers, but I really feel that the bigger issue is that the more people are cut off from the source of their food, the less able they are to deal with the issues of the world."

On a recent crisp autumn morning on the PrairiErth Farm in downstate Atlanta, a small crew of workers pulled sweet potatoes and carrots from the soil, vegetables that would be sold to customers in the Bloomington area and through wholesalers in Chicago. Hans and Katie Bishop are doing many of the things experts say farmers need to do. They're expanding their wholesale business, partnering with other farms and allowing their CSA members to select what goes into their boxes for an additional cost.

And the business is growing — with projected gross annual sales of $475,000, up about 5 percent from last year — despite the competitive challenges.

"People don't have that conceptual value of what actually goes into it, the blood, the sweat, the tears. It's not as easy as California produce," said Hans Bishop, 34, who has been farming full time since 2011.

They have a mentor in Dave Bishop, Hans' father, who grows organic corn and soybeans on adjacent land. He has helped them keep perspective through their arduous early years of learning how to farm. The whims of consumers, like the weather, are constantly shifting.

"The consumer is the big boss," Dave Bishop said. "It comes down to you (the consumer). If you want a particular kind of future, you have to support it,"

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Rows of various greens and leafy vegetables await harvest at the organic PrairiErth Farm outside Atlanta, Ill.



Dylan Grose, left, and Becky Creekmore remove plastic mulch so they can dig up sweet potatoes at PrairiErth Farm.



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What happens to my savings or CD if my bank fails?

The chances of a bank failure are extremely slim these days. And the odds of your bank being seized are even more miniscule. Still, if you wonder what would happen to your deposits should that unlikely event take place, it's easy to set your mind at ease.

First, let's look at the narrow odds of this happening. True, in the five years following the 2008 financial crisis, 465 banks were shuttered. But as we know, those were historically unique circumstances. In contrast, annual bank failures have numbered in only the single digits for the past three years, and so far in 2018, not a single bank has been closed by the Fed.

With the U.S. having almost 8,000 operating banks, if eight closed in a year, that would represent just one-tenth of one percent, or a 99.9 percent "safe" rate.

But what happens to your funds if you do bank at a failed institution? The good news is that, assuming the bank is FDIC insured (the vast majority are) and you don't hold more than $250,000 at that bank, the federal government ensures will not lose your funds or any earned interest.

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All this means that your biggest risk will be losing an attractive rate, if you were receiving one. But since you'll be allowed to exit your CD, and since savings, checking and money market funds can be withdrawn at any time, you're free to shop around and take your money where you can earn more.

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‘Cobots’ help human workers

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ufacturing workers are excited about cobots, as “it is actually a cutting edge thing to have humans and robots work in the same place,” said Brad Markell, executive director of the Industrial Union Council for AFL-CIO in Washington, DC.

Losing jobs to automation, including cobots, is inevitable, Markell said. What matters is that employees have a voice in how the technology is used and are given training and access to the higher-quality jobs that might be created by the robots’ introduction, he said.

Brian Pelke, president of Kay Manufacturing, said robots have allowed the 72-year-old company to grow, and he expects his new cobots to give him an additional competitive edge.

Kay, which introduced robots to its plant in 1996, has never laid anyone off as a result of automation, Pelke said. Though its workforce declined to 40 from 120 during the Great Recession, Kay Manufacturing now has 180 employees across two factories. “If we didn’t have automation there would be no jobs,” Pelke said.

Kay purchased its first three cobots from Universal Robots this summer, after Pelke demurred for years because he worried the technology was too good to be true. He has been impressed with how quickly employees learned to use them.

Traditional industrial robots typically take six months to get up and running and work inside of $200,000 safety cages, Pelke said. Kay’s first cobot, which cost about $47,000, was fully deployed within 30 days, he said. It takes employees 87 minutes to complete the basic tutorial on how to program it.

In addition to being easy to program and repurpose for different uses, cobots are distinct from traditional industrial robots because of safety features that allow them to work side-by-side with humans. They automatically stop when they bump into an obstacle, and can be programmed to run at reduced speed when their sensors detect a human is nearby. They are limited in speed and how much weight they can hold.

On a recent walk through the Calumet City factory, Pelke, a former professional racecar driver who took over the business from his father about 10 years ago, pointed to the various challenges he hopes cobots can solve. One example: three women standing around a bin inspecting completed wheel hub assemblies could be reassigned to higher-paying jobs driving forklifts or operating machines if a cobot does that work, Pelke said.

“We want them to use their brains more than their hands,” Pelke said.

One of Kay’s cobots helps machine operators spot visual defects on auto parts. Humans, who can get tired or distracted, only catch defects nine times out of 10.

At Kay’s plant in St. Joseph, Mich., a cobot helps package completed parts. Pelke estimates he is saving $150,000 a year by shifting packing duties away from the machine operators, who can focus instead on changing tools, measuring parts and making adjustments to the process. And employees are earning more money as productivity rises, thanks to a program that awards them a bonus based on the prior week’s performance.

“It is really helping us compete in a very aggressive environment,” he said. “Without this solution we wouldn’t be winning the work we are winning.”

Though the market for collaborative robots is still emerging, their roots can be traced more than 20 years back to a Northwestern University engineering lab in Evanston. Mechanical engineering professors Michael Peshkin and Ed Colgate partnered with General Motors to design robots that would help the car manufacturer’s employees with assembly, and in 1996 founded Cobotics.

Cobotics — later sold to Stanley Assembly Technologies — departed from the conventional vision of robots at the time, which saw a future in autonomous machines.

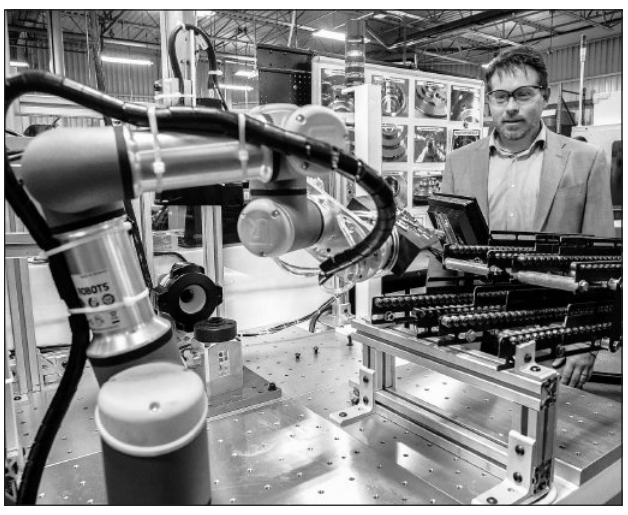
Instead, the idea was for humans and robots to work hand in hand, combining the superior capabilities of robots, such as lifting heavy things, with the tasks humans do better, such as adjusting to unexpected changes, Peshkin said. The strategy represented a less expensive way to ease ergonomic issues and boost productivity because it didn’t require redesigning the factory around the robots.

The cobots being marketed today have departed some from the inventors’ original vision. Rather than close physical human-robot collaboration, they tend to focus on user-friendly design, Peshkin said.

As manufacturers roll out various types of human-friendly robots, there is some debate about what counts as a cobot; the International Federation of Robotics is working on an official definition.

Omron, a global automation manufacturer with U.S. headquarters in Hoffman Estates, debuted its first collaborative robot arm this week at the Pack Expo convention at McCormick Place. With a longer reach and higher weight capacity than some existing models, plus an integrated camera in its head, the cobot “is like having another set of hands available to the worker,” said Mike Chen, president of Omron’s automation division.

Some say another form of collaborative robot is the autonomous mobile robot, a wheeled box-like creature that self-navigates through factory or warehouse floors delivering items. Autonomous mobile robots, whose safety features allow them to mingle with humans, can operate in fleets of up to 100 at a time, managed through a system much like air traffic control, Chen said.



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Brian Pelke, president of Kay Manufacturing, looks at the automotive parts company’s newest Universal Robot.

The Danish company Mobile Industrial Robots, a leading supplier of mobile industrial robots, had its roving robots rolling around the floors at McCormick Place recently during the International Manufacturing Technology Show, pausing when they sensed an object or person in their path.

Within the next six months MiR plans to launch artificial intelligence that allows the robot to detect whether the obstacle in its path is human or an object, so that it can decide whether to stop or go around it, said MiR CEO Thomas Visti. Another goal of the company is to make the wheeled robots so easy to use that a customer can take them out of the box and install them immediately, like Ikea furniture or an iPhone, Visti said.

Some companies outside manufacturing are finding creative uses for the human-friendly bots. A film production studio purchased a Universal Robots cobot arm to mount a camera for fast-moving shots along a pre-programmed trajectory, and a California startup is working on using a robot arm to perform deep-tissue massages.

Mobile robots are being used in hospitals in Europe to deliver pharmaceuticals to patients’ rooms, their cargo locked in a chamber that can only be accessed by the appropriate doctor or nurse, Omron’s Chen said. He envisions them in airports, helping travelers with disabilities transport their bags to their gates.

Some of the more futuristic uses — like delivering beverages to customers in restaurants — are already happening in parts of Asia, which has embraced robots faster than the U.S. and dominates the world in robot adoption.The U.S. is the No. 4 sales market for industrial robots, according to the International Federation of Robotics. China is No. 1 and the fastest growing. South Korea and Japan are Nos. 2 and 3.

Despite excitement about cobot technology, many applications are still limited and the platform is young, said Stephen Laaper, a principle at Deloitte Consulting who advises companies on incorporating automation

Safety concerns are holding back some of the collaborative uses. Employers are being cautious while they figure out how intimate humans should be with their robotic helpers and what tasks are most appropriate for them to team up on, Laaper said. After all, the safety features may not help much if the mechanical arm is handling blow torches.

As capabilities continue to advance, cobots will have a critical impact on the workforce, but Laaper believes it will be positive. Cobots will help employers fill mundane roles they struggle to find people to do and give rise to a new positions that demand a different skillset.

“There is a net add to the workforce because there are more skilled operators required, and additional maintenance personnel,” Laaper said.

Helping people transition to new jobs, rather than mass unemployment, will be the greatest challenge as cobots and other forms of automation proliferate, research suggests.

Four out of five U.S. manufacturers are preparing for an increase in automation, and a fifth say they plan to shrink employee count as a result, according to a survey this year by L.E.K. Consulting. Half plan to upgrade the skill set of their workforce.

Up to a third of the U.S. workforce may need to change occupations by 2030 as automation upends a variety of industries, from manufacturing to retail, according to a McKinsey Global Institute report. Some 39 million jobs in the U.S. could be displaced by automation by then, but the losses can be more than offset by new occupations and concerted efforts by governments and business leaders to create more jobs, the report said.

The challenge is the risk of mismatch between the positions available and what employees can or want to do, said West of the Brookings Institution. For the transition to be successful, the country will have to adopt a model for lifelong learning and launch new programs to retrain workers for more advanced jobs, he said.

To Markell, of the AFL-CIO, the key to peaceful coexistence with automation is to create quality employment throughout the economy so that factory workers eventually displaced by their cobot colleagues aren’t forced into low-pay, unsustainable jobs.

“They key is making all the jobs we have decent jobs,” he said.

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on October 11, 2018 and upon motion (the “**Motion**”) by the Seller (as defined below), the Court entered an order (the “**Order**”): (a) authorizing Gregg E. Szilagyi (the “**Seller**”), not individually, but in his capacity as chapter 7 trustee of the bankruptcy estate (the “**Estate**”) of Raceway Central Downers Grove LLC (“**Raceway Downers**”), to sell (the “**Sale**”) the real property consisting of an approximately 76,850 square foot retail building on approximately 9.69 acres and commonly known as 1212 75th St., Downers Grove, Illinois (the “**Property**”) to DTS Properties, LLC (“**Buyer**”) pursuant to the terms and conditions of a certain Real Estate Purchase Agreement (the “**Agreement**”); (b) authorizing the Seller to offer the Property for sale at auction pursuant to the terms set forth below and in the Order; and (c) approving the Bidding Procedures and the Notice Procedures. **Any discrepancies between the terms of this Notice and the Order shall be resolved in conformity with the Order**.
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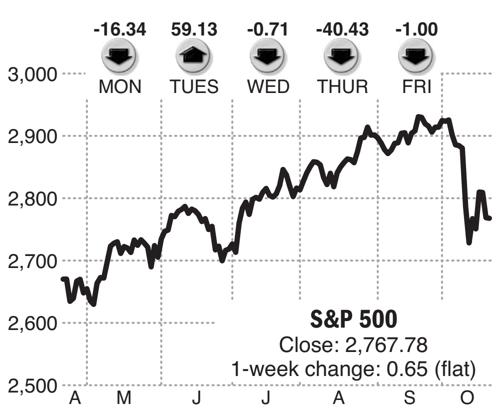
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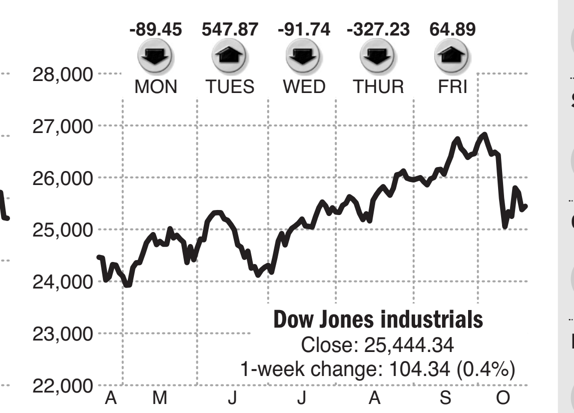
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INVESTING

Stocks Recap





WEEKLY PERFORMANCE

52-WEEK HIGH	52-WEEK LOW	INDEX	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	YTD %CHG	1YR %CHG
26951.81	22887.12	Dow Jones industrials	25817.68	25236.01	25444.34	+104.35	+0.4	+2.9	+9.1
11623.58	9420.16	Dow Jones trans.	10844.55	10373.43	10438.81	-50.48	-0.5	-1.6	+4.7
778.80	647.81	Dow Jones utilities	749.75	722.76	746.30	+22.69	+3.1	+3.2	-0.4
13637.02	12048.66	NYSE Comp.	12653.89	12397.25	12457.26	+17.84	+0.1	-2.7	+0.2
6222.14	5248.84	NYSE International	5394.09	5254.01	5299.88	-7.33	-0.1	-8.5	-7.1
7700.56	6011.24	Nasdaq 100	7311.85	7047.47	7107.23	-49.98	-0.7	+11.1	+16.3
8133.30	6517.93	Nasdaq Comp.	7670.50	7400.07	7449.03	-47.87	-0.6	+7.9	+12.4
2940.91	2532.69	S&P 500	2816.94	2749.03	2767.78	+0.65	+0.0	+3.5	+7.5
2053.00	1770.19	S&P MidCap	1919.11	1867.43	1872.17	+0.92	+0.1	-1.5	+2.1
30560.54	26293.62	Wilshire 5000	29126.88	28394.05	28563.50	-5.44	-0.0	+2.8	+6.7
1742.09	1436.43	Russell 2000	1598.01	1537.55	1542.04	-4.64	-0.3	+0.4	+2.2
403.72	356.34	Dow Jones Stoxx 600	367.37	356.34	361.24	+2.29	+0.6	-7.2	-7.4
7903.50	6866.94	FTSE 100	7089.03	6961.28	7049.80	+53.89	+0.8	-8.3	-6.3

Gold
+7.20
$1,225.30

Silver
+.02
$14.58

Crude Oil
-2.22
$69.12

Natural Gas
+.09
$3.25

10-year T-note
+.05
3.19%

Euro
+.0040
to .8688/$1

Yen
+.59
to 112.60/$1

Most active

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Bank of America	28.32	-.14
Gen Electric	12.56	+.24
Ford Motor	8.50	-.14
AT&T Inc	32.87	+.62
Wells Fargo & Co	52.89	+.78
Chesapk Engy	4.69	+.24
Barrick Gold	13.18	+.71
Pfizer Inc	44.50	+.72
Canopy Growth Corp	46.85	-2.95
Snap Inc A	6.81	-.37
Twitter Inc	28.83	+.84
Freeport McMoRan	12.02	-.72
Keycorp	17.84	-.81

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Helios and Matheson	.02	...
Adv Micro Dev	23.66	-2.68
Microsoft Corp	108.66	-.91
Caesars Entertain	10.20	+1.17
Apple Inc	219.31	-2.80
Micron Tech	40.45	-2.02
Titan Pharmaceut	.38	+.18
Intel Corp	44.00	-.88
Comcast Corp A	35.98	+1.36
Cronos Group Inc	9.71	-.15
Cisco Syst	45.34	-.37
Proteostasis Tehrep	7.95	+6.18
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.01	-.18

EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Barc iPath Vix ST	34.05	+.03
iShares Brazil	38.95	+.34
iShs China Large Cap	39.48	-.61
iShs Emerg Mkts	39.67	-.62
iShares EAFE ETF	63.74	-.11
iShs iBoxx HY CpBd	84.90	-.25
iShares Rus 2000	153.36	-.24
ProShs UltPro ShtQQQ	13.46	+.22
SPDR S&P500 ETF Tr	276.25	+.30
SPDR Financial	26.67	+.24
SPDR Technology	70.01	-.82
US Oil Fund LP	14.72	-.40
VanE Vect Gld Miners	20.01	+.26

Largest Companies

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
AT&T Inc	32.87	+.62
Alibaba Group Hldg	142.93	-4.36
Alphabet Inc C	1096.46	-13.62
Alphabet Inc A	1105.18	-15.36
Amazon.com Inc	1764.03	-24.58
Anheuser-Busch InBev	83.86	-.48
Apple Inc	219.31	-2.80
BP PLC	44.00	-.55
Bank of America	28.32	-.14
Berkshire Hath A	314477.00	+4476.99
Berkshire Hath B	209.83	+3.03
Boeing Co	356.26	-3.85
Chevron Corp	118.14	+.37
China Mobile Ltd	49.55	+.30
Cisco Syst	45.34	-.37
Citigroup	68.86	-.98
CocaCola Co	46.33	+1.65
Comcast Corp A	35.98	+1.36
Disney	118.90	+6.29
Exxon Mobil Corp	81.97	+.59
Facebook Inc	154.05	+.31
FEMSA	95.51	+.03
HSBC Holdings PLC	40.46	-1.52
Home Depot	179.85	-12.62
Intel Corp	44.00	-.88
JPMorgan Chase & Co	107.91	+.96
Johnson & Johnson	139.05	+5.18
MasterCard Inc	203.06	-1.16
Merck & Co	72.35	+2.54
Microsoft Corp	108.66	-.91
Novartis AG	87.19	+4.41
Oracle Corp	47.59	+.40
PepsiCo	110.29	+5.01
Pfizer Inc	44.50	+.72
Procter & Gamble	87.30	+8.96
Royal Dutch Shell B	67.72	+.41
Royal Dutch Shell A	65.53	+.27
Taiwan Semicon	38.45	-1.21
Total SA	60.81	-.77
Toyota Mot	116.32	-.44
Unilever NV	54.61	+1.82
Unilever PLC	54.02	+1.97
Unitedhealth Group	265.30	+5.69
Verizon Comm	54.90	+1.17
Visa Inc	140.08	+.02
WalMart Strs	97.15	+2.34
Wells Fargo & Co	52.89	+.78

How the region's Top 100 companies fared

Ranks based on market capitalization of public companies headquartered in Illinois and northwest Indiana as of Friday, October 19, 2018

Market capitalization in millions of dollars — *Stock $ change* — *Stock % return*

RANK/COMPANY	CAP	CLOSE	WEEK	1-YR
1 Boeing Co	204,674	356.26	▼ -3.85	
2 AbbVie Inc	133,210	87.97	▼ -2.72	
3 McDonalds Corp	129,938	167.49	▲ +3.67	
4 Abbott Labs	118,574	67.59	▼ -1.74	
5 Caterpillar Inc	78,046	131.32	▼ -9.89	
6 Walgreen Boots Alli	73,417	77.35	▲ +3.85	
7 Kraft Heinz Co	70,179	57.56	▲ +3.32	
8 CME Group	62,211	182.65	▲ +6.15	
9 Mondelez Intl	61,302	41.80	▲ +.68	
10 Deere Co	46,935	145.91	▼ -2.51	
11 Exelon Corp	42,625	44.13	▲ +1.22	
12 ITW	42,599	127.03	▼ -3.64	
13 Baxter Intl	37,110	69.46	▼ -1.79	
14 Allstate Corp	33,695	97.32	▲ +4.16	
15 Arch Dan Mid	27,729	49.54	▲ +.71	
16 Discover Fin Svcs	26,052	76.03	▲ +1.49	
17 Equity Residential	23,890	64.87	▲ +2.20	
18 United Contl Hldgs	23,821	87.43	▲ +7.25	
19 Nthn Trust Cp	20,796	93.14	▼ -5.91	
20 Motorola Solutions	20,017	123.36	▲ +3.12	
21 Ventas Inc	19,939	55.94	▲ +2.63	
22 Ulta Salon Cosmetics	16,184	270.78	▼ -4.86	
23 Grainger WW	15,508	276.28	▼ -35.26	
24 ConAgra Brands Inc	14,043	35.84	▲ +.71	
25 Gallagher AJ	13,270	72.67	▲ +1.42	
26 TransUnion	12,590	68.17	▼ -.77	
27 CDW Corp	12,215	80.70	▼ -1.67	
28 Dover Corp	12,172	82.41	▲ +.23	
29 CNA Financial	11,982	44.15	▲ +.45	
30 CF Industries	11,822	50.64	▼ -1.79	
31 CBOE Global Markets	11,730	104.91	▲ +4.80	n/a
32 GrubHub Inc	10,375	114.69	▼ -1.86	
33 IDEX Corp	10,187	132.86	▼ -3.20	
34 NiSource Inc	9,221	25.40	▲ +1.09	
35 Zebra Tech	8,856	164.95	▲ +7.24	
36 LKQ Corporation	8,829	27.76	▼ -.77	
37 Equity Lifesty Prop	8,408	94.37	▲ +2.50	
38 Packaging Corp Am	8,308	87.92	▼ -.13	
39 Ingredion Inc	7,412	102.60	▲ +1.86	
40 CDK Global Inc	7,385	57.28	▲ +.67	
41 Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	6,611	46.42	▼ -1.21	
42 Aptargroup Inc	6,486	104.32	▲ +2.67	
43 Middleby Corp	6,389	114.67	▼ -.58	
44 Old Republic	6,221	20.57	▲ +.33	
45 Jones Lang LaSalle	6,057	133.02	▲ +2.02	
46 USG Corp	5,960	42.65	▼ -.18	
47 Hill-Rom Hldgs	5,797	87.30	▼ -.91	
48 Brunswick Corp	5,114	58.97	▼ -.68	
49 Morningstar Inc	4,909	115.14	▲ +3.62	
50 Kemper Corp	4,781	73.85	▲ +.46	
51 Stericycle Inc	4,556	53.05	▲ +.50	
52 Wintrust Financial	4,457	79.08	▼ -2.38	
53 Littelfuse Inc	4,395	175.27	▼ -1.59	
54 First Indl RT	3,861	30.65	▲ +.97	
55 MB Financial	3,668	43.57	▼ -.70	
56 Equity Commonwlth	3,581	29.48	▲ +.80	
57 Navistar Intl	3,457	34.97	▲ +.11	
58 Tribune Media Co A	3,400	38.81	▲ +1.42	
59 Paylocity Hldg	3,400	64.44	▼ -1.28	
60 Teleph Data	3,359	32.11	▲ +.41	
61 John Bean Technol	3,245	102.70	▼ -1.41	
62 RLI Corp	3,121	70.41	▼ -.31	
63 GATX	3,114	82.60	▲ +.60	
64 Hyatt Hotels Corp	3,013	69.64	▼ -2.06	
65 KapStone Paper	3,009	30.76	▼ -2.03	
66 Adtalem Global Educ	2,820	47.51	▲ +1.72	
67 TreeHouse Foods	2,733	48.60	▲ +2.14	
68 Retail Prop Amer	2,608	11.88	▲ +.30	
69 US Cellular	2,558	48.70	▲ +.99	
70 Fst Midw Bcp	2,539	24.64	▼ -.52	
71 Envestnet Inc	2,520	55.54	▼ -.58	
72 Cabot Microelect	2,414	94.50	▲ +.06	
73 Allscripts Hlthcare	2,343	13.42	▲ +.04	
74 Anixter Intl	2,140	63.95	▲ +.90	
75 Tenneco Inc	1,906	33.40	▼ -3.38	
76 Stepan Co	1,861	82.64	▼ -2.11	
77 Groupon Inc	1,830	3.22	▼ -.26	
78 Horace Mann	1,631	39.78	▲ +.01	
79 AAR Corp	1,541	43.98	▲ +.52	
80 Hub Group Inc	1,478	43.85	▲ +.53	
81 First Busey Corp	1,400	28.71	▼ -.01	
82 Federal Signal	1,394	23.17	▼ -.60	
83 Knowles Corp	1,283	14.25	▲ +.14	
84 Tootsie Roll	1,160	30.04	▲ +1.63	
85 Acco Brands Corp	1,081	10.09	▼ -.11	
86 Methode Electronics	1,063	28.76	▼ -.11	
87 Huron Consulting Gp	1,039	46.28	▼ -.15	
88 Coeur Mining	1,036	5.54	▲ +.11	
89 Navigant Consult	964	21.44	▼ -.23	
90 Career Education	960	13.78	▲ +.26	
91 Consolidated Commun	907	12.74	▲ +1.12	
92 Akorn Inc	881	7.03	▲ +.83	
93 Century Aluminum	858	9.80	▼ -.36	
94 Enova Intl Inc	822	24.09	▬ ...	
95 Addus HomeCare	796	62.33	▼ -.28	
96 Echo Global Logis	739	25.91	▼ -1.55	
97 SP Plus Corp	734	32.31	▼ -.61	
98 Global Brass Copper	718	32.39	▼ -1.36	
99 OneSpan Inc	716	17.81	▲ +.88	
100 SunCoke Energy Inc	704	10.88	▼ -.18	

Largest mutual funds

Based on Total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG IN $	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	32.84	-.30	+11.4
American Funds AmrcnBalA m	27.05	-.04	+4.6
American Funds AmrcnMutA m	41.59	+.18	+7.3
American Funds BdfAmrcA m	12.35	-.04	-2.7
American Funds CptWldGrIncA m	48.13	-.32	-1.0
American Funds CptlIncBldrA m	58.74	+.29	-2.5
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	49.05	-.50	-8.6
American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	61.88	-.15	+6.6
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	52.73	-.43	+12.0
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.55	+.06	+.9
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	40.12	-.11	+6.4
American Funds NewWldA m	60.12	-.51	-7.1
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	43.46	-.34	+3.0
American Funds SmCpWldA m	55.09	-.30	+2.7
American Funds TheNewEcoA m	45.73	-.34	+6.2
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	44.96	+.05	+8.4
Baird AggrgateBdInstl	10.38	-.04	-2.3
Baird CorPlusBdInstl	10.73	-.04	-1.9
BlackRock GlbAllcIncInstl	19.05	-.03	-1.8
BlackRock StrIncOpIns	9.68	-.01	+.3
DFA EMktCorEqI	19.26	-.15	-11.8
DFA EmMktsValInstl	27.33	-.24	-7.3
DFA FvYrGlbFIIns	10.88	+.01	+.2
DFA IntlCorEqIns	12.96	-.10	-6.2
DFA IntlSmCoInstl	18.96	-.16	-6.6
DFA IntlSmCpValIns	19.82	-.27	-10.3
DFA USCorEq1Instl	23.23	-.05	+8.4
DFA USCorEqIIInstl	21.66	-.05	+6.8
DFA USLgCpValInstl	38.09	-.05	+5.3
DFA USSmCpInstl	35.58	-.17	+2.6
DFA USSmCpValInstl	37.04	-.34	+.5
Dodge & Cox Bal	106.12	+.32	+5.2
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.27	-.03	-1.0
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	41.32	-.13	-10.0
Dodge & Cox Stk	206.20	+1.07	+8.9
DoubleLine TtlRetBdI	10.29	-.01	-.3
Edgewood GrInstl	33.51	+.01	+15.8
FPA Crescent d	34.27	-.20	+.3
Fidelity 500IdxIns	96.80	+.04	+10.1
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrm	96.80	+.04	+10.1
Fidelity 500IndexPrm	96.80	+.04	+10.1
Fidelity BCGrowth	93.05	-1.40	+15.6
Fidelity Balanced	22.46	-.09	+5.3
Fidelity Cap&Inc	9.80	-.05	+.7
Fidelity Contrafund	13.04	-.13	+12.7
Fidelity ContrafundK	13.04	-.13	+12.8
Fidelity EmergMketsOpps	17.85	-.25	-13.5
Fidelity ExMktIdxPr	62.91	-.19	+5.3
Fidelity Frdm 2020	15.90	-.06	+.7
Fidelity Frdm 2030	17.28	-.07	+1.3
Fidelity GroCo	18.14	-.32	+14.1
Fidelity GroCo	19.35	-.34	+13.2
Fidelity GroCoK	19.36	-.34	+13.3
Fidelity IntlGr	15.14	-.11	-3.6
Fidelity IntlVal	9.90	-.04	-5.8
Fidelity InvmGradeBd	10.78	-.03	-1.6
Fidelity InvmGradeBd	7.59	-.02	-2.0
Fidelity LowPrStk	49.82	-.21	+3.6
Fidelity Magellan	10.54	-.08	+10.9
Fidelity OTCPortfolio	11.66	-.18	+14.6
Fidelity Puritan	22.30	-.13	+6.2
Fidelity TotalBond	10.22	-.03	-1.6
Fidelity TtlMktIdxF	79.49	-.01	+9.3
Fidelity TtlMktIdxPrm	79.48	-.01	+9.2
Fidelity USBdIdxInsPrm	11.06	-.03	-2.2
Fidelity Advisor NewInsI	33.25	-.22	+10.6
First Eagle GlbA m	57.17	+.19	-1.0
Franklin Templeton CATxFrIncA1 m	7.13	...	-1.4
Franklin Templeton GlbBdAdv	11.59	+.03	+.4
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.28	+.01	+.4
Franklin Templeton IncC m	2.31	+.01	-.1
Franklin Templeton RisingDivsA m	62.19	-.21	+7.2
Harbor CptlApprecInstl	74.74	-1.24	+12.6
Harding Loevner IntlEqInstl d	21.30	-.19	-4.9
JPMorgan CoreBondR6	11.11	-.03	-1.8
JPMorgan MCapValL	39.44	+.06	+1.5
Lord Abbett ShrtDurIncF b	4.15	...	+1.0
MFS ValI	39.70	+.45	+1.9
Metropolitan West TtlRetBdI	10.21	-.04	-1.9
Metropolitan West TtlRetBdPlan	9.61	-.04	-1.8
Oakmark EqAndIncInv	31.36	-.04	+.3
Oakmark IntlInv	24.03	-.44	-14.6
Oakmark Inv	83.83	-.53	+4.1
Old Westbury LgCpStrats	14.23	-.04	+1.8
Oppenheimer DevMktsY	37.46	-.84	-11.6
PGIM Investments TtlRetBdZ	13.80	-.05	-2.2
PIMCO AlAstInstl	11.41	+.01	-1.9
PIMCO IncA m	11.84	-.02	+.2
PIMCO IncI2	11.84	-.02	+.5
PIMCO IncInstl	11.84	-.02	+.6
PIMCO ShrtTrmIns	9.90	...	+2.5
PIMCO TtlRetIns	9.85	-.03	-2.0
PRIMECAP Odyssey AgrsGr	46.30	-.52	+13.5
PRIMECAP Odyssey Gr	39.84	-.34	+13.9
Schwab SP500Idx	43.28	+.02	+10.1
T. Rowe Price BCGr	105.82	-.87	+14.8
T. Rowe Price CptlAprc	29.34	+.01	+6.0

FUND	NAV	CHG IN $	1-YR %RTN
T. Rowe Price EqIdx500 d	74.31	+.03	+9.9
T. Rowe Price EqInc	32.83	+.23	+3.8
T. Rowe Price GrStk	67.25	-.37	+11.3
T. Rowe Price HlthSci	79.08	+.25	+14.1
T. Rowe Price InsLgCpGr	41.25	-.29	+16.9
T. Rowe Price MdCpGr	91.48	-.34	+8.4
T. Rowe Price NewHorizons	60.35	-.10	+19.2
T. Rowe Price NewInc	9.03	-.03	-2.2
T. Rowe Price Rtr2020	22.30	-.04	+1.0
T. Rowe Price Rtr2025	17.39	-.04	+1.2
T. Rowe Price Rtr2030	25.62	-.05	+1.3
T. Rowe Price Rtr2035	18.74	-.04	+1.4
T. Rowe Price Rtr2040	26.90	-.06	+1.5
T. Rowe Price Val	36.53	+.20	+2.0
TIAA-CREF EqIdxIns	20.53	...	+9.3
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	255.81	+.11	+10.1
Vanguard 500IdxInv	255.80	+.11	+10.0
Vanguard BalIdxAdmrl	34.80	-.04	+4.7
Vanguard CAITTxExAdm	11.42	...	-1.1
Vanguard CptlOppAdmrl	162.90	-.71	+9.4
Vanguard DevMIdxAdmrl	13.01	-.03	-5.2
Vanguard DivGrInv	27.58	+.25	+10.9
Vanguard EMStkIdxInAdm	31.71	-.44	-12.4
Vanguard EqIncAdmrl	77.02	+.55	+5.2
Vanguard ExplorerAdmrl	96.56	-.83	+15.0
Vanguard ExtMktIdxAdmrl	85.20	-.26	+5.3
Vanguard ExtMktIdxIns	85.19	-.27	+5.3
Vanguard GNMAAdmrl	10.04	-.03	-1.7
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	77.14	-.58	+12.3
Vanguard GrIdxIns	77.14	-.58	+12.3
Vanguard HCAdmrl	92.45	+.69	+8.9
Vanguard HYCorpAdmrl	5.70	-.01	+.5
Vanguard InTrBdIdxAdmrl	10.79	-.02	-3.0
Vanguard InTrInGdAdm	9.29	-.02	-2.3
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	13.67	...	-1.2
Vanguard InflPrtScAdmrl	24.61	-.08	-1.1
Vanguard InsIdxIns	252.37	+.11	+10.1
Vanguard InsIdxInsPlus	252.39	+.11	+10.1
Vanguard InsTrgRt2020Ins	22.29	-.02	+1.2
Vanguard InsTtlSMIInPls	61.13	-.01	+9.3
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	88.71	-1.27	-5.2
Vanguard LTInGrdAdm	9.43	-.06	-5.7
Vanguard LfStrGrInv	32.95	-.04	+2.0
Vanguard LfStrModGrInv	26.56	-.03	+1.2
Vanguard LtdTrmTEAdmrl	10.77	...	-.2
Vanguard MdCpIdxAdmrl	189.46	-.13	+4.1
Vanguard MdCpIdxIns	41.85	-.03	+4.2
Vanguard MdCpIdxInsPlus	206.42	-.13	+4.2
Vanguard MorganGrAdmrl	98.43	-1.04	+13.0
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	143.28	-.46	+12.1
Vanguard RlEstIdxAdmrl	110.71	+3.20	-2.5
Vanguard SCpValIdxAdm	55.63	+.02	+2.4
Vanguard STBdIdxAdmrl	10.19	-.01	-.6
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.41	-.01	-.1
Vanguard STTEAdmrl	15.67	-.01	+.6
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	71.50	-.07	+6.0
Vanguard SmCpIdxIns	71.50	-.07	+6.1
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Two Chicago-area Sears stores tell different stories

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Sears Holdings Corp. faces in its last-ditch bid to reverse a nearly decadelong slide. The plan the company outlined in its bankruptcy filing — closing unprofitable stores, selling off assets and trying to reorganize around a smaller group of successful locations — looks much like the playbook it has been following while racking up $11 billion in losses since 2011.

The bankruptcy process buys Sears more time, with new assistance like the $300 million in financing the company has lined up. But it won't help the retailer answer the bigger question of how to convince shoppers to come back.

"The fundamental business problems aren't going away, even as a smaller entity," said Neil Stern, senior partner at Chicago-based consulting firm McMillanDoolittle.

At Golf Mill Shopping Center on Wednesday morning, lifelong Sears shoppers Shirley and Bob Burkhart said the store felt busier than usual.

When the mall opened in 1960, the store had 54 merchandise and service departments, including an optical department, a beauty salon, a sewing school, a watch repair shop and a first-aid room. There were separate restaurants for customers and the store's 750 employees.

The optical shop is still there, but other services have fallen by the wayside. On Wednesday, a couple dozen shoppers browsed amid signs advertising store-closing sales. Some second-floor walls looked sparse, but other areas, like the jumbled shelves of jeans, were still well-stocked.

Shirley Burkhart, 74, recalled poring over Sears' holiday Wish Book toy catalog with friends when she was a child.

"You knew you wouldn't get 95 percent of what you circled, but you still did it," she said.

She and her husband said they'd hoped their local Sears would remain open but weren't shocked by the news that it would close, or by Sears' bankruptcy, after watching other department stores struggle over the years.

"Especially after Carson's, there aren't that many left," said Bob Burkhart, 79, referring to the longtime Sears competitor that closed all its stores earlier this year.

Sears says it has every intention of emerging from bankruptcy as a stronger, if smaller, retailer. But companies aiming to reorganize in bankruptcy sometimes end up liquidating — Carson's parent company Bon-Ton Stores and Toys R Us are just two recent examples.

Shoppers at both the Niles and Oak Brook stores said they'd be sad to see Sears go. But for several, the feeling had more to do with nostalgia for its heyday than fear of losing a go-to shopping destination.

Rob Rubel, 48, of Glenview, said he grew up shopping at Sears, but he now visits just two or three times a year. The store in Niles "just felt weathered," he said.

Chairman Edward Lampert, who stepped down Monday as CEO, has been criticized for failing to invest enough in Sears' bricks-and-mortar stores. When Sears debuted a new look at Oakbrook Center, shoppers said they were impressed. But the company has to get more of them in the doors to see it.

The Oakbrook Center Sears was buzzing at its Oct. 4 grand reopening event, when a line of shoppers waiting to meet Jaclyn Smith, a star of TV's original "Charlie's Angels," stretched nearly across the store.

A weekday afternoon might not be a peak shopping time, but on Wednesday, employees appeared to outnumber shoppers. Sears spokesman Howard Riefs declined to comment on foot traffic but said in an email that the store "has been received enthusiastically by the community."

The company also has faced challenges with the vendors supplying the merchandise stocking its shelves, though the Burkharts thought the mens' apparel section at the Niles store seemed better-stocked than usual during the closing sale, and there were no empty shelves at Oakbrook Center on Wednesday.

Sears told a U.S. Bankruptcy Court about 200 vendors had stopped sending merchandise in the two weeks leading up to its filing. Some suppliers have demanded faster payment or cash upfront in recent months, Sears said in a court filing. To shore up suppliers' confidence, something that will be especially important as the holiday shopping season nears, Sears got the court's approval to continue paying certain vendors considered crucial to its business.

Sears long staked its reputation on the quality of big-ticket items like appliances and tools and on the dependability of its merchandise.

Lori Nowak, 75, of Elmhurst, said that even when a purchase disappointed — like the shag rug she bought in 1969, which quickly grew worn in high-traffic areas — Sears replaced it at no extra charge.

But appliances and remodeling products aren't frequent purchases. And when it comes to everyday items like apparel, the retailer's selection has left something to be desired for many shoppers in recent years.

Maria Wagner, 49, of Downers Grove, checking out the new Oakbrook Center store with her mother, said she prefers the clothing at other stores and wasn't sure she'd be back. But her mother, Toni Bellamy, 71, of Oak Brook, said she'd missed having a place to buy relatively affordable apparel at the mall during the year the store was closed for renovation.

If Sears is going to survive, the chain still has to figure out how to fend off competition from online retailers and bricks-and-mortar chains that have done a better job keeping up with their customers.

Rob Rubel, the Niles shopper, likes the convenience of having online purchases show up on his doorstep, especially when shipping and returns are free. But even shoppers who like buying in person, like his wife, Dreana, 49, have plenty of options beyond Sears.

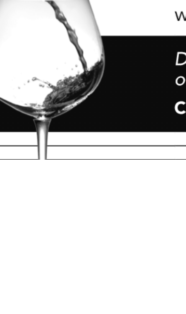
The idea of dragging her kids through the Niles store and up the escalators to reach the children's department was enough of a hassle that she usually bought their clothes elsewhere, she said.

There weren't always so many options.

When Andy Nowak was growing up, "(Sears) was the only store we went to," he said. But even Nowak, 79, who was checking out the Oakbrook Center store with his wife, Lori, isn't as loyal as he used to be. Amazon's selection is even more comprehensive, and it's easy to shop, he said.

"How can you beat it?" he said. "It's a no-brainer."

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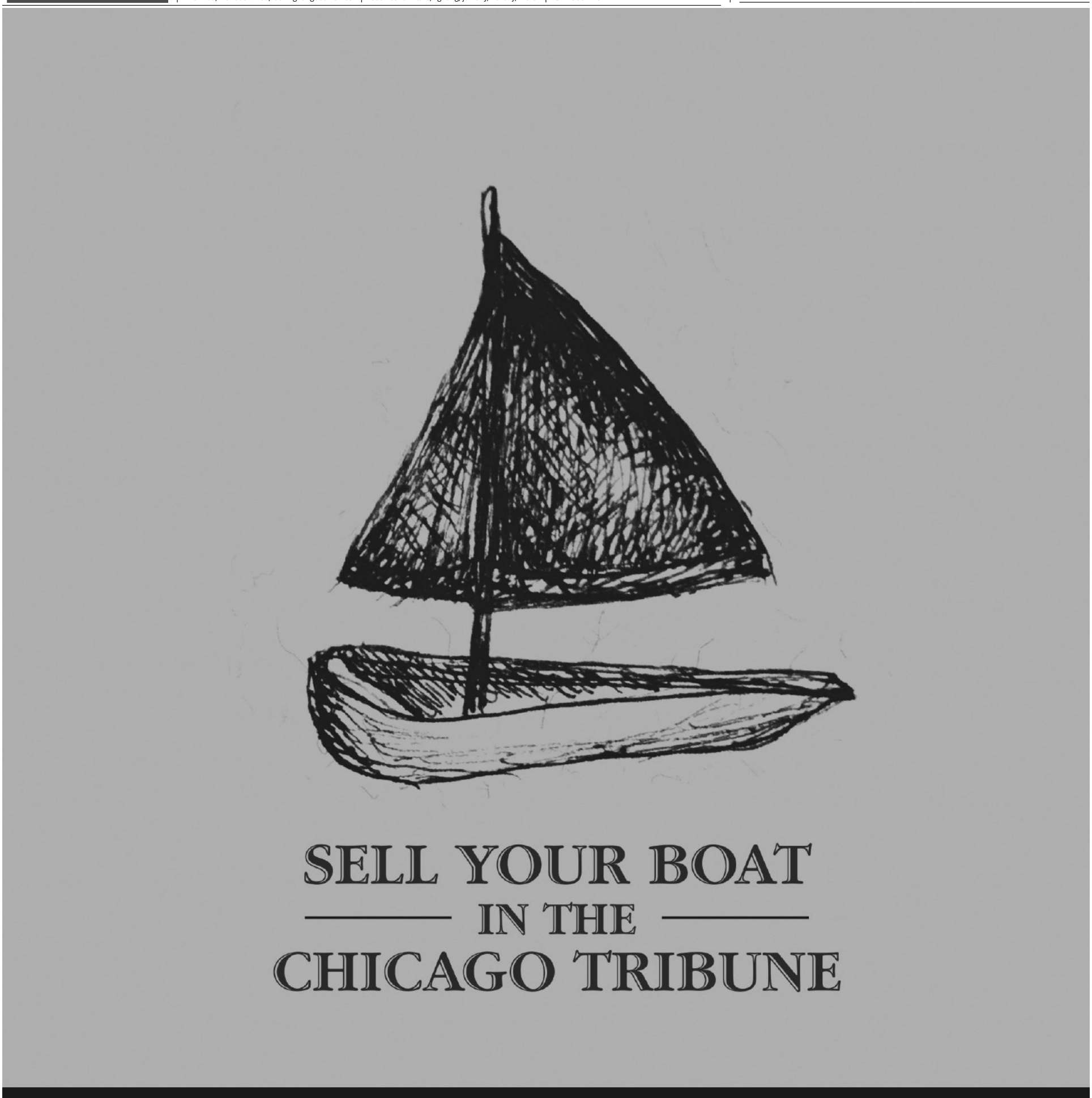
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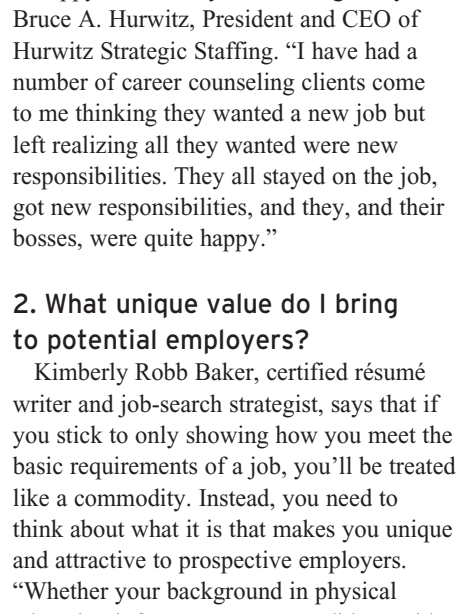
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Prepare for the holidays away

Don't let work ruin your plans to spend holidays away. Regina Mathers, a workplace consultant, says any employee should be able to tell if their co-workers will have respect for holiday vacation time. "If you work for a company that expects you to put in 10- to 12-hour days with no real compensation, that's a red flag when it comes to vacations," she says. "They'll give you a few days away from the office, but you can bet they'll want you tethered back to the mothership one way or another."

Mathers says the easiest way to enforce a "do not disturb" policy when you're on vacation is to make a preemptive strike. "Two or three days before you leave, send out an email explaining when you'll be away from the office and how you'll be unreachable, even if you have to stretch the truth a bit by saying there's bad cell coverage where you're going," she says. "It may be a bit of a white lie, but when you're on vacation, you should be unreachable. I tell my clients to tell others that their email is off-limits, so be sure to leave an out-of-office response that clearly states when you'll be back and that you won't be able to respond to any requests while you're gone."

Mathers says that if you're worried about office emergencies while you're gone, tell your co-workers that you'll check your voicemail every couple of days. "That way, you can still be connected in case there's a major fire at the office that needs to be put out, but you won't be bothered every hour by people who should be able to take care of the issue at hand themselves," she says.

Just say no. Mary S., who didn't want her last name used, says she leaves detailed notes about what needs to be done in her absence, and still the calls come. "I went to my mom's house over Christmas last year for four days," she says. "No one's even in the office those days but that didn't stop my boss from calling me three times to ask how to get a fax on his email. Really?! I didn't call back."

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"I'm for the candidate with the fewest tweets!"

How-to: Research potential employers before interviewing

A job interview is like an open-book test: read and learn everything you can about the company. Every piece of information gives you a leg up over the other candidates.

When hundreds of headhunters were asked, 53 percent complained job candidates were unprepared for their interviews. Candidates often try to wing it, and employers notice. While much of an interview is improvised charm and personality, the core of an interview is research and prep. Follow these steps to come off as informed and polished in your next job interview:

News about an organization

If the company you're interviewing for received any rewards, rounds of funding, pushed out a new product or feature, participated in an event, etc., you want to know. You don't need to memorize this information word-for-word, but don't skip this step. Even if you never directly bring this knowledge up during the interview, getting context and a sense of where the company is heading will do wonders for your confidence and how you approach interview answers.

Study key players

Company leaders are often quoted in news articles or glimpsed in YouTube videos. Absorbing this media helps you understand executive objectives and what lingo these leaders use when talking about their cause. Looking at their Linkedin profiles, and reading the way they personally describe their objectives gives you an in.

For example, if the sales director repeatedly uses the phrase "our personalized sales process fosters relationships with key players in the industry," that's a cue. When you tell a story about your internship or education, emphasize how you assisted with or focused on big deals that built a pipeline.

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A little subliminal messaging goes a long way, because it shows you're on the same page as your potential employer. You want to demonstrate the assets the company values most. Focusing on the perspectives of company leaders is the best place to start.

Culture

If you don't research the company culture, you're going to be that candidate walking into the interview with a full suit on, when you could've easily seen the photos of their extremely casual work environment posted all over social media and their company website.

That's just one of the many "whoops" moments of not checking out a company's culture. It's also important to learn their company tone through any online media, and through employer review sites or testimonials. Study their mission, and think about the kind of work environment you'll be walking into. The culture at a company with mostly twenty-somethings will be so much different than a company comprised of mostly middle-aged execs. These bits of knowledge can be just as priceless as your proven job skills.

Use the product

If you can, use the product. Reading about a product will only get you so far. Sign up for a trial run, create a profile, or visit their on-site store if the company sells merchandise. Whatever you do, bring first-hand information to the interview. This will especially drive your questions for the interviewer–which need to focus on product insights and future product developments.

5 questions to ask yourself before starting a job search

1. Why am I starting a job search?

This should be the first question you ask yourself. While you may think it's an easy one, getting to the root of why you're looking for a job can help you determine whether you're job searching for the right reasons. "If you are fresh out of school or unemployed, it's not an issue. But what if you are employed and just unhappy with what you are doing?" says Bruce A. Hurwitz, President and CEO of Hurwitz Strategic Staffing. "I have had a number of career counseling clients come to me thinking they wanted a new job but left realizing all they wanted were new responsibilities. They all stayed on the job, got new responsibilities, and they, and their bosses, were quite happy."

2. What unique value do I bring to potential employers?

Kimberly Robb Baker, certified résumé writer and job-search strategist, says that if you stick to only showing how you meet the basic requirements of a job, you'll be treated like a commodity. Instead, you need to think about what it is that makes you unique and attractive to prospective employers. "Whether your background in physical education informs your HR candidacy with a unique perspective on employee wellness programs or your coding knowledge makes you an IT manager who can speak engineers' language, you have something to offer that goes beyond the basics. Find it and express it."

3. What type of corporate culture do I want to work within?

"Corporate culture is an important factor one must take into consideration when not only contemplating a job offer but also when applying for jobs," says Jesse Siegal, senior managing director and recruiting expert of recruitment firm Execu-Search.

"Therefore, before applying to jobs, you need to take some time to reflect on what you are looking for in a workplace. Some valid questions to ask yourself include: 'Do I need an employer who will permit me to work a flexible schedule? Am I okay with having to work long hours in a competitive environment? Do I prefer to work on more collaborative teams or do I prefer working independently?' Once you have these answers, when applying and interviewing for jobs, you'll have a better idea of what to look out for and what questions to ask the employer to learn more about an organization's corporate culture."

4. On what can I be flexible?

While it's good to think about what you'd want in an ideal job, it's more realistic to consider what are "nice to haves" versus "need to haves," since no job will be perfect. "What is a must-have? This will help you decide if a job offer is worth taking or passing on," says Laurie Berenson, career strategist, certified master résumé writer and president of Sterling Career Concepts LLC. "Location? Industry? Job function? Hours? Salary? Perhaps you're willing to take a low salary to break into your desired industry. Prioritize what's important to you."

5. Where do I ultimately want to be in my career, and what steps do I have to take to get there?

"Most people need several 'stepping stone' positions to reach their ultimate goal," Berenson says. "This is especially true of younger job seekers. The job you accept tomorrow may not be your dream job, but if it's getting you into your desired field or industry or is with a reputable employer, consider it a stepping stone to where you ultimately want to land. You can't expect to get there overnight."

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LAYOFFS CAN BE HARD, BUT FOR MANY THEY OFFER NEW OPPORTUNITIES

For 16 years, John Roverson worked as the manager of a grocery store in Chicago. "I loved it in the beginning, liked it toward the middle, tolerated it a couple years later and hated at the end," Roverson says. "Sometimes I wonder why I didn't leave in the 'tolerated' phase, when there were enough signs for me on a personal level that it was no longer what I wanted to do."

Roverson isn't the only person who thinks he could have left a job sooner. "But it's really hard to pull the trigger," he says. "I could tell I needed to do something else about eight years in, but I kept plugging away."

Like many in his position, Roverson says he doesn't waste time beating himself up for sticking around. "I had a house, two children and a stable job," he says. "You can get a lot of chaos in your life away from work — it could be sick kids or unexpected bills from repairs — so it's nice to have that stability on the job. But I could have been more proactive when I knew I needed a change."

Eventually, Roverson's bosses made the change for him. "Stores are bought and sold, and chains are bought and sold all the time," he says. "If you work long enough, you're going to be on the way out when the new owner moves in."

Time to go

Bryan Craven, an HR consultant in Jacksonville, Florida, likens the self-imposed departure from a company to closing time at a bar. "That announcement for last call goes out, and people act like they have to get in one last drink when in fact they should have Ubered home two hours ago," Craven says. "I have friends who will nurse a warm beer for two hours instead of being the first person to say they're going home. It's like an endurance contest."

While he admits the analogy might be a stretch for some, Craven suggests taking a look at your fellow bar patrons the next time the clock approaches the end of the night.

"Ten percent of the people are having one-on-one conversations, 20 percent of the people are laughing and joking with friends, and the other 70 percent are standing around with the head tilted toward the TV, peeling the label off their bottle of beer," Craven says. "They're bored to death, but they don't want to go home."

To avoid that early-morning bar gaze at the rebroadcast of the previous day's Cubs game — or the obligatory "Piano Man" or "Closing Time" on the jukebox — Craven says people just need to be honest. "You say, 'I'm not meeting anyone. I'm not doing anything. Why am I still here?'" he says. "As simplistic as that sounds, you should ask yourself similar questions about your job. If your answer is a non-answer, get that resume ready."

'Mixed blessing'

In most cases, disgruntled or bored employees would rather wait for someone else to make that choice for them. "When the company tells you to go, there's no more ambivalence," Craven says. "Then it's time to go."

Roverson says his mandated departure was good and bad. "It forced me to reassess what I was doing," he says. "It made me think about the bigger picture for the first time in years. It was a real mixed blessing. You get the worries about bills along with the spark to do something new. I don't know if I would have had one without the other."

With a compensation package, Roverson says he had the flexibility to go back to school, but that required a move to Omaha, Nebraska, to be near his wife's family.

"We needed more help with the kids since we were going to be away from the house more often," Roverson says. "I worked part-time as catering manager and went to school at night to get my degree in elementary education. I'll be certified to teach next year."

Lisa Valone says she found herself in a mixed-blessing scenario of her own two years ago, when her company told employees they could no longer work from home, which Valone was doing from her condo near Akron, Ohio, three days a week.

"I'm not afraid to admit that I'm not a winter person," Valone says. "I hate driving in snow and on ice. I know it's nuts because I live in Ohio, where it's cold like 10 months a year, but I hate the winter."

That's not to say Valone hates where she lives. "I love it here, actually. I just hate ice and snow," she says.

Valone considered the 50-minute drive to and from work each day and decided to push back a little on the new policy. "I write marketing copy for an insurance company. There's literally no reason for me to be in the office five days a week," she says.

Valone stated her case in an email to her boss that she says might have been "a bit too on point."

The next day, she showed up to meet with him, only to find her desk covered with boxes. "Coffee filters, K-cups, napkins — it was really weird," Valone says. "I joked around with my friend and said, 'Is this a sign?' Turns out it was. They handed me my package before I could clear off the desk."

Valone found a new job working on newsletters for a benefits firm in nearby Cleveland within four weeks. "I go into the office maybe once or twice a month," she says. "It's a pretty good gig."

For Valone, it was a chance to do more than just write copy. "I get to do some fun, original things, which I had wanted to do for a while," she says. "But I was in a safe place with my old job, so it was nice to have them throw me out to shake things up."

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BEARS

Bedrock beliefs

Faith in system makes Bears certain they can beat Patriots

By Rich Campbell | Chicago Tribune

Kyle Long was on the field in Foxborough, Mass., on that sunny late October afternoon four years ago when the earth shook underneath the Bears.

Rob Gronkowski's "Gronk Spike" after each of his three touchdowns had something to do with it. So did Tom Brady's five touchdown passes.

Remember Lamarr Houston tearing his right ACL while celebrating a sack? It was the injury after the insult. The Patriots scored 21 points in a humiliating 57-second span before halftime. The 51-23 beatdown began to reveal how Marc Trestman's Bears were built on sand.

OK, so that's ancient history. But that's the point. Only recently have the Bears gotten back on solid ground. And just in time for the quadrennial game against the Patriots, who have won two Super Bowls since the last meeting.

The Patriots — the model of sustained success in the NFL — have a way of exposing teams' weaknesses, stripping them down to what they really are. That's what happened to the 2014 Bears.

It's also why this year's team, a group consisting of so

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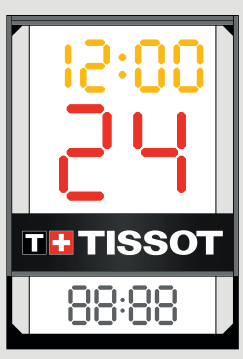
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Mitch Trubisky says the Chiefs' success against the Patriots last year under Matt Nagy gives him confidence for Sunday's game.
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Bears players say the Patriots' mystique begins with preparation. "If you don't bring your 'A' game, you can get embarrassed," guard Kyle Long said. "You better prepare. Because you know they are."
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STEVE ROSENBLOOM

Theo's best chip? Schwarber

Some general managers believe the way to demand urgency and attention from players is to trade a big name.

Send away a significant player, send a message.

Nobody's untouchable, anyone can be traded.

Produce, or you might be next, fella.

You get the idea.

It might not be right. It might not always work. But it's a weapon GMs have unsheathed.

Will Cubs President Theo Epstein be that guy after spending much of his postseason postmortem demanding urgency from his roster in 2019 in the wake of its 2018 failure?

If Epstein wanted to underscore his words with actions, he would have fired manager Joe Maddon. But he didn't do that. He fired the hitting coach, which stirs little when talking urgency.

So, if Epstein intends to act as urgently as he demands his roster plays, he would face dealing a Cubs hero, and it seems his name would be Kyle Schwarber.

Even if the idea of such a move is to show no player is untouchable, it seems Anthony Rizzo, Javier Baez, Kris Bryant and probably Willson Contreras are, in fact, untouchable. For now, anyway. So who's left? More to the point, who's left among position players who are from this regime and/or are beloved postseason contributors?

Schwarber, certainly. Albert Almora Jr. too. Ian Happ. I don't see Almora and Happ bringing back much; Almora collapsed in the second half, and Happ was the poster child for inconsistency. David Bote and Tommy La Stella have moments but not good trade value.

So, we're back to Schwarber. Trading him would seem to represent a significant message because Schwarber has been a prized draft choice of the Epstein regime. Sacrifice shows some urgency, no?

It might be that Epstein has been open to trading Schwarber but found that other teams loved him a lot less than the Cubs, even though he appears to be the perfect American League trade piece as a designated hitter.

The bad news might be that the lack of Schwarber infatuation among other teams underscored something else Epstein said at his postmortem: It's time to judge players on production, not projections.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

If Theo Epstein is looking to send a message by trading a big name, Kyle Schwarber appears the most likely candidate.

That's a solid conclusion. A good barometer. An excellent motto. And one at which you would have wanted the Cubs to arrive before everybody else did.

When asked in the spring about a Cubs-like World Series hangover in 2018, Astros pitcher Dallas Keuchel declared: "We're not the Cubs. I firmly believe we have better players." Keuchel and those better players were eliminated from the postseason Thursday in five games, same as the Cubs a year earlier.

If there were four guys blocking Khalil Mack the way Dolphins coach Adam Gase said, then where were the 10 other Bears defenders bringing down the robot formerly known as Brock Osweiler?

The pass-interference penalty on Trey Burton that cost the Bears a Tarik Cohen touchdown in Miami was a penalty, and it's a penalty that almost never is called. NFL officials enforce infractions like they're playing Whac-A-Mole.

Tweet from Trey Wingo: "Packers scoring margin since 2015 1st-3rd quarter (-91) 4th quarter (+105) Aaron bleeping Rodgers."

ESPN did not pull a "rabbit out of its head" when it gave Jason Witten a prime job with no experience. I never thought I would pine for Dennis Miller on "Monday Night Football."

Chiefs linebacker Breeland Speaks said he eased up tackling Tom Brady on the Patriots quarterback's touchdown run because of the NFL's physics-defying emphasis on taking down quarterbacks. Troy Vincent, NFL executive vice president of football operations, said, "You've just got to play." Yes. Well. Clay Matthews did that twice and twice was flagged for roughing the passer. Your duplicitous NFL at work.

Among starting quarterbacks last season, Brady led the NFL with an average of 286.1 yards per game. That would rank 14th this season (in case you wondered how crazy this year is offensively).

The Bulls served champagne at their jersey patch announcement, and I'm thinking, they used to save champagne for championship celebrations.

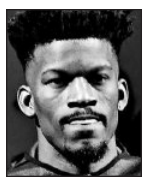
Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski told ESPN that college basketball is "actually pretty clean." Yes, and that's why the feds have been taking their corruption investigation of college basketball to trial, and one trial is not enough because they need three. Lucky thing for Duke that Krzyzewski coaches P.E. instead of a course that requires critical thought.

What's up, Rosevelt Colvin?

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NBA

Boo who? Butler turns jeers to cheers



Jimmy Butler's trade request last month instantly turned him from fan favorite to scorned superstar in Minnesota.

With some hustle steals and highlight-reel baskets Friday night in Minneapolis, he quickly had the crowd at the home opener on his side.

Butler brushed off some early jeers, scoring 33 points in 36 minutes to lead the Timberwolves past the Cavaliers 131-123.

"I knew as soon as I made an effort play, it was going to turn into cheers," Butler said. "I like it, though. Like I told you, it's OK to boo me. I'm still going to play hard. I'm still going to try to my best to help win games. Boos, cheers, silence, I've got a job to do."

It was a vintage all-around effort by Butler, the four-time All-Star who has told the team he won't re-sign when his contract expires next summer. Hence the boos, which began when he was introduced pregame.

"That's the NBA. He loves it," said coach Tom Thibodeau, who also heard boos during introductions.

Butler, who played his first six seasons with the Bulls before a 2017 draft-day trade, made 10 of 12 field goals and 12 of 12 free throws, with seven rebounds, four steals and three assists.

The likelihood of Butler awkwardly suiting up in the home opener for the team he's seeking to leave seemed extremely low. Yet here he was at the Target Center. The boos came during the Wolves' first five possessions each time Butler touched the ball, until he stole a pass in the backcourt and fed Taj Gibson for a dunk.

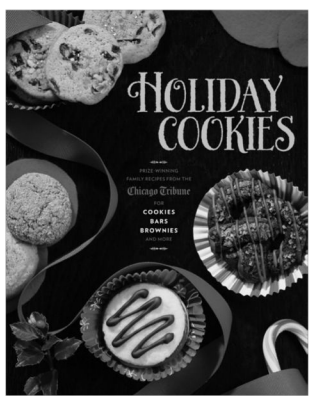
Fans immediately roared. Butler had plenty more highlight-reel dunks and steals. Soon enough, some "MVP! MVP! MVP!" chants broke out.

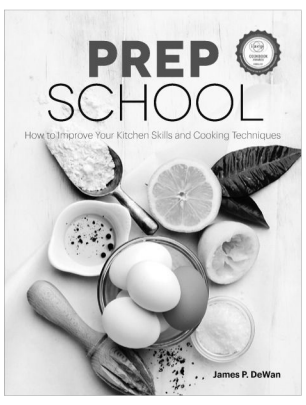
"As long as you know that my mind and my heart is in the right place and I do everything to win and I'd do anything for my guys, I'm cool," Butler said.

The Wolves held Butler out of their game against the Mavericks on Saturday night in Dallas for precautionary rest.

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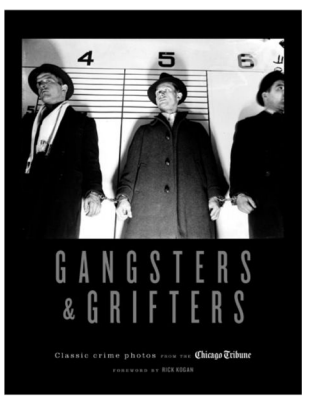
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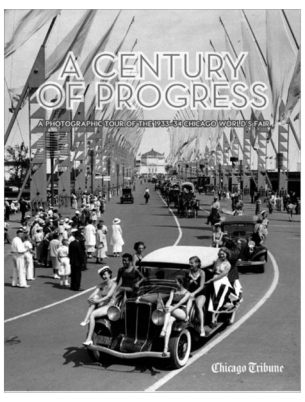


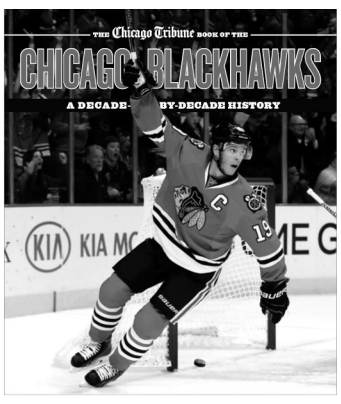


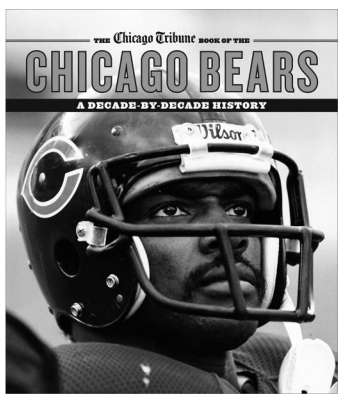


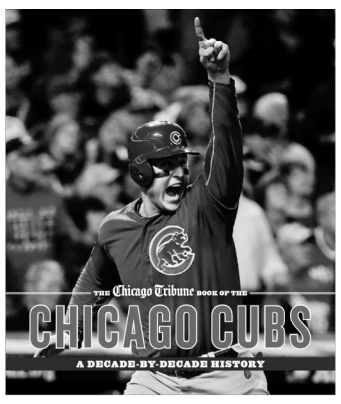














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PISTONS 118, BULLS 116



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Bulls guards Zach LaVine and Cameron Payne (22) head off the court after LaVine couldn't score on the last possession of the game.

A home groan loss

With Carter watching, Pistons hit game-winning layup to spoil UC opener

By K.C. Johnson | Chicago Tribune

The tests keep coming for rookie Wendell Carter Jr., from Nikola Jokic in the final preseason game to Joel Embiid in the season opener to Andre Drummond in Saturday night's home opener.

"It's his third straight All-Star," coach Fred Hoiberg said.

The tests also keep coming for a young Bulls team, who employ no All-Stars and who lost to the Pistons 118-116 as Carter's education continued.

Unfortunately for some, it didn't continue on a possession that seemed to scream the need for him.

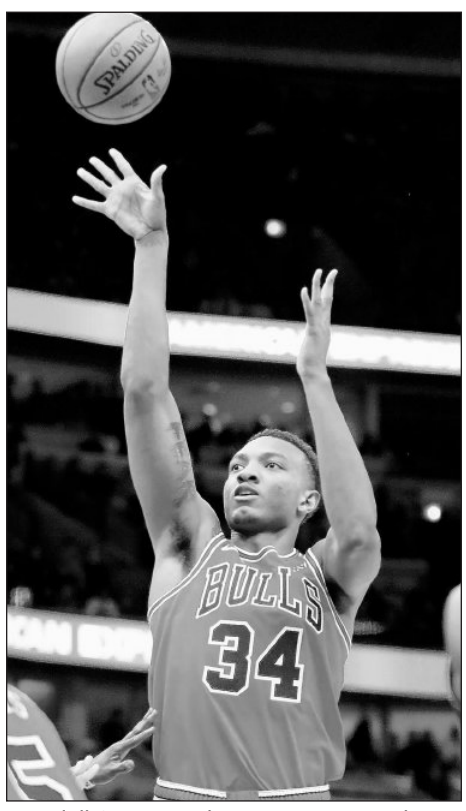
Zach LaVine sank a stone-cold tying 3-pointer with 24.6 seconds left. With the Bulls guaranteed another offensive possession, Hoiberg opted against using a defense-offense substitution, leaving Carter on the bench and Jabari Parker on the floor.

Ish Smith, who scored 10 of his 15 points in the fourth quarter, shredded the Bulls' defense for a go-ahead layup with 5.4 seconds left. The Pistons put Parker in a pick-and-roll defense situation, and Smith got past LaVine on the screen and past Parker for an easy two points.

"They were small so we went with the group we felt got us back into that game and gave us a chance to win," Hoiberg said of his decision.

Carter said he would have loved to play in that situation but respected the decision. Parker exited the locker room without addressing reporters.

"We can't give up a layup for the last play," LaVine said. "We at least have to make him take a tough one."



Wendell Carter Jr. shoots a jumper in the first half against the Pistons. Carter finished with eight points and two rebounds.

LaVine, who joined Bob Love and Michael Jordan as the only Bulls in franchise history to post back-to-back, 30-point games to open the season, then lost control of the ball as he rose for a game-winning 3-point try at the buzzer.

"I'm going for the win. That's just me," LaVine said. "I thought I could make it. I just made one before that. I can't let the ball slip out of my hands. That sucks. You at least have to give it a chance."

As good as LaVine was, Bobby Portis struggled. After scoring 20 points in the opener, Portis missed his first six shots and didn't crack the scoring column until 8 minutes, 8 seconds remained.

He finished with six points but, to his credit, didn't let his offensive woes affect his effort. He also had 14 rebounds and five assists. Though, like all Bulls, Portis struggled to contain Blake Griffin, who posted 33 points and 12 rebounds.

As for Carter, there's a fine line between gaining experience and becoming overwhelmed. And when Carter outplayed Robin Lopez in preseason to earn the starting job, the Bulls began walking it.

Carter finished with eight points and two rebounds in 18 foul-plagued minutes, picking up his third before the second quarter reached its midway point. There are going to be such nights for the No. 7 overall pick, who won't turn 20 until April.

"I just try to take (the opponent's) name out of it. Just look at them as a player. Look at what they do well and not so well and try to expose their weaknesses," Carter said. "I try not to focus too much on, 'Oh, it's Andre Drummond' and get caught up in any hype. Just take it down to the X's and O's."

Similar to his performance in Thursday's season opener, in which Embiid overpowered Carter early before Carter rallied, he acted undeterred by early foul trouble. In the third, he blocked one shot that led to his jumper at the other end and another shot that led to a LaVine transition opportunity.

No one ever will know if he could have added a third block on the Pistons' final possession.

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Valentine's absence extended

By K.C. Johnson | Chicago Tribune

So much for a moderately sprained left ankle.

That's what the Bulls announced Denzel Valentine suffered in the first week of training camp, an injury that was supposed to sideline the third-year guard about two to three weeks.

Instead, Valentine suffered a setback when a Friday afternoon scan revealed he has a bone bruise on the surgically repaired ankle.

The Bulls now say Valentine, who had increased his activity this week as his return seemed imminent, will be re-evaluated in two weeks.

"It's frustrating, especially because it's the start of the season, home opener," Valentine said. "You just feel the energy. It just feels like I'm supposed to be out there. It sucks because I put a lot of work in this summer. And just being around the guys and everything, you want to be out there so bad."

Valentine revealed he actually first tweaked the ankle playing pick-up just before camp started in late September.

This is Valentine's third significant sprained left ankle in three seasons. He missed 25 games to two separate sprains in his rookie season and then underwent surgery on the ankle in May 2017. He missed five games last season for a left knee scope.

"My ankle is actually feeling better," Valentine said. "I don't think it's anything where I can't walk or anything, so I'm still going to be able to do stuff. And I don't think I'll fall that far behind.

"I'm a fighter, not a quitter. I'm a winner so I just deal with the hand that's dealt.

"I can't sit here and be negative about it. I just have to fight, stay mentally strong, and this is going to be sweet when I come back and have a great year."

BULLS NOTES

Harrison will be signed, Asik on his way out

By K.C. Johnson | Chicago Tribune

The Bulls are continuing their quest to get younger and more athletic.

In a move set to be announced Sunday, the Bulls will sign guard Shaquille Harrison and waive injured center Omer Asik, sources said.

The Suns waived Harrison, 25, on Monday after he averaged 6.6 points in 23 games for them last season. The 6-foot-4 point guard was undrafted out of Tulsa.

Asik, 32, acquired from the Pelicans as part of the Nikola Mirotic trade, hasn't been with the Bulls this season because of inflammatory arthritis. His $11.3 million deal this season is fully guaranteed, while the Bulls will owe him $3 million next season on a partial guarantee.

When the Bulls acquired Asik, that partially guaranteed 2019-20 salary was touted as a potential trade chip. Instead, the Bulls moved on, taking another flier on a young athlete and trying to shore up a position that could improve.

Point, counterpoint: As for point guard, with Kris Dunn out a second straight game following the birth of his son, coach Fred Hoiberg again started Cameron Payne against the Pistons on Saturday night at the United Center. On Friday, Hoiberg said he was mulling a lineup change if Dunn didn't return. But he kept Ryan Arcidiacono as the backup.

"I thought Cam got us into some good offense (in the season opener)," Hoiberg said, when asked to explain the move. "I like how Arch brings energy off the bench."

Dunn is scheduled to play Monday in Dallas, though Hoiberg said the guard will join the team in the afternoon and miss the morning shootaround.

Heavy hardware: It's not unprecedented but certainly rare when a Coach of the Year is fired. But such was the case for Pistons coach Dwane Casey, who won the award for his work with the Raptors. Casey, who was a finalist for the Bulls' job that Vinny Del Negro won in 2008, never got past LeBron James in the playoffs.

"The page is definitely closed. That's part of the NBA," Casey said of his Toronto stint. "We were unfortunate to go up against 23 for that number of years and just come up short. But that was their prerogative. I'm in a great situation with a great owner, great front office and great nucleus."

Casey said he received texts of support from all 29 head coaches, as well as retired and overseas coaches.

Layups: The home opener prompted the Bulls to introduce the entire roster, and select season-ticket holders accompanied players as they entered the court through a tunnel. ... The Bulls honored Trail Blazers owner and Microsoft founder Paul Allen with a moment of silence. Allen died last week.

BLACKHAWKS

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Hawks flying with the 'vintage Crow'

By Jimmy Greenfield
Chicago Tribune

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Not only is Corey Crawford back, the best version of him has returned to the Blackhawks.

"That was vintage 'Crow'," coach Joel Quenneville said.

Crawford stopped 37 shots and Marcus Kruger's skate redirected a shot from Alexandre Fortin past Blue Jackets goalie Sergei Bobrovsky with 12 minutes, 17 seconds left in the third period to snap a tie and send the Hawks to a 4-1 victory Saturday night at Nationwide Arena.

Patrick Kane scored with 4:14 left and added an empty-netter — his seventh and eighth goals of the season — to seal the triumph. But without Crawford coming up huge time and time again to give him his first triumph since returning from last season's concussion this would have been a blowout.

"Kept us in that one tonight," Kane said. "Obviously, we didn't have the best first two periods but he was standing on his head for us (and) gave us a chance to win. It was nice to be able to help him out there in the third.

"As 'Q' would say, that's a goalie win for us."

Alex DeBrincat scored on the Hawks' first shot of the game with 16:12 left in the first period for a 1-0 lead to give him seven goals and run his point streak to seven games.

Crawford stopped 37 of 38 shots in his second straight start after returning from a 10-month absence as he recovered from a concussion.

"Felt really good," Crawford said. "Was reading plays well. I thought our 'D' were blocking shots and I don't know how many we tipped into the (netting). They had a lot of speed and we were taking that away."

Kane's first goal came after he sent a pass to Brent Seabrook, who could have one-timed it but elected to send a pass right back to Kane.

"When I saw it come back I just tried to stay patient," Kane said. "Settle it down and make sure I hit the net because I knew I had the whole open net."

For a minute it looked like Fortin would have the first goal of his NHL career but instead he settled for his first point, and also made Quenneville look good for sticking with the speedy forward. Quenneville moved him to the fourth line but kept him in the lineup, preferring to sit John Hayden, and it paid off.

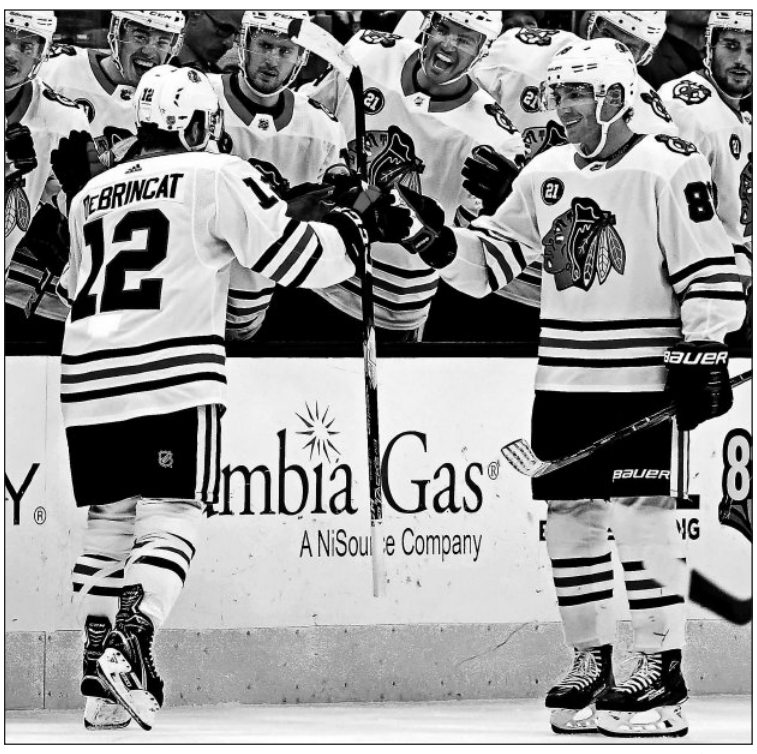
The Blue Jackets created far more traffic around Crawford than the Coyotes did in his first start and he stood tough. Boone Jenner appeared to put the Blue Jackets up 2-1 late in the first on a power play but officials ruled Jenner pushed Crawford to loosen the puck before it went into the net and waived off the goal.

The Hawks improved to 4-1-2, their hot start intact no matter what happens against the Lightning on Sunday night at the United Center.

"That was really our main focus this year, to get off to a good start and I think we've done that," Kane said. "We're happy with our start (but) we can play a little bit better."

Crawford probably can, too. But not much.

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Alex DeBrincat is congratulated by Patrick Kane after DeBrincat's goal in the first period. Kane scored two of his own in the third period.

BLACKHAWKS NOTES

Duclair off to a good start with Blue Jackets

By Jimmy Greenfield
Chicago Tribune

COLUMBUS, Ohio — If you missed Blue Jackets forward Anthony Duclair's 23-game stint with the Blackhawks last season, don't worry. You didn't miss much.

If you missed the goal Duclair scored Thursday, find it immediately. You missed what may be the goal of the season.

Racing down the right side against the Flyers, Duclair tried to stop but fell while maintaining control of the puck. Without missing a beat he got up, somehow kept the puck away from two defenders, swirled back to his left and beat goalie Calvin Pickard through the five-hole.

It was a brilliant solo effort that put the national spotlight on Duclair.

"Phone blew up quite a bit for sure," he said.

The goal illustrated why teams keep giving chances to the 23-year-old Duclair, who is already with his fourth organization. After coming to Chicago from the Coyotes last January in the Richard Panik trade, both he and the Hawks hoped his potential would be realized.

But Duclair only had two goals in 23 games and wasn't surprised the Hawks didn't try to keep him when he became a free agent. He signed with the Blue Jackets and is off to a decent start with four points (two goals, two assists) in six games.

"It's going to be one of my regrets to get that opportunity in Chicago and not perform," Duclair said. "I had to look in the mirror this summer and move on."



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The Blue Jackets' Anthony Duclair moves the puck against the Blackhawks' Jan Rutta on Saturday.

Saad story: It has been a rough week for Brandon Saad. Joel Quenneville toyed with benching Saad before deciding to keep him in the lineup. The timing for a return to Columbus to play the Blue Jackets and Artemi Panarin, who Saad was traded for last summer, could have been better.

Even though the pair will inevitably be linked, Saad doesn't see it that way.

"We're different players," Saad said. "(Panarin) is a great player. Fans are going to do whatever comparisons they want, but you have to be true to yourself and do what you bring to the table."



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Chris and Maureen Kunitz met at Ferris State and married in Chicago. Maureen is a Schaumburg native.

Kunitz's road circles home

Move to Chicago brings extended family together

By Jimmy Greenfield
Chicago Tribune

The large family gathering on the night of the Blackhawks' home opener was just clearing out when 9-year-old Zach Kunitz had a thought.

"Is that what it's like?" he asked his mom, Maureen, who didn't quite know what he meant at first.

Zach clarified: "Is that what it's like to live by family?"

That was one moment Chris and Maureen Kunitz knew coming home to Chicago was the right thing to do.



"Around Christmas time will be a lot of fun to see them with their cousins."

— Chris Kunitz on his three children

'A vacation home'

Long before Zach, 7-year-old Payton and 4-year-old Aubrey had entered their lives, Chris Kunitz and Maureen Pfeiffer were college sweethearts at Ferris State University in central Michigan.

After graduation, Chris, who grew up in Regina, Saskatchewan, began trying to carve out a career in the NHL. Maureen, a Schaumburg native, moved to Chicago to take a job, and during the summer of 2006, Chris followed. They married in 2008 at a Bucktown church and had their reception at the Field Museum.

The NHL isn't as carefree when it comes to choosing where to live, and the couple moved to Southern California, where Chris played the first 4½ seasons of his career with the Ducks, save for a two-game stint with the Thrashers.

"I don't count Atlanta," Chris joked.

The next stop was Pittsburgh, which he absolutely counts. Kunitz, who won a Stanley Cup with the Ducks in 2007, won three more with the Penguins in his eight-plus seasons with them. He and Maureen got used to a life of spending the season in Pittsburgh and much of their summer in a condo they owned in Lincoln Park.

Their connection to Chicago was so strong that they twice brought the Stanley Cup here when it was Chris' turn to spend his day with it.

"It's an unbelievable summer city," Chris said. "It's walkable and (great) being outside. We used to live by the zoo, and with the strollers it was easy to go, and that's how we spent most of our summers. It was kind of like a vacation home."

With Chris, who turned 39 last month, in the late stage of his career and the condo requiring more upkeep than they wanted to deal with, they decided to sell. Chicago no longer would be their summer home.

But fate had other plans for the Kunitz family.

Long road to Chicago

Free-agency day in the NHL is a whirlwind for teams, players, fans, reporters — anyone trying to follow the mass signings. In 2017, Chris became a free agent, and he and Maureen made a list of 10 desirable teams. The Hawks were on it. But Chris ended up with the Lightning on a one-year deal, and they made Tampa, Fla., their home.

The same sequence of events rolled around last summer, but this time they had reduced their wish list to five teams. Again, the Hawks were on it. This time, it worked out.

"July 1 is kind of a stressful day because that's free agency and that's when you know where you're going to sign," Maureen said. "We have good friends who would take (the kids) to get them out of the house. And then once we knew, we were like, 'OK, send them back!' "

Chris and Maureen created clues to help the kids guess which city the family was headed to next, and as the children realized it was Chicago, they could hardly believe it.

"They were like: 'Seriously? Seriously! Yeah!' " Maureen said.

That was another moment.

'This feels very us'

Large doesn't begin to describe Maureen Kunitz's extended family. She has 40 first cousins, all of whom have kids. Being back in Chicago is wonderful for her, but for the kids it's creating memories they seemed destined to go through childhood without experiencing.

"My kids never have lived by their cousins," she said. "They never have had grandparents who could watch them play soccer or could come to their hockey games or just see them on a weekend schedule. It's just nice to have that."

The family is renting a home in Roscoe Village from former Hawks player Sheldon Brookbank and settling into a life that's remarkably like any other.

After the frenzy of finding schools and doctors came the search for hockey and soccer teams and gymnastics programs — which of course was followed by endless driving to hockey games, soccer practices and gymnastics meets.

In their neighborhood, Halloween decorations already are lacing trees and family homes. One of their favorite places, the Shedd Aquarium, is a short drive away, great Chicago restaurants are everywhere and if they want to go see a Bears game at Soldier Field, it's an easy family outing.

"The time looking at the suburbs didn't go very far because we wanted to take in the whole experience and have the kids be part of it," Chris said. "Probably not many years left or months left in the career, so you want to make sure we all have fun."

Added Maureen: "This feels very us."

Precious moments

The familiar feel of the hockey season — his 15th as an NHL forward approaching 1,000 games — is taking hold now, and for many parts of day-to-day life, it doesn't matter much if Chris is playing for the Ducks, Penguins, Lightning or Hawks.

There will be one important difference, however.

"These holidays and around Christmas time will be a lot of fun to see them with their cousins and maybe some people they haven't met yet," Chris said.

Moments, to be sure, they will remember.

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Leonard Floyd takes down Dolphins receiver Danny Amendola on Sunday but got flagged for the body slam.

Rush on for Floyd to be productive



BRAD BIGGS
Bear essentials

The Khalil Mack trade looks like the best move of the NFL season, a deal that has made everyone look good with the exception of Raiders coach Jon Gruden and Bears outside linebacker Leonard Floyd.

It's a fun game for kids to play — what superhero power would you want? Flight, elasticity or invisibility. You have to figure Floyd would choose the latter. The would-be super pass rusher has turned into the invisible man. It would be an understatement to say that Floyd has yet to make an impact this year.

The man thought to be the featured pass rusher for the defense before the brilliant acquisition of Mack barely has shown up. He is coming off what defensive coordinator Vic Fangio called his best game in last Sunday's loss at Miami, but it was two penalties that raised Floyd's profile most notably penalties. He body-slammed Dolphins wide receiver Danny Amendola and later was flagged for hitting quarterback Brock Osweiler in the helmet, a call Bears coach Matt Nagy did not dispute after reviewing film.

In fairness to Floyd, he fractured his right hand in the third preseason game against the Broncos and played the first three regular-season games with a cumbersome club to protect the surgical repairs, a legitimate setback that hindered his ability to defeat blocks en route to the backfield and quarterback. Floyd said he still is rehabilitating the hand but that he's very close to being 100 percent.

"He was hampered with what he was playing with and really we probably played him too much," Fangio said. "Probably should have played the other guys more."

Floyd has been on the field for 224 defensive snaps (70.7 percent) and has 12 tackles, nine of them solo, one deflected pass and one quarterback hit with no sacks. According to ESPN, with one disrupted pass Floyd ranks 357th in the NFL in that category so there's no way of exaggerating his lack of production.

Time has come for Floyd to step up with Mack listed as questionable after being held out of practice until Friday when he was limited with a sprained right ankle suffered against the Dolphins. The defense must rebound against the Patriots, who are averaging 40 points over their last three games, in an effort to slow quarterback Tom Brady.

Fangio said "not really" when asked if Floyd's play concerned him, though he also said it's not accurate to say Floyd hasn't been as productive rushing because he has been in coverage more after the addition of Mack. The Bears have been in their nickel package more than 80 percent of the time and Floyd rushes the vast majority of the time in sub packages.

"I feel like every game I have been so close to getting a couple of sacks," said Floyd, who has 11½ sacks in 27 career games. "I just have to keep going out and rushing with the same mindset. Just have to keep playing. Sacks come in bunches. I can go a couple more games without them. As long as I keep going hard and trying to win with the team, my sacks will come."

Outside linebackers coach Brandon Staley praised Floyd early in training camp when he said the player's "hands have come alive." Staley said it had been the missing piece in his repertoire for rushing the passer and is something the Bears have worked on since Floyd arrived as the ninth pick in the 2016 draft. It's difficult to beat even average offensive tackles with just a speed move and Floyd needs versatility and strength.

"I think The emphasis on that kind of slowed him down too at times," Fangio said. "He never can forget he is an athletic, speed, quick rusher and that's his game."

The Bears are tied for seventh in the NFL with 18 sacks after being shut out in the overtime loss to the Dolphins. It's notable every team ahead of them has played at least one more game, including the Ravens, who had 11 sacks last week at Tennessee to put them atop the list with 26.

So the defense has gotten plenty of pass rushing production from players other than Mack, who has a team-high five. One theory is that pass rushers opposite dominant defenders (like Mack) will benefit in building statistics on the occasions the offense is avoiding a superior player. For instance, Adewale Ogunleye led the Dolphins with 16 sacks in 2003, the year before the Bears traded to acquire him. That was one more sack than teammate Jason Taylor had. Ogunleye was a very good player but he wasn't at the level of Taylor, a Hall of Famer.

"All of those situations are a little different," Fangio said. "The other guy still has to be a good player. They're not going to just fall into your lap. We can go back and find a lot of guys who have gotten the most sacks in the NFL and they don't always have guys on the other side getting a bunch either. I know what you're saying and there is some truth to that."

It's a critical season for Floyd as the Bears will have to make a decision on the fifth-year option in his contract for 2020 in the spring. He hasn't been the player the club envisioned but that doesn't mean he can't prove his value for that option in the next 11 games.

His only quarterback hit came in Week 4 against the Buccaneers. Lined up next to Mack on the left side, he twisted outside and Bucs right tackle Demar Dotson went inside with Mack. Floyd had a free run at Ryan Fitzpatrick, knocking him to the turf after an incomplete pass was released.

The Bears need much more of that — Floyd being disruptive in the backfield. If he can get his game going, opponents will be flustered in how to protect against a talented front that also includes dangerous and powerful rusher Akiem Hicks.

"I don't think I have to give Leonard a challenge," Fangio said. "He has been frustrated by his limitations and he was fired up to play last week. I think he will be fired up this week."

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BEARS SCOUTING REPORT
PATRIOTS RB SONY MICHEL

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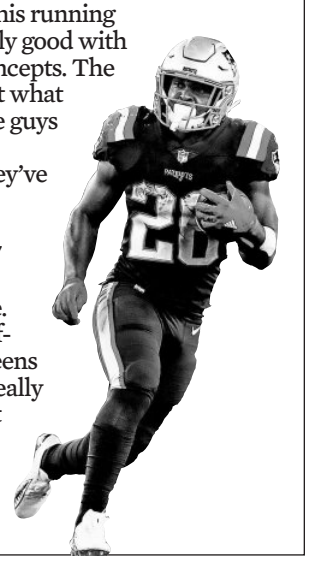
Patriots running back Sony Michel (5-foot-11, 215 pounds) is a rookie first-round draft pick out of Georgia, selected 31st overall. He's 10th in the NFL with 400 rushing yards, 316 of them coming in the last three games.

Michel looks like a long-term answer to what has been almost an annual question for the Patriots: Who will be the primary ball carrier? He doesn't have the pass-catching ability of James White, but the Patriots substitute the two backs, and since Rex Burkhead went on injured reserve Sept. 26 with a neck injury, Michel has shined with more opportunities.

"It's interesting what they have been doing with him because it's a lot of old-school running," the scout said. "I'm talking old, pro-style concepts with two backs in the backfield, including the fullback (James Develin), and you're seeing a lot of counter, a lot of lead and a lot of power. They still run some zone as well. He's fit in there well because, you go back and look at Michel from his time at Georgia, he's got really good speed through the hole. Long speed, he's probably a 4.5 guy, but getting from zero to 10 yards is where he makes his money. He's a slasher. He almost runs on his ankles, and there isn't a lot of wasted movement. He's not a guy that dances. He's going to make one cut and try to get up the field.

"That meshes with what NFL backs need to do. If the hole isn't great, you get 3. Next time, 4. Then 5 and then he breaks one. He's never going to be a true game-breaker, but his running style is really suited to the NFL. He fits really good with a team that wants to use those pro-style concepts. The Patriots drafted a guy with strengths that fit what they want to do, and too often you see those guys that aren't the best match for the scheme.

"You'd like to see more versatility, but they've got White and he's so good in the passing game. Michel didn't catch a lot of passes at Georgia (nine receptions as a senior in 2017 after totaling 48 the previous two seasons), but he's got the skill set to be more versatile. He's never going to be like Christian McCaffrey, but can he catch swing routes and screens and balls in the flat? I think he can. He's a really good player. I was a little surprised he went in the first round, but we are seeing why New England wanted him."



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Bears win would outstrip hyperbole from Belichick

Lauding Trubisky all part of Hoodie's plan



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

More calculated than complimentary, coach Bill Belichick heaped heavy praise on the young quarterback before his Patriots defense prepared to make the passer do things worthy of criticism.

"He has a lot of talent; he can make all the throws," Belichick gushed about NFL journeyman Brandon Weeden — sounding much like the guy who spoke so highly of Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky earlier this week.

That quote from Belichick about Weeden came in October 2015, and the focus of his flattery was a quarterback who entered that Patriots-Cowboys game 5-18 as a starter and exited an overmatched 30-6 loser. The act was vintage Belichick: Publicly build up the opponent's quarterback as a good match for his own, five-time Super Bowl champion Tom Brady — no matter how pedestrian that opposing quarterback might be — while privately scheming to exploit weaknesses he finds better than any coach alive.

Consider Belichick's history of blather before putting too much stock in the kind things he said about Trubisky. Belichick called him a "tough kid" who completed one of the prettiest passes he had seen all year — a 54-yarder to Taylor Gabriel against the Dolphins.

"The execution on that was like 99 out of 100," Belichick said.

Cue the eye roll. All that matters is the Patriots defensive players believe what Belichick says to establish respect that reduces complacency, but nobody else should buy it. Belichick's patter is as predictable as his game-day attire, so beware of being hoodwinked by The Hoodie, who exaggerates the threat of every quarterback regardless of experience or ability. All coaches prefer to say positive things about upcoming opponents to avoid providing bulletin-board material, but Belichick tends to take the admiration to another level, Lou Holtz style.

Back in 2015, for example, after overselling Weeden, Belichick lauded the acumen and accuracy of Ryan Fitzpatrick, as ordinary a quarterback as there is and who at the time had lost six of seven career starts against the Patriots. Before a game against the Bills last year, Belichick made Tyrod Taylor sound like Jim Kelly in a lengthy monologue that began with, "He's very good." From Jay Cutler last year to Blake Bortles last month, Belichick routinely overstates the achievements of quarterbacks who seldom live up to the hype against the Patriots. The list is long and not terribly distinguished.

So keep the focus on Trubisky's actions more than Belichick's words when evaluating the development of a young quarterback after 17 NFL starts — whose 18th offers the most room for growth yet. A third straight I-have-arrived performance from Trubisky would not only validate Belichick's endorsement, but also resonate louder around the league because it came against the Patriots, a legitimate Super Bowl contender.

History shows Belichick can be even rougher on young quarterbacks than he is on reporters, but the challenge to be an exception to the NFL rule is one Trubisky must embrace. Instinct can carry Trubisky only so far against a defense as complex as the one Belichick will devise. Intelligence never has been more necessary than it will be against the Patriots. The defense that gave up 40 points Sunday to the Chiefs — who run the offense Matt Nagy brought to the Bears — figures to come up with something different schematically to confuse Trubisky in ways it couldn't Patrick Mahomes.

Mahomes let smarts complement his skill and completed 23 of 36 passes for 352 yards and four touchdowns with two interceptions against the Patriots. But Mahomes had Tyreek Hill, the league's most dangerous offensive weapon, at wide receiver, defending NFL rushing champion Kareem Hunt at running back and Travis Kelce at tight end. As impressive as the speedy Gabriel, shifty running back Tarik Cohen and tight end Trey Burton have been for the Bears, not even Belichick's hyperbole could convince anybody they threaten a defense more than the Chiefs trio. If the Chiefs couldn't win a shootout with the Patriots, the Bears would be foolish to think they could.

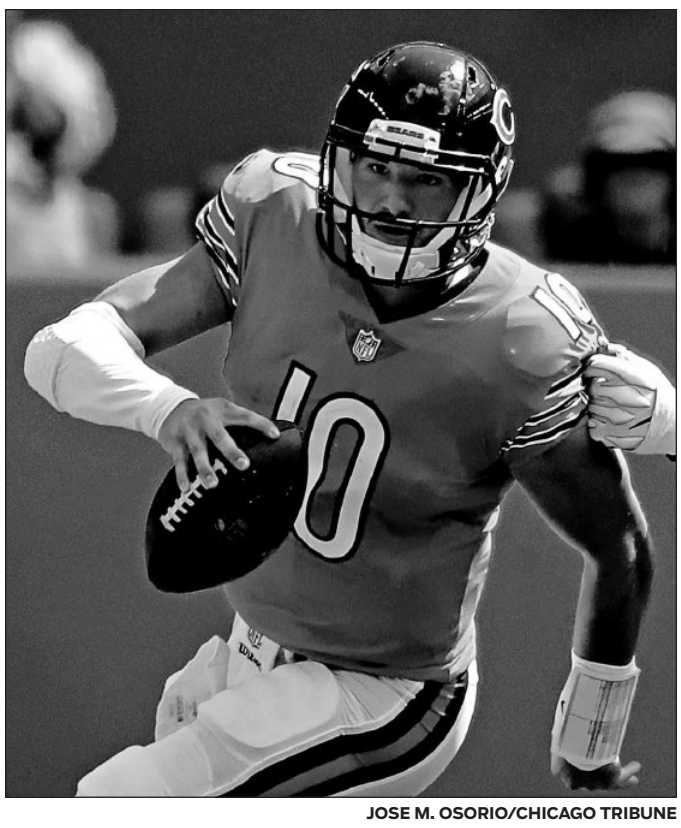
Nagy would be wiser to lean heavily on running back Jordan Howard to keep the chains moving and Brady standing on the sideline. That old-school football adage always applies but even more so this week given the iffy status of injured pass rusher Khalil Mack, who Belichick swears is no Lawrence Taylor. The better the running game, the more effective Trubisky will be executing the play-action passing game.

Ironically, the conservatism that foolishly guided Nagy in the overtime loss to the Dolphins represents the smartest approach to survive four quarters against Belichick and the Patriots. This is neither the staff Nagy wants to try to outsmart nor the quarterback Trubisky should be asked to outplay. Keep things simple offensively. Do less with the thought of getting more. Run to set up the pass rather than vice versa. Avoid getting fancy. Embrace being forceful. Execute.

What an opportunity awaits Trubisky and the Bears, who can pretend like the meltdown in Miami never happened with a bounce-back performance at Soldier Field. It was more Belichick embellishment when he claimed the Bears looked like a 5-0 team to him. Belichick knows from his mentor, Bill Parcells, that NFL teams are what their record says they are.

But the Bears are good enough at times to back up Belichick's talk and improve to 4-2 Sunday with a victory that would change their perception in Chicago and around the league. And that's no exaggeration.

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A strong performance from Mitch Trubisky would resonate throughout the NFL because it would come against the Patriots.

BEARS

BEARS NOTES

Pats' Gronkowski 'highly unlikely' to play

Chicago Tribune

Tom Brady might be without one of his favorite targets Sunday when the Patriots face the Bears at Soldier Field.

Four-time All-Pro tight end Rob Gronkowski did not travel with the Patriots to Chicago because of a back injury, according to the Boston Globe.

Gronkowski, who was limited in practice this week with back and ankle injuries, has not been ruled out for the game but is "highly unlikely" to play, ESPN reported.

Patriots starting right tackle Marcus Cannon was ruled out Friday because of a concussion suffered last week against the Chiefs. LaAdrian Waddle likely will start in his place.

For the Bears, outside linebacker Khalil Mack, who suffered a sprained right ankle Sunday against the Dolphins, is listed as questionable. Mack, who has five sacks, four forced fumbles and an interception return for a touchdown, never has missed a game during his five NFL seasons. He had limited participation in practice Friday.

Two others Bears starters were listed as questionable. Receiver Allen Robinson is dealing with a groin issue that kept him out of practice Thursday, but he returned Friday. Slot cornerback Bryce Callahan, meanwhile, suffered an ankle injury Thursday and sat out Friday. If Callahan has to sit out Sunday, veteran Sherrick McManis likely would step into his role.

Fellow cornerback Marcus Cooper (hamstring) is doubtful.

Floyd fined: The Bears' loss to the Dolphins on Sunday turned out to be an expensive one for Leonard Floyd.

The NFL fined the Bears outside linebacker a total of $30,080 for two violations: $10,026 for unnecessary roughness for lifting receiver Danny Amendola and spiking him onto the ground and $20,054 for hitting quarterback Brock Osweiler's head with his forearm.

Regarding the Amendola tackle, Floyd said after the game: "I felt like he was trying to gain more yards and I had to stop him. The referees made their decision."

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Faith in system makes Bears sure they can win

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many important new parts, says bring 'em on.

"This is the New England Patriots, and there's a lot that comes along with that," Long said. "But we get an opportunity to prove to ourselves and to the league that we can play with anybody."

Long didn't need to detail the Patriots mystique. But for those into counting trophies, they have five Super Bowl titles, eight AFC titles and 16 division titles since coach Bill Belichick took over in 2000.

Maybe the Bears will win Sunday; maybe not. But entering the sixth game under coach Matt Nagy, they are vowing they won't flinch.

That's because there's a growing, genuine sense of belief within Halas Hall. Belief in their processes. Belief in their talent. Belief in their schemes.

And for a team with so many new pieces — a first-time coach, a young quarterback, a new defensive star, new receivers, etc. — belief is crucial fuel for their ascent.

Nagy, in fact, senses similarities between his current team and last year's Chiefs. In Week 1, with Nagy as offensive coordinator, the nine-point underdogs stunned the defending Super Bowl champs 42-27 in Foxborough. The Chiefs' 537 yards were the most the Patriots had surrendered under Belichick until the Eagles gained 538 in February's Super Bowl.

"When you have a belief in yourself and your teammates and everybody, it's crazy how that can help you in so many different ways," Nagy said. "So that's where I'm trying to see where we're at as a group right now.

"And we're hammering that home: That it's important to have respect for your opponents, but also the belief in yourself, too, of ... what we can do and what the future holds for us."



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The Pats' Timothy Wright (81) and Brandon LaFell celebrate as Bears defensive back Al Louis-Jean walks away in 2014.

Mind games

To fully understand Sunday's challenge, Long could ask his brother, Chris, to see his Patriots Super Bowl ring. He has the newest issue, the one with 283 diamonds, an homage to how they overcame a 28-3 second-half deficit to beat the Falcons 20 months ago.

Or there's a more immediate way.

"Put aside the championships," Long said. "You can look at the film from last week, and it shows you who they are. My own lived experience is such that if you don't bring your 'A' game, you can get embarrassed. You better prepare. Because you know they are."

They starts with Belichick and Brady, of course, the most decorated coach-quarterback tandem ever. This will be the 260th game of their partnership. Nagy and Mitch Trubisky are tadpoles in comparison.

Belichick long has been a master at taking away what an offense does best and varying the alignments of his defense to cause confusion.

That, more than the Patriots' clout, has the Bears' attention this week. It's not necessarily that teams shake in their cleats because they're playing the vaunted Patriots. It's that Belichick makes the Patriots damn good.

As a defensive strategist, he creates challenges that are as much mental as they are physical, said Bears receiver Allen Robinson, whose Jaguars lost to the Patriots in last season's AFC championship game while Robinson was injured.

"The biggest thing is trying to slow you down, trying to make you think," Robinson said. "Trying to take you out of your groove as far as playing. It is a challenge for us to be able to see everything, take on that mental challenge pre-snap and still be able to play our brand of football."

That brand has been established as a diverse attack. The Bears, then, have a chance to legitimize the gains they have made offensively in the last two games.

To seize it, Trubisky is trusting how Nagy's Chiefs moved the ball against the Patriots last year and how the Chiefs and their similar offense did it again Sunday in a 43-40 loss at New England.

"He has given me a lot of confidence that we'll be able to move the ball and put up points against these guys," Trubisky said. " We just have to take care of the football, be smart, while staying aggressive."

Looking inward

Trubisky was 7 when Brady won his first Super Bowl. ("It'll be cool to compete against him," Trubisky said.) And while this probably will be his only shot at beating Belichick and Brady, the Bears have a few players who have done it on a grand stage.

Tight end Trey Burton has a newly minted Super Bowl ring to prove it. Linebacker Danny Trevathan beat the Patriots twice in the AFC championship game as a member of the Broncos. Cornerback Prince Amukamara was a rookie with the Giants in 2011 when they beat the Patriots in the Super Bowl.

When it comes to preparing to defend Brady, Amukamara puts it in terms his Bears teammates can understand.

"It's just like No. 12 up north," Amukamara said, referring to the Packers' Aaron Rodgers. "You just know these guys are different. You watch Brady's Facebook series, you know this man prepares. He's going to be ready. He's going to have his guys ready."

Brady's mastery of the quick passing game is a timely test for a defense that suddenly broke down last week against the Dolphins. The Bears missed 12 tackles in blowing an 11-point lead in the second half

The Bears acknowledge the difficulty of Sunday's matchup, but they aren't conceding anything beyond healthy respect for a quarterback and team that reset the bar for NFL greatness.

Within that mindset is an appreciation for the climb up the NFL mountain, and the Bears feel self-assured on that ascent.

Trevathan said Thursday that this year's Bears are "probably the top confident team I've ever been around." It's a lofty claim considering his two Super Bowl appearances and one victory with the Broncos.

"We're all together," he said. "We're young but we're still confident. We're learning together."

That introspective focus is exactly what Nagy is preaching in his first season as the Bears continue to shape their identity. It's how the Bears expect to overcome the Patriots mystique in a rare visit to Chicago.

And regardless of whether the Bears win, the Patriots will shine a light on their path, allowing the climb to proceed.

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49ers: They have an NFL-worst minus-11 turnover margin and three takeaways in six games. The only teams with fewer since 1940 are Steelers with two in 2011 and 2013.

Bears: Second-year running back Tarik Cohen has compiled 100-plus yards from scrimmage in back-to-back games for the first time in his career.

Buccaneers: Their 1,842 total yards are the third-most through five games in league history. Only the 2000 Rams (1,973) and 2013 Broncos (1,869) had more.

Cardinals: Seven games into the season, Larry Fitzgerald finally got his first touchdown reception of 2018, a 4-yard pass from Josh Rosen on Thursday night.

Cowboys: QB Dak Prescott hasn't lost in four starts against the Redskins. In those meetings, he had five TDs — three passing, two rushing — with no interceptions.

Eagles: Carson Wentz is three passes from a personal record of 136 straight without an interception. He hasn't been picked off since Sept. 23.

Falcons: Matt Ryan has 1,432 passing yards and a 128.2 passer rating over the last four weeks, both league highs. He has 12 TDs with no picks during that stretch.

Giants: Eli Manning needs five TD passes to become the seventh player with 350. It's unlikely to happen this week — he has thrown only five-plus in a game twice.

Lions: Four of Matt Stafford's five picks came in Week 1. In the four games since, he has thrown at least two touchdown passes and had a 100-plus passer rating.

Packers: With 47 catches in six games, WR Davante Adams is on pace for 125, which would break Shannon Sharpe's team record of 112 set in 1993.

Panthers: Cam Newton has a league-high 115.7 passer rating in the red zone. He has eight touchdowns — five passing, three rushing — from inside the 20.

Rams: They have started with six straight wins for first time since doing so in each of the 1999, 2000 and 2001 seasons. They have not been 7-0 since 1985.

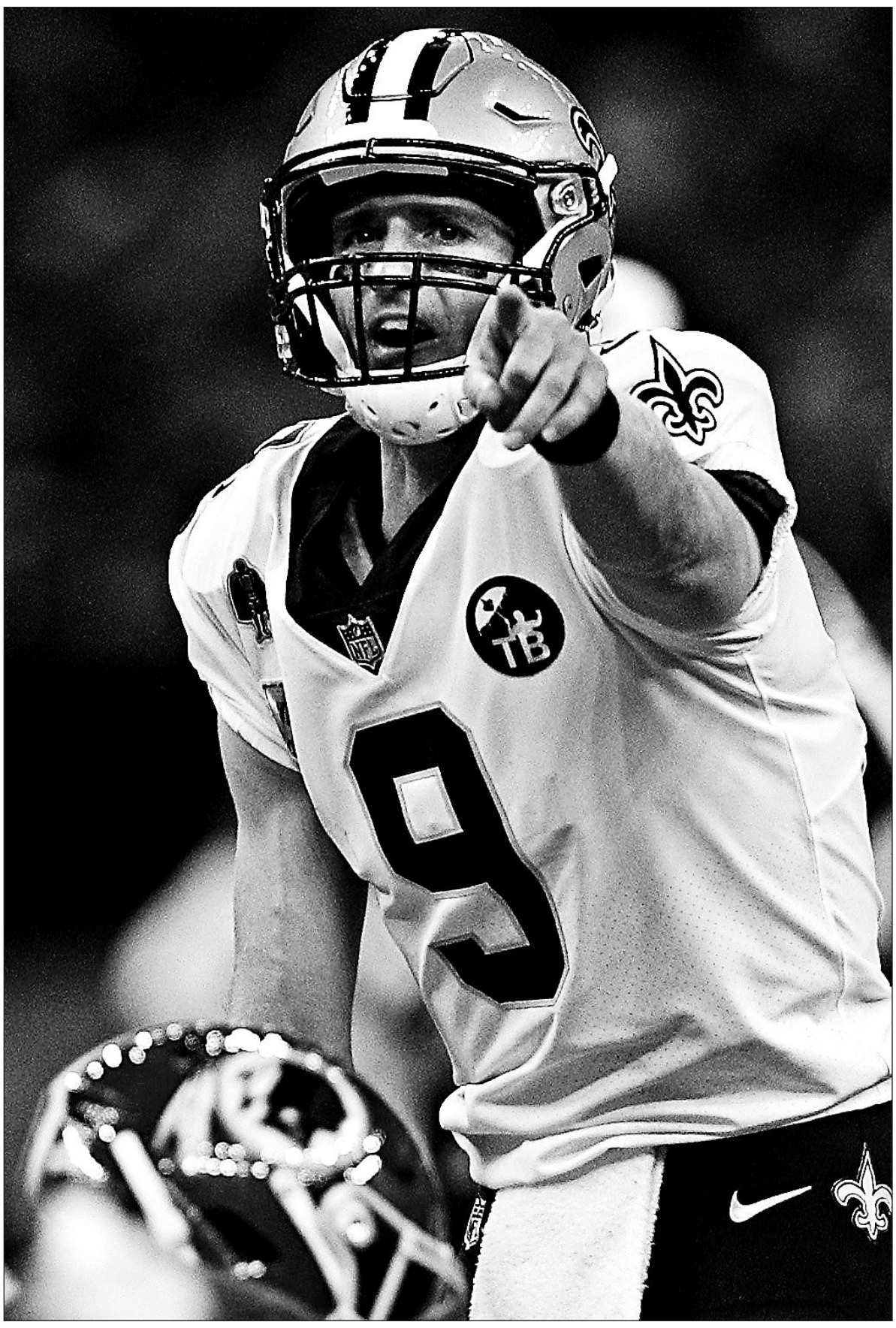
Redskins: Josh Norman's interception of a Cam Newton pass last week was the former Pro Bowler's first pick since Dec. 24, 2016, a 19-game stretch.

Saints: With a win Sunday against the Ravens, Drew Brees would join Peyton Manning and Brett Favre as the only QBs with a victory against every team.

Seahawks: Pete Carroll said the best way his 3-3 team can honor owner Paul Allen, who died last week at 65, is to continue battling into contention after an 0-2 start.

Vikings: Kirk Cousins turned down a three-year, $90 million offer from the Jets, Sunday's opponent, in favor of a three-year, $84 million deal with the Vikes.

— Los Angeles Times



CHRIS GRAYTHEN/GETTY

Saints quarterback Drew Brees, 39, is the NFL's all-time leader in passing yards with 72,103 — and counting — and needs one touchdown pass to become the fourth player in league history with at least 500.

Old quarterbacks are keeping pace

Brees, Brady, Rodgers and other senior signal-callers have discovered ways to thrive in young man's game



SAM FARMER
On the NFL

The eyes have it.

Those experienced eyes of seasoned quarterbacks, some in their late 30s or even early 40s, are paying off in today's NFL, with players putting up offensive numbers at a record pace.

Drew Brees, Tom Brady, Aaron Rodgers, Philip Rivers and for a while Ryan Fitzpatrick, all puzzle pieces of the paradox that, in a young man's game, it's entirely possible to age gracefully.

Part of it is the rules, which have cracked down on defenders delivering the most punishing hits to quarterbacks and have widened the cushion around defenseless receivers, somewhat reducing the danger of playing catch in heavy traffic.

But another part of the longevity of these players is their ever-increasing awareness of how to elude Father Time bearing down on them like a blitzing linebacker.

"Where there's been a shift is the focus on lifestyle habits," said John Spanos, Chargers president of football operations, whose team is led by 36-year-old Rivers. "A lot of the same principles with strength-and-conditioning training still apply, but now it's been enhanced with a focus on things like amount of sleep, hydration, stress levels, nutrition, factors that previously weren't thought to contribute significantly to durability on the field."

Make no mistake, there is a wave of young quarterbacks making their mark on the game, Patrick Mahomes, Jared Goff, and Carson Wentz among them, but also a senior class — a gray area, if you will — that's keeping pace.

The Patriots' Brady, 41, threw for 340 yards, passing for one touchdown and running for another, in last Sunday's 43-40 victory over the Chiefs. With that, he became the first quarterback in NFL history to record 200 regular-season victories.

The Saints' Brees, 39, who in Week 5 became the NFL's all-time leader in passing yards (72,103), needs one touchdown pass to become the fourth player in league history with at least 500.

"I've always had a goal that I want to continue to get better each and every year," Brees said recently. "Sometimes you can't always measure that.

"There's certain things stats don't always show as to your true production. I want to build confidence with my offense. I want to lead the huddle. I want to make those guys believe and get the best out of them.

"And I want to make great decisions when I have to opportunity — and then produce. So as long as I'm able to do those things, that's what drives me."

NFL scoring is at an all-time high: The 4,489 points, 504 touchdowns and 328 touchdown passes are the most through Week 6 in NFL history.

"Really good quarterbacks get better and better until the end," said Stephen Jones, chief executive and director of player personnel for the Cowboys. "The only thing that goes is the body. If the body goes, you can't do anything about it. But if you keep your body in that kind of shape ..."

It was a conversation Jones had many times with quarterback Tony Romo, who retired in April 2017 just before his 37th birthday. Romo decided to end his 14-year career after battling back from injuries that included a broken back and twice a broken collarbone.

"Tony said it broke his heart that he couldn't get back in there, because he said, 'I can play the game better than I've ever played it,' " Jones said. "It's just the health, the back."

One of the biggest factors of longevity, Jones said, is a quarterback's ability to make quick decisions to avoid hits.

"Getting rid of it is everything," he said. "Most quarterbacks, they've got good arms. It's just the anticipation to get rid of the ball, how to read a defense, work through the disguises.

"I think you'll see it more and more as these players get good at it. You can play the quarterback position until you're pretty old. Can't play the rest of them, but that one you can do it."

Flexing its muscle: It has been awhile since the NFL flexed a game to Sunday night. The Bengals against Chiefs is a worthy choice.

No games were moved from day to night last season, except for the final weekend, when all games are scheduled for the afternoon until the league and NBC figure out what is most attractive for prime time. In 2016, there were three flexed games, including Week 17. Not counting that, the last flex was Buccaneers at Cowboys on Dec. 18, 2016.

So switching a pair of first-place teams made sense: The Bengals (4-2) are at the Chiefs (5-1).

Some of the juicy plot lines involve offense, hardly a surprise in this year of points, points and more points. The Chiefs have the league's lowest-ranked defense and the Bengals rank 29th. Even worse, both are dealing with a slew of injuries on that side of the ball.

So Patrick Mahomes throwing to Tyreek Hill, Travis Kelce and Kareem Hunt could fill the screen. So might Andy Dalton connecting with A.J. Green and Tyler Boyd.

"Any time you want to be one of the great ones on the defense or you want your defense to have a statement-type game, you have to do it against the best offenses in the league," Bengals defensive end Carlos Dunlap said. "And right now, they're putting up those points like they're one of the best offenses in the league. So you've got to go out and put it on 'em."

There are some caveats to this matchup, however.

Although the Bengals have won four straight meetings dating to Oct. 14, 2007, they are 3-15 on Sunday nights, losing eight straight. The Chiefs are 7-3 on Sunday nights.

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Associated Press contributed.

AFC FROM A TO Z

Bengals: They have won four straight against the Chiefs but have lost eight in a row on Sunday nights. This week's game was flexed from the afternoon.

Bills: Veteran QB Derek Anderson, signed this month, starts only his fifth game since 2010. He completed two passes for 17 yards last season.

Broncos: Todd Davis (20 yards) and Chris Harris Jr. (53) each had an interception return for a TD during the first quarter Thursday against the Cardinals.

Browns: Coming off the worst game of his career, rookie Baker Mayfield faces a Bucs defense allowing a league-high 355.6 passing yards per game.

Chargers: Philip Rivers, whose 115.1 passer rating is the best in the AFC, has 13 TD passes and four interceptions in seven career games against the Titans.

Chiefs: Patrick Mahomes did not throw an interception in his first four games. Since then, he has the same number of touchdown passes as picks — four.

Colts: The 1-5 team will be trying for the fifth time for win No. 300 since moving from Baltimore in 1984. The Colts have lost five of their last six at home.

Dolphins: Frank Gore is averaging 4.9 yards per carry, his highest since 2009. A week after his 46th 100-yard game, he faces the Lions' 30th-ranked run defense.

Jaguars: Coach Doug Marrone held training camp-like practices to emphasize fundamentals after they were outscored 70-21 over the last two games.

Jets: Jason Myers set a team record last week with seven field goals. His 24 points were No. 2 in NFL history for a player without a TD (Rob Bironas, 26 in 2007).

Patriots: Tom Brady is unbeaten in four career games against the Bears. He's also 4-0 against the Cowboys, Vikings and Buccaneers and 5-0 against the Falcons.

Raiders: Coach Jon Gruden shot down the notion that his 1-5 team is looking toward next year's draft: "We are not getting up at 4 o'clock in the morning to tank it."

Ravens: Their top-ranked defense — allowing 270.8 yards and 12.8 points per game — faces a Saints offense averaging 424 yards (No. 3) and 36 points (No. 1).

Steelers: The defense gave up an average of 420.5 yards and 29 points through four games. Those numbers have dropped to 299.5 and 19 over the last two weeks.

Texans: DeAndre Hopkins will break his own franchise record of 776 receiving yards through seven games if he gets 120, a mark he has topped twice this season.

Titans: Marcus Mariota threw for 313 yards the last time he played the Chargers but has passed for more than 130 yards only once in five games this season.

— Los Angeles Times

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

NORTHWESTERN 18, RUTGERS 15
3 TAKEAWAYS

Bowser's 2 TDs rally the Wildcats

Disaster averted with comeback against lowly Scarlet Knights

By Teddy Greenstein
Chicago Tribune

There are exhilarating comeback victories, like last week's thriller against Nebraska. And then there are pitiful comeback victories, like Saturday's against Rutgers (1-7 overall, 0-5 Big Ten).

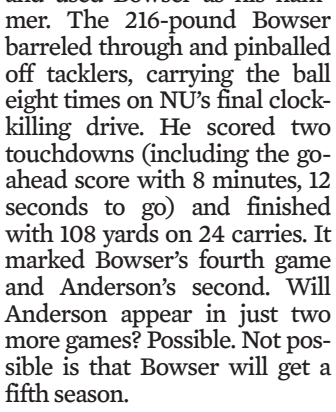
Congrats to Northwestern (4-3, 4-1), I suppose, for avoiding disaster against a historically bad Big Ten team that did not have its best skill player for the first half. But if anyone in purple actually takes pride in this performance as a three-touchdown favorite, the program needs higher standards. Here are three takeaways from the Wildcats' 18-15 victory in Piscataway, N.J.:

1. Not sure who wore No. 18 for Northwestern. He looked like Clayton Thorson but didn't play like him. Thorson completed 17 of 34 passes for 150 yards and no touchdowns, misfiring time and again against a lower-rung defense. He threw so far behind Ben Skowronek on a shallow cross, the receiver had to exit the game after taking a massive blow to his side. (He was hospitalized but cleared to fly back to Chicago with the team.) Thorson held the ball forever on an end-zone sack that gave Rutgers two points. He fumbled on a scramble. He dangerously threw into a crowd on first down with 10 minutes to play. Coach Pat Fitzgerald is fiercely protective of Thorson and said after the game: "Awesome! 1-0, baby. That's the job of the quarterback." We will see if Fitzgerald can muster a more honest evaluation after watching the film.

2. For the run game, the future is now. Fitzgerald had been reluctant to use freshmen tailbacks Isaiah Bowser and Drake Anderson, hoping to save the redshirt for one or both by limiting their appearances to four games. With Solomon Vault and John Moten IV injured, Fitzgerald started Anderson (24 yards on seven carries) and used Bowser as his hammer. The 216-pound Bowser barreled through and pinballed off tacklers, carrying the ball eight times on NU's final clock-killing drive. He scored two touchdowns (including the go-ahead score with 8 minutes, 12 seconds to go) and finished with 108 yards on 24 carries. It marked Bowser's fourth game and Anderson's second. Will Anderson appear in just two more games? Possible. Not possible is that Bowser will get a fifth season.

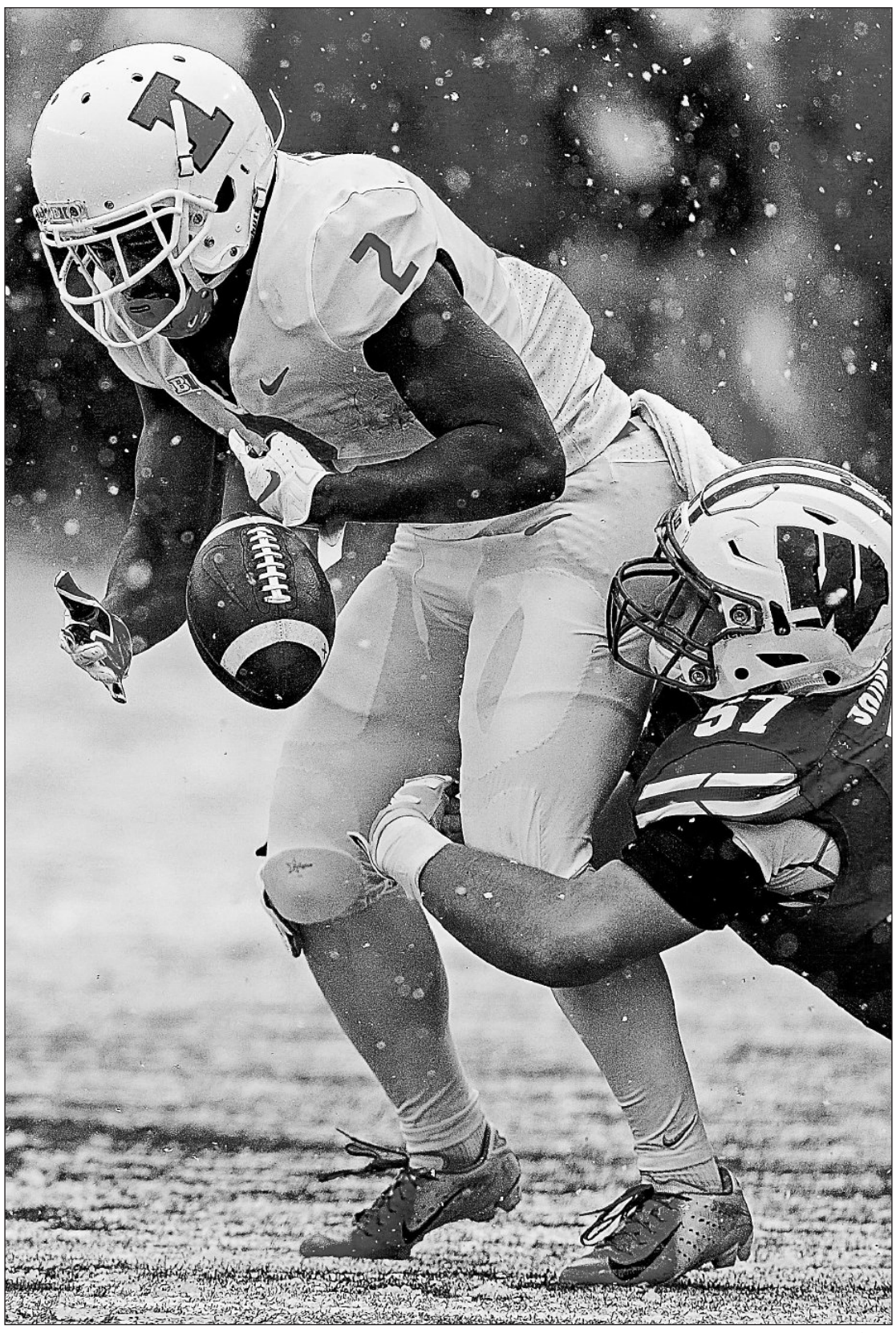
3. The 'D' did its job. Again, you have to grade on a curve. Last week against Maryland, Rutgers' Artur Sitkowski completed 2 of 16 passes with four interceptions. On Saturday he went 15-for-31 for 81 yards and no turnovers. He didn't have top skill guy Raheem Blackshear until he returned from his grandmother's funeral in time for the second half. Rutgers gained just 188 yards, with 44 coming after linebacker Blake Gallagher missed a tackle on Isaih Pacheco's touchdown run. "Our defense was outstanding," Fitzgerald said. "We mis-fit one play, but otherwise did a great job."

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COREY PERRINE/GETTY

Isaiah Bowser goes into the end zone for the winning score Saturday in the fourth quarter.



ANDY MANIS/AP

Wisconsin's Michael Balistreri forces one of Illinois running back Reggie Corbin's two fumbles Saturday.

WISCONSIN 49, ILLINOIS 20

Illini a total loss

Turnovers, leaky 'D', poor QB play make easy work for Badgers

By Shannon Ryan
Chicago Tribune

MADISON, Wis. — Running back Reggie Corbin sat in his blue Illinois jacket and in a low voice took the blame.

"I have to take care of the ball," he said dejectedly. "That's probably why we lost the game anyway."

Corbin's two lost fumbles certainly didn't help Illinois in a 49-20 loss Saturday at Wisconsin. But there were plenty of places to pin blame in the Illini's third lopsided loss in four Big Ten games.

Illinois, which was plus-8 in turnover margin in its first six games to rank seventh in the FBS, gave away the ball five times in the first half. The 23rd-ranked Badgers scored 21 points off those miscues.

Quarterback AJ Bush Jr., a senior graduate transfer, threw two completions and two interceptions before he was yanked in the second quarter with a minus-14.5 rating. Freshman M.J. Rivers II managed the game better but threw another pick while completing 7 of 13 passes for 80 yards.

Then there was the porous defense.

As glaring as the offensive mistakes were, Illinois' defense is a greater worry more than halfway through the season.

For the third time in four Big Ten games, an opponent scored at least 46 points. Wisconsin (545 yards, 357 rushing) was the fourth opponent in seven games overall to gain at least 500 yards.

The Badgers (5-2 overall, 3-1 Big Ten) produced two 100-yard rushers: Jonathan Taylor with 159 yards on 27 carries and Taiwan Deal with 111 yards and two touchdowns on 12 carries.

Last week, Purdue's passing game tore apart the Illini for 384 yards but they also allowed the Boilermakers' DJ Knox to rush for 150 yards.

Wisconsin quarterback Alex Hornibrook found two tight ends for touchdown passes, tossing three total on 13 of 22 passing. The defense did snag two interceptions off him though.

There haven't been many answers on defense for coordinator Hardy Nickerson.

"There's absolutely frustration with the defense," Illinois coach Lovie Smith said. "There should be. You keep searching for answers. Some of that involves personnel changes. How we played today and how we played the run in particular (is frustrating)."

The Illini (3-4, 1-3) saw a quick boost when Rivers entered the game with less than seven minutes left in the second quarter. Rivers had appeared in three other games, starting two when Bush was out with a leg injury.

On his first play Saturday, Rivers handed the ball to Corbin, threw an excellent block and watched Corbin rush for an 80-yard touchdown.

"We made a change and felt we needed to go another direction," Smith said. "AJ has played the way our football team has, which is not good enough."

The Illini have played their toughest opponents, as Wisconsin and Penn State are the only ranked teams they face. Players said they hope the schedule and some self-correction provide a better path the rest of the way.

"We've shown ourselves we're a good football team," guard Nick Allegretti said. "We know that. ... We're going into every game like we can win. The rest of the schedule are very winnable games for us. We have to come out and play, not turn the ball over. We will be in those games."

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PURDUE 49, OHIO STATE 20

Call 'em spoiler makers

Upset deals blow to Buckeyes' plans for postseason

By Michael Marot
Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — D.J. Knox rushed for 128 yards and three touchdowns, David Blough threw for three more scores and Purdue shook up the College Football Playoff chase with a 49-20 blowout of No. 2 Ohio State on Saturday. The Boilermakers (4-3, 3-1 Big Ten) won their fourth straight overall, their second in a row over a ranked team and pulled off their biggest upset since taking down then-No. 2 Ohio State 28-23 on Oct. 6, 1984. Purdue also set a school record for points scored against the Buckeyes, besting the previous mark of 41 in 1967.

Mistake-prone Ohio State (7-1, 4-1) had its 12-game winning streak snapped, fell out of the Big Ten East lead behind rival Michigan and now must fight away its way back into playoff position.

Blough outplayed Heisman Trophy candidate Dwayne Haskins Jr. on a night when the Buckeyes didn't reach the end zone until early in the fourth quarter.

Blough went 25 of 43 with 378 yards and sealed the victory with a 43-yard pass to Rondale Moore with 3:37 to play.

Haskins wound up 49 of 73 for 470 yards with two touchdowns and one interception. But he missed receivers down the field on a windy night at Ross-Ade Stadium and was nearly picked off a couple of times before Markus Bailey scored on a late 41-yard interception return.

The Buckeyes were also called for 10 penalties and faced their largest halftime deficit of the season, 14-3, before giving up four scoring plays of more than 40 yards in the fourth quarter.

It was no fluke, either. The Boilermakers dominated the first half by playing keep-away.

Isaac Zico capped Purdue's longest scoring drive of the season, 98 yards, with a spectacular one-handed catch to make it 7-0 late in the first quarter. Ohio State responded by quickly marching down the field before settling for a 24-yard field goal.

Blough took the Boilermakers 80 yards in 84 seconds, using punter Joe Schopper's first-down run on a fake field goal to set up a 9-yard scoring pass to Moore.

The Buckeyes tried to turn up the pace and the intensity in the second half, but they never made headway.

NOTRE DAME

Midseason grades are closing in on perfect

By LaMond Pope
Post-Tribune

Notre Dame won its first three games largely on the strength of its experienced defense.

Coach Brian Kelly realized the offense needed a spark.

A quarterback switch, with Ian Book replacing Brandon Wimbush, has elevated the offense and made the fourth-ranked Irish (7-0) a legitimate College Football Playoff contender.

"(I'm) just really proud of our football team in terms of where we are, and we know that we can continue to get better," Kelly said as the Irish entered the open date on their schedule. "If you asked me (at the start of the season) 7-0 at the bye week, I'd be extremely pleased and happy. And I'm certainly that as I sit here right now."

Here is Notre Dame's report card through the first seven games.

Offense

Notre Dame ranked 99th nationally in total offense and was tied for 103rd in scoring through its first three games.

Enter Book.

The Irish are now 49th in total offense (427.7 yards per game) and 47th in scoring (32.6 points per game). Book has completed 75.2 percent of his passes for 1,151 yards, 11 touchdowns and three interceptions.

He's spreading the ball around. Miles Boykin leads the team in receptions (32), receiving yards (512) and touchdown catches (four). Chris Finke (305 yards, one touchdown) and Chase Claypool (261 yards, three touchdowns) also have been heavily involved.

"It's tough to stop all three of us at the same time," Boykin said.

Alize Mack (240 yards, one touchdown) has been the top tight end target.

Dexter Williams (370 yards, four touchdowns), Tony Jones Jr. (314 yards, three touchdowns) and converted wide receiver Jafar Armstrong (245 yards, five touchdowns) have solidified the running game, although all three have not been available for the same game. Williams missed the first four games for reported disciplinary reasons, and Armstrong has been out the last three because of a left knee infection.

The offensive line has carried on despite losing preseason All-America guard Alex Bars to an MCL/ACL injury.

Grade: B+

Defense

With eight starters returning, the defense figured to be Notre Dame's strength. And it has been. The Irish are 34th nationally in total defense (340.9 yards per game) and 22nd in scoring defense (18.7 points per game).

Tackle Jerry Tillery has been a disruptive force with seven sacks. Ends Khalid Kareem and Julian Okwara have eight and six tackles for a loss. Linebackers Te'von Coney and Drue Tranquill lead the team with 56 and 46 tackles

Cornerback Julian Love has shown why he was a preseason All-American. The Nazareth graduate has broken up 12 passes. Navy transfer Alohi Gilman has been a key to improved safety play. Safety Jalen Elliott and cornerback Troy Pride Jr. are tied for the team lead with two interceptions.

"We believe we have a championship defense," Tranquill said, "but if you don't take the steps each and every day to get better and learn and take that next step forward, you can't become that championship defense."

Grade: A-

Special teams

Kicker Justin Yoon has been reliable, making 9 of 12 field-goal attempts. Tyler Newsome is eighth nationally in punting, averaging 46.3 yards. Notre Dame's kickoff coverage must improve. The Irish have allowed two returns for touchdowns.

Grade: C

Coaching

Kelly took an unconventional step in making a quarterback change even though the team hadn't lost. It has worked out. First-year defensive coordinator Clark Lea has continued the momentum built by Mike Elko.

Grade: A-

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BASEBALL PLAYOFFS



MATT SLOCUM/AP

The Dodgers celebrate Saturday night after beating the Brewers to win the NLCS and advance to the World Series.

NLCS DODGERS 5, BREWERS 1

Puig ignites clincher

3-run homer helps send Dodgers to Series vs. Red Sox

Associated Press

MILWAUKEE — Yasiel Puig and Cody Bellinger flexed their muscles, and the Dodgers got a lift from ace Clayton Kershaw out of the bullpen to finish off the Brewers and return to the World Series.

Puig broke open a tight game with a three-run homer in the sixth inning and the Dodgers took Game 7 of the NL Championship Series 5-1 on Saturday night.

It's off to Fenway Park to face the Red Sox in Game 1 of the World Series on Tuesday night.

"It's pretty cool. It's going to be a pretty special series," said Bellinger, chosen as the NLCS MVP.

Kenley Jansen tossed 1 1/3 scoreless innings before yielding to Kershaw in the ninth. The three-time Cy Young Award winner, pitching on two days' rest after starting Game 5, tossed a perfect inning and finished it off by striking out Mike Moustakas.

"I'm so proud of our guys during this roller coaster of a season," manager Dave Roberts said.

RESULTS
Dodgers win series 4-3
G1: Brewers 6, Dodgers 5
G2: Dodgers 4, Brewers 3
G3: Brewers 4, Dodgers 0
G4: Dodgers 2, Brewers 1 (13)
G5: Dodgers 5, Brewers 2
G6: Brewers 7, Dodgers 2
G7: Dodgers 5, Brewers 1

The Brewers had their chances against rookie starter Walker Buehler. The rookie allowed six hits in 4 2/3 innings, including a home run in the first by Yelich that made it 1-0. But Jhoulys Chacin gave up a two-run homer to Bellinger in the second for a 2-1 Dodgers lead.

"I was looking for a pitch up, two strikes, just trying to put a good swing on it," said Bellinger, who raised his right arm and pointed to his biceps as he rounded third. "Luckily, it went out of there."

Brewers manager Craig Counsell inserted Josh Hader in the third. Hader tossed three shutout innings, striking out four being pulled after 31 pitches.

After Puig hit his three-run shot off Jeremy Jeffress, he raised both arms as he rounded second, wiggling his fingers skyward to mimic the Brewers' trademark celebration move. Manny Machado, the object of nonstop boos from Milwaukee fans, obliged with the same gesture as he watched from the dugout. Now it's over for the Brewers, but, Counsell said: "They took us on an amazing journey. It was a magical run."

THE BOX SCORE

LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Pederson lf	1	0	0	0	0	.231
Hrnndz ph-2b	4	0	1	0	3	.071
Muncy 1b	4	1	1	0	3	.182
Turner 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.241
Machado ss	4	1	2	0	1	.296
Bellinger cf	4	2	1	2	1	.200
Puig rf	4	1	3	3	0	.333
Taylor 2b-lf	2	0	1	0	0	.364
Barnes c	4	0	0	0	2	.111
Buehler p	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Urias p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Madson p	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Jansen p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Kemp ph	0	0	0	0	0	.200
Kershaw p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	**33**	**5**	**10**	**5**	**12**	

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Cain cf	4	0	2	0	1	.303
Yelich rf	4	1	1	1	1	.179
Braun lf	4	0	0	0	2	.241
Shaw 2b	4	0	1	0	1	.211
Aguilar 1b	4	0	0	0	4	.269
Moustakas 3b	4	0	1	0	2	.138
Kratz c	3	0	0	0	1	.125
Arcia ss	3	0	2	0	0	.360
Chacin p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Schoop ph	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Hader p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Santana ph	1	0	0	0	1	.333
Cedeno p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Jeffress p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Knebel p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Granderson ph	1	0	0	0	1	.200
Woodruff p	0	0	0	0	0	.500
TOTALS	**33**	**1**	**7**	**1**	**14**	

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Milwaukee	100	000	000 — 1	7 0

LOB: LA 6, Mil 5. **2B:** Puig (3), Taylor (1), Cain (4), Shaw (1). **HR:** Bellinger (1), Puig (1), Yelich (1). **SB:** Bellinger (2). **DP:** LA 1; Mil 2.

LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Buehler	4⅔	6	1	1	0	7	3.86
Urias	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	2.70
Mdson, **W**, 1-0	1⅓	1	0	0	0	2	1.80
Jansen	1⅓	0	0	0	0	3	0.00
Kershaw	1	0	0	0	0	2	4.09

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Chacin, **L**, 1-1	2	3	2	2	1	0	2.45
Hader	3	1	0	0	1	4	0.00
Cedeno	0	1	1	1	0	0	18.00
Jeffress	1⅓	3	2	2	1	2	7.71
Knebel	⅔	0	0	0	0	1	1.29
Woodruff	2	2	0	0	1	5	2.89

Sale's set to realize Series dream

Frustrated in Chicago, Red Sox lefty to start Game 1



PAUL SULLIVAN
On baseball

While discussing a 107-year-old White Sox strikeout record he was closing in on back in September 2015, Chris Sale was staring at the lanyard holding my press credential.

It was near the end of another dominant season gone to waste, and Sale clearly was tired of the losing.

"It's cool to talk about, to talk to your buddies and your family about stuff like this (record)," Sale told reporters.

"But I see a (reporter) wearing a postseason lanyard right there. You don't get to the postseason with strikeouts. You don't get to the playoffs with fancy numbers and stuff like that.

"You get there by wins, and I think everybody in this clubhouse and everybody around major-league baseball can tell you that there's one thing that's important, and that's winning."

A little more than three years later, Sale finally is where he always wanted to be: starting Game 1 of the World Series, which begins Tuesday night at Fenway Park.

It has been a long and adventurous journey for the Red Sox ace, who started out in the White Sox bullpen in the summer of 2010 and quickly developed into one of the game's elite starters.

Sale was supposed to be leading the White Sox into the World Series, having signed a five-year, $32.5 million deal with two team-option years during 2013 spring training that made him one of the game's biggest bargains.

The Sox annually tried to surround him with enough talent to get to the postseason, but they finally gave up after 2016 and dealt him to the Red Sox in the trade that kickstarted the rebuild.

Most lauded the deal that brought top prospects Yoan Moncada and Michael Kopech to the White Sox.

But Moncada's first full major-league season this year was a disappointment, and Tommy John elbow surgery in September ended the promising beginning of Kopech's major-league career.

Sale, meanwhile, has started the last two All-Star Games wearing a Red Sox uniform and has gone 29-12 with a 2.56 ERA and 545 strikeouts in 372 1/3 innings.

At one point this season he went 6-0 with an 0.20 ERA over seven starts, the best seven-start span since Bob Gibson posted an 0.14 ERA in 1968.

But we haven't seen the best of Sale in October, and who knows how long he will be allowed to go after being hospitalized with a stomach illness after starting Game 1 of the American League Championship Series.

Sale battled shoulder issues during the second half and probably missed a chance at winning his first Cy Young Award by resting his arm to be strong for the postseason. He pitched only four innings in the ALCS loss to the Astros, allowing two runs on one hit, four walks and a hit batter. More worrisome was the fact Sale's average fastball velocity dipped from 95 mph to 92 from his division series victory over the Yankees.

But after waiting so long for this opportunity, Sale should be ready to return to his normal self on a prime-time stage with the nation watching.

It will be a bittersweet moment for the White Sox, who knew they were dealing one of the best pitchers in franchise history when they sent Sale to Boston.

He could be difficult to deal with at times, as evidenced by the episode in which he sliced up his teammates' throwback uniforms so he wouldn't have to pitch in one and the day he ripped management over the decision to stop allowing Adam LaRoche's son, Drake, to be with the team. Once he even tried to get into the visitors' clubhouse after an on-field brawl with the Royals, hoping for Round 2.

But the White Sox always chalked it up to Sale's competitive nature, and nothing he could do off the field ever trumped what he did on the mound.

Sale has one more season in Boston before hitting free agency, where he figures to command one of the biggest contracts in the game. He never complained about his team-friendly contract, even after White Sox teammate Jeff Samardzija fled for a $90 million deal with the Giants after the 2015 season.

"Don't feel bad for me, man," he told me at SoxFest in 2016. "I'm in a good spot, trust me. I've said it a million times: I knew exactly what I was getting into when I got into it. My agent thoroughly traveled down every avenue that could possibly be traveled down. And I'll have my shot again hopefully."

When I asked Sale if he thought the traditionally conservative-spending White Sox would pony up the kind of money needed to keep him on the South Side for years to come, he said it was "too hard to even talk about" playing elsewhere.

"I love Chicago and I'm glad I'm here now," he said. "I appreciate it while I have it."

White Sox fans appreciated Sale while he was here, and no doubt many will be rooting for him when he takes the mound Tuesday to start the World Series.

Maybe someday he will come back to the place he loved, helping take the rebuild to the next step, as Jon Lester did in signing with the Cubs in 2014.

You can always dream.

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Sale's tale of illness rings hollow



Sale

Chris Sale has resumed throwing and said he's ready to pitch Game 1 of the World Series after missing an American League Championship Series start and being hospitalized with an illness.

Sale threw a bullpen session Saturday and said he will go through his normal routine before taking the mound at Fenway Park for Tuesday's opener.

First, though, the ace left-hander had some fun with reporters when asked about the ailment, saying it was caused by irritation from a bellybutton ring.

Although Sale remained deadpan during the comment, he has not been observed with a pierced navel.

Sale was initially slated to pitch Game 5 of the ALCS against the Astros but was ruled out after the illness left him weak.

Sale called it a dream to get the ball for Game 1 of the World Series.

"We're gonna grind like hell and give it everything we've got," he said.

— Associated Press

WORLD SERIES SCHEDULE
On FOX-32
Games 5-7 if necessary
G1: Tuesday
at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
G2: Wednesday.
at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
G3: Friday
at Dodgers, 7:09 p.m.
G4: Oct. 27
at Dodgers, 7:09 p.m.
G5: Oct. 28
at Dodgers 7:15 p.m
G6: Oct. 30
at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.
G7: Oct. 31
at Red Sox, 7:09 p.m.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

Lincoln-Way E. eyeing 8A repeat

BY MIKE CLARK
Chicago Tribune

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Lincoln-Way East set the bar as high as could be last football season, running the table en route to winning the Class 8A state championship.

Could this year's Griffins be even better? It's not a rhetorical question in Frankfort.

"This group's got a goal, and they want to be known as perhaps the best that's come through here," said coach Rob Zvonar, who has guided East to the playoffs every season and won two titles since the program's inception in 2001.

"To do that, you've got to duplicate or do a little better than what we did a year ago."

Next weekend, the Griffins (9-0) start their quest to become 8A's first repeat champion since Maine South won three straight titles from 2008-10.

Lincoln-Way East is one of three unbeatens — Brother Rice and Oswego are the others — in the 32-team 8A bracket, which was revealed Saturday along with pairings for the other seven classes. The Griffins earned the second seed in 8A by virtue of their opponents' win total, with Brother Rice first and Oswego third.

The Griffins feature a potent offense led by Illinois State commit Jack Baltz at quarterback and a deep crew of running backs — including AJ Henning, the state's top-ranked junior — and receivers.

They also have a defense that has allowed only 56 points while pitching five shutouts. No wonder East has been the consensus top-ranked team in the Chicago area and in 8A since the season began.

In Class 7A, the top six seeds are 9-0. Michigan State-bound quarterback Alante Brown leads top-seeded Simeon.

No. 2 seed Glenbard East is one of the year's feel-good stories due to a trio of milestones: first unbeaten regular season, first conference title since 1965 and first playoff berth since '99.

Defending 7A champ Batavia, seeded fourth, is seeking its third title in six years.

In 6A, Phillips (7-2) is trying to win its third title in three classes in a four-season span. The Wildcats, led by Alabama recruit Jahleel Billingsley, could see north bracket top seed Cary-Grove (9-0) in the quarterfinals. Richards (9-0) is the south's top seed.

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SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Bears	NE Noon CBS-2, AM-780						
Bulls		@DAL 7:30 NBCSCH, AM-670		CHA 7 NBCSCH, AM-670		@CHA 6 WGN-9, AM-670	@ATL 6:30 NBCSCH AM-670
Blackhawks	TAM 6 NBCSCH, AM-720		ANA 7:30 NBCSCH, AM-720		NYR 7:30 NBCSCH, AM-720		@STL 7 WGN-9 AM-720
Fire	@ATL 2 ESPN, AM-1200						

SUNDAY ON TV/RADIO

NBA		
8 p.m.	Rockets at Clippers	NBA TV
COLLEGE FIELD HOCKEY		
11 a.m.	Ohio State at Michigan	BTN
FIGURE SKATING		
3 p.m.	ISU Grand Prix: Skate America	NBCSN
NFL		
8:30 a.m.	Titans vs. Chargers	CBS-2
Noon	Patriots at Bears	CBS-2, WBBM-AM 780
3 p.m.	Saints at Ravens	FOX-32
3:25 p.m.	Cowboys at Redskins	CBS-2
7:20 p.m.	Bengals at Chiefs	NBC-5, WSCR-AM 670
GOLF		
6:30 a.m.	Andalucia Valderrama Masters	Golf Channel
1:30 p.m.	Dominion Energy Charity Classic	Golf Channel
5 p.m.	CJ Cup at Nine Bridges	Golf Channel
NHL		
6 p.m.	Lightning at Blackhawks	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720
AHL		
3 p.m.	Admirals at Wolves	NHL Network
MOTORSPORTS		
1:30 p.m.	NASCAR: Hollywood Casino 400	NBC-5
2 p.m.	Formula 1: United States Grand Prix	ABC-7
MLS		
2 p.m.	Fire at Atlanta United	ESPN
4 p.m.	Galaxy at Minnesota United	ESPN
PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER		
9:55 a.m.	Everton vs. Crystal Palace	NBCSN
BUNDESLIGA SOCCER		
8:30 a.m.	Hertha vs. Freiburg	FS1
SERIE A SOCCER		
5:25 a.m.	Frosinone Calcio vs. Empoli	ESPN2
WOMEN'S COLLEGE SOCCER		
Noon	Boston College at Duke	ESPNU
1 p.m.	Wisconsin at Ohio State	BTN
2 p.m.	Kansas at Baylor	ESPNU
4 p.m.	Mississippi State at Mississippi	ESPNU
TENNIS		
8 a.m.	Stockholm Open	Tennis Channel
WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL		
1 p.m.	Stanford at Oregon	ESPN2

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP TOP 25

RK. TEAM	CP	REC	PF	PA	SATURDAY/NEXT GAME *-A.M.
1. Alabama	1	8-0	433	127	Sat. **W** 58-21 at Tennessee
2. Ohio State	2	7-1	344	183	Sat. **L** 49-20 at Purdue
3. Clemson	3	7-0	294	94	Sat. **W** 41-7 vs. #16 N.C. State
4. Notre Dame	4	7-0	228	131	Oct. 27 vs. Navy in San Diego, 7
5. LSU	5	7-1	243	121	Sat. **W** 19-3 vs. #22 Mississippi State
6. Michigan	7	7-1	288	115	Sat. **W** 21-7 at #24 Michigan St.
7. Texas	8	6-1	215	161	Oct. 27 at Oklahoma St., 7
8. Georgia	6	6-1	273	114	Oct. 27 vs. #11 Florida, 2:30
9. Oklahoma	10	6-1	340	191	Sat. **W** 52-27 at TCU
10. UCF	9	7-0	311	127	Sat. **W** 37-10 at East Carolina
11. Florida	12	6-1	241	116	Oct. 27 at #8 Georgia, 2:30
12. Oregon	11	5-2	278	183	Sat. **L** 34-20 at #25 Washington State
13. West Virginia	13	5-1	221	123	Oct. 25 vs. Baylor, 6
14. Kentucky	17	6-1	190	90	Sat. **W** 14-7 vs. Vanderbilt
15. Washington	14	6-2	229	125	Sat. **W** 27-13 vs. Colorado
16. N.C. State	15	5-1	172	125	Sat. **L** 41-7 at #3 Clemson
17. Texas A&M	18	5-2	226	144	Oct. 27 at #22 Mississippi State, 6
18. Penn State	16	5-2	298	154	Sat. **W** 33-28 at Indiana
19. Iowa	22	6-1	214	99	Sat. **W** 23-0 vs. Maryland
20. Cincinnati	21	6-1	247	106	Sat. **L** 24-17 (OT) at Temple
21. South Florida	20	7-0	249	180	Sat. **W** 38-30 vs. Connecticut
22. Mississippi State	—	4-3	189	95	Sat. **L** 19-3 at #5 LSU
23. Wisconsin	19	5-2	231	140	Sat. **W** 49-20 vs. Illinois
24. Michigan State	—	4-3	164	155	Sat. **L** 21-7 vs. #6 Michigan
25. Washington St.	23	6-1	285	163	Sat. **W** 34-20 vs. #12 Oregon

CP-coaches poll; PF/A-points for/allowed

BIG TEN STANDINGS

WEST	CONF	ALL	PF	PA	SATURDAY/NEXT GAME *-11 A.M.
Northwestern	4-1	4-3	170	172	Sat. **W** 18-15 at Rutgers
Iowa	3-1	6-1	214	99	Sat. **W** 23-0 vs. Maryland
Wisconsin	3-1	5-2	231	140	Sat. **W** 49-20 vs. Illinois
Purdue	3-1	4-3	250	159	Sat. **W** 49-20 vs. #2 Ohio State
Illinois	1-3	3-4	173	238	Sat. **L** 49-20 at #23 Wisconsin
Nebraska	1-4	1-6	193	258	Sat. **W** 53-28 vs. Minnesota
Minnesota	0-4	3-4	181	200	Sat. **L** 53-28 at Nebraska
EAST	**CONF**	**ALL**	**PF**	**PA**	**SATURDAY/NEXT GAME**
Michigan	5-0	7-1	288	115	Sat. **W** 21-7 at #24 Michigan State
Ohio State	4-1	7-1	344	183	Sat. **L** 49-20 at Purdue
Penn State	2-2	5-2	298	154	Sat. **W** 33-28 at Indiana
Michigan St.	2-2	4-3	164	155	Sat. **L** 21-7 vs. #6 Michigan
Maryland	2-2	4-3	190	163	Sat. **L** 23-0 at #19 Iowa
Indiana	1-4	4-4	211	230	Sat. **L** 33-28 vs. #18 Penn State
Rutgers	0-5	1-7	121	270	Sat. **L** 18-15 vs. Northwestern

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

MIDWEST
Akron 24, Kent St. 23 (OT)
Aurora 25, Rockford 7
Buffalo 31, Toledo 17
Carroll (Wis.) 23, N. Park 0
Chicago 63, Beloit 0
Concordia (Wis.) 45, Concordia (Ill.) 34
Denison 27, Ohio Wesleyan 10
Doane 17, Briar Cliff 7
Dordt 49, Jamestown 18
Drake 28, Dayton 17
Dubuque 38, Buena Vista 7
E. Illinois 24, UT Martin 21 (OT)
E. Michigan 42, Ball St. 20
Eureka 50, Benedictine (Ill.) 20
Ferris St. 28, Saginaw Vall. St. 14
Franklin 64, Earlham 20
Grand Vall. St. 19, Davenport 14
Grand View 56, Graceland (Iowa) 14
Hanover 48, Manchester 14
Indiana St. 24, S. Illinois 21
John Carroll 27, Marietta 24
Knox 20, Illinois College 6
Lake Forest 24, Grinnell 0
Lakeland 38, Wis. Lutheran 12
Mac Murray 20, Iowa Wesleyan 13
Marian (Ind.) 48, Concordia (Mich.) 17
Millikin 14, Elmhurst 13
Missouri 65, Memphis 33
Monmouth (Ill.) 51, Cornell (Iowa) 0
Morningside 42, Northwestern (Iowa) 34
Mt. Union 54, Heidelberg 0
N. Dakota St. 28, Illinois St. 14
N. Michigan 65, Lawrence 7
N. Iowa 24, S. Dakota St. 9
N. Michigan 65, Lawrence 7
North Central 26, Carthage 14
Ohio 49, Bowling Green 14
Peru St. 26, William Penn 20, OT
Rose-Hulman 44, Anderson (Ind.) 6
SE Missouri 37, Jacksonville St. 14
San Diego 42, Butler 13
Simpson (Iowa) 38, Loras 33
St. Cloud St. 34, Upper Iowa 14
St. Francis (Ind.) 51, Missouri Baptist 7
St. Xavier 34, St. Ambrose 20
Trine 31, Finlandia 0
Truman St. 38, SW Baptist 14
W. Illinois 31, Missouri St. 14
W. Michigan 35, Cent. Michigan 10
Wabash 32, Oberlin 7
Wheaton (Ill.) 20, Augustana (Ill.) 3
Wis.-Eau Claire 40, Wis.-Platteville 16
Wis.-Oshkosh 24, Wis.-LaCrosse 13
Wis.-Whitewater 44, Wis.-River Falls 7
Wittenberg 38, DePauw 23

EAST
Army 31, Miami (Ohio) 30 (2 OT)
Bryant 42, Fordham 41
Coastal Carolina 24, UMass 13
Cornell 34, Brown 16
Dartmouth 28, Columbia 12
Delaware 38, New Hampshire 14
Duquesne 27, St. Francis (Pa.) 20
Georgetown 22, Lehigh 16, (2 OT)
Houston 49, Navy 36
Lafayette 29, Bucknell 27
Marist 48, Davidson 41 (2 OT)
Monmouth (NJ) 38, Campbell 21
Princeton 29, Harvard 21
Syracuse 40, North Carolina 37 (2 OT)

SOUTH
Appalachian St. 27, La.-Lafayette 17
Auburn 31, Mississippi 16
Florida State 38, Wake Forest 17
Liberty 48, Idaho St. 41
La. Tech 31, UTEP 24
Marshall 31, FAU 7
Middle Tenn. 21, Charlotte 13
Morehead St. 31, Valparaiso 24
Murray St. 34, E. Kentucky 6
Virginia 28, Duke 14
William & Mary 27, Maine 20
Wofford 30, ETSU 17

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 23, Tulsa 0
Texas Tech 48, Kansas 16

WEST
California 49, Oregon State 7
N. Colorado 42, N. Arizona 14
Utah St. 24, Wyoming 16

WISCONSIN 49, ILLINOIS 20

	1	2	3	4	F
Illinois	0	10	7	3	20
Wisconsin	14	14	14	7	49

First quarter **A:** 79,736.
WIS: Ingold 1 run (Gaglianone kick), 9:27
WIS: Cruickshank 23 run (Gaglianone kick), 7:01
Second quarter
ILL: Corbin 80 run (McLaughlin kick), 6:19
WIS: Ferguson 27 pass from Hornibrook (Gaglianone kick), 2:55
WIS: Penniston 11 pass from Hornibrook (Gaglianone kick), 1:41
ILL: FG McLaughlin 52, :00
Third quarter
ILL: Bonner 18 run (McLaughlin kick), 10:57
WIS: Deal 39 run (Gaglianone kick), 8:22
WIS: Ingold 19 pass from Hornibrook (Gaglianone kick), 2:14
Fourth quarter
ILL: FG McLaughlin 26, 14:05
WIS: Deal 6 run (Gaglianone kick), 8:05

TEAM STATS	ILL	WIS
First downs	13	31
Rushes-yards	36-210	54-357
Passing	90	188
Comp-att-int	9-21-3	13-22-2
Return yards	29	29
Punts-avg.	6-34.0	4-28.5
Fumbles-lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-yards	3-25	5-50
Possession time	22:08	37:52

Rushing: Ill.: Corbin 9-100, Bush 5-47, Bonner 6-38. **Wis.:** J.Taylor 27-159, Deal 12-111, Groshek 4-33.
Passing: Ill.: Rivers 7-13-1-80, Bush 2-8-2-10. **Wis.:** Hornibrook 13-22-2-188.
Receiving: Ill.: T.Davis 3-35, Green 2-28. **Wis.:** Da.Davis 4-48, Ferguson 3-62, Ingold 2-48.
Missed field goals: Wis.: Gaglianone 27

NORTHWESTERN 18, RUTGERS 15

	1	2	3	4	F
Northwestern	7	0	3	8	18
Rutgers	0	12	3	0	15

First quarter **A:** 32,514.
NU: Bowser 3 run (Luckenbaugh kick), 9:46
Second quarter
Rut: FG Davidovicz 42, 9:19
Rut: Pacheco 44 run (Davidovicz kick), 5:09
Rut: safety, 1:38
Third quarter
Rut: FG Davidovicz 26, 9:58
NU: FG Luckenbaugh 23, 5:13
Fourth quarter
NU: Bowser 5 run (Nagel pass from Thorson), 8:12

TEAM STATS	NU	Rut
First downs	20	10
Rushes-yards	47-128	26-107
Passing	150	81
Comp-att-int	17-34-0	15-31-0
Return yards	41	15
Punts-avg.	7-39.14	9-46.0
Fumbles-lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-yards	6-49	7-60
Possession time	34:23	25:37

Rushing: NU, Bowser 24-108, Hanaoka 6-26, D.Anderson 7-24, Jefferson 1-(minus 3), Thorson 9-(minus 27). **Rutgers,** Pacheco 11-76, Blackshear 6-23, Sneed 6-13, Sitkowski 3-(minus 5).
Passing: NU, Thorson 17-34-0-150. **Rutgers,** Sitkowski 15-31-0-81.
Receiving: NU, Nagel 8-71, Hanaoka 2-15, Chiaokhiao-Bowman 2-14, Lees 1-29, Skowronek 1-7, Bowser 1-6, C.Green 1-4, Fessler 1-4. **Rutgers,** E.Lewis 4-18, Sneed 3-23, Robinson 2-14, Vokolek 2-9, S.Jones 2-2, Blackshear 1-8, Pacheco 1-7.
Missed field goals: Rut, Davidovicz 47

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION
Sacramento: Signed F Troy Williams to a two-way contract.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Indianapolis: Released S Tray Matthews from the practice squad. Signed QB Phillip Walker to the practice squad.
LA Chargers: Waived LB Emmanuel Ellerbee. Signed RB Detrez Newsome from the practice squad.
N.Y. Jets: Released WR Terrelle Pryor. Signed WR Deontay Burnett from the practice squad.
San Francisco: Waived QB Tom Savage. Signed DB Tyvis Powell from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE
Nashville: Recalled G Miroslav Svoboda from Atlanta (ECHL) to Milwaukee (AHL).
St. Louis: Assigned F Nikita Soshnikov to San Antonio (AHL) for conditioning.

NFL

NFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
BEARS	3	2	0	.600	139	96
Green Bay	3	2	1	.583	148	144
Minnesota	3	2	1	.583	140	148
Detroit	2	3	0	.400	125	137
NFC EAST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Washington	3	2	0	.600	106	104
Dallas	3	3	0	.500	123	103
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500	137	117
N.Y. Giants	1	5	0	.167	117	162
NFC SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
New Orleans	4	1	0	.800	180	140
Carolina	3	2	0	.600	121	114
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	.400	141	173
Atlanta	2	4	0	.333	167	192
NFC WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
L.A. Rams	6	0	0	1.000	196	118
Seattle	3	3	0	.500	143	117
San Francisco	1	5	0	.167	148	179
Arizona	1	6	0	.143	92	184
AFC NORTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	174	158
Baltimore	4	2	0	.667	153	77
Pittsburgh	3	2	1	.583	171	154
Cleveland	2	3	1	.417	128	151
AFC EAST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
New England	4	2	0	.667	176	148
Miami	4	2	0	.667	130	145
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500	165	139
Buffalo	2	4	0	.333	76	138
AFC SOUTH	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Tennessee	3	3	0	.500	87	107
Houston	3	3	0	.500	135	137
Jacksonville	3	3	0	.500	109	126
Indianapolis	1	5	0	.167	152	180
AFC WEST	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PCT**	**PF**	**PA**
Kansas City	5	1	0	.833	215	172
L.A. Chargers	4	2	0	.667	175	144
Denver	3	4	0	.429	165	164
Oakland	1	5	0	.167	110	176

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
New England at **Bears**, noon (CBS-2)
Tennessee vs L.A. Chargers, 8:30 a.m. *(at Wembley Stadium, London)* (CBS-2)
Minnesota at N.Y. Jets, noon
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, noon
Detroit at Miami, noon
Houston at Jacksonville, noon
Carolina at Philadelphia, noon
Buffalo at Indianapolis, noon
New Orleans at Baltimore, 3:05 (FOX-32)
L.A. Rams at San Francisco, 3:25
Dallas at Washington, 3:25 (CBS-2)
Cincinnati at Kansas City, 7:20 (NBC-5)
Off: Sea., G.B.., Oak., Pit.
MONDAY'S SCHEDULE
N.Y. Giants at Atlanta, 7:15 (ESPN)

LATEST LINE

NBA
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		SUNDAY
at Cleveland	7	Atlanta
at Okla. City	off	Sacramento
Golden State	3½	at Denver
Houston	3	at LA Clippers

NHL

		SUNDAY	
at **Blackhawks**	off	Tampa Bay	off
Calgary	-130	at NY Rangers	+120
at Anaheim	off	Buffalo	off

NFL

WEEK 7		SUNDAY
New England	2½	at **Bears**
LA Chargers	6½	Tennessee
at Tampa Bay	3½	Cleveland
Detroit	3	at Miami
at Philadelphia	5	Carolina
at Indianapolis	7½	Buffalo
at Kansas City	6	Cincinnati
Minnesota	3½	at NY Jets
at Jacksonvlle	4	Houston
at Baltimore	2½	New Orleans
at Washington	1	Dallas
LA Rams	9	at San Fran.
		MONDAY
at Atlanta	4	NY Giants

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
Fire at Atlanta, 2
Columbus at Orlando City, 2
N.Y. Red Bulls at Philadelphia, 2
N.Y. City FC at D.C. United, 2
Toronto FC at Montreal, 2
Colorado at San Jose, 4
LA Galaxy at Minnesota, 4
Real Salt Lake at Portland, 4
Seattle at Houston, 4
Sporting KC at FC Dallas, 4
Vancouver at Los Angeles FC, 4

ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Chelsea 2, Man United 2
Bournemouth 0, Southampton 0
Watford 2, Wolverhampton 0
Man City 5, Burnley 0
Tottenham 1, West Ham 0
Cardiff 4, Fulham 2
Brighton 1, Newcastle 0
Liverpool 1, Huddersfield 0
SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
Everton vs. Crystal Palace, 10 a.m.
MONDAY'S SCHEDULE
Arsenal vs. Leicester, 2

TENNIS

STOCKHOLM OPEN

SF at Stockholm, Sweden; hard-indoor
Ernests Gulbis d. #1 J. Isner, 1-6, 6-3, 6-3
#3 S. Tsitsipas d. #2 F. Fognini, 6-3, 6-2

EUROPEAN OPEN

SF at Antwerp, Belgium; hard-indoor
#1 Kyle Edmund d.
#4 Richard Gasquet, 6-3, 6-4
#6 Gael Monfils d.
#2 Diego Schwartzman, 6-3, 6-4

KREMLIN CUP

At Moscow; hard-indoor
Men's Singles, Semifinals
#3 Karen Khachanov d.
#2 Daniil Medvedev, 6-1, 6-7 (5), 6-3
Adrian Mannarino d. A. Seppi, 7-5, 7-5
Women's Singles, Championship
#6 D. Kasatkina d. O. Jbr, 2-6, 7-6 (3), 6-4

LUXEMBOURG OPEN

Final at Luxembourg; hard-indoor
#1 Julia Goerges d. B. Bencic, 6-4, 7-5

MLB PLAYOFFS

BREWERS 7, DODGERS 2

NLCS GAME 6, LATE FRIDAY

LOS ANGELES	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Freese 1b	3	1	2	2	0	.250
Wood p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Floro p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Ferguson p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Grandal ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	.182
Muncy 2b-1b	3	0	0	0	1	.167
Turner 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.240
Machado ss	4	0	0	0	2	.261
Bellinger cf	4	0	0	0	1	.190
Taylor lf	2	0	1	0	0	.350
Pederson ph-lf	1	0	0	0	1	.250
Puig rf	4	0	0	0	1	.235
Barnes c	3	0	0	0	2	.143
Maeda p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Hill p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Kemp ph	1	0	0	0	0	.200
Ryu p	1	0	1	0	0	.500
Urias p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Dozier ph-2b	1	1	0	0	0	.111
TOTALS	**32**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**9**	

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Cain cf	5	2	2	0	1	.276
Yelich rf	4	1	1	0	1	.167
Braun lf	4	1	2	1	2	.280
Shaw 2b	3	0	0	0	2	.200
Perez ph-2b	1	0	0	0	0	.125
Aguilar 1b	4	2	3	3	1	.318
Moustakas 3b	4	1	1	1	2	.120
Kratz c	2	0	1	1	0	.154
Granderson ph	1	0	0	0	1	.250
Pina c	0	0	0	0	0	.500
Arcia ss	3	0	1	0	0	.318
Miley p	2	0	0	0	1	.500
Knebel p	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Jeffress p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Santana ph	1	0	0	0	1	.400
Burnes p	0	0	0	0	0	—
TOTALS	**35**	**7**	**11**	**6**	**13**	

Los Angeles	100	010	000 — 2	5	0
Milwaukee	410	000	11x — 7	11	0

LOB: LA 6, Mil 11. **2B:** Freese (1), Yelich (1), Braun (2), Aguilar 2 (3), Moustakas (1). **HR:** Freese (1).

LOS ANGELES	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Ryu, **L**, 0-1	3	7	5	5	2	3	8.59
Urias	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.00
Wood	1	0	0	0	2	3	2.70
Floro	⅔	1	0	0	0	1	0.00
Ferguson	⅓	0	0	0	0	1	0.00
Maeda	1	2	2	2	1	2	6.75
Hill	1	1	0	0	1	1	1.50
MILWAUKEE	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Miley	4⅓	5	2	2	2	4	1.80
Knebel, **W**, 1-0	1⅔	0	0	0	0	2	1.42
Jeffress, **H**, 2	1	0	0	0	0	1	5.40
Burnes	2	0	0	0	0	2	3.60

Maeda pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.
HBP: Wood (Kratz), Knebel (Pederson).
WP: Maeda. **Time:** 3:34. **A:** 43,619.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
Toronto	3	0	1.000	—	3-0	W-3	2-0	1-0	3-0
Boston	2	1	.667	1	2-1	W-1	1-0	1-1	2-1
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	1	2-1	W-2	2-0	0-1	2-1
Brooklyn	1	2	.333	2	1-2	L-1	1-0	0-2	1-2
New York	1	2	.333	2	1-2	L-2	1-1	0-1	1-2
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**L10**	**STK**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**CONF**
Charlotte	2	1	.667	—	2-1	W-2	0-1	2-0	2-1
Orlando	1	2	.333	1	1-2	L-2	1-1	0-1	1-2
Miami	1	2	.333	1	1-2	L-1	0-1	1-1	1-2
Atlanta	0	2	.000	1½	0-2	L-2	0-0	0-2	0-1
Washington	0	2	.000	1½	0-2	L-2	0-2	0-0	0-2
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**L10**	**STK**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**CONF**
Milwaukee	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	1-0	1-0	2-0
Detroit	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	1-0	1-0	2-0
Indiana	2	1	.667	½	2-1	W-1	2-0	0-1	1-1
Cleveland	0	2	.000	2	0-2	L-2	0-0	0-2	0-1
Chicago	0	2	.000	2	0-2	L-2	0-1	0-1	0-2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STK	HOME	AWAY	CONF
New Orleans	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	1-0	1-0	2-0
San Antonio	1	1	.500	1	1-1	L-1	1-0	0-1	1-1
Dallas	1	1	.500	1	1-1	W-1	1-0	0-1	1-1
Memphis	1	1	.500	1	1-1	W-1	1-0	0-1	0-0
Houston	1	1	.500	1	1-1	W-1	0-1	1-0	1-1
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**L10**	**STK**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**CONF**
Denver	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	1-0	1-0	2-0
Portland	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	2-0	0-0	2-0
Utah	1	1	.500	1	1-1	L-1	0-1	1-0	1-1
Minnesota	1	2	.333	1½	1-2	L-1	1-0	0-2	0-2
Oklahoma City	0	2	.000	2	0-2	L-2	0-0	0-2	0-2
PACIFIC	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**L10**	**STK**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**CONF**
Golden State	2	0	1.000	—	2-0	W-2	1-0	1-0	2-0
L.A. Clippers	1	1	.500	1	1-1	W-1	1-1	0-0	1-1
Phoenix	1	1	.500	1	1-1	L-1	1-0	0-1	1-1
L.A. Lakers	0	2	.000	2	0-2	L-2	0-1	0-1	0-2
Sacramento	0	2	.000	2	0-2	L-2	0-1	0-1	0-2

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Detroit 118, **Bulls** 116
Indiana 132, Brooklyn 112
Toronto 117, Washington 113
Boston 103, New York 101
Philadelphia 116, Orlando 115
Charlotte 113, Miami 112
Dallas 140, Minnesota 136
Denver 119, Phoenix 91
Portland 121, San Antonio 108
Houston 124, L.A. Lakers 115
SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
Atlanta at Cleveland, 5
Sacramento
at Oklahoma City, 6
Golden State at Denver, 7
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 8
MONDAY'S SCHEDULE
Bulls at Dallas, 7:30
Orlando at Boston, 6:30
Charlotte at Toronto, 6:30
New York at Milwaukee, 7
Indiana at Minnesota, 7
Memphis at Utah, 8
Washington at Portland, 9
Phoenix at Golden State, 9:30
San Antonio
at L.A. Lakers, 9:30
TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE
Philadelphia at Detroit, 6
L.A. Clippers at New Orleans, 7
Sacramento at Denver, 8
FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Charlotte 120, Orlando 88
Brooklyn 107, New York 105
Memphis 131, Atlanta 116
Toronto 113, Boston 101
Minnesota 131, Cleveland 123
New Orleans 149, Sacramento 129
Milwaukee 118, Indiana 101
Golden State 124, Utah 123
L.A. Clippers 108,
Oklahoma City 92

PISTONS 118, BULLS 116

DETROIT	MN	FG-A	FT-A	REB	A	PF	PTS
Griffin	34:34	12-23	4-6	4-12	5	1	33
Johnson	29:40	4-13	0-0	3-7	0	2	10
Drmmnd	23:33	5-13	0-0	4-13	0	6	10
Bullock	29:54	5-13	5-5	0-1	1	3	16
Jackson	28:04	4-9	6-6	1-1	6	4	18
Smith	27:50	6-11	0-0	0-3	5	3	15
Galloway	26:09	2-7	0-0	1-1	3	0	6
Pachulia	23:08	1-7	3-6	5-8	1	3	5
Rbnsn III	13:04	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	0	5
Calderon	4:04	0-1	0-0	0-1	0	1	0
TOTALS		**41-101**	**18-23**	**18-49**	**21**	**23**	**118**

Pcts: FG .406, FT .783. **3-pointers:** 18-40, .450 (Griffin 5-7, Jackson 4-7, Smith 3-5). **Team rebs:** 12. **Team turnovers:** 9 (8 PTS). **Blocks:** 4 (Bullock, Drummond, Griffin, Johnson). **Turnovers:** 9 (Bullock 2, Jackson 2, Smith 2, Drummond, Johnson, Robinson III). **Steals:** 5 (Pachulia 2, Bullock, Galloway, Smith). **Technical fouls:** coach Pistons (Defensive three second), 5:26 first.

BULLS	MN	FG-A	FT-A	REB	A	PF	PTS
Holiday	34:27	6-8	5-5	0-6	2	1	19
Portis	29:21	2-12	2-4	2-14	5	3	6
Carter Jr.	17:40	4-6	0-0	0-2	1	3	8
LaVine	36:57	12-21	7-9	0-3	3	3	33
Payne	28:21	6-12	5-5	1-3	4	3	17
Lopez	25:17	3-6	1-1	0-2	3	4	7
Parker	23:42	5-13	1-2	2-6	1	3	13
Arcdcno	22:45	1-3	0-0	0-1	7	0	3
Blakeney	21:30	5-6	0-0	0-4	0	0	10
TOTALS		**44-87**	**21-26**	**5-41**	**26**	**20**	**116**

Pcts: FG .506, FT .808. **3-pointers:** 7-21, .333 (Holiday 2-3, Parker 2-3). **Team rebs:** 11. **Team turnovers:** 12 (12 PTS). **Blocks:** 3 (Carter Jr. 2, Lopez). **Turnovers:** 12 (LaVine 3, Lopez 3, Carter Jr. 2, Portis 2, Arcidiacono, Payne). **Steals:** 4 (Holiday 2, Blakeney, Portis). **Technical fouls:** coach Bulls (Defensive three second), 7:32 first; coach Bulls (Defensive three second), 3:40 third.

Detroit	25	35	25	33	— 118
BULLS	27	31	26	32	— 116

A: 21,289.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV
Toronto	9	6	3	0	12	34	30	2-3-0	4-0-0	2-1-0
Montreal	7	4	1	2	10	24	19	3-1-0	1-0-2	1-0-2
Boston	8	4	2	2	10	27	23	3-0-0	1-2-2	3-0-0
Tampa Bay	6	4	1	1	9	22	15	4-1-0	0-0-1	2-0-0
Ottawa	7	4	2	1	9	28	25	3-1-1	1-1-0	2-1-0
Buffalo	8	4	4	0	8	18	23	2-2-0	2-2-0	0-1-0
Florida	6	1	2	3	5	21	25	0-2-1	1-0-2	0-0-2
Detroit	8	1	5	2	4	19	36	0-1-1	1-4-1	1-4-0
METRO	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**DIV**
Carolina	8	4	3	1	9	26	25	2-1-1	2-2-0	2-0-1
New Jersey	6	4	2	0	8	22	14	4-1-0	0-1-0	1-1-0
Pittsburgh	6	3	1	2	8	20	20	2-1-1	1-0-1	1-0-0
Columbus	7	4	3	0	8	23	26	2-2-0	2-1-0	1-1-0
Washington	7	3	2	2	8	29	28	3-1-1	0-1-1	1-1-1
Philadelphia	8	4	4	0	8	30	33	2-2-0	2-2-0	1-1-0
N.Y. Islanders	7	3	4	0	6	20	20	1-1-0	2-3-0	1-0-0
N.Y. Rangers	7	2	4	1	5	18	24	2-2-0	0-2-1	0-1-1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OT	PTS	GF	GA	HOME	AWAY	DIV
Nashville	8	7	1	0	14	27	15	3-1-0	4-0-0	2-0-0
Colorado	8	5	1	2	12	29	19	2-0-1	3-1-1	1-0-0
Winnipeg	8	5	2	1	11	24	20	4-0-1	1-2-0	1-2-0
Chicago	7	4	1	2	10	27	26	1-1-1	3-0-1	2-0-1
Minnesota	8	4	2	2	10	22	24	3-0-2	1-2-0	2-2-0
Dallas	7	3	4	0	6	19	21	3-2-0	0-2-0	1-1-0
St. Louis	7	2	3	2	6	21	24	1-2-1	1-1-1	0-1-2
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**PTS**	**GF**	**GA**	**HOME**	**AWAY**	**DIV**
Anaheim	8	5	2	1	11	22	18	2-0-1	3-2-0	2-1-1
Vancouver	8	5	3	0	10	25	24	2-0-0	3-3-0	1-1-0
San Jose	8	4	3	1	9	26	21	2-1-0	2-2-1	1-1-0
Calgary	7	4	3	0	8	26	23	2-1-0	2-2-0	1-1-0
Vegas	8	4	4	0	8	18	21	2-1-0	2-3-0	1-0-0
Edmonton	6	3	3	0	6	13	19	1-1-0	2-2-0	0-0-0
Los Angeles	8	2	5	1	5	15	28	1-2-1	1-3-0	0-0-1
Arizona	7	2	5	0	4	11	17	0-2-0	2-3-0	1-1-0

*Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs. *-late game not included*

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Blackhawks 4, Columbus 1
Philadelphia 5, New Jersey 2
Colorado 3, Carolina 1
Buffalo 5, Los Angeles 1
Winnipeg 5, Arizona 3
Ottawa 4, Montreal 3 (OT)
Detroit 4, Florida 3 (OT)
Minnesota 5, Tampa Bay 4 (OT)
Nashville 3, Edmonton 0
Vancouver 2, Boston 1 (OT)
Vegas 3, Anaheim 1
San Jose 4, N.Y. Islanders 1
SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
Tampa Bay at **Blackhawks**, 6
Calgary at N.Y. Rangers, 6
Buffalo at Anaheim, 7
MONDAY'S SCHEDULE
Colorado at Philadelphia, 6
Carolina at Detroit, 6:30
St. Louis at Winnipeg, 7
Washington at Vancouver, 9
FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Florida 6, Washington 5 (SO)
Minnesota 3, Dallas 1
Nashville 5, Calgary 3

BLACKHAWKS 4, BLUE JACKETS 1

	1	2	3	F
BLACKHAWKS	1	0	3	4
Columbus	1	0	0	1

FIRST PERIOD: 1, BLACKHAWKS, DeBrincat 7 (Kahun, Seabrook), 3:48. **2, Columbus,** Werenski 2 (Wennberg, Nutivaara), 12:09. **Penalties:** Jokiharju, CHI, (tripping), 11:06
SECOND PERIOD: No scoring. **Penalties:** Jokiharju, CHI, (cross checking), 2:00
THIRD PERIOD: 3, BLACKHAWKS, Fortin 1, 7:43. **4, BLACKHAWKS,** Kane 6 (Schmaltz, Seabrook), 15:46. **5, BLACKHAWKS,** Kane 7 (Anisimov), 18:23. **Penalties:** None.
SHOTS ON GOAL: BLACKHAWKS 10-5-11—26. Columbus 12-16-10—38.
POWER PLAYS: BLACKHAWKS 0-of-3
Goalies: BLACKHAWKS, Crawford 1-1-0 (38 shots-37 saves). Columbus, Bobrovsky 2-3-0 (24-22). **A:** 17,005.

GOLF

CJ CUP

3rd of 4 rds at Nine Bridges, Jeju Island, South Korea; 7,196 yds; Par 72
203 (-13)
Brooks Koepka 71-65-67
207 (-9)
Ian Poulter 70-69-68
Scott Piercy 70-65-72
208 (-8)
R. Cabrera Bello 73-70-65
Cameron Smith 74-67-67
Jamie Lovemark 72-68-68
Pat Perez 72-68-68
Gary Woodland 73-67-68
Chez Reavie 68-70-70
209 (-7)
Ted Potter Jr. 77-67-65
Jason Day 73-71-65
Ryan Armour 73-67-69
210 (-6)
Paul Casey 71-73-66
Brendan Steele 74-71-65
Si Woo Kim 69-73-68
J.J. Spaun 71-70-69
211 (-5)
H. Matsuyama 71-74-66
Keith Mitchell 75-69-67
J.B. Holmes 73-70-68
Ryan Palmer 72-70-69
212 (-4)
Austin Cook 70-75-67
G. McDowell 71-72-69
Sung Kang 75-67-70
Kevin Na 73-69-70
Alex Noren 74-65-73

BUICK SHANGHAI

3rd of 4 rds at Qizhong Garden GC, Shanghai; 6,710 yds; Par 72
205 (-11)
Carlota Ciganda 70-68-67
Sei Young Kim 67-67-71
206 (-10)
Angel Yin 73-65-68
B. Altomare 71-66-69
Danielle Kang 67-68-71
Ariya Jutanugarn 66-69-71
207 (-9)
Yu Liu 69-69-69
208 (-8)
Paula Creamer 68-71-69
Minjee Lee 68-70-70
Bronte Law 69-68-71

DOMINION ENERGY CHARITY CLASSIC

2nd of 3 rds at The CC of Virginia; Richmond, Va.; 7,025 yds; Par 72
133 (-11)
Jay Haas 68-65
135 (-9)
Stephen Ames 68-67
Scott Dunlap 67-68
136 (-8)
Bernhard Langer 70-66
Billy Mayfair 69-67
Woody Austin 68-68

ANDALUCIA VALDERRAMA MASTERS

2nd of 4 rds at Valderrama GC; Sotogrande, Spain; 6,991 yds; Par 71
132 (-10)
Sergio Garcia 68-64
136 (-6)
Ashley Chesters 66-70
138 (-4)
Marc Warren 69-69
Alvaro Quiros 68-70
G. Fernandez-Castano 70-68

AUTO RACING

NASCAR HOLLYWOOD CASINO 400

Sunday's lineup, at Kansas Speedway, Kansas City, Kan. (MK-make; C-Chevrolet; F-Ford; T-Toyota)

SP	NO.	DRIVER	MK	MPH
1.	22	Joey Logano	F	191.646
2.	4	Kevin Harvick	F	191.178
3.	10	Aric Almirola	F	190.968
4.	12	Ryan Blaney	F	190.934
5.	2	Brad Keselowski	F	190.725
6.	20	Erik Jones	T	190.570
7.	18	Kyle Busch	T	190.543
8.	19	Daniel Suarez	T	190.449
9.	11	Denny Hamlin	T	190.027
10.	88	Alex Bowman	C	189.994
11.	41	Kurt Busch	F	189.593
12.	78	Martin Truex Jr.	T	189.387
13.	9	Chase Elliott	C	190.027
14.	14	Clint Bowyer	F	189.980
15.	17	Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	F	189.787
16.	31	Ryan Newman	C	189.747
17.	24	William Byron	C	189.733
18.	21	Paul Menard	F	189.122
19.	6	Trevor Bayne	F	189.095
20.	1	Jamie McMurray	C	188.818
21.	37	Chris Buescher	C	188.818
22.	48	Jimmie Johnson	C	188.627
23.	3	Austin Dillon	C	188.547
24.	34	Michael McDowell	F	187.891
25.	47	AJ Allmendinger	C	187.715
26.	95	Regan Smith	C	187.467
27.	42	Kyle Larson	C	187.162
28.	38	David Ragan	F	187.136
29.	43	Bubba Wallace	C	186.554
30.	13	Ty Dillon	C	186.079
31.	32	Matt DiBenedetto	F	185.612
32.	15	Ross Chastain	C	183.993
33.	96	Jeffrey Earnhardt	T	183.250
34.	72	Corey LaJoie	C	183.138
35.	00	Landon Cassill	C	182.278
36.	23	JJ Yeley	T	181.184
37.	99	Kyle Weatherman	C	180.650
38.	51	BJ McLeod	C	178.141
39.	7	Reed Sorenson	C	177.889
40.	66	Timmy Hill	T	177.708

AHL

SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Grand Rapids 5, **Wolves 3**
Springfield 4, Laval 2
Toronto 3, Hartford 2
Hershey 2, Charlotte 0
Cleveland 4, Binghamton 0
Providence 5, Bridgeport 2
Lehigh Valley 6, WB/Scranton 3
Utica 4, Syracuse 3
Belleville 5, Rochester 4 (OT)
Texas 3, Iowa 1
San Jose 4, Stockton 2
Colorado 5, Ontario 3
Rockford 5, Tucson, 3
San Diego 5, Bakersfield 4
SUNDAY'S SCHEDULE
Milwaukee at **Wolves**, 3
San Antonio at Manitoba, 2
Lehigh Valley at Bridgeport, 2
Stockton at San Jose, 5

PREP FOOTBALL

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Carver 51, Kelly 12
Corliss 18, DuSable 0
Dunbar 36, Amundsen 0
Dyett 52, CICS-Longwood 6
Hope Academy 47, Guerin 0
Hyde Park d. Lake View, forfeit
Joliet Central 20, Joliet West 9
Kennedy 38, Little Village 34
Lake Zurich 48, Waukegan 0
Lincoln Park 14, Morgan Park 6
Loyola 28, Providence 7
Marshall 14, King 6
Mount Carmel 49, Fenwick 7
Phoenix Academy 34, Bronzeville 0
Roosevelt 26, Juarez 6
Sullivan 36, SSICP 6
Simeon 40, Curie 0
St. Rita 40, DePaul College Prep 0
Urban Prep/Englewood 35, Goode 0
Walther Christian d.
Rockford Sacred Heart, forfeit
Westinghouse 28, Lane 0

IN BRIEF

BASEBALL: Astros 2B Jose Altuve underwent surgery to repair his fractured right kneecap and is expected to be ready for spring training. ... Astros RHP Justin Verlander was briefly shown nude on TV footage in the background during an interview of SS Carlos Correa after the Astros lost to the Red Sox in the ALCS. ... The Marlins are expected to land baseball's top-rated international free agent, Cuban OF Victor Victor Mesa, according to the South Florida Sun Sentinel.

GOLF: Brooks Koepka improved his chances of taking over as world No. 1, shooting a 5-under 67 for a four-stroke lead after three rounds of the CJ Cup at Nine Bridges in Jeju Island, South Korea. Koepka's 13-under 203 leads Ian Poulter (68) and Scott Piercy (72). ... Defending champion Sergio Garcia is four shots clear at the Valderrama Masters heading into the final round in San Roque, Spain. Garcia shot a 7-under 64 to lead Ashley Chesters (70). ... Jay Haas shot a 7-under 65 — missing his age by a stroke — to take a two-shot lead at 133 in the PGA Tour Champions' playoff-opening Dominion Energy Charity Classic in Richmond, Va. ... Carlota Ciganda fired a 5-under 67 to share the lead with Sei Young Kim (71) at 11-under 205 after the third round of the LPGA Shanghai.

NFL: Raiders RB Marshawn Lynch will miss at least a month because of a groin injury, NFL Network reported. ... The Jets released WR Terrelle Pryor, who is dealing with a groin injury. ... The NFL flexed Sunday's contest between the Bengals (4-2) and the Chiefs (5-1) to a night game on NBC. ... Chargers RB Melvin Gordon was downgraded to questionable for Sunday's game against the Titans because of a hamstring injury. ... The NFL fined Bengals LB Vontaze Burfict $112,000 for multiple unnecessary-roughness penalties in Sunday's loss to the Steelers. ... Bills rookie WR Ray-Ray McCloud was ruled out against the Colts for a "non-injury reason." ... Dick Modzelewski, a star DT for the Giants in the 1950s and '60s, died at 87 in Eastlake, Ohio. Modzelewski spent 14 years in the NFL and is in the College Football Hall of Fame.

SOCCER: Lionel Messi broke his right forearm and will be sidelined for about three weeks. Messi was trying to reclaim the ball for Barcelona when he ran into the back of a Sevilla defender and fell. Trying to cushion his landing, his right elbow bent badly. He had scored earlier in Barcelona's 4-2 win. ... Ross Barkley scored in injury time to earn Chelsea a 2-2 draw against Manchester United in the Premier League and spark a fracas involving Man U manager Jose Mourinho. A Chelsea coach celebrated wildly in front of United's bench and clearly angered Mourinho, who leaped to his feet and was soon in the middle of a melee that included security staff and players from both sides. ... Cristiano Ronaldo became the first player to net 400 goals across Europe's top five leagues, scoring in Juventus' 1-1 draw against Genoa.

TENNIS: Ernests Gulbis reached his first ATP final since 2014 by beating top-seeded John Isner 1-6, 6-3, 6-3 at the Stockholm Open. Gulbis will play Stefanos Tsitsipas.

IHSA FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

In bracket order; dates and times to be announced Monday; state finals Nov. 23-24 at Memorial Stadium in Champaign.

CLASS 8A
#32 Zion-Benton (5-4)
at #1 Brother Rice (9-0)
#17 New Trier (7-2)
at #16 Oak Park-River Forest (7-2)
#25 Neuqua Valley (6-3)
at #8 Warren (8-1)
#24 Conant (6-3)
at # 9 Hinsdale Central (7-2)
#29 Fremd (5-4)
at #4 Homewood-Flossmoor (8-1)
#20 Barrington (6-3)
at #13 Oswego East (7-2)
#28 Stevenson (6-3) at #5 Marist (8-1)
#21 Naperville Central (6-3)
at #12 Plainfield South (7-2)
#31 St. Charles East (5-4)
at #2 Lincoln-Way East (9-0)
#18 Glenbard West (7-2)
at #15 Bartlett (7-2)
#26 South Elgin (6-3)
at #7 West Aurora (8-1)
#23 Edwardsville (6-3)
at #10 Evanston (7-2)
#30 Taft (5-4) at #3 Oswego (9-0)
#19 Loyola (6-3) at #14 Minooka (7-2)
#27 Huntley (6-3) at #6 Maine South (8-1)
#22 Waubonsie Valley (6-3)
at #11 Bolingbrook (7-2)

CLASS 7A
#32 Rockford East (5-4) at #1 Simeon (9-0)
#17 Lincoln-Way West (7-2)
at #16 Machesney Park Harlem (7-2)
#25 Andrew (6-3) at #8 Nazareth (8-1)
#24 Lincoln-Way Central (6-3)
at #9 Hersey (8-1)
#29 Granite City (5-4)
at #4 Batavia (9-0)
#20 Glenbrook North (7-2)
at #13 Moline (8-1)
#28 Lincoln Park (5-4)
at #5 Willowbrook (9-0)
#21 Benet (6-3) at #12 Maine West (8-1)
#31 Prospect (5-4)
at #2 Glenbard East (9-0)
#18 Hoffman Estates (7-2)
at #15 East St. Louis (7-2)
#26 T.F. South (6-3)
at #7 Mount Carmel (8-1)
#23 Lake Zurich (6-3)
at #10 DeKalb (8-1)
#30 Buffalo Grove (5-4)
at #3 Hononegah (9-0)
#19 Belleville West (7-2) at
#14 Wheaton Warrenville South (8-1)
#27 Alton (5-4)
at #6 Rolling Meadows (9-0)
22 St. Charles North (6-3)
at #11 Normal Community (8-1)

CLASS 6A
#16 Wauconda (5-4)
at #1 Cary-Grove (9-0)
#9 Von Steuben (6-3)
at #8 Kaneland (6-3)
#13 Lake Forest (5-4)
at #4 Phillips (7-2)
#12 Hinsdale South (6-3)
at #5 Prairie Ridge (7-2)
#15 Reavis (5-4) at #2 Antioch (9-0)
#10 Belvidere North (6-3)
at #7 Lakes (7-2)
#14 Crystal Lake South (5-4)
at #3 Kenwood (8-1)
#11 St. Ignatius (6-3)
at #6 Notre Dame (7-2)
#16 Rock Island (5-4)
at #1 Richards (9-0)
#9 Dunlap (7-2) at #8 Yorkville (7-2)
#13 Peoria Notre Dame (6-3)
at #4 Normal West (8-1)
#12 Springfield (6-3)
at #5 Shepard (7-2)
#15 Providence (5-4)
at #2 Washington, Ill. (9-0)
#10 Quincy (7-2) at
#7 Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin (7-2)
#14 Lemont (5-4)
at #3 Chatham Glenwood (8-1)
#11 Crete-Monee (6-3)
at #6 Bloomington (7-2)

CLASS 5A
#16 Evergreen Park (5-4)
at #1 Payton (9-0)
#9 Back of the Yards (6-3)
at #8 Elmwood Park (7-2)
#13 Woodstock North (5-4)
at #4 Montini (8-1)
#12 Rochelle (5-4)
at #5 Sycamore (7-2)
#15 Phoenix (5-4) at #2 Sterling (8-1)
#10 Brooks (6-3) at #7 Hyde Park (7-2)
#14 Glenbard South (5-4)
at #3 Boylan Catholic (8-1)
#11 Amundsen (5-4)
at #6 St. Francis (7-2)
#16 Jerseyville (5-4)
at #1 Hillcrest (9-0)
#9 Morton, Ill. (6-3)
at #8 Decatur MacArthur (6-3)
#13 Mt. Zion (6-3)
at #4 Cahokia (8-1)
#12 Champaign Central (6-3)
at #5 Carbondale (7-2)
#15 Rich Central (5-4)
at #2 Highland (9-0)
#10 Mascoutah (6-3)
at #7 Mattoon (6-3)
#14 Joliet Catholic (5-4)
at #3 Metamora (8-1)
#11 Rich East (6-3) at #6 Marion (6-3)

CLASS 4A
#16 Raby (5-4) at #1 IC Catholic (9-0)
#9 Stillman Valley (6-3)
at #8 Dixon (6-3)
#13 St. Edward (5-4)
at #4 Urban Prep-Bronzeville (8-1)
#12 Sullivan (6-3) at #5 Marengo (7-2)
#15 Wheaton Academy (5-4)
at #2 Coal City (8-1)
#10 Johnsburg (6-3)
at #7 Ag Science (7-2)
#14 Plano (5-4)
at #3 Richmond-Burton (8-1)
#11 Clemente (6-3)
at #6 Genoa-Kingston (7-2)
#16 Chillicothe IVC (5-4)
at #1 Taylorville (9-0)
#9 Freeburg (7-2) at #8 Columbia (7-2)
#13 Breese Central (6-3)
at #4 Rochester (8-1)
#12 Herrin (7-2) at #5 Pontiac (8-1)
#15 Salem (6-3) at #2 Paris (9-0)
#10 Effingham (7-2)
at #7 Breese Mater Dei (7-2)
#14 Olney Richland County (6-3)
at #3 Bishop McNamara (8-1)
#11 Fairbury Prairie Central (7-2)
at #6 Murphysboro (7-2)

CLASS 3A
#16 Rock Island Alleman (5-4)
at #1 Byron (9-0)
#9 Princeton (6-3)
at #8 Elmwood-Brimfield (6-3)
#13 Dwight (6-3) at #4 Lisle (8-1)
#12 Oneida Mid-County (6-3)
at #5 Poplar Grove North Boone (7-2)
#15 Herscher (5-4) at #2 Dunbar (8-1)
#10 Spring Valley Hall (6-3)
at #7 Clark (6-3)
#14 Urban Prep-Englewood (5-4)
at #3 Eureka (8-1)
#11 Wilmington (6-3)
at #6 Monmouth-Roseville (7-2)
#16 St. Joseph-Ogden (5-4)
at #1 Monticello (9-0)
#9 West Frankfort (7-2)
at #8 Anna-Jonesboro (7-2)
#13 Greenville (6-3)
at #4 Farmington (9-0)
#12 Pleasant Plains (6-3)
at #5 Beardstown (8-1)
#15 East Alton-Wood River (6-3)
at #2 Carlinville (9-0)
#10 Paxton-Buckley-Loda (6-3)
at #7 Vandalia (7-2)
#14 Newton (6-3) at #3 Fairfield (9-0)
#11 DuQuoin (6-3)
at #6 Williamsville (8-1)

CLASS 2A
#16 Watseka (5-4)
at #1 Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley (9-0)
#9 Knoxville (6-3)
at #8 Hope Academy (7-2)
#13 Aledo Mercer County (5-4)
at #4 Carthage Illini West (9-0)
#12 Rockford Christian (6-3)
at #5 Sterling Newman (8-1)
#15 Minonk Fieldcrest (5-4)
at #2 Orion (9-0)
#10 Taylor Ridge Rockridge (6-3)
at #7 Clifton Central (7-2)
#14 Harlan (5-4)
at #3 Lanark Eastland-Pearl City (9-0)
#11 Chicago Christian (6-3)
at #6 Collins (8-1)
#16 Staunton (5-4)
at #1 Decatur St. Teresa (9-0)
#9 Athens (7-2) at #8 Eldorado (7-2)
#13 Fithian Oakwood (5-4)
at #4 Pana (8-1)
#12 Downs Tri-Valley (5-4)
at #5 Nashville (8-1)
#15 Jacksonville Routt (5-4)
at #2 Maroa-Forsyth (9-0)
#10 Chester (6-3)
at #7 Warrensburg-Latham (7-2)
#14 Villa Grove-Heritage (5-4)
at #3 Tuscola (8-1)
#11 Hamilton West Hancock (6-3)
at #6 Bismarck-Henning (8-1)

CLASS 1A
#16 Polo (5-4) at #1 Princeville (9-0)
#9 Aurora Christian (6-3) at
#8 Annawan-Kewanee Wethersfield (6-3)
#13 Lewistown (5-4)
at #4 Lena-Winslow (8-1)
#12 LeRoy (5-4) at #5 Orr (8-1)
#15 Orangeville (5-4)
at #2 Ottawa Marquette (9-0)
#10 Dakota (6-3) at #7 Stockton (7-2)
#14 Fulton (5-4)
at #3 Milledgeville (9-0)
#11 Kirkland Hiawatha (6-3)
at #6 Forreston (7-2)
#16 Cerro Gordo-Bement (5-4)
at #1 Argenta-Oreana (9-0)
#9 Toledo Cumberland (7-2)
at #8 Fisher (7-2)
#13 Moweaqua Central A&M (6-3)
at #4 Bridgeport Red Hill (8-1)
#12 Albion Edwards County (6-3)
at #5 Madison (8-1)
#15 Greenfield-Northwestern (6-3)
at #2 Camp Point Central (8-1)
#10 Carrollton (6-3)
at #7 Sesser-Valier (7-2)
#14 Georgetown-Ridge Farm (6-3)
at #3 Concord Triopia (8-1)
#11 Catlin Salt Fork (6-3)
at #6 Arcola (7-2)

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No longer a matchup problem

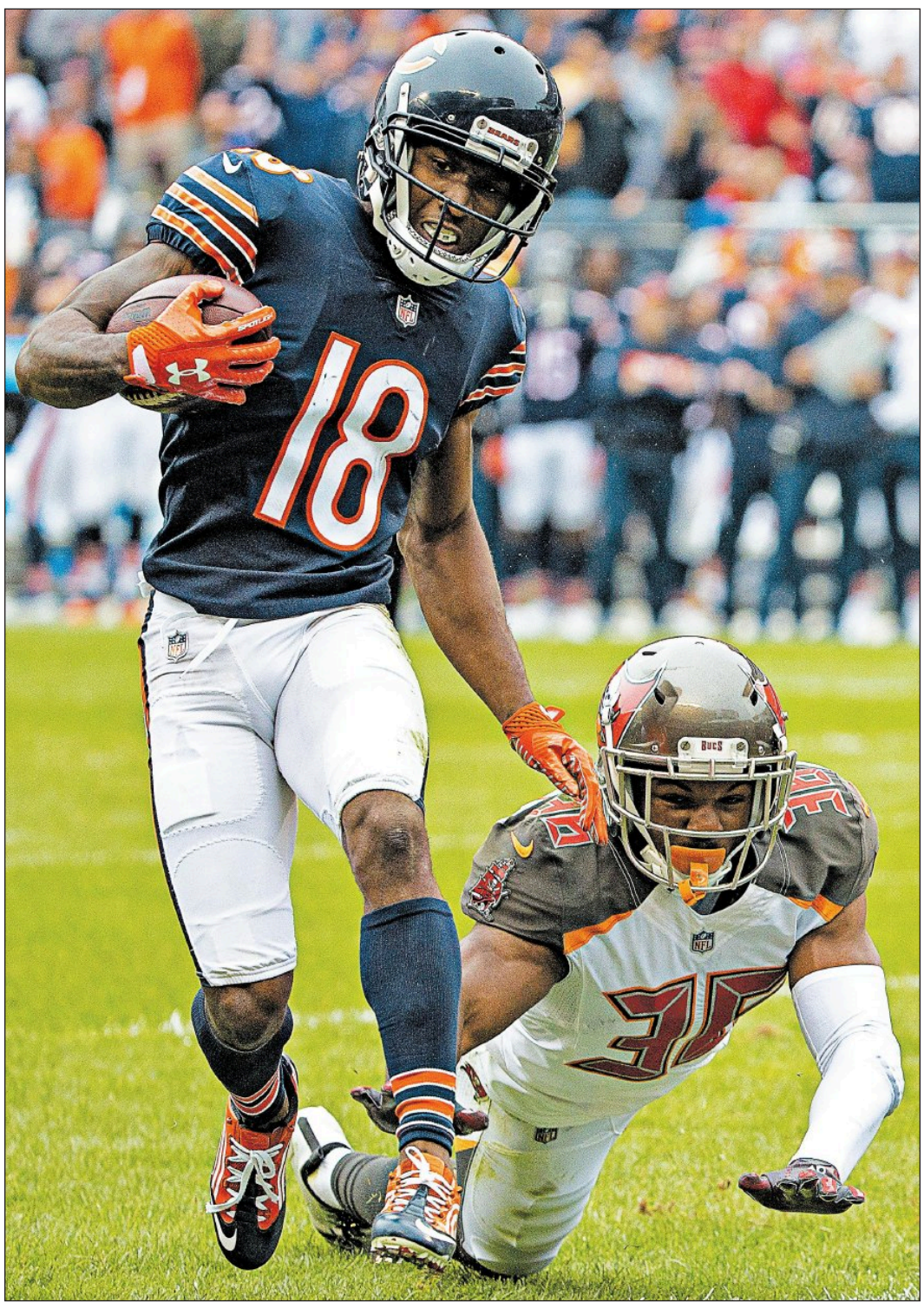
The Bears will look to stay above .500 on Sunday when they host the Patriots at Soldier Field. Coming off a tough-to-stomach overtime loss to the Dolphins in Miami, Matt Nagy's team understands it will have to be much sharper in all three phases to upset a team that rarely beats itself. But the Bears also sense a window of opportunity to make a statement against a respected but vulnerable opponent. This isn't the mismatch it might have been the last two or three years. It certainly won't be a walloping like the Bears experienced in a 51-23 loss to the Patriots in 2014 in Foxborough, Mass. Here are our three keys for the Bears to wind up on the winning side Sunday.

1 **Trust Matt Nagy.**
Pregame analysis: A year ago, as Chiefs offensive coordinator, Nagy helped spark a 42-27 Week 1 upset of the Patriots by contributing to an offensive game plan that produced 537 total yards and six touchdowns. Last week, the Chiefs rolled up 446 yards and scored 40 points in a three-point loss to the Patriots, finding ways to attack with an offensive system similar to what the Bears now use. Somewhere in all that, Nagy should be able to sift through the details and find plays and concepts the Bears can use to strain the Patriots defense. As it stands, the Patriots rank 20th in yards allowed per play (5.85). They also rank last in sack rate, taking down quarterbacks on just 2.98 percent of pass attempts. This should be his most fun test yet.

2 **Keep the "Chicken Salad" coming.**
Pregame analysis: Over the last two games, running back Tarik Cohen has proved his value as a matchup gem for the Bears. The totals: 63 snaps, 32 touches, 305 yards from scrimmage, two touchdowns. Nagy continues to involve Cohen in a variety of ways that keep opposing defenses guessing. And it was clear this week that Cohen has caught Bill Belichick's attention. The floor is yours, Bill. "He's hard to find," Belichick said. "He's a dynamic player who can run, catch and really threaten every yard of the field — from sideline to sideline, up the middle, deep. You can throw it to him. You can hand it to him. ... He's a special player that you have to know where he is at all times."

3 **Beat the slot machine.**
Pregame analysis: A week after Dolphins slot receiver Albert Wilson ripped through the Bears defense for 155 yards and two touchdowns, Vic Fangio's group will now face Tom Brady, a legendary quarterback who is surgical with the way he uses his slot guys. For Brady, the slot receiver has been the engine behind the Patriots' offensive efficiency forever. And it was no coincidence that the star quarterback was out of sorts some in September while Julian Edelman was serving his four-game suspension for violating the league's performance-enhancing drug policy. Edelman has 11 catches for 111 yards and a touchdown in two games since returning.

—Dan Wiederer



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After back-to-back 100-yard-receiving games, Taylor Gabriel _____.

BRAD BIGGS

Is emerging as the preferred deep-ball target.

Gabriel has the speed to challenge any cornerback, and for an undersized wide receiver — he's 5-foot-8, 165 pounds — he does a really nice job on the outside and tracks the ball well. The Bears are leaning on Gabriel a lot more than the Falcons did last season, and the biggest concern with a smaller speed player is health. He's doing quite well and certainly fits exactly what Matt Nagy sought in a receiver opposite Allen Robinson.

RICH CAMPBELL

Will make defenses respect a vertical passing attack.

That's an element that didn't threaten anyone through the first three games. Gabriel's diving, twisting grab on the 47-yarder could easily end up as the Bears' catch of the year. The degree of difficulty was 10 out of 10, and he demonstrated he's much more than a weapon in the screen game. Over the long haul, Gabriel must prove he can stay healthy playing 80 percent of the snaps, but so far, he's validating what the Bears saw in him in free agency.

COLLEEN KANE

Is taking advantage of opportunities in the offense.

Five games into the season, Gabriel is just nine catches away from his career high of 36 as a rookie in 2014 with the Browns. He has provided a glimpse of what the Bears envisioned when they signed him to a four-year, $26 million contract in March — a speedster who when on the same page as Trubisky can make game-changing plays. Consistently making those plays week after week is now the goal.

WIEDERER

Has become a stick of dynamite in the offense.

Gabriel's 47-yard grab in the first half last weekend was a thing of beauty, a well-thrown deep ball by Trubisky and an impressive acrobatic grab by the receiver. Gabriel's 54-yard catch three possessions later again showed off his vertical speed and matchup potential and led to a Bears touchdown. The sample size is growing now. And Gabriel leads the Bears in receiving yards with 303. As long as he stays healthy, his production should continue.

PREDICTIONS

It's unanimous: Patriots will win

Brad Biggs *(4-1)*
It will be interesting to see how New England attacks the Bears as the Patriots have averaged 148 yards rushing over the last three games and if the ground game gets going it will open things up for Tom Brady.

27-20 *Patriots*

Rich Campbell *(3-2)*
The Bears are confident with a diverse offense that should trouble a lackluster Patriots front seven, and I was ready to pick them, but injuries to Allen Robinson, Khalil Mack and Prince Amukamara scared me off.

27-20 *Patriots*

David Haugh *(4-1)*
Bill Belichick says the Bears look like a 5-0 team, but his old boss, Bill Parcells, was right: You are what your record says you are and the Bears will finish Sunday a .500 team because of inconsistency on both sides of the ball the Patriots will exploit.

31-27 *Patriots*

Colleen Kane *(3-2)*
The Patriots offense has been rolling in their last three victories — against the Dolphins, Colts and Chiefs — and while there may be some upset potential for the Bears at home, I simply don't think it's wise to bet against Tom Brady.

34-28 *Patriots*

Phil Thompson *(4-1)*
The Patriots offense is engineered to nullify the pass rush with quick releases and smart routes. And their defense managed to contain Patrick Mahomes for a half last week. It should be more of the same against Mitch Trubisky.

30-24 *Patriots*

Dan Wiederer *(3-2)*
This should be one of the more entertaining games at Soldier Field in years, a down-to-the-wire thriller. Even in a loss, the Bears can gain a heightened level of legitimacy.

31-30 *Patriots*

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What 'A Star is Born' says about love, addiction and music



Michael Phillips
Tribune movie critic

Twelve days after opening in the U.S., director Bradley Cooper's remake of "A Star is Born" already has grossed $100 million. The people, collectively, have spoken, and they love it. (I liked it.) They're crying on the way *into* the theaters.

The soundtrack debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 albums chart. That's the fifth Billboard chart topper for the film's nominal star, Lady Gaga, and the first for director-co-star Cooper, who also co-wrote the script.

Onscreen, Cooper gets the lion's share of the pathos while his character, a reckless roots-rock megastar falling prey to pills and booze and demons from his past, goes down, down, down to sweet movie hell. Meantime the big discovery, played by Gaga, hits the heights and shoots the moon and ultimately absolves him of his many sins and weaknesses because their love was true. And he made her what she is.

It's a weepie with real clout and a sure sense of attack. Every time Hollywood puts out another "Star is Born," a hit is made. The story weds romantic tragedy to a showbiz fairy tale, and it works every time.

The latest version is also a reminder of the role music plays in the story's shameless powers of persuasion.

Music-driven romance works its emotional magic while the lights are low, only to leave you with second thoughts after the strains of the last power ballad have faded. It's possible to fall at least halfway for Cooper's "Star is Born" and still have problems with how, and why, it tells its story the way it does.

One of the sharpest of the skeptical reviews came from medium.com's Lindsey Romain, based in Austin, Texas. Her essay took Cooper's film to task for marginalizing Gaga's character, Ally, in favor of Cooper's destructive alcoholic Jackson Maine. "This isn't a love story," she wrote. "It's a horror story about how men feed off of and manipulate women, and how that mistreatment is written off as disease instead of culpability."

Romain's not alone, I think, in finding Cooper's character a dubious martyr figure. "Bradley Cooper," she writes, "is a recovering alcoholic in real life, and the

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America's biographer

A chat with Ron Chernow, winner of 2018 Tribune Literary Award

By Chris Jones | Chicago Tribune

The great thing about writing hefty, potent and mostly admiring biographies of dead presidents of these United States is that the living holders of the office take a particular interest.

This goes a long way toward explaining why Ron Chernow, the 69-year-old, Pulitzer Prize-winning winner of the 2018 Tribune Literary Award, might aptly be described not just as America's happiest historian, but arguably as its most influential. Chernow, who will receive the Tribune award on Oct. 27 at Symphony Center, may be the most popular historian among his fellow citizens too.

In 2015, President Barack Obama let it be known that he was taking Chernow's "Washington: A Life" along to his family vacation on Martha's Vineyard. Obama already knew Chernow's work well: When a young Broadway writer-performer named Lin-Manuel Miranda had picked up a copy of Chernow's "Alexander Hamilton" biography right before a Mexican vacation in 2008, thus changing the trajectory of the American musical theater, the first songs to come out of Miranda's skull were performed in front of Obama at a White House Poetry

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INSIDE

It'll have Tom Hanks, a session on tattoos, but shhhh ... the Chicago Humanities Fall Fest is good for you. **PAGE 6**

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George Saunders is the winner of the Tribune's 2018 prize for fiction, Caroline Fraser for nonfiction. Our guide to the Heartland Literary Awards.

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Chernow, *from Page 1*

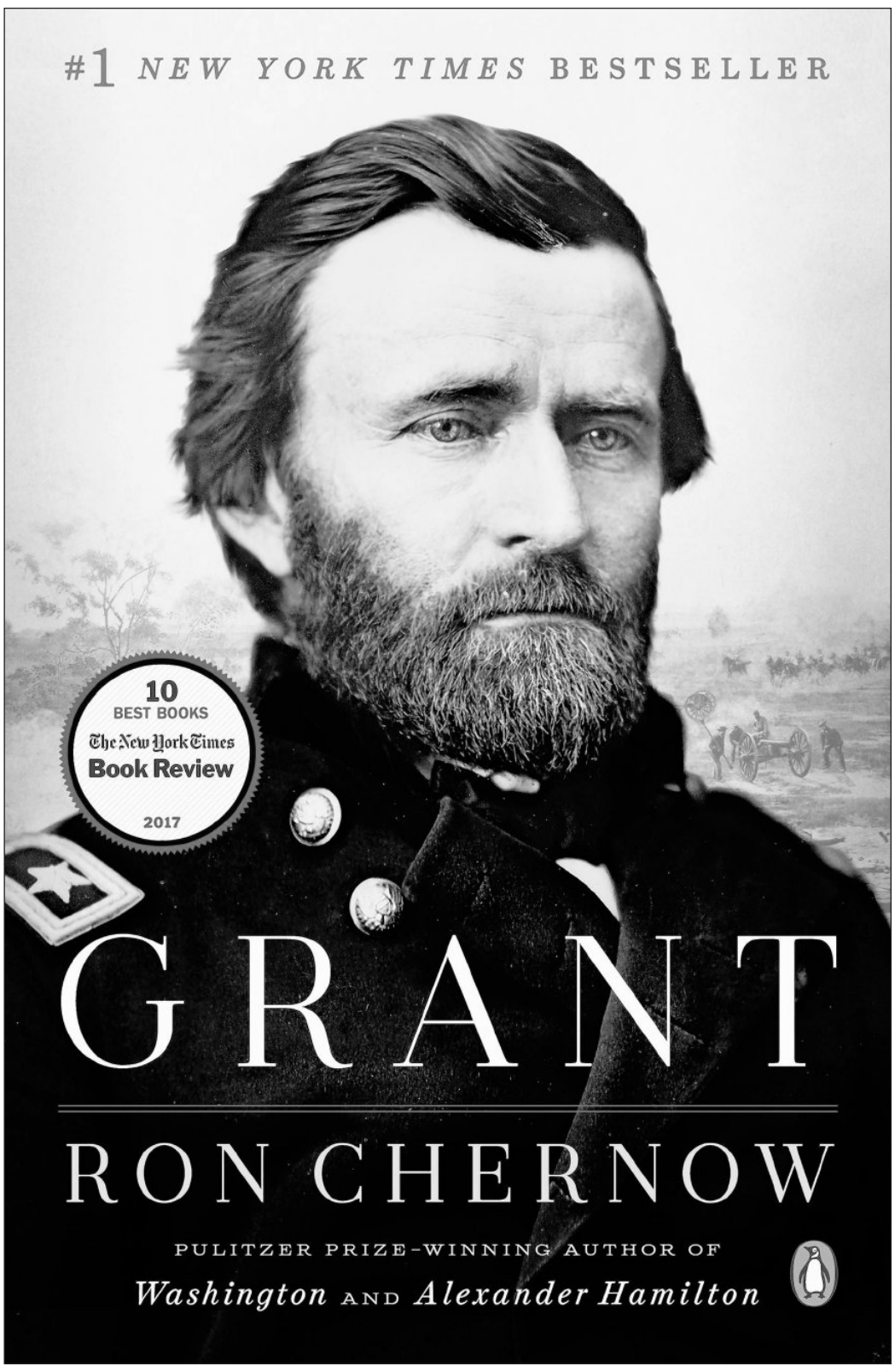
Slam. The Obamas' subsequent embrace of "Hamilton" was as heartfelt as it was financially consequential. Michelle Obama would go on to describe the musical inspired by Chernow's biography as "the best piece of art in any form that I have ever seen in my life." No wonder the Obamas were eager to participate in the musical's coronation at the 2016 Tony Awards, contributing a videotaped introduction for a performance by the "Hamilton" cast.

That same year, Chernow was invited to appear at the George W. Bush Presidential Center in Dallas; 43 would later tell the journalist Walt Harrington that he had read a hefty chunk of the entire doorstopper Chernow oeuvre: "The House of Morgan" (a 1990 book tracing the empire built by financier J. P. Morgan), "Washington" (a 2010 biography of George Washington, the nation's first president) and "Alexander Hamilton" (2004). Notwithstanding Chernow's popularity among Democrats and the biographer's own political sympathies, Bush anointed Chernow "a great historian." And, in an article penned for the American Scholar, Harrington used Bush's hefty consumption of Chernow's famously thoroughly works of American history as a *prima facie* example of the former prodigal son's progressive transformation from a lightweight into an intellectually sophisticated American. Chernow, clearly, has not just resurrected and reassessed past presidents, he has helped the more recent ones better understand their place in history.

When The New York Times reviewed Chernow's 1,074-page biography of Ulysses S. Grant upon its hardcover release in 2017, the Gray Lady hired an enthusiastic if infrequent freelance writer named Bill Clinton. Of "Grant," he wrote that it "tells well the story of a country boy's unlikely path to leadership, his peculiarities, strengths, blind spots and uncanny powers of concentration and courage during battle." Clinton hit on one of Chernow's great strengths: not just the ability to make figures from the past come alive but to make it appear as if their struggles and triumphs were rooted in the very same issues that consume us today.

"In so many ways," Clinton wrote, accurately, " 'Grant' comes to us now as much a mirror as a history lesson.

"As Americans continue the struggle to defend justice and equality in our tumultuous and divisive era," Clinton concluded his rave review, "we need to know what Grant did when our country's very existence hung in the balance. If we still believe in forming a more perfect union, his steady and courageous example is more valuable than ever."



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A visit with the author

For a visitor to Chernow's neat and modest townhouse in Brooklyn Heights, Clinton's telling conditional clause seemed like an excellent excuse to ask an eminent historian if he did, in fact, believe that we all were still interested in forming a more perfect union.

Chernow, sipping sparking water at the his kitchen table, thought for a while before he spoke. A worker's jackhammer was pounding away into the street outside his door.

"I feel like we're always striving for a more perfect union," he says. "People on both sides feel like they are fighting for the soul of America. And thus it has always been. There is always a gap between our ideals and our reality."

From there, Chernow, at once careful and loquacious, talks about how he views the current rhetorical moment as "extreme and worrisome," and even that he feels it shows some of the danger signs that have led to physical violence in past moments of American history. But, he insists, America has most certainly gone through worse. Between the 1850s and 1870s, he says, "America was completely torn apart, creating wounds that have not yet healed. Historians have kept revising upwards the number of people who died in the Civil War. It's now 750,000."



EVAN AGOSTINI/AP

Lin Manuel Miranda and the cast of "Hamilton" perform at the Tony Awards at the Beacon Theatre on Sunday, June 12, 2016.

And that number, he says, did not take into account the number of people maimed during those years of horror by their fellow American: Prosthetic limbs, Chernow observes, became a significant budget line-item.

The main difference between then and now, he says, is that the tumultuous 19th-century conflict revolved around "one big irreconcilable difference" that offered "no middle ground," whereas the current schisms "don't boil down to one issue."

He's clearly used to being asked to apply his work to the modern moment.

"You know," he says, "you write a book and you don't know the atmosphere in which a book will emerge. You can start writing it in one atmosphere, and it comes out in another. Honesty, patriotism, modesty. These are in short supply at the present."

In Chernow's mind, Grant was a living example of those qualities. Grant did not, for example, want to write his memoirs, considering such an act of self-promotion incompatible with his history as a military man. He only did so after he found himself bedridden, dying from cancer, and impecunious. To write was the only way Grant felt he could provide for his family. "He still produced 336,000 splendid words in the span of a year," Chernow wrote in "Grant."

Chernow knows something about prodigious output: Chernow's biography of Grant is about the same length as his subject's memoirs. He is nothing if not thorough.

Clearly, the historian has embraced the sweetness of his uncommon celebrity. He has numerous stories about the famous people who came backstage in his presence at "Hamilton." He clearly got a kick out of meeting Jack Lew, the former secretary of the U.S. Treasury who first said he would kick the face of Alexander Hamilton off the ten-spot, only to reverse course after "Hamilton" revealed to Americans the historical weight and import of its subject. Chernow likes to talk of being approached by young people, fascinated that he wrote the book upon which their favorite musical was based.

"If you write, as I do, history and biography for a living, the history and biography audience tends to skew older," he said. "So very often when I would go and give a speech, the audience would be 40, 50 and up. Whereas now ...."

Chernow is about to say that his audience is now much more youthful, thanks to "Hamilton." But his visitor interrupts: "Why is that? Do we not give a damn about history and biography when you are young?"

"That's a very good question. My theory is that as you get older, your own life becomes history. You know, you feel yourself a part of history. The things that happened to you when you were in high school or college suddenly fade into history with people writing books about it .... You're becoming a historical figure. You have history in yourself," Chernow said. "But I've given, just in the last two weeks, two speeches where an enormous number of teenagers and children came. This is altogether new and delightful for me."

2018 Chicago Tribune Literary Award

On Saturday, Ron Chernow will accept the 2018 Tribune Literary Award and appear in conversation with Tribune publisher and editor-in-chief Bruce Dold. The event will be at 11 a.m. at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; more at www.chicagohumanities.org.

A new market for American history

Chernow is now a wealthy man. He is not just the author of the source material for "Hamilton" but also the show's "historical consultant," an enchanting consequence, he says, of Miranda wanting historians to take his artistic work seriously. As a result, Chernow reportedly gets 1 percent of the show's adjusted grosses, likely netting him a seven-figure annual income from all the various productions across the country and in London. It is an income stream that shows no signs of any pending abatement.

But he seems unfazed by wealth — even though he also has seen "Grant" get optioned for a future Steven Spielberg movie, possibly with Leonardo DeCaprio in the leading role. He feels no need to live wildly.

"Maybe I am a simple soul," he says, but all of my needs were being fulfilled before 'Hamilton." I have eaten breakfast at this same kitchen table for 11 years."

You could argue, of course, that Chernow actually created his own market. In concert with Tony Kushner, who wrote the screenplay for Spielberg's "Lincoln," based on Doris Kearns Goodwin's "Team of Rivals," Chernow's success has made it safe for Hollywood and Broadway producers to pay attention to American history, dead presidents previously having been though of as box-office poison in all media.

Not anymore.

How did he do this? You could argue that Chernow has uniquely been able to marry the voluminous and the exciting. He has eschewed melodrama, seeing neither angels nor devils in American history but emphasizing flawed humans trying to do their best in difficult circumstances, not unlike our own. And he has approached history with the spirit of the contrarian, usually looking for a different angle on his subject than the conventional and seemingly settled wisdom has suggested.

"There is something in my nature," he says, "that wants to say, hold on a second and let's take a closer look."

It seems trite to ask Chernow for a kind of self-distillation. But he nonetheless obliges.

"I think of my books as entertaining and thorough with an equal emphasis on both," he says, being self-aware enough to understand the thinness of the line he walks between rigorous scholarship and popular appeal. "The length of the books has put a good pressure on me to be entertaining and tell the story. And because the books were long and had a high cover price, I have also learned that I would have to go out and promote the book."

Which he has done, and does well. Of course, as any fan of "Hamilton" well knows, Chernow has embraced historiography as much as history, bringing to his subjects an understanding that we have no control over our own legacies, which are likely to rise and fall with the vicissitudes of time.

Or, as translated lyrically by Miranda in "Who Lives, Who Dies, Who Tells Your Story," the final number of "Hamilton":

"Memories divided by perception / Will it be water for chocolate or resurrection? / The path to perfection is rarely achieved / I head in that direction / I dream and believe."

That seems like as good a summation as any of Chernow's entire body of work.

"I have tended to write about people I liked and I admired," he says. "But for that reason, I go out of my way to mention anything bad they have done .... I always say when I speak to writing students or would-be biographers that great historical figures can carry the weight of their own defects. Your job is not to pretty them up. Don't worry about showing all of these blemishes on the portrait. This is very true with both Hamilton and Grant, and it is very true of George Washington. The defects humanize someone as much as the virtues."

Perhaps most important of all, Chernow has reminded us that even all the political power in all of the world does not protect you from personal pain, especially when that pain involves the death of someone you love or your own impending demise. At that point, your job does not matter at all, even if your job is president of the United States.

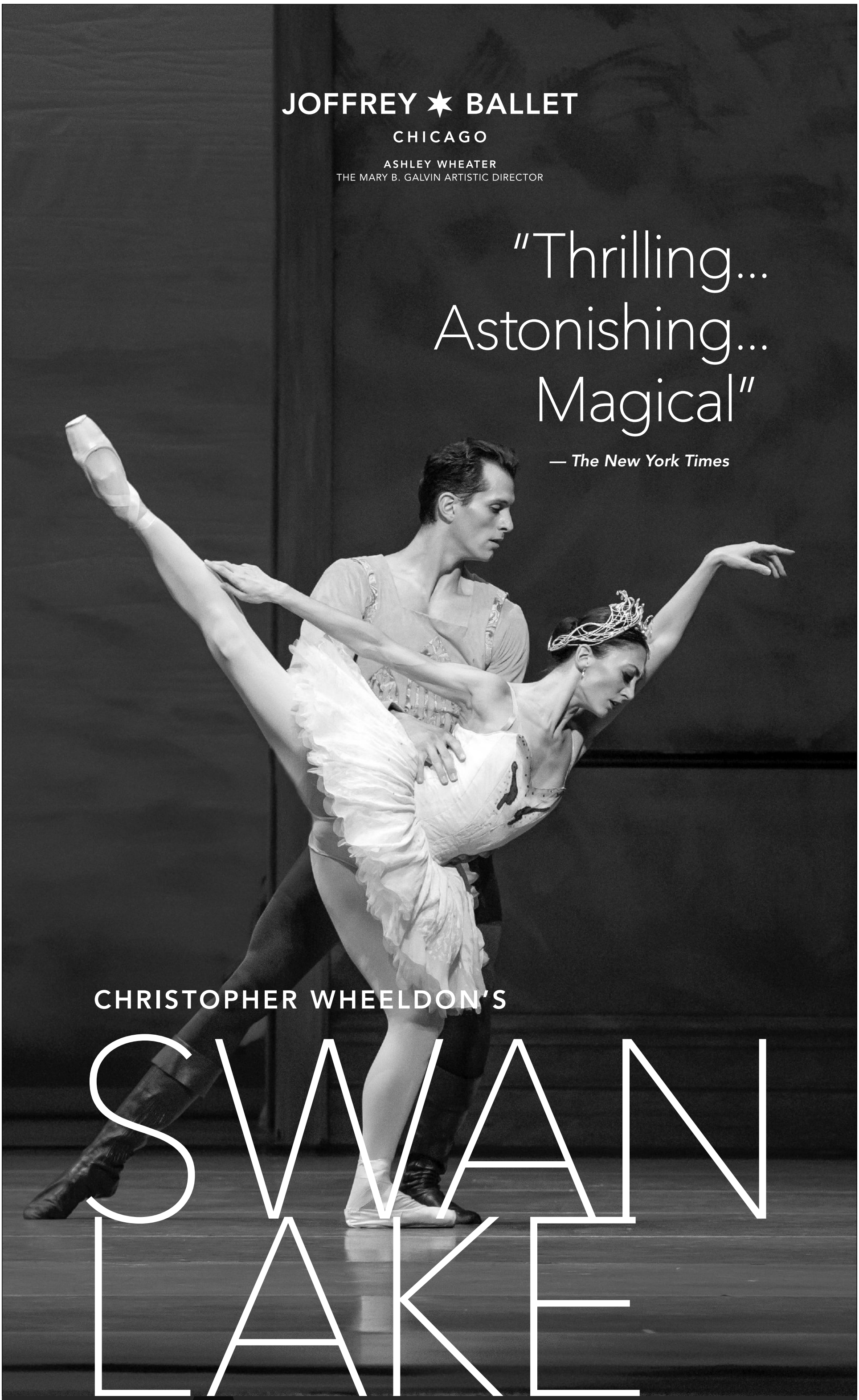
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Skinner North Classical School teacher Crystal Oswald teaches students script in her cursive-writing class.

I will learn to write cursive (again)



CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

My handwriting is a drunken tumble of letters, so illegible to others that it strains the definition of literacy. If I wrote this story longhand, using cursive, you might not be able to read it. There is a fair chance I might not be able to read it. Not quickly. Alas, my mother's handwriting, like her mother's, looks effortless. It's full of welcoming loops, rounded edges and unhurried cheerfulness. Cursive, performed properly, is an art, a style and a signature. Yet colleagues glance at my handwriting with fear, as if some days I am inventing a secret language, other days drafting schematics for a bomb.

Some regard it like the work of an outsider artist — perversely beautiful in its utter lack of discipline. I assure them: My muscle control is fine, my handwriting has always been this bad. The nuns — before their inevitable, ritualistic shaming of my complete failure in front of the whole class — would tell me *just ... go ... slow* ... I would *just ... go ... slow* ....

Always the same result.

So a few months ago when I heard that the Chicago Board of Education, on the heels of a statewide mandate from Springfield, was requiring all elementary students to receive lessons in cursive — beginning this school year — I developed an eye twitch for hours, then needed a nap. Why is the world so cruel? My thoughts turned to the children, the poor darlings, who must be scared and confused now, wondering what they did to tick off the gods of education.

They can't have cupcakes in class, but they can have cursive.

In the past decade, these gods — an unlikely cabal of legislators, teachers, researchers and early development professionals, both conservative and liberal — have led cursive-handwriting initiatives in school districts across the country. They offer pleasant, heartwarming reasons for bringing cursive back to children. They say that a fluidity of handwriting will lead to fluidity of mind. They want you to read your great-grandmother's love letters. State Sen. Kimberly Lightford, who led the charge in Illinois, likes to emphasize practical benefits of knowing cursive, such as writing a check, signing documents and reading the Constitution (which apparently is not translated into print).

They mean well.

But let's not pretend handwriting is benign.

If you are a parent of a certain age, you likely recall that cursive handwriting was once used as both a threat and a cudgel. Some teachers referred to this punishment as "copy work," some called it "writing lines." The penance for the crime of talking too much, being distractible or not ratting out a kid who launched an eraser in class was the same:

Write a single sentence, in cursive, 500 times.

Or 50 times, or 200 times. I attended a Catholic school where 500 times was standard. The sentence was often cold, curt and authoritarian — "I will not talk in class" or "I will pay attention in class." Once I had to write, 500 times, "I will not talk back to my teacher." Which chewed up a weekend. On the Sunday night before it was due, my mother and I stayed up past midnight writing the last 100 lines. She could help because of a myopic loophole in the punishment — the teacher never looked closely at the completed assignment. On Monday, this teacher, a nun, having knowingly ruined days and nights with handwriting, looked you in the eye, tore up your work and dumped it in a wastebasket. It was cruel, and because your hand cramped for weeks, it was corporal.

Then again, said Tamara Thornton, a American culture historian at the Buffalo campus of the State University of New York, "It's been a long time since teaching handwriting was just about artful expression. For generations, it's been about conforming to rules."

No wonder so many associate writing with drudgery. It's not without reason that "The Simpsons," our long-running contemporary social satire, always begins with Bart printing out a single sentence on a blackboard, ad nauseam. When Charlie Brown wrote a pen pal, his thoughts flowed: "Dear Pen Pal, I am disturbed. According to what I read your country hates my country and my country hates your country ...." He fixed his hand and printed. When he switched to cursive for class assignments, creator Charles M. Schulz shifted to a stiff flatness: "What I did this summer. I played ball, and I went to camp."

Myself, I associate handwriting with madness.

I think of impeccable old-century script the way you do — as stylistic shorthand for class and refinement — but I can't help read sweatiness and fear into those overly tidy curls, a creeping lunacy beneath the elegance. I think of graphic novels that use handwriting to establish a queasy intimacy with the pain of the author. I think of Jack Nicholson in "The Shining," writing the same sentence — "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" — over and over, into oblivion. He was typing, of course. In "The Simpsons" parody of the film, Homer scrawls something similar across walls. But in both versions, it's an act of auto-writing, which was a serious concern as recently as the late 19th century, the possibility that an endless river of script was caused by channeling the supernatural.

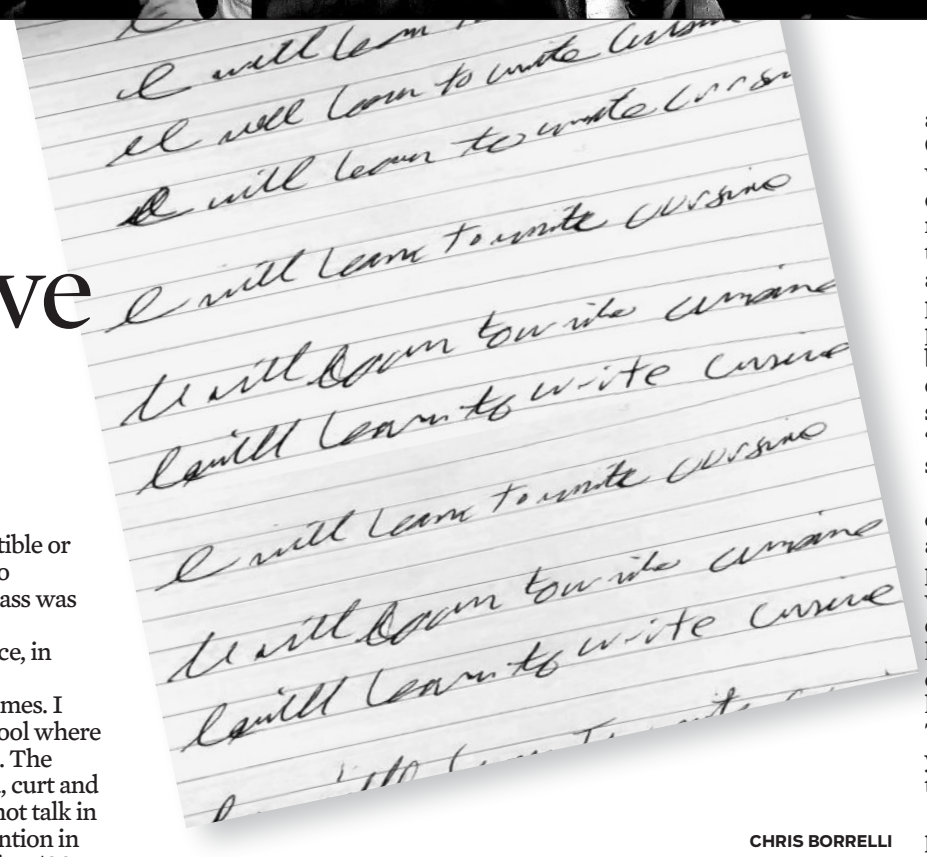
At one cheerful end, there's Van Morrison, who said "Astral Weeks," his airy, free-form masterwork, was partly a product of auto-writing — a musical speaking in tongues. Lynda Barry, the former Chicago cartoonist who occasionally teaches classes on creativity, asks her students to keep their pens moving on paper as she talks, to never stem their subconscious. She doesn't credit the supernatural with success, only a belief that a handwriting motion is somehow linked to fresh ideas. She told me in a recent email that her first prose book, "The Good Times are Killing Me," was written in 10 days by hand; but when she wrote her second, "Cruddy," she spent a decade flailing away at a keyboard. "Then I started writing it with a paintbrush, and I finished it in nine months."

At the other, caustic end are the thorny, opaque flood of words and associations assembled by William S. Burroughs into novels like "Junkie" and "Naked Lunch." These stand alongside the novels of Jack Kerouac, who wrote "On the Road" on a continuous scroll, rarely self-editing. ("That not writing, that's typing," Truman Capote famously quipped, though not meaning presumably that Kerouac was being guided by voices.) Indeed, the Beats liked their typewriters, but I imagine their mindsets weren't far removed from the 20th-century schoolkid forced into the dissociative transcendental fog that was required to remain sane while writing "I will not pass notes in class" 500 times.

Picture Beatlemania.

Earlier this year I wrote a profile of cartoonist Carol Tyler, who grew up in Wrigleyville and Fox Lake, so obsessed with the Beatles she would cover her school notebooks in the word "Beatles," writing in cursive, from margin to margin, thousands and thousands of times. After a photo of those old notebooks ran in the Tribune, I received an email from Carol Swed, a visual artist who grew up in Elmhurst at the height of Beatlemania.

"I was stopped cold" by that photo, she wrote. She said that in 1965 "I was 12 going on 13, living in Elmhurst, and wrote 'Beatles' 20,000 times on lined notebook paper and sent the pages to WLS. I got my name mentioned on the radio! Then some girl wrote 'Beatles' 30,000 times and broke my record. So I wrote 'Beatles' 25,000 more times and got my name announced again. Finally my record was crushed and I gave up." She said that when she saw Tyler's river of "Beatles," her first thought was: "Is this my preteen rival?"



CHRIS BORRELLI

It was not.

And yet, last month at the annual Fest for Beatles Fans in Rosemont, Joe Yander, a collector from New York, told me: "A lot of the Beatles objects that people try to sell me are worthless. Why? Because someone decided to write 'I love you John' 900 times down the side of the piece. One stray 'John, don't get married,' the value is gone. You see it a lot." Jeff Augsburger of Normal, one of the world's leading experts on Beatles memorabilia, disagreed: "I have bought many scrapbooks over the years where girls were supposed to be paying attention in class, but instead wrote 'Beatles' 1,000 times on loose leaf." To him this doesn't kill the value: "The handwriting is a personal touch."

If only history agreed.

For much of the 20th century, if a student was learning cursive correctly, any personal distinction would be muted. In general, they were taught the Palmer Method of handwriting, which was 18th-century New England stern, consistent and didn't really care if you had not yet mastered the art of simply printing letters. According to Thornton, who wrote the 1996 book "Handwriting in America: A Cultural History": "There was a standard model for cursive script and to deviate from it was not good. In the 1900s even, there were people very upfront about this — juvenile delinquents, they said, could be cleaned up by learning cursive. They believed the wave of new immigrants in the country would not be going to college, they would work in factories — so, if we could teach cursive like military drills, we could at least teach these people to follow our orders. I don't think the people who want cursive now think that, or that they are fighting against chaos. But in the '50s and '60s, just as people were feeling society was getting too permissive, there were handwriting (initiatives). It doesn't feel impossible to me to connect the handwriting mandate in Chicago to the feeling people have that Chicago is out of control right now."

Early education reformers linked a messy handwriting with a messy morality, which often brought a bullying quality to the push for preserving a uniform, classical handwriting style in schools — even though, as Thornton added, "you might argue the typewriter had made most forms of handwriting kind of obsolete as early as the 1880s."

Today's handwriting advocates are gentler, more practical.

For Phyllis Cavallone, chief of academics at the Archdiocese of Chicago, cursive instruction never went away; she said the goal these days is integrating it but recognizing that "some (students) get thoughts out beautifully with tech and some do better with pencil on paper." (Likewise, Grace Lee, a policy fellow with the Urbana-based National Council of Teachers of English, said the group's stance on cursive is essentially "whatever works" to connect students and self-expression.)

In states with successful recent cursive initiatives, such as Texas and California, advocates often pointed at the absence of handwriting lessons in Common Core curricula, as well as studies that linked cursive lessons with increased brain activity, improved literacy and letter development. They also really, really just want you to read your grandma's letters.

Karin James is a professor of psychological and brain sciences at Indiana University, where she has studied the correlation between cursive and cognition. She is not convinced of a conclusive connection. "A lot of (school district) policies are not necessarily based on science," she said. "They often seem based more on someone's feelings or what parents want. The truth is, as a scientist, there is often a disconnect between what the science knows in this area and the educational policy that follows."

If there's agreement among cursive proponents, it's that handwriting shouldn't become a punishment.

"Yeah, that's out," said Mary Dixon, principal at Dawes Elementary School on the Southwest Side. "Today, we would break down a problem with a student — nobody has the time anymore to bury the problem beneath a mindless exercise of writing sentences over and over." In fact, the National Council of Teachers of English, back in 1984, made a resolution at its annual meeting that condemned repetitive handwriting punishments.

Whatever trauma remains is generational.

When Chicago Public Schools began planning its cursive lessons this past summer, officials found that a handful of schools were already teaching it. Moreover, according to Jane Fleming, director of literacy for CPS, they found that cursive had been the "creative and fun part of the curriculum for a lot of students." She said students and teachers saw it as a method to improve writing fluency — and as a kind of history lesson, about writing itself.

Crystal Oswald is a fifth-grade teacher at Skinner North Classical School in Old Town. She helped CPS develop its cursive initiative, and for years she oversaw the Skinner Cursive Club — in other words, her students have stayed after school to write cursive, willingly. She said her students are in touch with their motor skills and show no fear of cursive handwriting. Then again, they think of cursive as an old-timey fetish or an antiquated life skill, maybe even useful someday. Like knowing how to start a camp fire.

They see cursive for what it will become — nostalgia.

The snarky opening credit font of an indie film. The curlicues on a document in a museum. A diary kept in a father's old Moleskin. A name scribbled on a digital check.

Maybe even a letter from a grandmother, written many years ago by hand.

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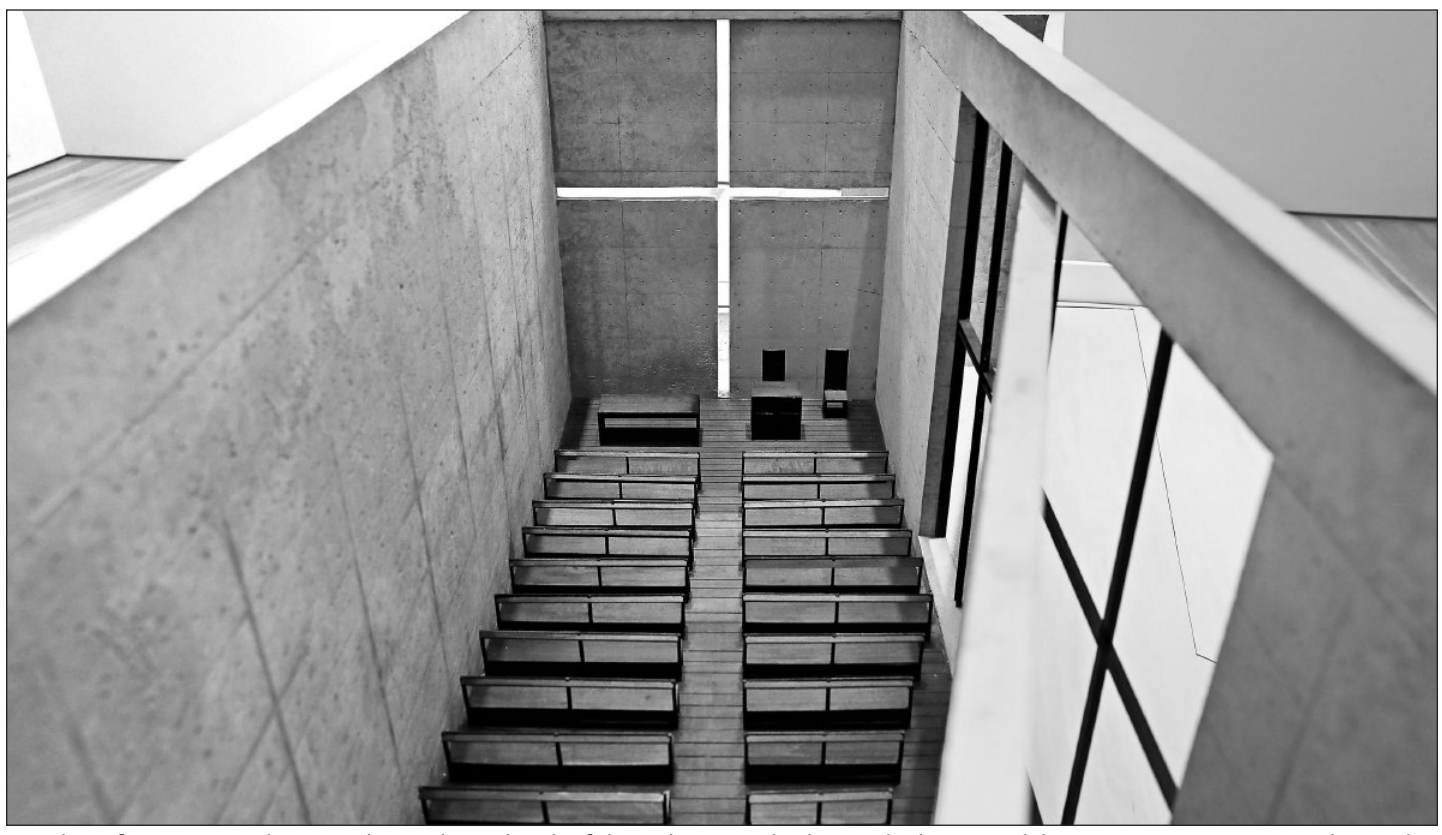
An image of Japanese architect Tadao Ando's Fort Worth, TX. Modern Art Museum, hangs on the wall next to hand written sketches done by the architect himself.

A new architectural jewel

Japan's Tadao Ando turns an old Lincoln Park apartment building into a dazzling gallery



Blair Kamin
Cityscapes



A replica of Japanese architect Tadao Ando's "Church of the Light," is on display inside the new exhibition space at 659 W. Wrightwood.

When Pritzker Prize-winning Japanese architect Tadao Ando was in Chicago on Oct. 10, he took out a blue marker and made sketches of his buildings on the walls of a new exhibition gallery, right next to luminous, black-and-white photos of the structures..

As dazzling as the signed drawings are, they create a conundrum for the gallery's managers: What to do with them when the show of which they are a part is dismantled?

"Carve out the drywall," Lisa Cavanaugh, director of the gallery, Wrightwood 659, told me during a tour. "It's not enough for us to take pictures of it."

If you're unfamiliar with Ando, here's a short course: He had a brief stint as a boxer before he began his self-education in architecture. He's been called the King of Concrete for his silky-smooth, hugely expensive concrete walls. He won the Pritzker Architecture Prize, the field's highest honor, in 1995. He famously named his dog "Corbusier" after a great 20th-century modernist architect. His minimalist buildings improbably mix spatial drama and profound calm.

And now, his quietly brilliant repurposing of a four-story, 1929-30 structure in the Lincoln Park area, which has turned the former apartment building into exhibition space, is open to the public. The building, at 659 W. Wrightwood Ave., is hosting its first exhibition — an illuminating show, "Tadao Ando and Le Corbusier: Masters of Architecture," through Dec. 15.

After that, expect saws to be cutting through the aforementioned drywall.

The project's cost is not being disclosed, but it gives every sign of being the kind of spare-no-expense undertaking that make the rich different from you and I. The client is Fred Eychaner, the Chicago communications mogul whose reclusive nature has found perfect expression in Ando's inward-turning buildings.

Not coincidentally, Wrightwood 659 stands next to 665 W. Wrightwood Ave., an unrelentingly private, Ando house for Eychaner that was completed in 1998. Ando's first American building, it followed an Ando gallery for Japanese screens at the Art Institute of Chicago that opened in 1992 and became a favored site for meditation after the convulsions of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Amid today's polarizing political noise, Wrightwood 659 offers a comparable oasis.

The building greets the visitor with a refurbished facade adorned with arches, festoons and other Beaux-Arts details. But the decorous facade turns out to be a mask. Like a ship in a bottle, the project inserts a new steel and concrete frame inside the brick walls; the frame braces the old walls and turns the original four floors into three. A concrete slab that floats above the original roof shelters a new fourth floor and hints at the building's new identity.

As we learn from the exhibition's lucid wall text, Le Corbusier, a Swiss-born French architect who lived from 1887 to 1965, revolted against tradition-inspired Beaux-Arts design, which he deemed elitist and out of touch with modern times and technology. Ando, now 77, fell under Corbusier's spell even though he never met the master.



A corkscrewing concrete staircase inside the new exhibition space.

He made pilgrimages to Corbusier's powerfully sculptural, rough-concrete buildings, the most famous of which may be the Roman Catholic chapel in Ronchamp, France. As the chapel's magically lit, cavelike interior reveals, Corbusier sought to create "ineffable space," which transcended the utilitarian role of function to induce powerful emotions.

Ando gives us that kind of space in Wrightwood 659's lobby, an unexpected, four-story burst of space that's energized by the rhythmic treads and risers of an exposed concrete stair that corkscrews upward. Common brick recycled from the original building's corridor lines the walls, its mottled texture in counterpoint with finely honed stairs. The space is so good that it compels you to set aside the contradiction of a self-professed anti-elitist architect laboring once more in the service of a wealthy man.

Upstairs are clean-lined, contemplative galleries —"white boxes with a twist," you might call them — filled with a trove of material about Corbusier and Ando.

The second floor, which includes drawings, photographs and models on loan from the Paris-based Corbusier Foundation and the Art Institute, effectively illustrates Le Corbusier's formative role in 20th-century architecture. He moved from a 1920s Purist period, whose revolutionary structures sported stiltlike columns, ribbon windows and free-flowing interiors, to signature sculptural projects that garnered the nonpejorative name of Brutalism. (It derived not from "brutal," as is commonly thought, but from the French *beton brut*, which means "raw concrete".)

Comments from Ando, interspersed in the wall text, demonstrate the master's influence. Corbusier's Villa Savoye, a Purist villa on the outskirts of Paris, "touched my heart," Ando writes, because it "freed the sense of the volume from the shackles of the masonry walls." Even his blue-marker sketches owe something to Corbusier. The exhibition shows us vivid, colorful sketches the French master made during his lectures. In his own way, Ando has followed suit.

The third and fourth floors, devoted solely to Ando, offer show-stopping material, like a large-scale, theatrically lit model of the architect's buildings on the hilly Japanese island of Naoshima, and subtle spatial drama. A model of his renowned Church of the Light near Osaka, Japan, a long concrete structure whose end wall is pierced by voids in the shape of a Christian cross, is effectively displayed on a mezzanine beneath a skylight. It reveals the church's geometric complexity and its quality of procession, the gradual unfolding of space as a person moves through a building.

Models and drawings of Ando's major American museums — the Pulitzer Arts Foundation in St. Louis, the Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth, Texas, and the Clark Art institute in Williamstown, Mass. — fill the fourth floor. They demonstrate how Ando enlivens his buildings with natural light, water and nature. The pavilions of the Fort Worth museum, supported by Y-shaped columns that have been likened to treetops, appear to float on a pond around the building, evoking floating Japanese lanterns.

A final flourish comes when the visitor exits the softly lit galleries and enters the bright space of a glassy but sensitively recessed one-story addition, topped by the previously cited concrete slab. It rewards the visitor's upward journey with views of the downtown skyline, the dome of the nearby St. Clement Roman Catholic Church and a peek down at the neighboring Ando house.

Many people deserve credit for this new cultural jewel, which had only one problem during my visit: The heating and ventilating system wasn't perfectly tuned, so a sweater was a must.

The Chicago office of Thorton Tomasetti handled the complex structural engineering. The Chicago office of Gensler and Vinci Hamp Architects of Chicago also contributed. Washington University architecture professor Eric Mumford curated the show's Corbusier section; architectural historian Dan Whittaker, who co-founded Wrightwood 659 with Eychaner, curated the Ando section.

Students from the Illinois Institute of Technology, the University of Illinois at Chicago and the School of the Art institute of Chicago made the models of Ando's American museums.

When I interviewed Ando a dozen years ago during a previous visit to Chicago, he spoke disparagingly of the visually hyperactive, computer-enabled designs that were then in fashion. His prescient view was that these ever-more-outrageous forms would be of little lasting value. His new Chicago endeavor shows the wisdom of his approach — and how he drew inspiration from Corbusier while ultimately forging his own path.

Wrightwood 659 is open Wednesdays through Saturdays. Admission is limited and by online reservation only. Walk-ups will not be admitted. Free tickets will be released on a weekly basis during each exhibition. Visitors may also purchase $20 tickets in advance to attend at a future date and time of their choosing. Go to www.wrightwood659.org for times and details.

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Chicago Humanities Fest is ready to school us with big names, big ideas

By Steve Johnson
Chicago Tribune



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Body ink scholar Anna Felicity Friedman will talk about the rich, cross-cultural lore of tats.



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Tom Hanks will be interviewed by WBEZ's Peter Sagal.

Ladies and gentlemen, the fall semester is almost in session.

The Chicago Humanities Festival would probably recoil at its annual offerings being presented that way, as a version of adult education.

And certainly there is more dynamism, more contemporary cultural currency, in the event's admixture of art explanations, author talks, music performances and issues forums than you would typically find in a set of class offerings aimed at luring the post-collegiate crowd out of its living rooms.

Just glance, for instance, at this year's list of CHF Fall Fest speakers, who'll appear in more than 80 events over two weeks, in venues from Evanston to Hyde Park (but mostly downtown), beginning Oct. 27.

There is Abbi Jacobson, the co-creator and co-star of the TV series "Broad City." There's Eve Ewing, the poet, University of Chicago sociologist and activist on behalf of the city's economically disenfranchised. And there is good ol' Tom Hanks, the freshly minted short story writer bringing his humble superstar self to the Harris Theater, to be interviewed by "Wait Wait ... Don't Tell Me!" host Peter Sagal.

We could go on — and will: Jose Andres, the D.C. superstar chef and Puerto Rican aid hero; Doris Kearns Goodwin, popular historian; trans poet Jos Charles; Steve Kornacki, MSNBC election results whiz; rapper and essayist Dessa, talking, and composer Philip Glass, playing; the authors George Saunders, Caroline Fraser and Ron Chernow, all receiving Chicago Tribune literary awards; public intellectuals Jill Lepore, Camille Paglia, Rebecca Traister and Francis Fukuyama (appearing separately); and so on.

(We'll highlight in more detail a few events that are especially intriguing — and aren't yet sold out — at the end of this piece. At www.chicagohumanities.org, the full schedule is easily searchable, and stocked with "If you like A, then perhaps B" links to further the discovery process.)

When the events are keyed more to an idea than a personality, as many are, they tend to go deep: the history of Chicago street art, Americans during the Holocaust, the life and work of crusading journalist Ida B. Wells.

There's not a tax-secrets-of-the-super-rich or how-to-start-your-own-handbag-line class in the bunch, to cite a couple of adult-ed cliches. And the authors on hand tend to be deep thinkers or literary darlings, rather than the self-help authors you might find holding forth on the secrets of "The Secret" at a Learning Annex. (Spoiler: The secret of "The Secret" is to write "The Secret.")

Still, though, what the humanities fest does — and has been doing for almost three decades now — is pepper its attendees' brains with more knowledge than they contained previously. Put another way: adult education.

And people soak it up: About 30,000 have attended Fall Fest programs each of the last two years, the festival reports, with another 12,000-plus going to Chicago Humanities Festival events the rest of the year.

The hunger for lifelong learning is strong, to say nothing of the enduring draw of people's intellectual heroes. Yes, there are pockets of America where minds close up and proudly stay that way, but those are not the folks you'll find over these coming couple of weeks in CHF-rented theaters at Northwestern, the U. of C., Parker School, Millennium Park and so on.

"There's a civic dimension to this, right?" said Alison Cuddy, the festival's artistic director. "It's about the power of conversation and it's about the power of engaging with one another through dialogue. And so to me that feels, you know, more and more relevant in a moment when it can feel like people can't talk to one another if they have different views.

"The festival, its very premise is that you need multiple views on an idea or on a subject to really fully understand the complexity of it. So it feels like in some ways we're 30 years old, but we're really arriving in terms of what's needed right now."

Glancing through the foregoing list of names and topics, you probably didn't guess that the Fall Fest, the biggest part of what CHF does, is organized around a theme (as are, beginning this year, all its offerings throughout the year).

The current theme is "Graphic!," implying an extra level of engagement with the visual world, which CHF leaders see as a major influence in contemporary art, business, journalism and beyond.

This does not mean that "The Emoji Movie" will receive a screening, followed by a learned deconstruction (although that is happening with scenes from "2001: A Space Odyssey"). It does mean that many, many of the programs deal with seminal art exhibitions or significant photographic collaborations or new frontiers in map-making. (It also means that the Terra Foundation and its yearlong Art Design Chicago initiative exploring the city's visual legacy across cultural institutions is a main CHF sponsor this year.)

"The visuals (have) become so important to how we communicate and work and even think, and we just have to look around us on our commute at how many people are glued to their screens," Cuddy said.

"But beyond entertainment, visual forms are redefining how we make art, do business, cover major events, and make sense of the mountains of data and information we now produce."

So, for instance, the festival features a Johns Hopkins professor sharing his work digitally mapping the life of Billie Holiday and the MacArthur "genius grant" winner Trevor Paglen, billed as an artist and geographer, talking about his efforts to photograph the often hidden elements of the American surveillance state.

"I think we've done a really good job of making sure the themes speak to the times and speak to the conversations people are already having," said Cuddy. "I think as we've moved toward that we have become increasingly agile in terms of how we interpret the theme and what we're able to bring in through it. And this year it feels very, very robust."

Cuddy is also proud of the way the festival has moved, in recent years, into specific neighborhoods that are not typically visited by the usual CHF attendee. The Ida B. Wells event will take place in Bronzeville, and this year there's a South Shore night on Nov. 7.

Attendees at that evening at the South Shore Cultural Center will get three events for the price of one. Included in these is Chicago photographer Tonika Johnson, whose Folded Map Project, bringing diverse sections of Chicago together through geography and photography, has captured the city's imagination.

The other two events at South Shore treat projects dealing with home movies and with that smallest, unofficial and yet highly significant aspect of Chicago government, the neighborhood block club.

Collectively, said Cuddy, those three events address "this perception of Chicago neighborhoods, especially on the South and West sides, that these are places in crisis, that they're dysfunctional ... What gets erased from that picture is that ... there are many people working in those communities, in making them resilient places and developing resources.

"This night is all about sort of shifting that perception."

Now for the bad news. Tickets for almost 20 of the CHF events are sold out as of this writing, including Hanks, Jacobson and Ewing, but that means 60-plus still have availability.

Here are the promised three more events, in more detail, for which tickets were still available as of midweek and which perhaps give a further sense of the scope of what is on offer:

"Tattoo History," 3 p.m. Oct. 27, First United Methodist Church, 77 W. Washington St. Body ink scholar Anna Felicity Friedman will talk about the rich, cross-cultural lore of tats. She's the editor of "The World Atlas of Tattoo" and recently launched the online Center for Tattoo History and Culture.

"Manuel Lima: Visualizing Knowledge," 12:30 p.m. Nov. 3, University of Chicago Gordon Parks Arts Hall, 5815 S. Kimbark Ave. Lima is the design lead at Google and one of the gurus of data visualization, the burgeoning practice of making raw information more comprehensible, and definitely more beautiful, by turning it into something approaching art. He's also the author of books on the topic including "The Book of Trees" and the new "The Book of Circles."

"Jaron Lanier: Dawn of the New Everything," 3 p.m. Nov. 11, First United Methodist Church, 77 W. Washington St. Lanier is such a virtual reality pioneer that he is credited with coining the term. He'll speak with Cuddy about his own relationship with technology and his belief in VR's potential to enrich our lives.

The Chicago Humanities Fall Festival "Graphic!" is Saturday to Nov. 11 at various locations; most tickets are $10-$20 (less for CHF members) at www.chicagohumanities.org

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'A Star is Born' neglects its female character

Star, *from Page 1*

precision with which he portrays Jackson's downfall is heart-wrenching. But in his mission to highlight Jackson's story, Cooper never bothered to give Ally an ounce of agency."

Romain and I talked by phone about what she wrote. "I had a similar experience with 'La La Land' two years ago," she told me. "Similar story, right? And that movie definitely hoodwinked me while I was watching it. The female protagonist isn't really developed at all; she's a pawn in selling the guy's story, though I do think 'La La Land' is a little more even-handed than 'A Star is Born.' Which is probably why I liked it more."

It gets complicated, she said, "when you try to talk about addiction in relation to 'A Star is Born.' The movie waves away a lot of borderline-abusive behavior under the guise of, 'well, he's an addict.' I'd be more OK with it if there was a scene where the Lady Gaga character is dealing with it all, and processing her role in his life, and in her own." Romain acknowledges that Cooper's film exerts a pull. "It's *almost* there for me. But the lack of her voice, and the confusing message about addiction, and what we should allow and accept regarding the addicts in our lives ... this is a really unhealthy romance."

The music in "A Star is Born" papers over most of the objections. This is the glorious, hypnotic legacy of opera, and musical theater, and golden-age Hollywood musicals. Think of the dubious, cliched, even offensive storylines that have been turned into gold by the right melodies, and the most incisive lyrics. It's a magic trick. Now you're thinking, and now you're not, because you're feeling, not thinking.



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"A Star is Born," starring Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga, is persuasive in its performance sequences, and frequently, crudely powerful in the dramatic encounters.

Nearly a century ago, "Show Boat" may have been considered racially tolerant, even progressive at the time of its 1927 Broadway premiere. But it sidelines its African-American characters, and forgives its louche, straying white male lead to a somewhat risible degree. And not much of that matters to the audience, because it's full of gorgeous, brilliant Jerome Kern melodies. One of the best-known carries the title "Make Believe," which is the whole idea when it comes to investing in a dubious love story.

Many feel a similar emotional connection to more recent pop operas, such as "Miss Saigon" (1989), a touring revival of which arrives in Chicago next month. The "Madame Butterfly" adaptation features a score by Claude-Michel Schoenberg and Alain Boublil, with lyrics by Boublil and Richard Maltby Jr., and updates Puccini's romantic tragedy to the Vietnam War. I hate that show; it has always struck me as pushy, desperate and vastly inferior to the same team's "Les Miserables." Yet its critical and civilian admirers are many, and you can't tell them the music's no good. To their ears, it's Puccini all over again, and that's why they buy the show's patronizing racial and sexual politics.

To the new "Star is Born's" considerable credit, the movie is persuasive in its performance sequences, and frequently, crudely powerful in the dramatic encounters. The key early scene arrives when, midconcert, Cooper's character duets with the up-and-comer and, in a few minutes' time, a star is born before our eyes.

"That scene's so good," Romain says, laughing. "And everything leading up to it is so good, the movie can only go downhill from there." It's the same thing I heard from so many friends and readers regarding "La La Land," except they were talking about the alternate-universe dream ballet at the end, not the star-is-born number at the beginning.

If they're at all attuned to songs such as "Shallow" or "I'll Never Love Again" in "A Star is Born," audiences won't think twice or even once about what the massive hit of the moment is saying about anything. Noel Coward put it best, in his play "Private Lives": "Extraordinary how potent cheap music is." In an earlier Coward play, "Hay Fever," Judith speaks to the hoodwinking, bamboozling effect of the right melody heard in the right circumstances.

"Are you susceptible to music?" she asks Richard, who replies: "I'm afraid I don't know very much about it."

Ah, she says. "You probably are, then."

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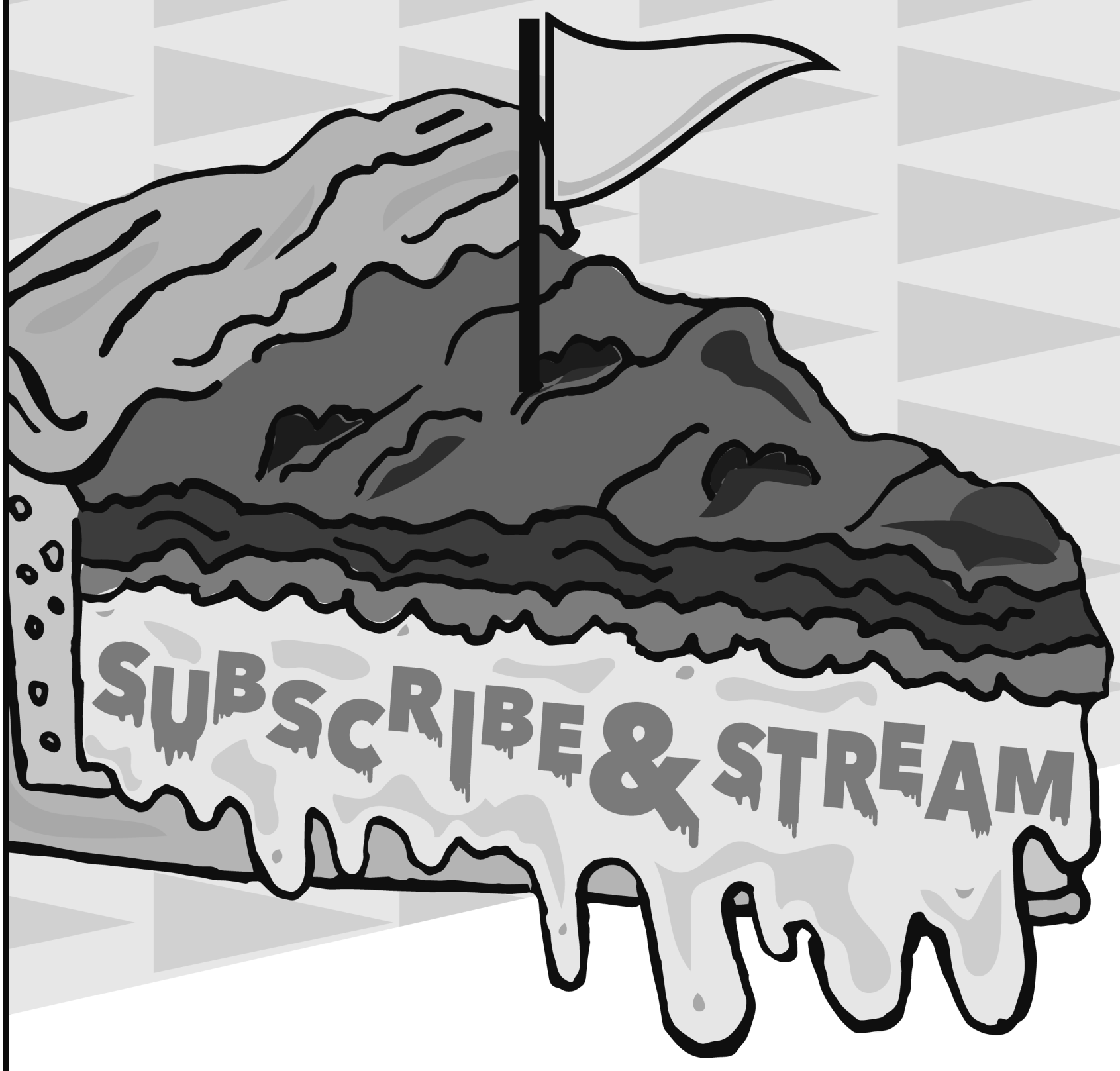
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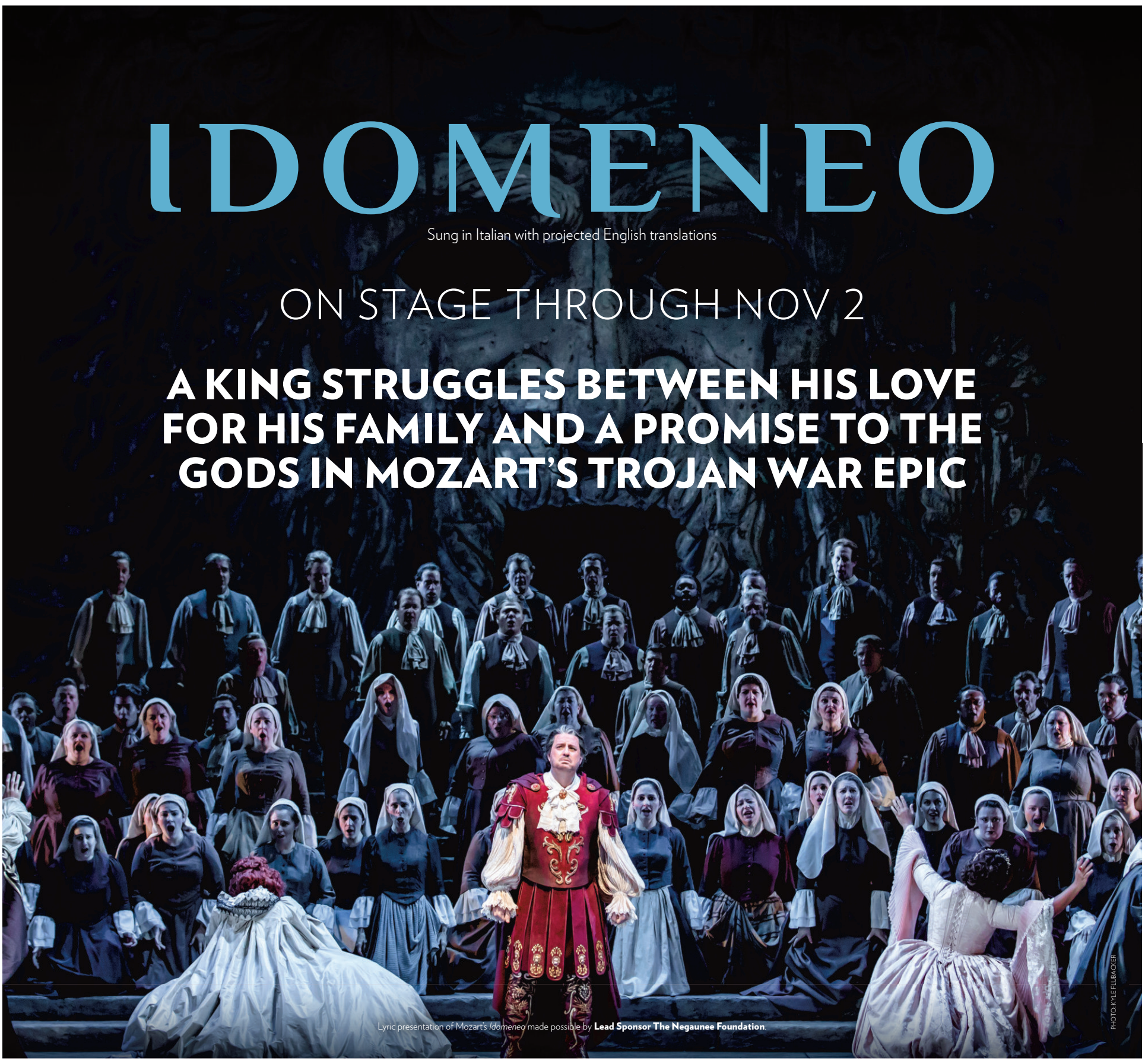
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James Denton and Catherine Bell

"Good Witch" (7 p.m., Hallmark): Cassie and Sam (Catherine Bell, James Denton) throw themselves into helping Middleton prepare for the town's annual Fall Harvest in the feature-length romance "Tale of Two Hearts." As the townspeople try to ensure they prevail over the competition from their rivals in nearby Blairsville, Grace and Nick (Bailee Madison, Rhys Matthew Bond) are sobered by the realization this is their last Halloween here. Trouble arises when the 100-carat ruby The Heart of Middleton is stolen from the museum.

"The Simpsons" (7 p.m., FOX): A hugely popular annual tradition for this long-running animated sitcom comes around yet again with the new "Treehouse of Horror XXIX." In this 29th edition (in case anyone is struggling with Roman numerals), stories include an oyster-eating competition between Homer (voice of Dan Castellaneta) and Cthulhu, one of H.P. Lovecraft's dark divinities.

"The Lover in the Attic: A True Story" (7 p.m., 10:03 p.m., 1:04 a.m., Lifetime): Actress Melora Walters (HBO's "Big Love") makes her TV movie directorial debut with this 2018 melodrama, which reportedly is based on fact, yet plays like a film noir. Molly Burnett ("Queen of the South") stars as Dolly Oesterreich, a 1930s-era American housewife whose boredom with her husband, successful businessman Fred (David Fierro), moves her to take a lover: repairman Otto Sanhuber (Kevin Fonteyne), whom she secretly moves into her attic.

"90 Day Fiancé" (7 p.m., 11 p.m., TLC): Six couples begin a frustrating process as they endeavor to bring their loved ones stateside and tie the knot within 90 days, lest they risk having their betrothed return to their home country, as this unscripted series opens Season 6. Among the new couples are Steven and Olga, both 20, of Bowie, Md., and Russia, respectively; Colt, 33, of Las Vegas and Larissa, 31, of Brazil; and Jonathan, 32, of Lumberton, N.C., and Fernanda, 19, of Mexico.

"Shark Tank" (8 p.m., ABC): Matt Higgins, co-founder of RSE Ventures and vice-chairman of the Miami Dolphins, joins Sharks Mark Cuban, Kevin O'Leary, Lori Greiner and Daymond John in the Tank for a new episode that features a mother-daughter team from Washington, D.C., who are seeking investors for their line of vegan soups. Siblings from Long Island, N.Y., pitch a product conceived by their father, who died before realizing his dream of appearing on this show.

"Halloween Wars" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Food): In the new episode "Halloween Time Travel," young actor Gaten Matarazzo (Dustin in "Stranger Things") steps in as a guest judge for a challenge in which the final three teams — each comprising a pumpkin carver, a cake artist and a sugar wizard — are tasked with creating striking and delicious Halloween-themed displays that bend time and space. Hey, no pressure, right? Shinmin Li and Todd Tucker are the other judges; Jonathan Bennett is the host.

"Shameless" (8 p.m., 10 p.m., 12 a.m., Showtime): The rude comedy hits the midpoint of Season 9 in a fall finale somewhat pessimistically titled "Down Like the Titanic." Facing pressure from Max Whitford (guest star Neal Bledsoe) over her investment recklessness, Fiona (Emmy Rossum) leans on kid sister Debbie (Emma Kenney) for support, while Tami (guest star Kate Miner) stumbles back into Lip's (Jeremy Allen White) life.

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MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	♦ (6:30) 60 Minutes (N)	God Friended Me: "Error Code 1.61." (N) © HD		NCIS: Los Angeles: "Hit List." (N) © HD		Madam Secretary: "The Rake." (N) © HD	
	NBC 5	♦ Football Night (N)	(7:20) NFL Football: Cincinnati Bengals at Kansas City Chiefs. (N) (Live) (HDTV SAP)					
	ABC 7	Dancing With the Stars: Juniors: "Disney Night." (N)		Shark Tank (N) © HD		(9:01) The Alec Baldwin Show (N) © HD		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	The Goldbergs ©	The Goldbergs ©	blackish © HD	blackish © HD	Weekend News (N)	Instant Replay (N) ©	Chicago's Best
	Antenna 9.2	3's a Crowd	The Ropers	3's Comp.	B. Miller	Mork/Mindy	Alice ©	Soap ©
	This TV 9.3	In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		Heat/Night ♦
	PBS 11	The Durrells in Corfu on Masterpiece (N) ©		Poldark on Masterpiece (N) © HD		The Woman in White (Series Premiere) (N) © HD		Check, Please!
	The U 26.1	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Engagement	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV 26.3	Columbo: "Murder With Too Many Notes." ©				Touched by an Angel ©		Ngt. Gallery
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ♦
	Bounce 26.5	♦ (6) Perfect Stranger ★★		Monster's Ball (R,'01) ★★★ Billy Bob Thornton, Heath Ledger.				
	FOX 32	The Simpsons (N)	Bob's Burgers (N)	Family Guy (N) ©	(8:27) Rel (N) ©	Fox 32 News at Nine Sunday		Fox Chicago Final Word
	Ion 38	NCIS: Los Angeles ©		Private Eyes HD		NCIS: Los Angeles ©		NCIS: LA ♦
	TeleM 44	♦ (6) Exatlón Estados Unidos (N) ©				Don Francisco (N)		Noticiero
	CW 50	Supergirl: "Fallout." (N)		Charmed (N) © HD		Big Bang	Big Bang	Mod Fam
	UniMas 60	♦ Shark Killer	Training Day (R,'01) ★★★ Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke.					·Ay Güey! ♦
	WJYS 62	Ever Increasing Faith		Truth of God		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
	Univ 66	Nuestra Belleza Latina (N)				Crónicas: Historias (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Ancient Aliens ©		Ancient Aliens ©		(9:01) Ancient Aliens ©		Aliens ♦
	AMC	♦ (6:54) The Walking Dead		The Walking Dead (N) ©		(9:07) Talking Dead (N)		Walk:Dead ♦
	ANIM	The Zoo ©		The Zoo ©		The Zoo ©		The Zoo ♦
	BBCA	Doctor Who: "Rosa." (N)		(8:10) Underworld: Awakening (R,'12) ★★ ©				Underwrld ♦
	BET	♦ (6:27) The Bobby Brown Story: "Part 2."				Kevin Hart		Martin © ♦
	BIGTEN	The Final Drive ©		BTN Football in 60 ©		BTN Football in 60 ©		Drive ♦
	BRAVO	Married to Medicine (N)		Married to Medicine ©		Get a Room w/Carson		Watch (N)
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		News ♦
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Undercover Boss ©		Undercover Boss ©		Boss ♦
	CNN	Governor Debate (N)		Anthony Bourd. (N)		This Is Life (N)		Anthony ♦
	COM	♦ (5:40) The Watch ('12) ★		Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby (PG-13,'06) ★★ ©				
	DISC	Alaska (N)		Last Frontier (N)		Expedition Unknown (N)		Expedition
	DISN	♦ Nightmare	Coop	Bizaardvark	Raven	Star Wars	Coop	Coop
	E!	♦ The Kardashians		Keeping Up With the Kardashians (N) ©				Kardas ♦
	ESPN	♦ (6:30) SportsCenter (N)		World/Poker (Tape)		World/Poker (Tape)		SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	♦ Formula 1 Racing (N Tape)				Basketball: A Love Story ♦		
	FNC	OBJECTified (N) ©		The Next Revolution (N)		Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		OBJECT. ♦
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Halloween Wars (N) ©		Haunted Gingerbread (N)		Halloween ♦
	FREE	♦ (6:40) Hocus Pocus (PG,'93) ★★ Bette Midler.				(8:50) Maleficent (PG,'14) ★★ ♦		
	FX	Jurassic World (PG-13,'15) ★★ Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard. ©					Jurassic World ('15) ★★ ♦	
	HALL	Good Witch: "Tale of Two Hearts." (N) ©				A Country Wedding (NR,'15) © ♦		
	HGTV	Hawaii	Hawaii (N)	Bahamas	Bahamas (N)	Caribbean	Caribbean	Hunters Int'l
	HIST	American Pickers ©		(8:02) American Pickers		(9:05) American Pickers		Pickers ♦
	HLN	How It Really (N)		How It Really (N)		How It Really Happened		How It ♦
	IFC	♦ (4) Braveheart ('95) ★★★		Hancock (PG-13,'08) ★★ Will Smith. ©				Hancock ♦
	LIFE	The Lover in the Attic: A True Story (NR,'18) ©				You: "Everythingship." (N)		Attic ♦
	MSNBC	Kasie DC (N) ©		Headliners ©		Headliners ©		Date. Ext. ♦
	MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.
	NBCSCH	♦ NHL Hockey: Lightning at Blackhawks (N)		Blackhawks Postgame (N)		Poker (N)		Football ♦
	NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ♦
	OVATION	♦ (6) Grumpy Old Men (PG-13,'93) ★★		Grumpier Old Men (PG-13,'95) ★★ Jack Lemmon.				
	OWN	Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla ♦
	OXY	Snapped ©		Killer Couples ©		Criminal Confessions		Kemper ♦
	PARMT	Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue ©		Rescue ♦
	SYFY	♦ (6:32) Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG,'09) ★★★ Daniel Radcliffe.						Futurama ♦
	TBS	♦ (6:30) MLB Baseball: Houston Astros at Boston Red Sox. (N) (Live) ©						MLB (N)
	TCM	The Mummy (NR,'59) ★★ Peter Cushing.		The Curse of the Mummy's Tomb ★★				Pharaoh ♦
	TLC	90 Day Fiancé: "The Clock Is Tickin'." (Season Premiere) (N)				Unexpected (N)		Gypsy
	TLN	Z. Levitt	Living-Edge	Manna Fest	In Grace	Turning Point ©		Insights
	TNT	♦ (5:30) Suicide Squad ★★		The Last Ship (N) ©		The Last Ship ©		Unknown ♦
	TOON	Regular	Regular	Home Movie	Burgers	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy
	TRAV	Paranormal Survivor ©		Paranormal Survivor (N)		Most Terrifying Places (N)		Scariest (N)
	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King
	USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Mod Fam
	VH1	♦ (5) The Temptations ©				Black Ink Crew ©		Black Ink ♦
	WE	Law & Order: "Bailout."		Law & Order: "Take-Out."		Law & Order ©		Law ♦
	WGN America	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married
PREMIUM	HBO	♦ My Dinner With Hervé ©		The Deuce (N) ©		Camping (N)	Pod Save America ©	
	HBO2	The Deuce ©		Mickey Blue Eyes (PG-13,'99) ★★			Bridget Jones's Diary ♦	
	MAX	The 15:17 to Paris (PG-13,'18) ★★		(8:35) Collateral (R,'04) ★★★ Tom Cruise. © ♦				
	SHO	The Circus	Kidding ©	Shameless (N) ©		Kidding (N)	Kidding ©	Shameless ♦
	STARZ	Liberty City (N)		(8:05) America to Me (N)		Survivor's	Survivor's	Warriors ♦
	STZENC	♦ Dazed and Confused ★★★		Underworld: Blood Wars (R,'16) ★★ ©			Fun With Dick and Jane ♦	

Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Oct. 21): You're especially flush this year. Regular attention at home builds lasting rewards. Discover a gift together. A winter family success inspires new directions with a group project. Your professional reputation grows this summer, before domestic plans shift focus. Tend your garden with love.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 5. Private introspection soothes and relaxes. Enjoy beautiful music and surroundings. Take a philosophical view on the past. Consider an inspiring future direction, and plot your moves.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Opportunities for growth and expansion come through your friends and community networks. Brainstorm and collaborate. Share resources for a common cause. Set goals high.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Assume greater responsibility. A challenge has your focus. Follow an elder's advice. Provide motivation to your team. Do the work and profit. Measure the progress.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Expand your horizons, through first-hand experience or through the views of another. Show a skeptic about love, freedom and beauty. Share a lovely discovery.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Set the stage for financial growth. Prepare your portfolio, and keep files and accounts in order. Pay bills and generate funds. Collaborate with your partner.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. You're more powerful, strong and resilient with your partner's shared support. Make a delightful discovery together. Listen and compromise. Build and create something wonderful.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Keep the wheels in motion. Maintain momentum. You have a secret power source. Put heart and muscle into your work. Enjoy a walk outside.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Relax and enjoy the company of people you love. Work and play together. Get out and explore your own back yard. Share secrets with someone attractive.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Clean and decorate your rooms. Create a soothing space for comfort, rest and sustenance. Consider color, texture and practical usage. Find a treasure.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Rely on another's expertise. Test their hypothesis. Study, research and share your findings. Grasp the practical implications. Creative expression flowers. Let your inspiration flow.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. A profitable project has your focus. Stick to the budget, nonetheless. Siphon a cash flow trickle into savings. Make plans for the future.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Take charge of your destiny. You're ready to make changes for the better. Focus on what you want, and take action to make it happen.

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Bridge

Q.1—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A 10 8 3 2 ♥ A K 10 3 ♦ J 10 7 ♣ 7

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2♥	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

Q.2—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A 5 ♥ J 9 7 4 ♦ 7 5 4 3 ♣ A Q 9

North	East	South	West
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
1NT	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

Q.3—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 6 5 3 ♥ A K 10 4 3 ♦ 10 4 3 ♣ Q 9
With the opponents passing, partner opens 1C, you respond 1H, and partner rebids 2C. What call would you make?

Q.4—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q 9 6 4 3 ♥ Void ♦ A K Q 5 3 ♣ A 9 2
With the opponents passing, you open 1S and partner raises to 2S. What call would you make?

Answers in Monday's comics pages.

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Word Game

This game challenges you to find as many words as you can, as quickly as you can, in one master word.

MANIACAL (muh-NYE-uh-kul): Exhibiting wild or violent behavior.

Can you find 21 or more words in MANIACAL?

Average mark: 16 words
Time limit: 30 minutes

Here are the rules:

1. Words must be four or more letters. 2. Words that acquire four letters by the addition of an "s," such as "bats" and "cats," are not used. 3. Use only one form of a verb — either "pose" or "posed," not both. 4. Proper nouns and slang terms are not used.

Answers to the word game:

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CELEBS

Stephen Amell on a bolder 'Arrow'

By Marissa Roffman
Variety

After six seasons of saving Star City on the CW's "Arrow," Oliver Queen (Stephen Amell) finds himself in a new place when Season 7 kicks off: in prison, with his double life as the Green Arrow exposed.

The series also went through a transition offscreen, as long-time showrunners Marc Guggenheim and Wendy Mericle stepped down. Beth Schwartz, who has been with the drama as a writer since Season 1, was promoted to showrunner.

"I will say from a collaboration standpoint, it's been really good," Amell tells Variety of the show's new leadership. "Beth has empowered producers and writers of specific episodes; they've been on set every day. They have the ability to be the producer and the decision maker — in conjunction with the director and actors — for that episode."

Amell also shares that he has ideas both for Oliver and "the show at large" that the writers are implementing, which has been "really lovely and flattering."

Here, Amell speaks with Variety about shaking things up this season. The following is an edited transcript.

Q: How is Oliver handling his time in prison?

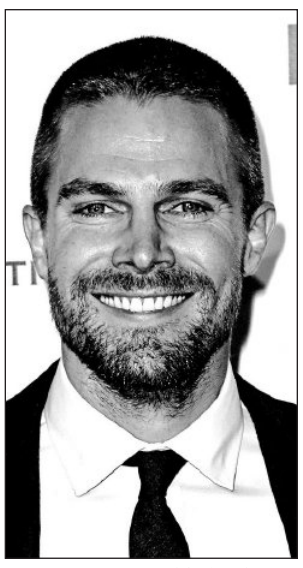
A: He's doing OK. Despite the fact that (his son) William and (his wife) Felicity are in witness protection, he can't rest easy with the fact that it's five months in and Diaz is still out there. He's sacrificed everything to take him off the board, and he's not off the board. He's also having to go against a lot of his better instincts in order to survive. He's in there with a lot of people he helped put in there. There's a target on his back.

Q: The series has traditionally introduced a new foe every season. With Season 6's Diaz still very much in play, how has that affected the way the new year is structured?

A: This season feels very different. It feels very bold. It feels like, in my mind, it's taking one of the things we did in Season 4, where we introduced (a tease) someone was in the grave. It's not doing anything like that, but that to me always felt like a bold choice.

... It feels like we're making a lot of those choices, and that's been very, very invigorating for me, because I never want to be safe. I'm of the mindset if you have a good idea, let's do it. Season 8 is promised to no one. It's been very refreshing, and it feels like we're pushing the envelope this year.

Q: With Ruby Rose about the join the larger DC television universe, what conversations have you had with her about taking on a role like this?



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"I'm of the mindset if you have a good idea, let's do it."
— Stephen Amell

A: I haven't spoken with Ruby yet. I know absolutely everything about the crossover, and there is literally nothing I can say about it. Ruby doesn't need my help, at all. ... Even if she doesn't feel it, I feel like there's a great deal of pressure on Ruby. I would just hope that if she needs anything from me, she wouldn't hesitate to ask.

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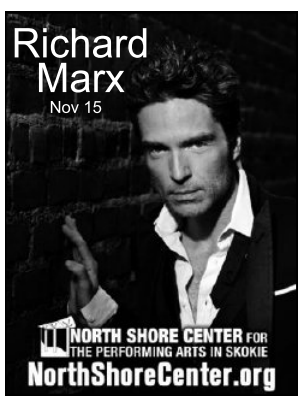
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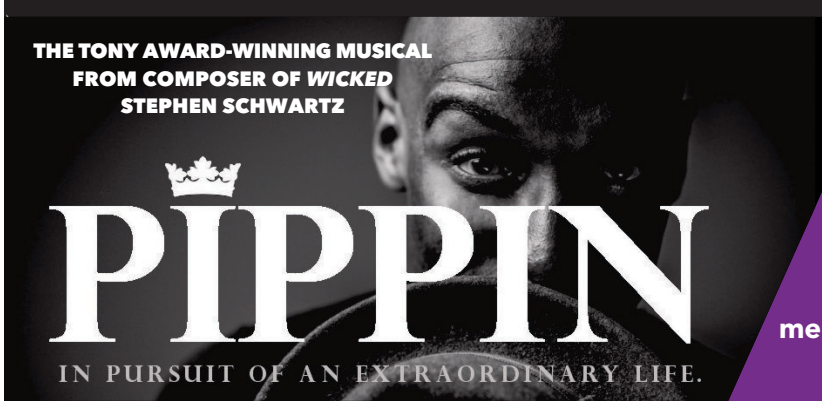
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ILLINOIS RIVER ROYALTY

Seeing the Land of Lincoln on a weeklong cruise aboard the American Duchess

Story and photos by Lori Rackl
Chicago Tribune



Historical reenactors take a stroll by the American Duchess while the 166-passenger paddle-wheeler is docked in Peoria, above. Below, a rainbow shimmers in the sky as the boat leaves Havana, Ill., on the Illinois River, and Abraham Lincoln impersonator George Buss waves to onlookers in Hannibal, Mo. The theme of the weeklong cruise was "Lincoln's Illinois."





When you tell people you're going on a weeklong cruise, you expect them to ask, "Where?"

Here's what they don't expect you to answer: "Illinois."

The Illinois River isn't exactly top of mind when it comes to recreational river cruises, a pursuit that conjures up far-flung locations like the Danube, Nile and Amazon. But the nearly 275-mile-long waterway that threads through the heart of the Prairie State served as the main setting for a groundbreaking — make that waterbreaking? — cruise this past summer. That's when the 166-passenger American Duchess paddle-wheeler made its way from the Mississippi River town of Alton up to Ottawa on the Illinois.

"This large of a passenger boat on the Illinois River hasn't happened, if ever, for many years," said Duchess Capt. Randy Kirschbaum, who's navigated inland waterways for four decades. "There's a lot of excitement around it. Not only for us on the boat ... but for the towns."

I witnessed that excitement firsthand in August on the ship's inaugural trip along the Illinois River, a route typically populated by commercial barges and smaller pleasure boats. Tagging along was my 13-year-old niece, Sara, a good half-century younger than most of the passengers.

During our deep dive into the Land of Lincoln, the year-old Duchess made maiden calls at several ports, including Peoria, whose riverfront bustled with a Saturday morning farmers market, and the sleepier town of Havana, where the mayor, a Dixieland jazz band and camera-toting residents turned out to greet the Victorian-style vessel as it cozied up to shore.

In these parts, the Duchess was a bona fide aquatic anomaly. The limited-but-growing inventory of overnight cruise boats plying U.S. rivers tends to cluster on bigger, better-known waterways. And many of these ships simply aren't a good fit for the Illinois River, a tributary of the Mississippi that basically flows southwest of Joliet, at the confluence of the Kankakee and Des Plaines rivers, all the way down to Grafton, not too far north of St. Louis. The vessels are often too tall to navigate the northern reaches of the Illinois; in the game of limbo between the boat and some of the low-slung bridges that straddle the water, the boat loses.

Even the relatively compact Duchess had to collapse its black smokestacks and sun-deck umbrellas to squeeze under spans carrying trains and trucks roaring overhead. If heavy rain had caused water levels to rise too much, that would have been the end of our river road.

Cruise companies are willing to take on these kinds of logistical headaches if it means giving the growing riverboat market new and off-the-beaten-path itineraries like this one, dubbed "Lincoln's Illinois." By venturing deeper into domestic waterways, they're catering to a clientele that craves the intimacy of riverboat cruising but doesn't necessarily want to fly to a foreign country to experience it. They're targeting folks who are eager for longer, overnight journeys on U.S. rivers but have already "done" the Mississippi or the Columbia and Snake rivers in the Pacific Northwest.

Just about everyone I talked to aboard the Duchess — one of three paddle-wheelers owned by American Queen Steamboat Co., which has a fourth on the way — had previously traveled with the New Albany, Ind.-based riverboat cruise line. They'd usually cruised some stretch of the Mississippi — the Memphis-to-New Orleans leg is especially popular — and they'd usually done it on the company's largest vessel, the 436-passenger American Queen.

This time, they picked Lincoln's Illinois on the Duchess because they wanted "something different."

Here's something different: seeing Abraham Lincoln in a bright orange life jacket during the ship's mandatory muster drill.

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Fewer see Rwanda apes after fee hike

Associated Press

VOLCANOES NATIONAL PARK, Rwanda — Tourism to see gorillas is an important income source for Rwanda, but a recent increase in permit fees for safaris meant a steep decline in visitors.

Earlier this year the WWF conservation group said the mountain gorilla subspecies was making a comeback, with numbers above 600 from an estimated 480 in 2010 in the Virunga Massif, a mountainous area encompassing parts of Rwanda, Uganda and Congo.

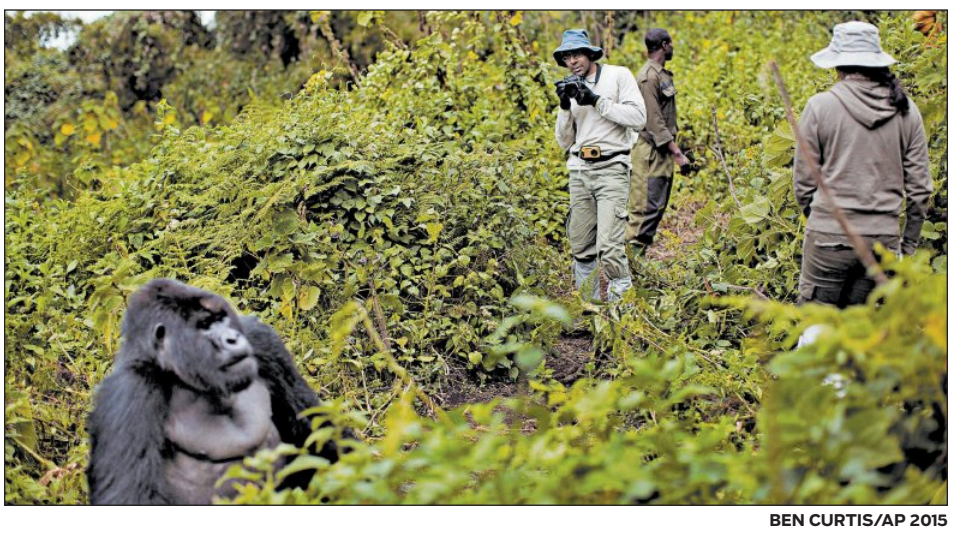
In Rwanda's Volcanoes National Park, tourists routinely trek to see gorillas in their natural habitat. Conservation is big business in the East African nation, where tourism is the top foreign exchange earner.

In May 2017 the government doubled the price of a permit to visit the gorillas from $750 to $1,500, making the fee the highest in the region. A similar fee is $600 in Uganda and $400 in Congo.

Since then Rwanda has lost some tourist business, with some in the hospitality industry saying they have lost income. "It was chaotic. I can't estimate the percentage of tourists we lost but it was very bad," said Parfait Kajibwami, manager of Le Bambou Gorilla Lodge near the park.

Some tourists, however, have said they are happy to pay the higher price.

"I will only be able to do this once in my life," said Diege Joost from Germany.



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A tourist takes photos of a male silverback mountain gorilla in northern Rwanda.

Nature, romance in Italy's lakes district



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The town of Varenna on Lake Como, easily accessible by train, is the perfect place to savor a lakeside meal or aperitivo.

Northern Italy's seductively beautiful lakes district — in the shadow of the Alps — seems heaven-sent for communing with nature. Though just an hour north of Milan, this area feels a world away from the business and bustle of Italy's second city.

In this romantic region, wistful 19th-century villas are overgrown with old vines that seem to ache with stories to tell. Stunted palm trees appear to be held against their will in this northern location. And vistas are made-to-order for poets. In fact, it was early nature lovers who wrote and painted here and put this area on the tourist map in the 1800s.

Tourists have several lakes to choose from — Lake Garda, Lake Maggiore and others — and all have their charms. But my favorite is Lake Como, offering the best mix of accessibility, scenery, sightseeing and relaxation, with a heady whiff of aristocratic old days.

Lake Como is lined with luxurious villas, crowned by snowcapped mountains and busy with fleets of little ferries darting from one cute town to another. The most famous town is Bellagio, the self-proclaimed "Pearl of the Lake" — a combination of old-world classiness and new-world luxury. Steep steps rise from the harbor front up to a smattering of sun-splashed squares. With spendy five-star hotels and high-end shopping, Bellagio pleases well-heeled travelers.

While a part of me enjoys the "tramp in a palace" feeling I get in Bellagio, my ideal Lake Como home is Varenna. Easily accessible by train from Milan, Varenna packs its 800 residents into a compact townscape on the less-developed side of the lake. Individual homes are defined only by their pastel colors, and the old town has no streets — just characteristic stepped lanes. The passerella — a lakeside promenade connecting the ferry dock with the old town center — is a fine place to stroll.



Villa del Balbianello, the home of explorer Guido Monzino, features a terraced garden and a splendid loggia.

On Lake Como, villa front doors face the lake to welcome visitors arriving by boat (and ferries arriving from Bellagio and Varenna). Many villas are owned by the region's "impoverished nobility." Bred and raised not to work, they eventually were unable to pay for the upkeep of their sprawling houses. While some villas have been bought by the region's nouveaux riches, others have been transformed into hotels or sightseeing attractions.

For garden lovers, Villa Carlotta is the best — especially in spring, when many of its flowers are in peak bloom. But the dreamiest estate is Villa del Balbianello, which perches on a promontory near the village of Lenno and was featured in the movies "Casino Royale" and "Star Wars: Episode II." Built at the end of the 18th century on the remains of an old Franciscan church, the villa reflects the exotic vision of its last owner, explorer Guido Monzino. The real masterpiece here is the terraced garden and splendid loggia, where the land fits the architecture and landscaping in a particularly lovely way.

Though it lacks the cozy charm of Lake Como, Lake Maggiore is a suitable backup destination. The best part of any visit here is a wander through the exotic gardens and elaborate villas built by the wealthy Borromeo family, which lovingly turned several of the lake's islands into retreats.

Your handy transportation hub for these islands is the resort town of Stresa. While I find it generally lacking in character, it does have a fine waterfront promenade and stately 19th-century lakeside hotels dating back to when this town was on the Grand Tour circuit. Stresa is famous for its Grand Hotel des Iles Borromees, which served as an infirmary during World War I, hosting a recovering Ernest Hemingway. The writer later returned to the hotel, setting part of his novel "A Farewell to Arms" here.

But Stresa is mainly worthwhile as a jumping-off point for Lake Maggiore's garden islands. The best one is Isola Bella, dominated by a palatial villa boasting a grand hall with an 80-foot-high dome, paintings from the Borromeo family's private collection and an 18th-century grotto, decorated from ceiling to floor with shell motifs and black-and-white stones. The terraced Baroque gardens, with the Borromeo family unicorn sitting on top, give the island the look of a stepped pyramid from the water.

The other main Borromean islands are Isola Madre, featuring the first Borromeo palace — dark and somber with a huge collection of dolls, marionettes and exquisite 17th-century marionette theater sets — and Isola Pescatori, the smallest and most residential of the three, with a couple of seafood restaurants, picnic benches, views and, blissfully, nothing to do.

While you can visit Italy's lakes as a day trip from Milan, I recommend spending the night. You'll really feel the romance of Europe. Make it a point to stroll a waterfront promenade. As you pass under wisteria-drenched villas and caryatid lovers pressed silently against each other, you'll understand the importance of packing the right travel partner.

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TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

Expedia won't reimburse cost of re-ticketed flight

By Christopher Elliott | King Features

My wife and I recently booked two one-way tickets from Orlando to Paris and from Paris to Orlando through Expedia.

We had an issue on the way back to Orlando. We had a connecting flight in Manchester, England, for both trips. We attempted to print out our tickets for the first leg of our trip from Paris to Manchester on Flybe and check in for our flights the night before at our hotel, but kept getting an error on Expedia's website. So we decided to go to the airport four hours before our flight.

We tried to print out our tickets at the kiosk, but the slip of paper directed us to go to a Flybe ticket counter. We went to the Flybe counter, and a representative directed us to go to the Air France counter. An Air France employee then instructed us to go back to Flybe.

Air France told us to call Condor Airlines, but Condor directed us to go back to Flybe. We were given the runaround for more than four hours. After all the finger-pointing, we had to buy additional tickets for $437 from Paris to Manchester to connect to our Orlando flight.

Ultimately, we couldn't use our original tickets for Paris to Manchester. Expedia refused to issue those tickets, and Flybe reported us as no-shows, even though we were there four hours early at its ticket counter.

Expedia still refuses to refund us, even with us providing supporting documents. Can you help us with our Expedia refund?

— *Jerard Jose, Deland, Fla.*

A: Your tickets from Paris to Manchester should have worked just fine. No need to show up at the airport four hours before your flight, no need to watch Flybe, Air France and Condor pass you around between gates only to force you to buy a new ticket.

I'm sorry your return flight went sideways. But now that you've survived your flight home, the least your online travel agency can do is fix this by issuing a prompt refund. So why isn't it? Probably because this was a confusing itinerary.

Your tickets appear to have been issued by Condor with a Flybe codeshare operated by Air France. I know what you're thinking: "A code-what?" Well, airlines do that. One airline sells the tickets, but then allows another airline to operate the flight. However, according to Flybe, Air France is not a partner of Condor, which is why you were denied boarding in Paris.

I think you should have leaned on Expedia to fix this for you. After all, Expedia is your online travel agent, and it should know which airline is operating which flight. You can find phone numbers for executive contacts of Expedia on my consumer advocacy site: www.elliott.org/company-contacts/expedia/.

I contacted Expedia on your behalf. In response, Expedia refunded the tickets you had to buy in Paris.

"We are truly sorry for the incredibly frustrating experience they had while attempting to use their tickets recently, and have added a voucher of $100 to their Expedia account to use on future travel," a spokeswoman said.

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CELEBRITY TRAVELER
JACKSON RATHBONE

'Twilight' actor feels at home traveling

By Jae-Ha Kim
Tribune Content Agency

As "Twilight" celebrates the 10th anniversary of its theatrical release, Jackson Rathbone — who portrayed vampire Jasper Hale — is busy. He is one of the stars of the film "Heart, Baby!" and has a new single out, "Young and Tragic." Born in Asia, the actor-musician says he traveled so much as a child that he feels "only at home when I'm traveling. I find myself residing mostly on airplanes, usually between Los Angeles and Austin. However, I've been known to fly all over the world for work, from Mexico to South Africa, Colombia to France, and even as far as the exotic plains of Canada!"

An edited version of our conversation follows.

Q: Where did you film "Heart, Baby!"?

A: We filmed in my mother's hometown of New Orleans during Mardi Gras. I had my wife and our 3-year-old son join me and watch the parades. Mardi Gras can be a wonderful family experience. Debauchery isn't necessary. Avoid the downtown parts of the parade. Go to the residential areas where the parades begin. Bring a folding chair, cooler full of beer and a jacket. And talk to anyone and everyone around you. Mardi Gras brings out the convivial nature of New Orleans.

Q: "Twilight" was filmed primarily in Portland, Ore., and Washington. I love the Pacific Northwest and its weather, but some people hate it. How did you feel about the area?

A: Personally, I'm not a fan of living in an area that rains half the year. That being said, there is nothing more beautiful to me than the mossy underbellies of the fauna of the Pacific Northwest. I have been back to Portland for work many times. I've played the venue Doug Fir Lounge as a musician and loved the food and sound system there. My sister, Kelly Garrett Rathbone Rebo, is an internationally renowned sculptor, and she resides in Portland with her husband. I visit as often as I can to get my fill of family, mossy trees and the vibrant art scene.



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"I find myself residing mostly on airplanes, usually between Los Angeles and Austin."

Q: Have you ever picked a film project because of where it was being shot?

A: Yes. If you have a film shooting in New Orleans, I'm bound to say yes. It is one of my favorite cities in the world.

Q: What is your favorite vacation destination?

A: San Jose del Cabo, Mexico. My family had a reunion there one year and we have been going back ever since. It's not just all beaches and tropical alcoholic beverages. Check out the art walk in the historic main square.

Q: What untapped destination should people know about?

A: Traverse City, Mich. I went to school at Interlochen Arts Academy, which is one town over from Traverse. The summer and spring in that area, near the northern top of the Michigan mitten, is gorgeous. From cherry picking to sand dunes, don't forget to stop at the Hofbrau and try one of their famous fried pickles.

Q: What's the most important thing you've learned from your travels?

A: Countless religious and political ideologies run amok, but we all share the same planet. Just remember the golden rule: Treat others as you would like to be treated.

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Franklin exhibit a prelude to loftier vision

Museum hopes to expand display to honor her legacy

By Jeff Karoub
Associated Press



CARLOS OSORIO/AP PHOTOS

"THINK," a tribute to Aretha Franklin, opened last month at the Wright Museum of African American History in Detroit.

DETROIT — The Detroit museum that hosted Aretha Franklin's public visitations after her death is again holding space for her — this time with an exhibit featuring photographs, videos and the red shoes she wore at the first funeral viewing that drew global attention.

Billed as a "tribute to the Queen of Soul," "THINK" opened to the public in September at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History and runs until Jan. 21, Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The show is a prelude to what the museum envisions as a larger, long-term exhibit that would debut late next year or in early 2020. And both could be a proving ground for a permanent museum honoring Franklin and her family.

"My aunt used to always talk about having a Franklin family museum," said Franklin's niece, Sabrina Owens. "That's not on the immediate horizon, but I thought this would be a good start to it."

The first show aims to capture and celebrate Franklin's life in an intimate space that's designed to change and offer surprises over time — much like its subject did.

"This mirrors the way she was — keep on adding things to a collection, giving people something different to look forward to — just goes along with who she was as a person," Owens said. "She just always wanted to change, keep herself relevant."

In addition to the candy-apple red shoes, the exhibit includes a replica of the matching red dress she wore at the visitation. It also features video from various performances and appearances. Visitors are greeted by a large video monitor with three clips playing on a loop, including her scene-stealing turn singing "Think" in the film "The Blues Brothers."



The exhibit on the Queen of Soul features a replica of the red dress Franklin was wearing for her visitation.



The exhibit also includes the candy-apple red shoes seen at the visitation. Franklin died Aug. 16 at age 76.

The images and artifacts span her life — among them a photo of her birth home in Memphis, Tenn., a framed copy of the first record she cut in her longtime home of Detroit and a close-up shot of her singing "My Country 'Tis of Thee" at President Barack Obama's 2009 inauguration. It also includes images captured during her visitations, funeral and interment.

Museum officials say the cultural landmark takes great pride in hosting the exhibit, as well as maintaining a connection with Franklin, who died Aug. 16 at 76. The museum says roughly 31,000 people came through to see her during the Aug. 29-30 visitation period.

Given how recently she died, museum officials say it was important to capture and present some of those elements "of residual grief and love" for the inaugural exhibit.

"We're trying to continue from the viewing the emotional experience we witnessed — see the emotional connection people had with the Queen and allow people to feel that," said George Hamilton, the Wright's interim CEO.

The feelings came rushing back to Gloria Easley, 68, who dropped by for a recent visit from Chicago with her sister. The women thought the exhibit had already opened to the public. It hadn't. But Hamilton welcomed them nonetheless.

"When I came in and walked through the door, I was a bit taken aback," said Easley, who said she spoke by phone on numerous occasions with Franklin's late father, the Rev. C.L. Franklin, and met the singer at gospel trailblazer Mahalia Jackson's 1972 funeral in Chicago. "I got a little emotional, having flashbacks listening to her voice."

Easley, who first "fell in love" with the young Franklin's voice on radio broadcasts of her father's services, told Hamilton that the exhibit hits the right notes.

"You're doing it in the right way and for the right reasons," she told him.

For the current and planned future exhibit, the museum is working with the Franklin family on creating something that encompasses her life and its impact.

"Aretha was obviously important to the world and important to Detroit," said museum board member Kelly Major Green. "We want to be able to express that appropriate and commensurate with the legacy that it is."

Land of Lincoln by boat

Riverboat, *from Page 1*

resident and Lincoln impersonator George Buss, traveled onboard with us for most of the voyage. He and Mary Todd (Buss' actual wife) would pop up in various spots around the boat, making small talk with passengers and delivering snack-sized doses of history in keeping with the trip's Lincoln theme. When we ran into Honest Abe one sunny afternoon on the top deck, he pulled out a copy of the Gettysburg Address from his stovepipe hat and gave it to my niece.

It was a little head-trippy to think that nearly two centuries ago, the real Lincoln worked on this very waterway, piloting a flatboat full of supplies headed for New Orleans.

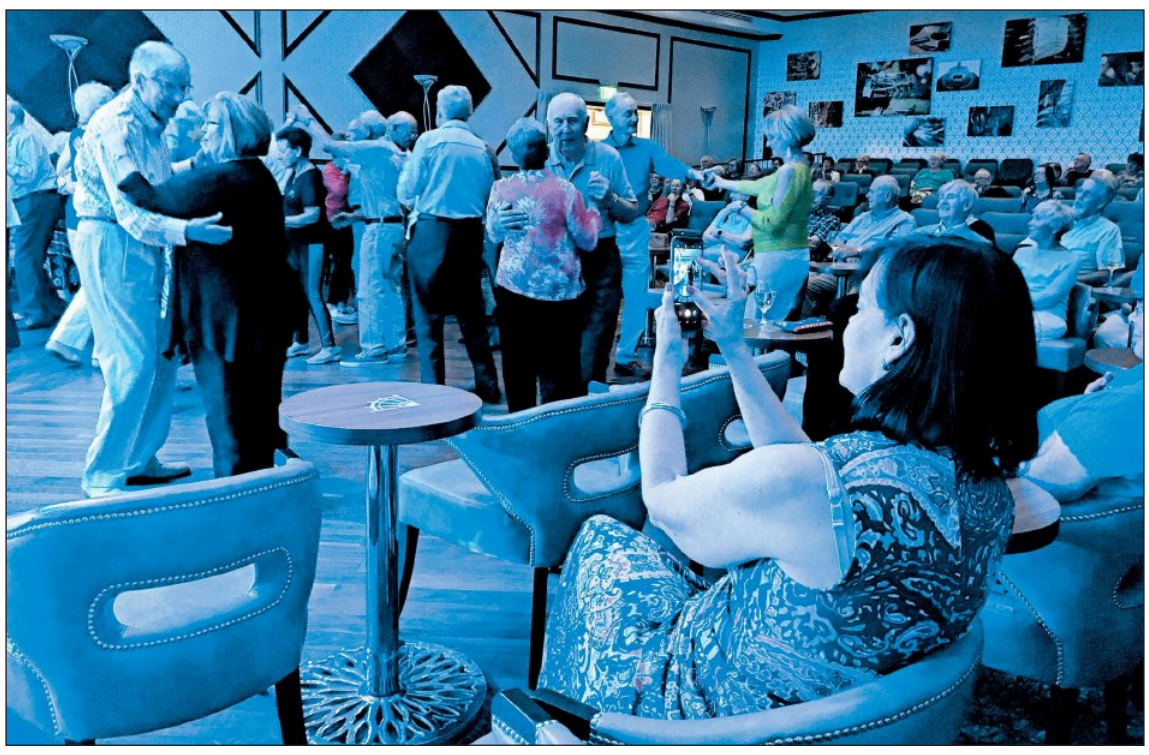
The towns that bookended our cruise hosted the first and last of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates of 1858, a series of oral smackdowns that started in Ottawa and ended a few months later in Alton.

Not surprisingly, the cruise's shore excursions often featured a tie-in to the 16th president, whether it be one of the stops on the ship's private hop-on, hop-off buses that take passengers on a continuous sightseeing circuit in every port, or something more elaborate, like the "premium excursion" (read: extra cost) that shuttled us from Havana to Springfield for the day. On that one, we logged a lot of Lincoln: a visit to his presidential museum, a tour of the only home he ever owned, a stop at his tomb and a trip to nearby New Salem, a recreation of the village where Lincoln lived in the 1830s.

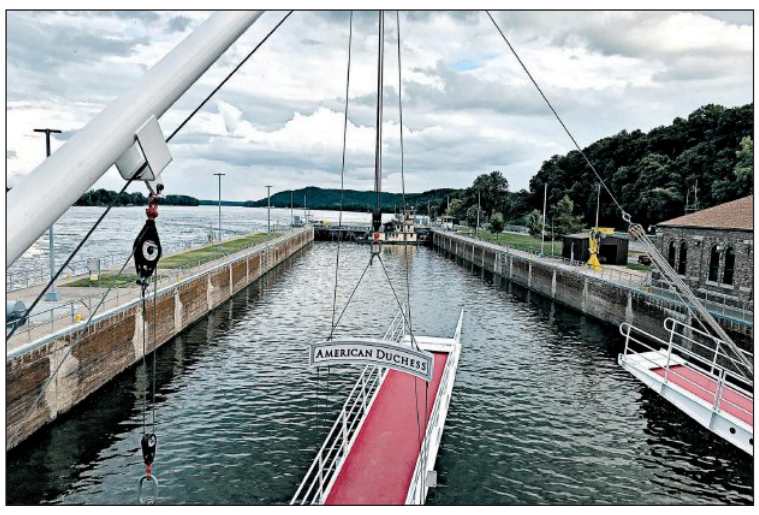
"It's like a field trip!" Sara said on our motor coach ride to the state capital.

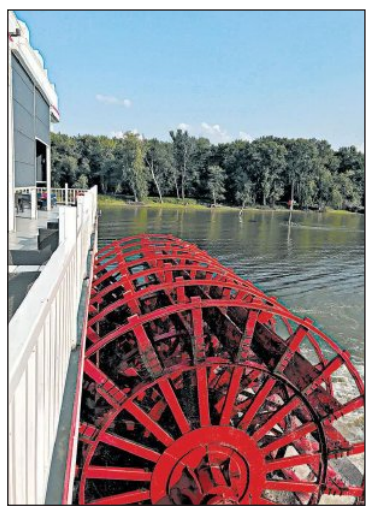


The American Duchess didn't have much room to spare when passing under a rail bridge near Chillicothe, Ill.



Live music was performed nightly in the show lounge, which sometimes turned into a dance floor.





The Duchess enters a lock on the Mississippi River. The boat made nine crossings through locks.



Migrating American white pelicans crowd a green swath of land on the Illinois River north of Peoria.



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If you go

AMERICAN QUEEN STEAMBOAT CO.: The riverboat cruise line has a trio of paddle-wheelers offering a range of overnight cruises on U.S. rivers. The American Duchess and American Queen operate year-round, traveling the Mississippi, as well as the Ohio, Tennessee and Cumberland rivers. The American Empress sails in the Pacific Northwest, March through November. A fourth ship, the 245-passenger American Countess, is under construction.

ILLINOIS RIVER: The Duchess ran two Illinois River trips this year. A company spokesman said more Illinois River itineraries will likely be offered in 2020, after lock-and-dam repair work on the waterway by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

CRUISE COST: Prices for 2019 voyages start at $2,099 a person on the Duchess and $1,899 on the Queen and Empress if booked by Nov. 30 of this year; 888-749-5280, www.americanqueensteamboatcompany.com.

Kids at heart

Sara, about to enter eighth grade, was the only kid on the cruise. Heck, at 49 years old, even I felt like a kid. The average age of American Queen Steamboat Co. passengers is about 72, according to company officials. Shave a decade off that for customers on its American Empress boat based in the Pacific Northwest.

"This is how old people have fun," an energetic septuagenarian stage-whispered to my niece as her smiling husband grabbed her hand and led her onto the ship's dance floor. The band jammed out show tunes and other well-known hits while the enthusiastic crowd clapped along.

Sara got into the spirit, even if she was too young to recognize any of the songs performed by the talented cast of onboard entertainers. (Me: "Seriously? You've never heard of 'Footloose?' Or 'Dancing Queen?'" Her: blank stare.)

She didn't have a ship's kids club to retreat to, or other tweens and teens to play with. But plenty of passengers stepped up to fill the social void, taking on the role of de facto grandparents, showering her with warm smiles and conversation.

A retired Florida couple even invited us to a pre-dinner cocktail party in their swanky loft suite, a 550-square-foot, two-story space with a private balcony — roughly three times the size of our interior stateroom.

The butler doted on Sara, making sure her wineglass was full of Sprite.

"Old people are nice," Sara later declared.

Rhythm of the river

We both relished the semiformal fun of our nightly ritual: eating a multicourse meal in the Duchess' elegant, high-ceilinged dining room. The expansive windows were like a movie screen, showing an endless loop of scenery as diners dug into filet mignon, grilled salmon, fettuccine Alfredo, lobster tails, etc.

Unlike on some cruises, Duchess passengers don't have to eat at the same time, same table. We could show up whenever we wanted between 5:30 and 8 p.m., opting either for a table for two or, if we were feeling more social, joining others who felt the same.

Wine and beer are complimentary at dinner. When we were finished eating, our friendly waiter made a habit of topping off my glass with a healthy pour of red that I could take into the show lounge for the nightly performance of "Songs Sara Doesn't Know."

For our post-show dessert, we'd swing by the boat's self-service Perks cafe to rustle up an ice cream sundae we'd eat on the top deck, under the stars.

The 340-foot-long Duchess isn't big by cruise-ship standards, but it's outfitted with a lot of the amenities you'd expect in larger vessels: a show lounge, a fitness center, multiple venues to eat and drink.

One thing it doesn't have is a casino, which is kind of ironic given the boat's origin. The hull used to belong to the Isle of Capri riverboat casino, a longtime fixture in the Quad Cities. American Queen Steamboat Co. bought it in 2016, transforming it into a boutique riverboat reminiscent of a white wedding cake. The old-fashioned gingerbread trim on the outside belies a more modern interior with contemporary furniture and art.

A daily newsletter was dropped off in our cabin each night, per cruise ship protocol. The "River Times" detailed the next day's port and a schedule of onboard activities, so you'd know when to catch a game of bingo or trivia in the Lincoln Library or an educational talk by the so-called Riverlorian, the ship's resident culture and history expert.

Despite its relatively snug size, the Duchess never felt crowded. While most passengers gravitated to the rocking chairs on the second and third decks or loitered over coffee at the River Club Terrace at the back of the boat, Sara and I preferred camping out on the couches on the top of the ship's sprawling sun deck — a place we had virtually to ourselves. We used the boat's binoculars to spot bald eagles and watch startled Asian carp shoot out of the water as motorboats zoomed by.

At least once a day, we'd spend some time being mesmerized by the hypnotic whirring of the candy-apple red paddle-wheel that would just keep on turnin'. (Me: "You've never heard 'Proud Mary?' The rollin' on the river song?")

Seeing the sights

At port, getting on and off the ship was quick and easy. We were usually met with some kind of surprise as we disembarked.

In the small town of Grafton, the surprise was a delicious one: crates full of free, perfectly ripe peaches plucked in Calhoun County.

A Grafton alderman joined us on one of the ship's hop-on, hop-off buses, filling us in on the history of the town, a place hit particularly hard by the devastating floods of 1993.

Grafton sits at the mouth of the Illinois River, where it empties into the Mississippi. It was bumpin' back in the steamboat era. The port once teemed with passengers headed to St. Louis or St. Paul on the Mississippi or making their way to Peoria on the Illinois. The fishing and boatbuilding industries were booming.

These days, fewer than 700 people call Grafton home. The harbor has reinvented itself as the "Key West to the Midwest," a summer playground for boaters and bar-hoppers.

"You wouldn't believe how many people pour in on the weekends," the alderman said.

On our Tuesday morning visit, Grafton wasn't in party mode. Sara and I strolled along the quiet main drag, ducking into a few artsy boutiques and antique shops.

We decided to hop back on the hop-on bus for a ride to Illinois' largest state park: Pere Marquette. Measuring more than 8,000 acres, the park has one of those imposing limestone and timber lodges built by the Civilian Conservation Corps during the Depression. We only had time for a short but worthwhile hike up to one of Pere Marquette's many Native American burial mounds before it was anchors aweigh.

We had more time to explore at the only non-Illinois port of the cruise: Mark Twain's hometown of Hannibal, Mo., a stop that entailed gliding along the Mississippi River before backtracking to the base of the Illinois.

In Hannibal, the surprise waiting for us at the dock was a young boy and girl dressed as Tom Sawyer and Becky Thatcher, foreshadowing a day that would be chock-full of Mark Twain.

Sara and I borrowed a couple of the ship's bikes — a nice amenity — and pedaled to the nearby Mark Twain Boyhood Home & Museum.

We hoofed it up a bunch of stairs to the Mark Twain Memorial Lighthouse.

We ate fried chicken and drank homemade root beer at the Mark Twain Dinette and poked our heads in the riverfront brewery named — wait for it — Mark Twain Brewing Co.

The hop-on, hop-off bus took us to the Mark Twain Cave, a chilly labyrinth featured in several of the author's books.

"Aren't you glad I made you read 'Huck Finn' and 'Tom Sawyer' before the trip?" I asked in Wise Aunt voice.

Now it was Sara's turn to be appalled.

"Those books make no sense," she said, exasperated. "How could you even understand the language?"

Locks and landscapes

The Mississippi River stretch of the journey is where our boat passed through the most locks. Going through locks, much like squeezing under low bridges, adds a jolt of excitement to river travel.

When we pulled up to these engineering feats, passengers lined the deck's rails as the Duchess oh-so-gently maneuvered into its concrete chute. A gate closed behind us, allowing the water level to rise or fall as needed before another barrier opened, sending us on our way.

We took these "water stairs" nine times over the course of the cruise, a voyage that led us past steep limestone bluffs and forests of leafy trees that made me wish it were autumn, not August. Peaceful. Tranquil. That's how I can best describe the sensation of sitting on the sun deck, cruising at a leisurely 5 to 6 mph, with a soundtrack supplied by chirping cicadas and the gentle hum of the engine.

I liked watching the wildlife, wondering if that heron hopscotching alongside us was being curious or territorial, trying to run our giant wedding cake out of town.

It felt like a mashup of Ireland and the Everglades as we passed an emerald green island full of migrating American white pelicans. Around the bend, a couple of fawns ventured to the water's edge before darting back into the brush.

A rainbow shimmered in the blue sky as we pulled out of Havana.

Near the end of our journey, we cruised by Starved Rock State Park, getting a stellar view of its namesake sandstone butte.

That's the scenic highlight reel, mind you. During seven days on the water, we meandered through some mundane stretches too. Nature's splendor was often interrupted by man-made inventions designed to quarry limestone, store grain and transport goods from Point A to Point B. Yet from the water, even these prosaic fixtures exuded a certain heartland charm.

The Illinois River will never be flanked by the grand cathedrals and castles of Europe, the pyramids of Egypt or the rainforests of the Amazon. But a row of towering silos at sunset has a homespun beauty of its own, at least to this Midwestern girl.

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The 2,918-passenger ship Celebrity Edge will begin sailing out of Port Everglades, Fla., in November.

Celebrity gets closer to the Edge

By Richard Tribou
Orlando Sentinel

Celebrity Cruises recently gave a first look at its new cruise ship Celebrity Edge ahead of its Florida debut this fall.

The 2,918-passenger ship will begin sailing out of Port Everglades in November but is getting its finishing touches at France's Chantiers de l'Atlantique shipyard, where invited guests got to take in some of the ship's unique features for the first time.

Among those is a ride on the Magic Carpet, which has multiple roles, but will offer an innovative way for passengers to disembark and reboard the ship when it tenders at ports of call.

While that's an exterior feature, visitors to the ship also got their first look at some of the inside features, including the ship's atrium, known as the Grand Plaza, from French designers Patrick Jouin and Sanjit Manku.

The main draw could be referred to as the elephant in the room, in that it's a 7-ton chandelier. The feature that looms three decks above the circular-designed Martini Bar features LED light strips that adjust the color depending on the time of day.

"The chandelier is like a passive, beautiful sculpture that at night becomes this kind of beating heart," Manku said. "And every single time you look at it, you see it in a different way. It reveals itself as a different thing."

Also in the public space is something you don't see every day on a cruise ship, untouched sections of the hull, meant to pay deference to the construction process of the ship.

For this exposed corridor, Jouin and Manku said they wanted to show welders' touches, architect markings and engineer's notes, the backbone of what Celebrity touts as a sleek, modern design.

"I think what we love in each project is we're always trying to find technique and material craftspeople that allow us to do something we've never done before," Manku said.

"When we were asked to work on the Grand Plaza, one of the big things was these incredibly talented people who can work with steel, and work with steel in ways that become very plastic," he said. "So what we really want to do as well is, 'How can we show the bones?' Because the bones are so good, you don't need to put a covering over them."

Aside from the chandelier, a hanging art installation titled "The Pendulum" is something the designers said they wanted to remind cruisers they were on a ship. It suspends from three decks up and moves with the sway of the ship. Surrounding the Martini Bar is a hand-stitched mesh screen with 13,500 pieces of metal, leather and fabric.

"We hope that all their life they will remember this special moment and why they were here, and why they were together," Jouin said. "That's the joy for us."

The 1,004-foot-long vessel's first sailing from Port Everglades is Nov. 21. It will continue sailing seven-night alternating Eastern and Western Caribbean itineraries until summer 2019, when it migrates to the Mediterranean.

Celebrity Edge is the first of a new class of ship. The line's last class of ship, the Solstice class, debuted more than 10 years ago.

A sister ship, Celebrity Apex, is slated for delivery in spring 2020 with two more on order for 2021 and 2022.

NEWS TO USE

By Phil Marty
Chicago Tribune

Here are some of the more interesting events, deals, websites and other travel tidbits that have come across our desk recently:

■ Competitive mountain bikers will tackle the 2018 Bell's Beer Iceman Cometh Challenge on Nov. 3. The 30-mile race runs from Kalkaska to Traverse City, Mich., on dirt roads, mountain bike tracks, abandoned railroad beds and the Vasa Nordic ski trail. The race attracts more than 4,000 riders. www.iceman.com

■ "Literary Heroines: Their Times, Their Fashions" includes vignette displays of apparel and accessories that tell the story of literary heroines from books such as "Pride and Prejudice," "Memoirs of a Geisha," "The Help" and "Little Women." The exhibit at the Putnam Museum in Davenport, Iowa, will be on display through Jan. 4. The exhibit includes a section on "Hometown Heroines" that features recorded oral history excerpts from some successful women of the Quad Cities. tinyurl.com/y8ud8e7r

■ In the spirit of the Halloween season, the Wisconsin tourism folks have put together lists of some of the state's haunted houses (tinyurl.com/yapowkj9), ghost tours (tinyurl.com/y8rus743) and haunted historic hotels (tinyurl.com/yctj5v38).

■ Opportunities to jam abound at the 28th annual Bluegrass Masters Weekend, Nov. 2-4 at the Lutsen Resort in Lutsen, Minn. Nov. 3 will be a full day of vocal workshops led by international performer Valerie Smith. She'll join her band, Liberty Pike, for a performance that night. The other two days of the event are devoted to informal jamming. 218-387-1272, tinyurl.com/y8ubzbr6



ICEMAN PROMOTIONS

More than 4,000 riders turn out for the Bell's Beer Iceman Cometh Challenge.

■ Realm of Terror, which has been highly rated among Illinois haunted houses, operates Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through Oct. 28. The attraction in Round Lake Beach also will have a final Bloodbath on Nov. 3, with ponchos available. www.realmofterror.com

■ Manistee County, Mich., has a list of 14 self-guided tours in the county, including inland and coastal fall color outings, U-pick orchards and natural wonders. The county borders Lake Michigan and includes a portion of the Huron-Manistee National Forest. tinyurl.com/y74c5kha

■ Amtrak's Hoosier State train runs four times a week between Indianapolis and Chicago, with stops in Crawfordsville, Lafayette, Rensselaer and Dyer. Through the end of the year you can get 15 percent off tickets with promo code V524. tinyurl.com/y8o6e44f

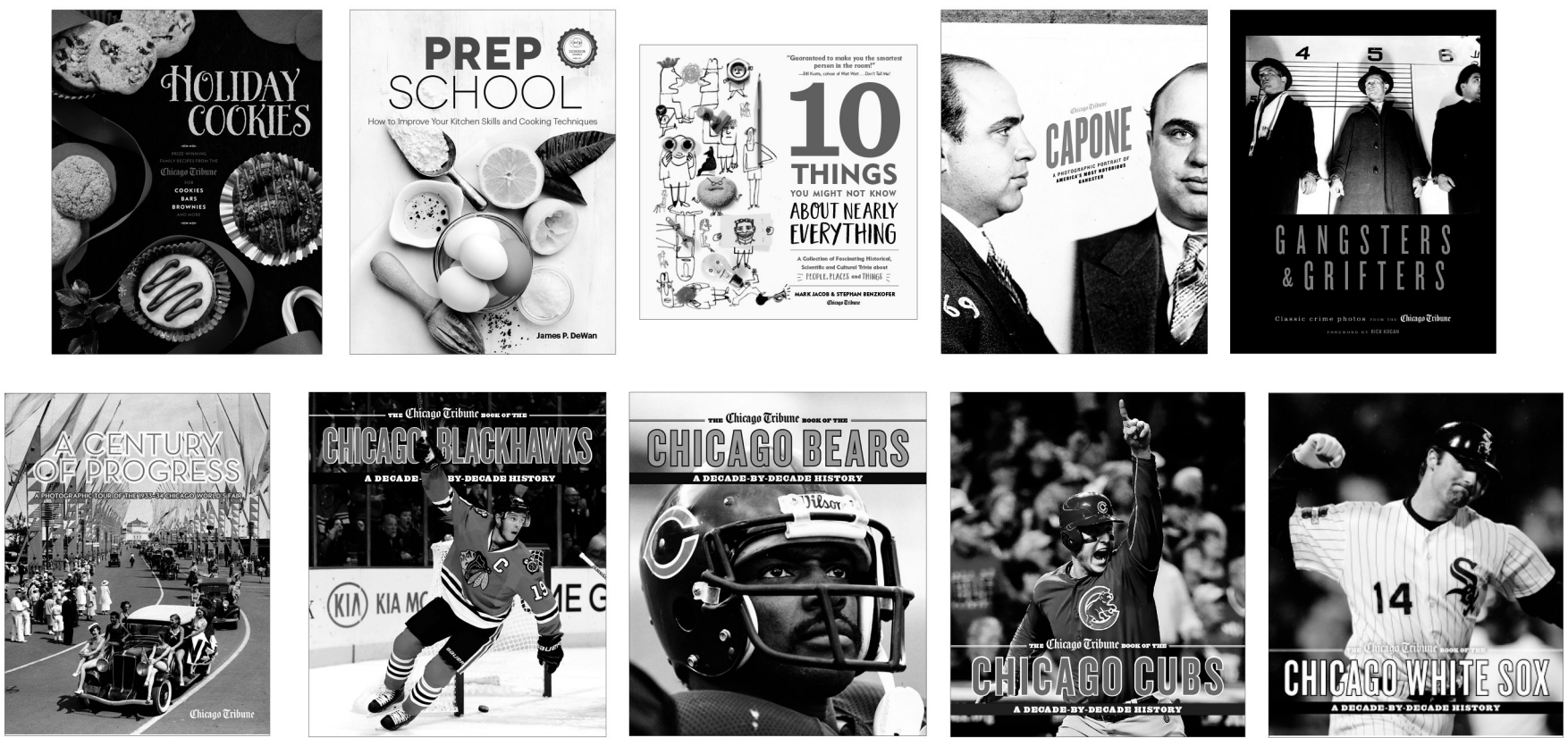
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Top left: Van Wonderen Stroopwafels adds several toppings to the national treat and dips it in chocolate. Top right: In Albert Cuyp outdoor market in Amsterdam, stroopwafel stands abound. Above: Dennis Joinking, proprietor of the Original Stroopwafels stand in Amsterdam, drips warm caramel onto one of his freshly made confections.

IN SEARCH OF STROOPWAFELS

In Amsterdam, a tasting tour of a favorite Dutch treat

By Cara Tabachnick
The Washington Post

My introduction to stroopwafels, the gooey caramel waffle sandwich from the Netherlands, was in a small village in the south of Spain, where I live. A Dutch couple had opened a small bakery tucked among the winding cobblestone streets. One morning, I stumbled into their store and watched as they cut a slab off a log of fragrant dough, pressed it with a waffle iron, separated the top disk from the bottom, spread the inside with caramel sauce and put the halves back together.

"What are those?" I asked. "These are stroopwafels," answered the owner. "One of our country's favorite treats."

I was hooked. For weeks, I consumed a stroopwafel every morning — a cookie and a cup of coffee cost less than $2 — becoming convinced that I needed to try these goodies in the motherland. I plotted a tasting tour with my sister, who flew in from New York to meet me in Amsterdam.

On our first morning, I roused her from a deep jet-lagged sleep. "It's time to go find some stroopwafels," I trilled.

Vendors were still setting up when we arrived at the Albert Cuyp Market and made our way to the Original Stroopwafels stand, where proprietor Dennis Joinking, 41, was already serving a clamoring crowd.

We joined the line, and I ordered the classic stroopwafel. My sister ordered a classic one and a chocolate one, saying it was in the interest of research.

My first lesson: Stroopwafels aren't served on a plate. Instead, the syrupy cookie is placed on a napkin and plopped right onto an outstretched hand.

"It needs to be kept flat so the caramel doesn't drip," Joinking said. "Eating stroopwafels like this is the Dutch way."

I received the soft, warm cookie on my palm, its circumference entirely covering my hand. Delicately, I bit into the crispy waferlike outside and felt the cookie crunch as the caramel dripped down my throat. Joinking watched me expectantly.

"Do you like it?" he asked, his face sheathed in a wide smile, a red kerchief tied around his neck. Every Monday through Saturday, Joinking sets up two waffle irons to serve stroopwafels at his stand. The business was started 43 years ago by Joinking's father, who apprenticed with a stroopwafel maker in Gouda, where the cookie is believed to have been invented, and brought his master's secret recipe back to Amsterdam. Joinking took over the business in 2011, leaving his finance job to serve the goodies because he loved how they brought people together.

"We have people come here from all over the world to try our specialty," he said.

The sweetness was just right; it wasn't cloying or too sugary, and there was a dash of spice. (Nutmeg? Joinking won't release his recipe secrets.) But what I really liked about the experience of eating my stroopwafel was standing in a market on a sunny summer morning, watching the crowds throng around me.

The Albert Cuyp Market is a traditional Dutch market in northern Amsterdam, by the fashionable De Pijp neighborhood. The market is filled with shoppers buying produce, fish, clothes and, of course, stroopwafels. There are several stands, but Original Stroopwafels' is the most recognizable, with its blue-and-white tiles and red counter.

Food historians argue over the origin of the stroopwafel, but all agree this classic Dutch cookie was most likely invented around 1840 in Gouda, a city one hour south of the capital that is also famous for its cheese. Some say the cookies were made from leftover bakery crumbs dipped in syrup to give to poor children, but food historian Peter G. Rose, who researches early Dutch cooking and its influence on American culture, said the scheme was simple. A Goudan baker decided to put two wafers together to create a sandwichlike cookie and fill it with syrup. The cookie was an immediate success in Gouda, and versions spread from market to market until it became a staple of the Dutch diet.

"Although we are a small country, our food is very regional, and different towns often have their own cookie or baked good," Rose said. "But the stroopwafel is different, as it is popular all over Holland and everyone eats them."

When the Dutch immigrated to the Americas, they often brought their waffle irons with them, and a version of the cookie made its way into the American kitchen. But, Rose cautioned, these new varieties were not the same as the original treat. The wafer shells are hard, unlike the stroopwafel, and the American versions often were served without the caramel syrup between them.

Now, variants of the stroopwafel can be found all over the world, and in the U.S. you can buy packages of the cookies at Target and Walmart and on Amazon. But nothing compares, Rose said, to eating the cookie as the locals do: hot from the griddle or warmed by being placed atop a cup of coffee or tea.

"To eat stroopwafels is to taste the country," Rose said.

Mikal Boston, 32, a Texan whom I met while she was wolfing down a piping-hot cookie, agreed. "I smelled it from down the street, and I had to try it. It's so good, crispy and warm."

Inspired by my market success, my sister and I headed toward the city center, where Lanskroon, a 110-year-old bakery on a quaint canal street, is touted as having some of Amsterdam's best stroopwafels. The secret to its recipe is that it bakes the wafers, said Maartje Braakman, 21, who has been working at the bakery for three years. It serves two types, honey and coffee caramel, and most patrons buy a cookie and warm it over their beverages.

These stroopwafels had a different taste and texture from those at the market. They're pale and round and flat as plastic dessert plates, less crispy and less gooey — though the filling is still caramel syrup.

Our last stop was in the heart of the city's shopping district, where a newer, hipper version of the stroopwafel was born. Van Wonderen Stroopwafels, which opened last year, adds a variety of toppings to the typical crispy cookie, dipping them in chocolate and sprinkling them with goodies such as marshmallows, raspberries, nuts and coconut. Jars of add-ons create an enticing rainbow arrangement along the counter of the shop.

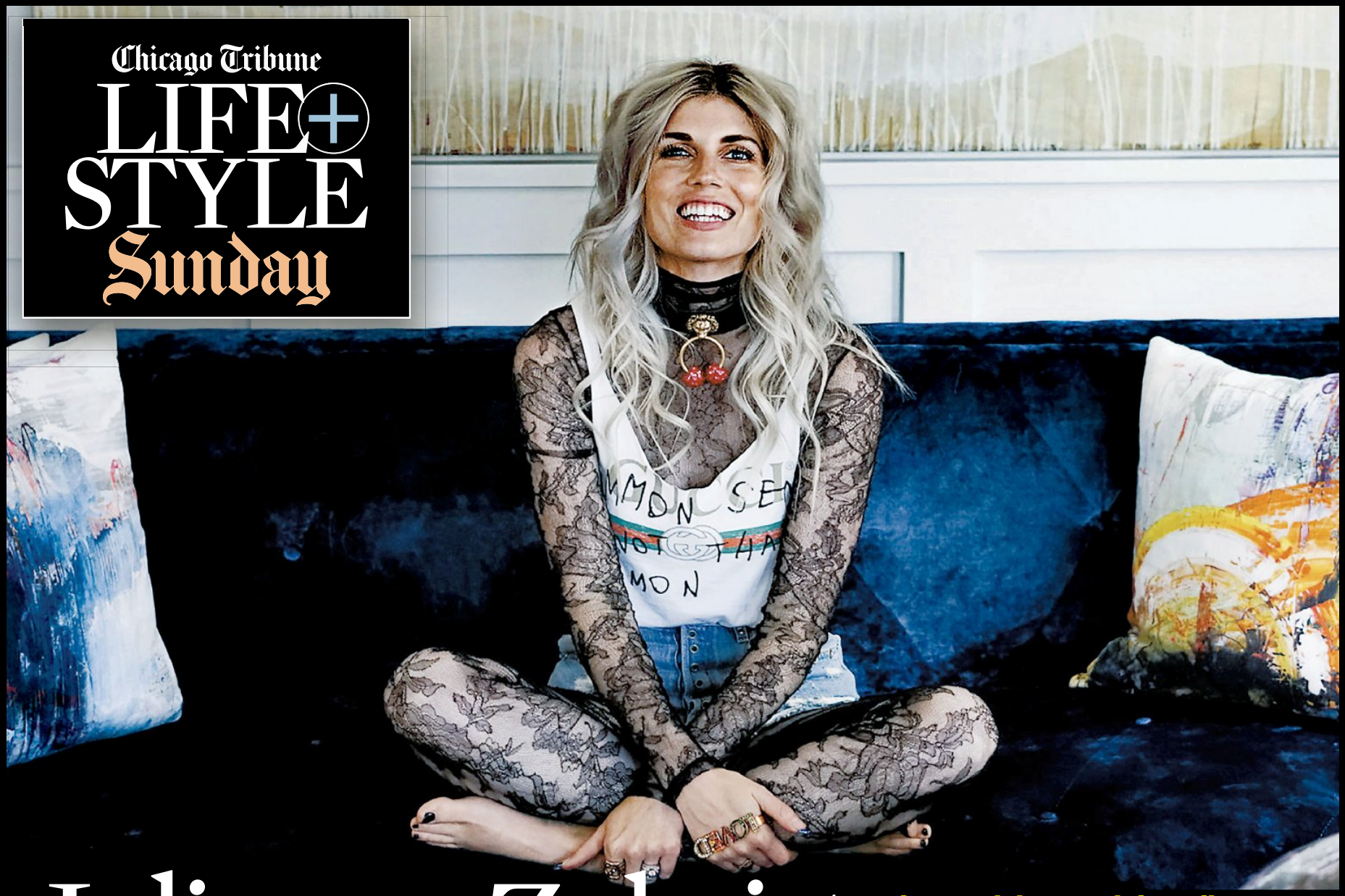
The two 20-something shop workers talked about half-Dutch model Gigi Hadid touting stroopwafels on Twitter as they readied their grill to make me a custom creation. I ordered the chocolate version with a nut topping, and the cookie arrived warm and loaded. I sank my teeth into the confection, and the syrup and chocolate raced to the back of my throat. They waited for my reaction.

"It's good," I choked out, wishing I had a glass of milk. "It's very sweet, though. I'm not sure if the cookie needs all the toppings."

One of the workers, Dominique Dijustza, nodded knowingly. "Everyone still loves the classic."

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Julianna Zobrist

The musician, social media influencer and fashion muse on her new book — and husband Ben

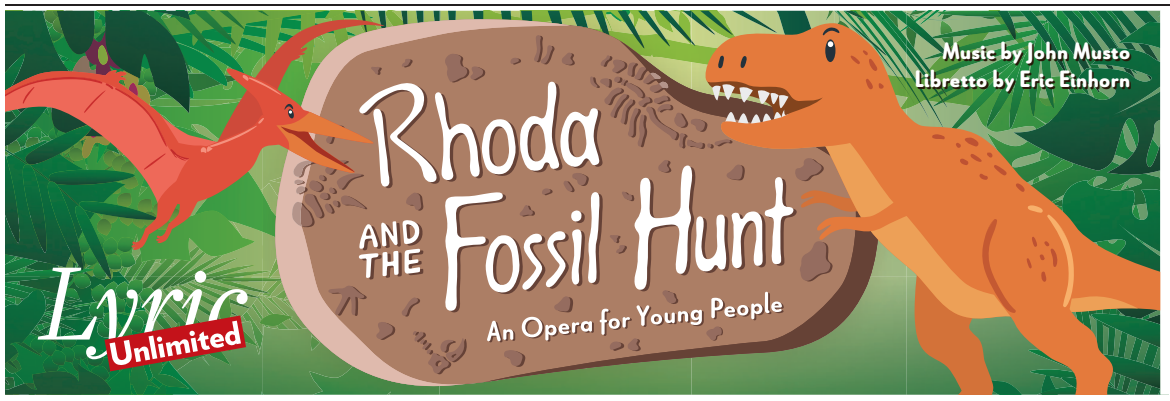
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Mom worries about alcohol exposure

Dear Amy: I've been married for 20 years. My in-laws all live locally and are high-functioning daily alcohol consumers. We are all involved in a successful family business that involves several liquor licenses. Alcohol was not part of my childhood culture, and I rarely drink. We meet every Sunday at Grandma's for a lovely meal where alcohol is omnipresent, although no one gets "out of hand."

I am panicked, and feeling isolated, as I watch our children come of age with the associated experimentation and boundary pushing. How can I ask my husband and extended family to model family life and social activity without alcohol use when our teens are present? How do I respond when they likely refuse, or worse, agree but don't follow through?

— Tea Total

Dear Tea Total: Is it possible that your in-laws are demonstrating how to consume alcohol responsibly? Adults coming together and drinking wine with a meal, for instance, is how many cultures around the world celebrate togetherness.

You should talk to your husband about this and, without asking his family to behave differently, discuss how you two will discuss the topic with your teens. You should be honest with them: "There is a lot of alcohol consumed in our businesses and in our family. We want to talk to you about how to use alcohol responsibly."

Your kids receive alcohol education in school. They are likely surrounded by alcohol temptation otherwise. It is not necessary for you and your husband to be on the same page here (he consumes alcohol and you don't). Following the law and choosing moderation when they do drink will be vital. The lessons your kids receive at home are important, and if you deliver these messages calmly and with openness (not panic), they will listen.

Dear Amy: I work in a church office, which is on the first floor of the pastor's home. When the pastor moved in, he allowed his rescue dog, "Buster," to freely roam the entire house. Buster comes into meetings and sometimes makes a ruckus, making it difficult to hear. In general, he is well-behaved. I am not a dog lover, but I tolerate them. However, I do not believe that animals belong in office-type workplaces. Everyone else in the office likes dogs (some more than others).

Unfortunately, Buster has bitten two children and one adult. We in the office tell parents not to let their kids play with the dog and have signs up with the same message. Our fear is that the dog may more seriously bite someone and we may be sued if the injury is bad enough.

If I approach the pastor, I might seem self-serving, and the others either do not share my concerns or don't want to approach him. Am I overreacting? How should I broach the subject?

— Concerned Office Worker

Dear Concerned: You shouldn't feel self-conscious about talking with your pastor. You work in the office, many people (including children) spend time there, and this has arisen as a concern. Keep your statements neutral and factual: "Buster has bitten some people — I think sometimes he gets overwhelmed when there are a lot of people here."

Ask if there are ways to limit Buster's roving. A baby gate might give him proximity to the action without placing him in the midst of it. This would entail an adjustment period on his part.

Surely your pastor is aware of the risks — physical and legal — of having a dog that bites. I don't think it's necessary to remind him. Also important: Co-workers who love having Buster around will likely undermine efforts to limit his roaming unless the pastor is fully on board.

Dear Amy: I didn't like your advice to "Bewildered Bride," who worried about including her groomsman's abusive partner in their wedding. You advised her to "run out the clock" and see if this relationship ends before the wedding.

However, the wedding gives the abusive woman something to hang onto. These friends need to be completely honest: "It's her or us."

— Bothered

Dear Bothered: Drawing this line might prompt the abused party to choose "her." I believe this places him at risk.

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An anti-Trump pastor's call to hope, action

John Pavlovitz says we all can make the world better

John Pavlovitz feels your pain.

Now he wants to help you channel it into action.

"Many of us are lamenting the despair and divisiveness around us, aching for something more redemptive but no longer sure how to get to it from where we stand," Pavlovitz writes in his new book, "Hope and Other Superpowers: A Life-Affirming, Love-Defending, Butt-Kicking, World-Saving Manifesto" (Simon and Schuster).

Pavlovitz is the North Carolina-based pastor known for his progressive, increasingly political, increasingly anti-President Donald Trump writings and teachings. His blog, Stuff That Needs to Be Said, pulls no punches.

"This administration and its supporters have shown themselves to be largely bereft of empathy for the poor, for the sick, the marginalized; for foreigners, for outsiders, for the wounded — for diverse life here," he writes in a recent post. "They don't deserve to claim ownership of the living."

He despairs about the state of the world and the values of the leaders tasked with repairing it. But he holds tightly to hope, and his new book is an impassioned plea for his followers to do the same.

It's a refreshing message at a time when hope feels, in far too many of the conversations I have with friends and family and readers, like a distraction — a wishy-washy sentiment that doesn't quite grasp the state of our planet.

Pavlovitz defends it as both prudent and necessary.

"Hope is saying that the things we're fighting for right now, the things that we value so greatly, are the product of the people before us who had hope and lived forward-thinking," he told me last week by phone. "The rights we have, the things we treasure, they're our inheritance from people who came before us. What I'm asking people to think about is that we're going to leave something for the people who come after us. Hope is saying, 'I want to leave something beautiful and something worth inheriting.'"



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John Pavlovitz, a North Carolina-based pastor, wrote "Hope and Other Superpowers: A Life-Affirming, Love-Defending, Butt-Kicking, World-Saving Manifesto," which delves into what kind of person the world needs now.

He calls the 2016 presidential election "an existential earthquake, a seismic upheaval in the bedrock of our normal that rattled our foundations and is still sending us regular emotional aftershocks."

Families separated at the border. A president who delights in mocking and belittling his opponents, even as he embraces dictators and despots. Dismantling of environmental protections even as scientists sound an increasingly urgent alarm about climate change.

"At no point in recent memory has apathy and cynicism been more dangerous," Pavlovitz writes, "because the world you and I are standing on is in desperate need of people still willing to reach and do and believe and, most of all, to be fierce caretakers of hope."

The question at the heart of the book is: What kind of person does the world need right now?

"Answer that question, and then embrace those things," he said. "If you believe the world lacks compassion, then seek to be a compassionate person. If you believe it lacks generosity, then go out and be generous. Where's the burden? Where's the injustice? What is the thing that bothers me?

"Is it how refugees are being treated and immigrants are being treated? Instead of just getting angry and railing against that, I can actually go to the places in my community that are working with those folks and I can actually give my time and speak into those people's lives and affirm them and tangibly push back against the forces that are hurting them."

His father's unexpected death four years ago shook him to his core, Pavlovitz writes, and reminded him of the Christian tradition of "rejoicing in trials: the awareness in the moment that present difficulty is infinitely valuable and uniquely formative."

Particularly, he contends, if trial stirs us to action.

"Over the past year or so," he writes, "the term thoughts and prayers has come under great public scrutiny, as politicians and ministers so often wield the words on social media in response to shootings and other tragedies, seemingly as a substitute for doing anything else.

"As a Christian and pastor I have no aversion to prayer, but in the face of injustice and suffering, prayer without behavior change or measurable movement isn't something I'm all that interested in. Whether religious or not, heroic people move from burden to action, from heart to hand; they evolve from simply feeling empathy to tangibly expressing compassion. The people who are the difference-makers don't wait for someone else to stand up to corrupt power or oppose unjust legislation or advocate for people who are hurting so that they can join in — they stand up and oppose and advocate regardless of the cost."

"Hope and Other Superpowers" goes on sale Nov. 6. For every copy preordered by Oct. 29, Simon and Schuster will donate a superhero cape and mask to a child through Family Promise, an organization that helps families transition from homelessness.

"So a kid is affirmed and recognized and reminded they're amazing," Pavlovitz said. "It's a little kindness revolution."

Hopefully, one of many.

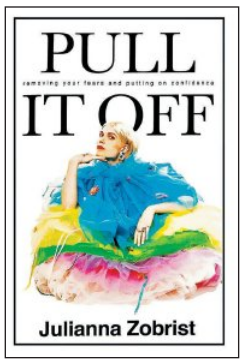
Join the Heidi Stevens' Balancing Act Facebook group, where she hosts live chats every Wednesday at noon. On Oct. 24 she'll be joined by clinical psychologist John Duffy to talk how much is too much when it comes to digitally monitoring your kids.

Julianna Zobrist on fears, fashion, Ben

New book from musician, wife of Cubs player offers message of empowerment

By David Syrek
Chicago Tribune

On the cover of her new book, Julianna Zobrist sits confidently in a multicolored cloud of tulle, but she's just as comfortable in a Cubs T-shirt (sequined, of course). Now her 120,000 Instagram followers who are treated to posts documenting her edgy style can connect on another level. With her new book, "Pull It Off," the Christian pop musician, social media influencer, fashion muse and mother of three digs deeper into her own life.



Zobrist recently held a book signing at Ikram, Chicago's mecca of high fashion, where she spoke about her book's message of empowerment, confidence and self-expression.

I caught up with her as she zigzagged across the country on her book tour, and we talked about fashion, facing your fears and life with Chicago Cubs World Series MVP Ben Zobrist.

This interview has been edited for space and clarity.

Q: What did the book's message of empowerment grow out of?

A: We all have insecurities, and we struggle with them. And I realized that we are all alike in that way.

We are all talking so much about empowerment, or fearlessness, or that we don't care what people think, but yet we still do, and we still need to know how to be empowered.

Q: Do you see a connection between people's insecurities and their obsession with social media?

A: I think that insecurity is natural, but I think that we can feed it.

If we are insecure, a lot of times, that can manifest itself in comparison or in competition with other people. We can get to a place of true confidence, which is not just positivity and not just girl power. I call it holistic or redemptive, meaning that I'm not everything, I'm not fearless, I am who I am. I have my things that I'm good at, and I have my struggles.

When you can look at yourself and dig a little deeper and know who you are — with all of the cracks and crevices and broken parts. If you can own that, then you don't have to compete with other people, because they have different gifts than you, and they have different talents than you, and they've been given different opportunities.

To me, the most confident people that I know are celebratory of others.

There's a part in the book where I talk about courage and the part of the brain that fires when you're in the act of being courageous.

We all have fear and insecurity. It's something that we all deal with on a day-to-day basis, so what are the tools to push through and continue to pull off what we want to do on a day-to-day basis?

You have to address the fear and insecurity and allow it to fire in your brain and press through that door. And on the other side of that fear is where your courage and confidence and your brilliance lies.



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Julianna Zobrist is a musician, social media influencer, fashion muse and mother of three.

Q: What's the difference between image and identity?

A: I think that we inappropriately tether who we are to the way that we look.

I know that I have done that. When I've had babies and I find myself crying on the closet floor questioning who am I — and what am I doing with my life — all because I've gained weight and I don't know how to get it off, and feeling insecure about myself and where I'm at.

At those moments when you find yourself on the closet floor crying because your image has changed, those are telling moments. I think that we've given way too much value to the way that we look.

Q: In the book, you point out that what we call self-expression isn't really that at all. Why is that?

A: Often what we think is self-expression is actually others-expression. There are so many trends — and that's not bad — but we are more apt to express ourselves, or call it self-expression, when we know that it's going to be met with approval.

I think true self-expression does take into account that if you're being honest about how you feel, and how you want to dress, then it has nothing to do with the input of others. It's more about digging deep and knowing how you want to express yourself.

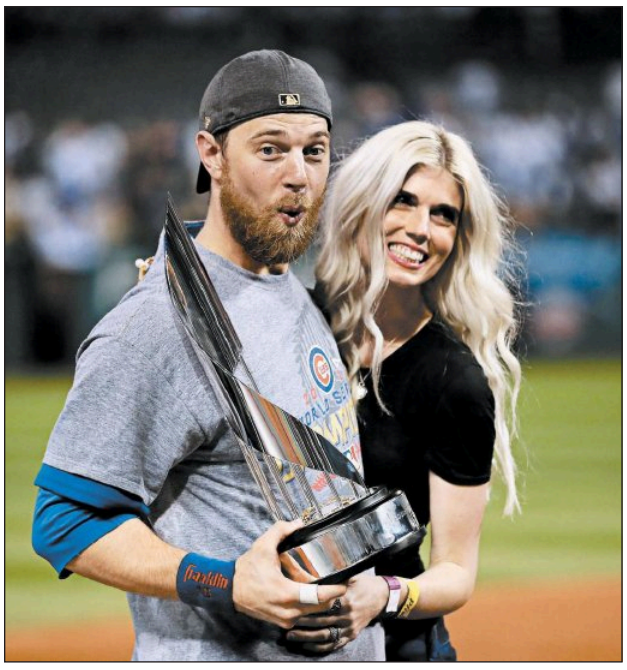
Q: In the book, talking about your style, you mention a quote that you regularly tell your kids: "You don't have to like it; you just need to appreciate it." That applies to a lot of aspects of life, don't you think?

A: Yes it does. It also applies, itself, to things like the art museums that I take my children to. If they want to move on, and if my youngest is really into a Jackson Pollock painting — you don't have to like it. It's not about us all liking the same things. I think that would be incredibly boring, and that honestly is where trends come from — this false consensus that we all think and act and love the same things. Well, that's simply not true, and it limits creativity.

It's more important to understand one another and to value understanding than it is to be right.

Q: What is the foundation of self-confidence?

A: Worth. When you know your worth and your value, then you feel and you know that it is of utmost



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Ben and Julianna Zobrist celebrate after he was named World Series MVP after Game 7 of the 2016 World Series. The busy couple try not to spend more than six days apart.

Can't live without

Favorite Chicago haunts: The Art Institute. I'm a High Renaissance girl.

Chicago resturant: Boka

First app that you check in the morning: My calendar

What's your best 'me time': I read. Right now I'm reading Marcus Aurelius' "The Emperor's Handbook."

Fall fashion staple: Balenciaga cutout boots

Go-to gift shop in Chicago: Ikram — I love going there and getting pins.

Statement accessory: My safety-pin earrings. I'm always wearing these.

On your fashion wish list: Head-to-toe orange

Beauty essential: I love the Charlotte Tilbury highlighter

Can't travel without: ChapStick!

importance to be true to yourself. Because you know that you have that worth. And the world deserves to see that.

For me, day to day, it's much more about the work and the grind and the growth than it is about the accomplishment. It's always the growth.

Q: How do you hold on to self-expression?

A: For me, it's believing that — and it comes down to my faith — God doesn't make mistakes, and that we're all meant to be the person that we are. And so in a way, you're reflecting a part of God's character just by staying true to who you are.

Not one of us is able to do that perfectly.

Q: Why do so many people feel the need to blend in, follow the crowd with their style?

A: Because they want to be liked (laughs). I've felt this. We feel the pressure of fitting in. That's why my message to my children and people on Instagram is "fit out." If you feel like you're not fitting into the world or the trends or to the fashion statements, then you're onto something really good, because it's honest.

Q: You and Ben both have packed schedules. This month you said that he had one day off, so you were trying to rearrange things so that you had some time together. How do you find "together time"?

A: (Laughs.) We have to schedule it. We have a six-day rule, where we try to not spend any longer than six days apart. That's sort of the foundation that we try to arrange our schedules out of.

Every spring we sit down, and we have about a six-hour meeting with my team and his.

It really comes down to priorities, perspective and passion. We prioritize our family first and foremost. And we both are always spurring one another on to be the best at what we are passionate about.

There's a lot of mutual respect. The mutual understanding of what the other person wants. Especially when it's a hard time. If he's walking through a difficult time in baseball, then I'm the one reminding him of what's on the other side. Or if I'm in a moment of self-doubt, he will come in and champion and encourage me. When one person is struggling, the other person picks them up.

Q: You and Ben each have huge social media followings. How much time a week do you spend managing it?

A: I do one post and one story a day, so not too much time. It's just designated time.

Q: Is Ben as active on social media as you?

A: No, (laughs) you might get one post a month from him.

Eye doctors advise caution with Halloween contacts

By Alison Bowen
Chicago Tribune



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Amping up a costume with nonprescription contacts can cause serious eye infections and even vision loss.

Think twice before glamming up your Halloween costume with anything wacky on or near your eyes.

Eye doctors are on guard around Halloween because trick-or-treaters encounter issues with eyes every year while indulging in spooky fun. So many wind up seeing doctors for Halloween-related problems that the American Academy of Ophthalmology recommends thinking twice before adding contact lenses to a costume.

The consequences of amping up a costume with contact lenses can include serious eye infections and even vision loss.

"If they don't fit well, or if they're not used appropriately, or if they're not cleaned, the eye itself can undergo some stress that can lead to problems," said Dr. Michelle Andreoli, a spokeswoman for the American Academy of Ophthalmology and an ophthalmologist at Wheaton Eye Clinic.

Costume lenses should be prescribed and fitted by a professional, just like regular lenses. These lenses can be especially thick, Andreoli noted. "Not enough oxygen moves through the lens, and without adequate oxygen coming into the eye, the eye loses its oxygen supply, and it can lead to cell death and to infection," she said.

The American Academy of Ophthalmology recommends that people buy decorative lenses with a prescription from retailers who sell FDA-approved products. With a professional fitting, even children can safely wear costume lenses, Andreoli said, if they are able to wear regular contact lenses. She has young patients come in to get lenses fitted with little black cats on the lens, or flames, or the pupil whited out to look like a zombie.

Contact lenses that don't fit well can scrape the cornea, the outer layer of the eye, which can increase vulnerability to bacteria and viruses. A corneal transplant might even be required, and extreme cases can end in vision loss.

"Those infections from misuse of contact lenses can be blinding," she said. "They are quite difficult to treat. Once somebody's had a really bad infection, often the end result is something as extreme as corneal transplantation surgery to salvage vision."

The ophthalmologists group notes that nonprescription contact lenses are available at costume shops, gas stations and online, and it cautions to beware of packaging promises like "one size fits all" or "no need to see a doctor."

And definitely don't use the contacts your friend used last year. Sharing contacts can spread germs and create contagious conditions like pink eye.

Beyond lenses, haunted houses can also be harmful for eyes — the fog some use for special effects can create symptoms like eye irritation and throat issues, or even bronchitis-like symptoms. People with asthma, in particular, should steer clear of haunted houses with water-based fog machines, according to the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology.

And don't forget about fake eyelashes. Andreoli recently saw a patient who had attached false eyelashes with glue that created a corneal wound. "That was untoward and awful," she said.

Also, Andreoli said many eye injuries are due to things like "kids not being careful with their pirate sword, or they were messing around, playing light sabers, and somebody gets light sabers to the eye."

Adults aren't immune from accidents in the dark.

"Even if you walk into something as simple as a haystack, organic material carries a litany of organisms that don't belong in the eye," she said. "A tree branch, a piece of hay, a clever placement of some plastic hatchet — those things can be devastating."

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A week of things to do with the kids

By Web Behrens | Chicago Tribune

Monday

'THE BIG BAD FOX AND OTHER TALES'

A hungry fox ends up amusingly playing dad to three little chicks — a sort of barnyard take on "Despicable Me" — in one of three French cartoons, linked by a framing device into one 83-minute feature. In our computer-driven world, lithe hand-drawn animation on the big screen is a rarity, but that's what you get here, from the directors of the Oscar-nominated "Ernest and Celestine." During its run through Nov. 1, choose between French screenings with subtitles or the English-dubbed version. At the Siskel Film Center, 164 N. State St. $8-$11, $7 for kids and students with ID. tinyurl.com/y9okp58x

Wednesday

NIGHT OF 1,000 JACK-O'-LANTERNS

With Halloween just a week away, you can't swing a black cat without hitting a pumpkin spice something-or-other. But this beautiful spectacle reminds everyone why we love pumpkins so much: You'll find a thousand (or so) of the glowing gourds — all hand-carved and lit with LEDs — lining the pathways of the Chicago Botanic Garden. 6:30-10:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday at 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe. $13-$18 admission; $25-$30 parking. tinyurl.com/y8gwtbc3

Thursday

HAUNTED INDOOR MOVIES

The Chicago Park District celebrates Halloween all month long, including with the annual "haunted movie" presentation at Margate Park. This year, choose between the rated-PG "Hotel Transylvania 3," written and directed by onetime Chicagoan Genndy Tartakovsky, at 6:30 p.m. Thursday; or the 1991 comedy classic, rated-PG-13, "The Addams Family," at 6:30 p.m. Friday. Both movie outings include a hot dog, popcorn and a beverage. At Margate Park Fieldhouse, 4921 N. Marine Drive. $5.

Friday

SUPPER WITH THE SNAKES

At the Nature Museum's annual sssssupper, families (with kids ages 2-10) get to meet snakes, of course — but the hands-on fun continues with the chance to examine serpent skins and skeletons, and to make slithery crafts. All this plus dinner (including cupcake dessert), costumes and a dance party! 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum, 2430 N. Cannon Drive. $25, $10 for kids 2-18. tinyurl.com/y9kuvop4

SPOOKY ZOO



LINCOLN PARK ZOO

Amid all the cute costumes and candy hunting, the thousands of kids attending Lincoln Park Zoo's annual Halloween party also learn about the animals. Trick-or-treating is free, but Spooky Zoo coincides with the final weekend of LPZ's Fall Fest programming, which includes attractions (corn maze, Ferris wheel and more) that require tickets. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at Lincoln Park Zoo, 2001 N. Clark St. Free for Spooky Zoo. Fall Fest ride tickets cost $3 each (or 27 tickets for $10). tinyurl.com/y7h5lec3

'THE CURIOUS INCIDENT OF THE DOG IN THE NIGHT-TIME'

This terrific show, which won the Tony Award for best play in 2015, uses lighting and sound design (among other theatrical tools) to cleverly bring its audience inside the mind of its protagonist, a 15-year-old kid on the autism spectrum, as he tries to deduce who killed his neighbor's dog. You've got just three more chances to catch this Steppenwolf for Young Adults production: 7:30 p.m. Friday; 3 and 7:30 p.m. Saturday. At Steppenwolf Theatre, 1650 N. Halsted St. $20-$30, $15 for students with ID. tinyurl.com/y8mzh2au

Saturday

FALL FESTIVAL

This daylong festival in DuPage celebrates all things autumn, from jumping into piles of fall leaves to decorating pumpkins (BYOP). Costumes are encouraged at the drop-in event, which includes a live band and Touch-a-Tractor (till 1 p.m.). 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at DuPage Children's Museum, 301 N. Washington St., Naperville. $12. tinyurl.com/ycefp8dc

OLD TOWN SCHOOL'S SPOOKY SINGALONG

Halloween costumes are de rigueur at this musical celebration of the season, hosted by the Old Town School of Folk Music. Junior witches, ghosts and superheroes get two chances to sing along, once at each OTS location: 10 a.m. Saturday at 4544 N. Lincoln Ave.; 10 a.m. Sunday at 909 W. Armitage Ave. $12. tinyurl.com/y77axpkm

MUMMIES NIGHT

The Oriental Institute's super-popular Halloween event naturally celebrates the (un)dead — specifically mummies, from exposed bones to the kind still concealed within a colorful sarcophagus. Kids 4 and up find themselves wrapped up in a whirlwind of activities, including storytelling, crafts and a Mummy Wrap Race. The all-knowing Sphinx advises registering in advance. 4-7 p.m. at the Oriental Institute Museum, 1155 E. 58th St. Free for kids, suggested donation of $5 for adults. tinyurl.com/y9rmsgh4

Sunday

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS XICAGO

Given the huge popularity of "Coco," we have a feeling many more families might be interested in celebrating Dia de los Muertos this year. The National Museum of Mexican Art's annual celebration unfolds both inside and (mostly) outside the galleries themselves. Photos of deceased loved ones are projected on the museum's exterior. Meanwhile, in adjacent Harrison Park, families create their own ofrendas (altars) to the ancestors. Live performances, face painting and more add to the Pilsen festivities, 3-8 p.m.; the museum itself opens at 10 a.m. 1852 W. 19th St. Free admission. www.diadelosmuertosxicago.com/

THE HALLOWEEN FAMILY SHOW

Every Sunday, the Chicago Magic Lounge offers a family-friendly, 45-minute magical matinee. This special edition (geared for families with kids ages 5 and up) includes trick-or-treating, so bring your own bag. And don't forget your costume! 2 p.m. at Chicago Magic Lounge, 5050 N. Clark St. $25, $15 for kids 5-16. tinyurl.com/y7cp5rc3

MAXWELL STREET MARKET'S DAY OF THE DEAD CELEBRATION

If you're looking for more Mexican culture and Day of the Dead celebrations, Maxwell Street Market plans three hours of family programming Sunday, including an ofrenda-making workshop, live music and pumpkin decorating. The event begins with the dedication of a mural celebrating the market's 106th birthday at 10:30 a.m. and continues until 2 p.m. at 800 S. Desplaines St. Free. tinyurl.com/m2zusut

'SPOOKTACULAR' CONCERT AND HAUNTED OPEN HOUSE

What better holiday than Halloween to show off a pipe organ? Hence, the Music Institute of Chicago's concert of spooky music ranging from Bach's "Toccata and Fugue in D minor" to highlights of Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Phantom of the Opera." Following the 3 p.m. performance, a Haunted Musical Open House commences at 4 p.m., complete with trick-or-treating (costumes encouraged). At Nichols Concert Hall, 1490 Chicago Ave., Evanston. $40, $15 for kids and students. tinyurl.com/yb88u4uw

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EASY PRODUCTION

How to tell time on analog clocks
It might seem silly in the age of digital alarm clocks and cellphones, but kids need to know how to tell time on an analog clock. If the power goes out and your cell battery dies, you'll have another option.



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How to spell
In this text-addicted world, it's easy to switch out a "u" for a "you." Spell-checker and autocorrect are handy on your phone, but they don't replace legit spelling skills. Abbreviations and shortcuts don't make for scintillating reading on the other end.



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How to read a map
Every child should know how to read a map (no, Google Maps doesn't count). A sense of direction becomes a necessary skill when technology fails. Kids should learn how to ask for directions, follow the steps and reach their destination.



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How to write a thank-you note
Thank-you notes provide that warm fuzzy feeling you get from showing a friend, family member or even a co-worker how much you care. They're also a form of respect and acknowledgment we don't often see in our fast-paced world.



MICHAEL BERMAN/GETTY

How to wash dishes by hand
Dishwashers are fine and dandy, but even in the 21st century, kids won't always have access (ahem, college dorm). They should know the fundamentals of dishwashing by hand: What do you soak, what can you scrub, etc.

Old-school skills children shouldn't lose

By Darcel Rockett | Chicago Tribune

While kids are constantly learning new skills in the classroom, there are a few tried-and-true talents we shouldn't let fall by the wayside. Here are some life skills worth keeping around — no matter how old-school they may seem.



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How to mow a lawn
Kids may not use the skill on their own yards for a while, but knowing how to handle a mower can pay off in the way of a summer job or ability to help out a neighbor who isn't as capable.



PEOPLEIMAGES

How to write in cursive
We may type far more than we write longhand these days — and many schools aren't teaching the practice the way they used to — but cursive writing has its benefits.



HERO IMAGES

How to make change
Children should know how to make change without having a calculator or cash machine to guide them.



MIKE KEMP/GETTY

How to tie a tie
Learning how to tie a (good, straight, tight) tie is still a rite of passage. And it never hurts to be able to lend a hand if your buddy happened to miss the lesson.



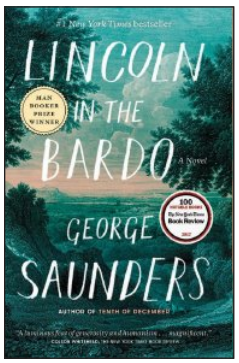
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How to do laundry
How often do college roommates enter dorm life with no real laundry skills? Rectify it early and often by teaching the basics: whites vs. colors, dry cycles, etc.

2018 HEARTLAND

Reimagining Lincoln's grief, legacy

By Elizabeth Taylor
Chicago Tribune



As the nation convulsed with sorrow in the early years of the Civil War, the grief of President Abraham Lincoln and his wife, Mary, was intensified by the death of their young son William (Willie) Wallace Lincoln from typhoid fever in 1862.The boy's body was interred in a crypt at Oak Hill Cemetery in Georgetown, and as newspapers of the day reported, his father visited the crypt to cradle his son's body.

George Saunders has reimagined this private moment in his polyphonic masterpiece "Lincoln in the Bardo," the winner of the 2018 Chicago Tribune Heartland Literary Award for Fiction. Saunders, with his distinctive genius, has rendered an American icon at a critical moment in history. "Lincoln in the Bardo" is a debut novel for Saunders, though he has long been heralded as one of the great short story writers of his time.

Saunders' novel centers on his brilliant, bawdy and wise chorus of characters, who together resemble the full scale of human existence. It takes place in the bardo, the Tibetan Buddhist term for the "intermediate state," the transitional zone to reincarnation, with a motley, loquacious community of ghosts. With a supernatural touch, Saunders has rearranged historical nuggets, dialogue between fictional characters, parts of journals, essays and letters of the day, some verbatim and some invented. The form evokes Edgar Lee Masters' "Spoon River Anthology" or even oral histories, like those of a previous Heartland winner (for nonfiction), Studs Terkel, with whom Saunders shares a generosity of spirit.



ALENA SAUNDERS/RANDOM HOUSE

George Saunders plumbs humanity and grief via the 16th president in "Lincoln in the Bardo."

With no narrative glue, or narrator, this necropolis comes to life. The ghosts in the graveyard range from enslaved people to drunkards and respectable businessmen, lingering in the world because they can't face dying. But the risk is high because they are re-enacting their deaths to the point of insanity, while others are disfigured because they failed to act on their hopes and dreams when they were alive. Willie refuses to depart, sitting cross-legged on his tomb, waiting for his father in this "hospital yard" until he must go.

Innovative in structure, "Lincoln in the Bardo," which also won last year's Man Booker Prize, is about life and death, about grief and rebirth, and ultimately about the radical act of transformation deeply connected with the power of empathy. This radiant and slightly surreal novel challenges the realism so often associated with the literature of the heartland, but it also enlarges that tradition with a new perspective on our 16th president. Readers feel Lincoln's struggle and witness his growing resolve to end the war as quickly as possible, even if that would mean more immediate bloodshed. With this supernatural layer to history, with the chorus of ghosts, "Lincoln in the Bardo" speaks to the universal plight of humanity and grief, casting it in a mythical light.

Elizabeth Taylor, Tribune literary editor-at-large, is past president of the National Book Critics Circle and serves on its board of directors.

2018 Heartland Prize events

George Saunders and Caroline Fraser will accept their 2018 Heartland Literary Awards on Oct. 27 during the Chicago Humanities Festival. Saunders will accept the fiction award and discuss his work with Tribune Books Editor Jennifer Day at 3 p.m. at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave. Fraser will accept the nonfiction award for her biography "Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder" and discuss her work with Tribune columnist Mary Schmich at 1 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 77 W. Washington St. For details, visit the Chicago Humanities Festival website at www.chicagohumanities.org.

A LOOK BACK: THE HEARTLAND LITERARY AWARD AT 30

By Jennifer Day
Chicago Tribune

Thirty years ago, the Chicago Tribune announced it would award annual prizes to honor "extraordinary writing about the people and places that make up the heart of America." These Heartland Prizes (later Heartland Literary Awards) — one for fiction, one for nonfiction — would honor works "free from literary fads and fashions." The first books to receive the honor were Eric Larsen's "An American Memory" and Donald R. Katz's "The Big Store," a history of Sears, Roebuck & Co.

On Saturday, George Saunders and Caroline Fraser will be honored during the Chicago Humanities Festival for their books — Saunders' "Lincoln in the Bardo" and Fraser's "Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder." (Ron Chernow will be honored Saturday as well with a Chicago Tribune Literary Award for lifetime achievement; turn to the A&E section for more.)

In the meantime, here's a look back at past Heartland winners.

"The Things They Carried" by Tim O'Brien

As the Tribune put it in 1990, O'Brien's book about Vietnam, which straddles the line between novel and memoir, "goes to the heart of the universal experience of battle and explores the way it is refracted in memory and the stories men tell to remember and forget." On Nov. 16, O'Brien will become the first fiction writer to receive the Pritzker Military Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement in Military Writing.

"The Shipping News" by E. Annie Proulx

Proulx's 1993 novel about a New York man who moves his family to the hinterlands of Newfoundland hoovered up the Heartland Prize, the National Book Award

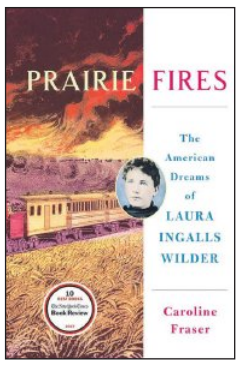
LITERARY AWARD

Sifting fact, myth to find Laura Ingalls Wilder's truth

By Elizabeth Taylor
Chicago Tribune

In "Prairie Fires: The American Dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder," Caroline Fraser has recast our understanding of Wilder's life and times and affirmed her influence in shaping the myth of the iconic heartland. For this achievement, Fraser wins the Chicago Tribune's 2018 Heartland Literary Award, which follows her previously awarded Pulitzer and National Book Critics Circle prizes.

Through the "Little House on the Prairie" series, Wilder depicted self-sufficient pioneer life in sepia tones. Fraser argues that the series was a "profound act of American mythmaking and self-transformation" by a woman who had reimagined her frontier life as epic and uplifting, with disappointment and loss transformed into parable.



Wilder created a vision of the Midwest and the Plains states and saw herself as the embodiment of it. In sharp contrast with this tableau, Fraser draws on her own deep knowledge of westward expansion and close readings of the novels. Her extraordinary biography captures the full arc of Wilder's life in three acts: poverty, struggle and reinvention.

Wilder projected her vision of the West and came to see herself as the embodiment of it. Reading about Wilder's idyllic world where Pa's business never failed, food was plentiful, and disease and hardship were conquerable, one would never know that Wilder began working as a seamstress in other people's homes when she was just 9 years old.

In "Prairie Fires," Fraser demonstrates the importance of Wilder's daughter, Rose Wilder Lane, in this mythmaking. Lane, a tabloid journalist, had encouraged her mother to earn money by writing newspaper columns. It was not until after the stock market crash of 1929, when Wilder was 62, that she began the "Little House" books. The two had a vexed relationship, as Wilder was thrifty and Lane was profligate; Wilder was anxious, while Lane suffered from wild mood swings. Fraser, working as a literary detective, takes on the enduring theory that Lane had ghostwritten the "Little House" books, and she meticulously shows how Wilder shared her drafts with her daughter to embellish and shape them, but that the writing was uniquely her own.

Mother and daughter were fiercely dedicated to their story of a hard-working pioneer family. Wilder yearned for what she imagined was a blissful past with Pa and Ma Ingalls, and she wrote with a wistful nostalgia that resonated with readers. Fraser expertly separates her life story from the one she represented in the "Little House" books, pointing out the crop failures, a failed hotel and the many deaths in the family. As the series expanded, Lane emerged a depressed and angry soul and cruel daughter.



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Caroline Fraser draws from her deep knowledge of literature and history in "Prairie Fires."

Eloquently written and drawing from her deep knowledge of American literature and history, Fraser considers a cultural touchstone — "The Little House on the Prairie" — and magnificently places it in the American experience and imagination.

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and the Pulitzer Prize that year. As she told the Tribune upon winning the Heartland: "What I wanted to do with 'The Shipping News' was give an interior jolt to people, not necessarily in Newfoundland but everywhere. I was trying to do something that rattled a few hearts around."

"Arc of Justice" by Kevin Boyle

Boyle chronicles the tragic story of Ossian Sweet, an African-American doctor tried for murder in 1925 after he and his family defended themselves against a mob at their home in an otherwise all-white Detroit neighborhood. "Boyle is a first-rate detective, a moving storyteller and a skilled analyst of race," the Tribune stated in its 2005 award coverage. "(He) empathizes with his historical characters without falling into the too-common trap of romanticization." It's a gut-wrenching read.

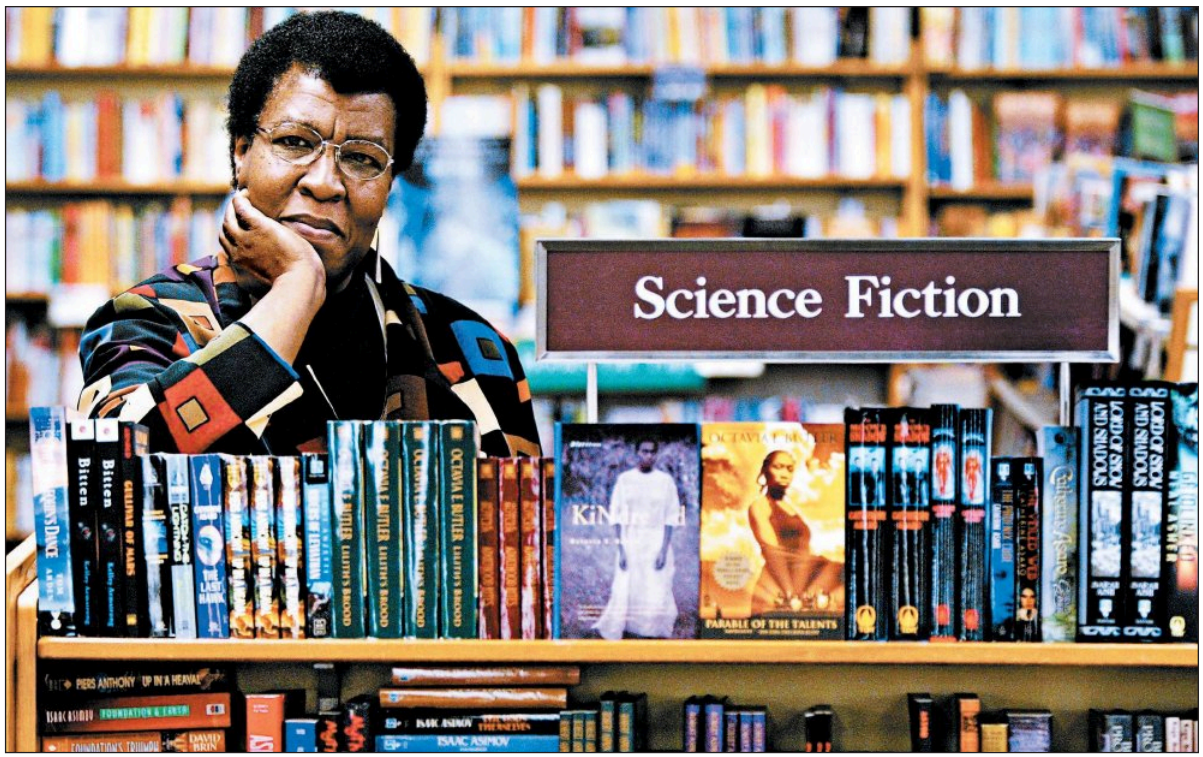
"The Lazarus Project" by Aleksandar Hemon

Hemon was inspired by a 1908 photo of a dead body: 19-year-old Lazarus Averbuch, propped in a chair, head held by a Chicago police captain. The novel, which won in 2008, is based on this police killing, justified by calling Averbuch an anarchist. As Hemon's protagonist investigates, he becomes obsessed and increasingly unclear about where his story ends and Averbuch's begins.

"The Warmth of Other Suns" by Isabel Wilkerson

Wilkerson said during her 2011 Heartland Prize appearance that she interviewed more than 1,200 people to find the right three people to tell the story of the Great Migration. One of these people moved to Chicago from rural Mississippi in 1937; thus, the book explores the vital role the city played as a gateway for migrants heading north.

Jennifer Day is the Tribune's books editor.



JOSHUA TRUJILLO/SEATTLE POST-INTELLIGENCER

Octavia Butler was the first science fiction author to win a MacArthur Fellowship (aka genius grant). She died at age 58 in 2006.

Worried about climate change?

2 Octavia Butler books written in the 1990s seem prescient today

By John Warner
Chicago Tribune

Given what we've long known about the impact of carbon emissions on our atmosphere, the recent report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change should not have been surprising, and yet it hasn't been greeted with nearly the amount of shock it deserves.

The report makes clear that we are essentially cooking the planet, that every fraction of a degree of temperature rise has additional impacts, and we are not doing nearly enough to stem the tide. In fact, under the Trump administration, fossil fuel industries — coal especially — have been encouraged to party (and spew carbon into the atmosphere) like it's 1949.

This is an existential threat to humankind, and its consequences will be felt within the lifetimes of many of the people reading these words. I don't think running around outside screaming, "The world is ending! The world is ending!" would likely do much good, but it wouldn't be inappropriate.

There happens to be a book that's a blueprint for what's happening now — and the future that awaits us, if we don't radically alter our current trajectory: "Parable of the Sower" by Octavia E. Butler.

Butler is one of the most decorated science fiction authors of all time — the first, in fact, to win a MacArthur Fellowship (aka "genius grant") — but she is often overlooked, likely because she was a woman and African-American.

"Parable of the Sower," published in 1993 when it was still possible to heed its warning, tells the story of a world collapsed due to climate change, economic inequality and unchecked corporate power. Resources are scarce, and only gated communities are safe.

Set near what used to be Los Angeles, the novel focuses on teenager Lauren Oya Olamina, who has "hyperempathy," both a gift and an affliction that allows her to feel the pain she witnesses others experiencing. Spurred by her worldview, Lauren develops a new belief system called "Earthseed," which posits that humans' time on Earth is a kind of childhood and that they will emerge as adults once they travel to other planets.

It is a story of two diasporas, first as Lauren and other refugees are forced out of Los Angeles, and then as they look toward finding an extraterrestrial home.

The book was followed by "Parable of the Talents," which takes us through Lauren's adult life and that of her daughter, as a fundamentalist Christian authoritarian government persecutes religious and ethnic minorities in the name of — and I'm not making this up — "making America great again."

Butler became blocked in trying to complete what was supposed to be the final installment of the trilogy, "Parable of the Trickster," which was meant to illuminate human life on a new planet once her characters had escaped the bounds of Earth. Butler died at 58 in 2006.

If even Butler could not conjure humanity existing elsewhere, I cannot imagine such a scenario coming true in reality.

I first read the book many years ago, hipped to it by a friend when I asked for good science fiction that would make me both think and feel. It does that.

Butler's stories often shifted between past and present, a recognition of the forces working against the liberation of minority and persecuted peoples, and how those forces remained present, even as they were considered banished.

Butler wasn't clairvoyant. She merely saw the present more acutely than most.

I would like to still be able to read "Parable of the Sower" as a cautionary tale, but that time has passed.

Now it's a requiem.

John Warner is the author of "Tough Day for the Army."

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Book recommendations from the Biblioracle

John Warner tells you what to read based on the last five books you've read.

1. "The Girls in the Picture" by Melanie Benjamin
2. "The Last Goodnight: A World War II Story of Espionage, Adventure, and Betrayal" by Howard Blum
3. "The Road Not Taken: Edward Lansdale and the American Tragedy in Vietnam" by Max Boot
4. "Tangerine" by Christine Mangan
5. "Three Days in Moscow: Ronald Reagan and the Fall of the Soviet Empire" by Bret Baier
— David P., Long Beach, Ind.
A clear interest in history, which I share. I'm thinking David might be intrigued by a novel that tells the tragedy of the Vietnam War from the Vietnamese point of view: **"The Sympahtizer"** by Viet Thanh Nguyen.

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1. "Everybody's Fool" by Richard Russo
2. "Nobody's Fool" by Richard Russo
3. "Sometimes I Lie" by Alice Feeney
4. "The Woman in the Window" by A.J. Finn
5. "The Rules of Magic" by Alice Hoffman
— Karen P., Wheaton
Every so often, I need to get Jon Hassler back into the mix, and Karen looks like a great candidate. Hard to go wrong with him; **"Grand Opening"** should fit the bill.

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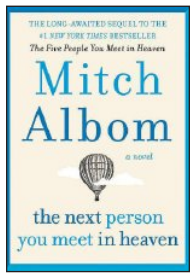
1. "Loving Frank" by Nancy Horan
2. "The Forest Lover" by Susan Vreeland
3. "The Pilot's Wife" by Anita Shreve
4. "Claude and Camille" by Stephanie Cowell
5. "Clara and Mr. Tiffany" by Susan Vreeland
— Nancy D., Oswego, Ill.
Nancy would enjoy a little Barbara Kingsolver in her life: **"Flight Behavior."**

Get a reading from the Biblioracle

Send a list of the last five books you've read to books@chicagotribune.com.

NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION



1. "The Next Person You Meet in Heaven: A Novel" by Mitch Albom (Harper, $23.99) *Last week: —*

2. "Holy Ghost: A Virgil Flowers Novel" by John Sandford (Putnam, $29) *Last week: —*

3. "Ambush: A Michael Bennett Thriller" by James Patterson and James O. Born (Little, Brown, $28) *Last week: —*

4. "The Witch Elm: A Novel" by Tana French (Viking, $28) *Last week: —*

5. "A Spark of Light: A Novel" by Jodi Picoult (Ballantine, $28.99) *Last week: 1*

6. "Killing Commendatore: A Novel" by Haruki Murakami (Knopf, $30) *Last week: —*

7. "Red War: A Mitch Rapp Novel" by Vince Flynn and Kyle Mills (Atria, $28.99) *Last week: 2*

8. "Winter in Paradise" by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown, $28) *Last week: —*

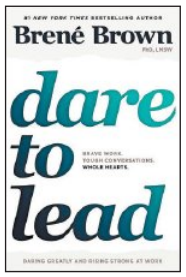
9. "The Clockmaker's Daughter: A Novel" by Kate Morton (Atria, $28) *Last week: —*

10. "Alaskan Holiday: A Novel" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine, $20) *Last week: 4*

For the week ended Oct. 13, compiled from data from independent and chain bookstores, book wholesalers and independent distributors nationwide.

— Publishers Weekly

NONFICTION



1. "Dare to Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts." by Brene Brown (Random House, $28) *Last week: —*

2. "Ship of Fools: How a Selfish Ruling Class Is Bringing America to the Brink of Revolution" by Tucker Carlson (Free Press, $28) *Last week: 1*

3. "Killing the SS: The Hunt for the Worst War Criminals in History" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (Henry Holt, $30) *Last week: —*

4. "Girl, Wash Your Face: Stop Believing the Lies About Who You Are So You Can Become Who You Were Meant to Be" by Rachel Hollis (Nelson, $22.99) *Last week: 3*

5. "Skinnytaste One and Done: 140 No-Fuss Dinners for Your Instant Pot, Slow Cooker, Air Fryer, Sheet Pan, Skillet, Dutch Oven, and More" by Gina Homolka (Clarkson Potter, $30) *Last week: —*

6. "Presidents of War" by Michael Beschloss (Crown, $35) *Last week: —*

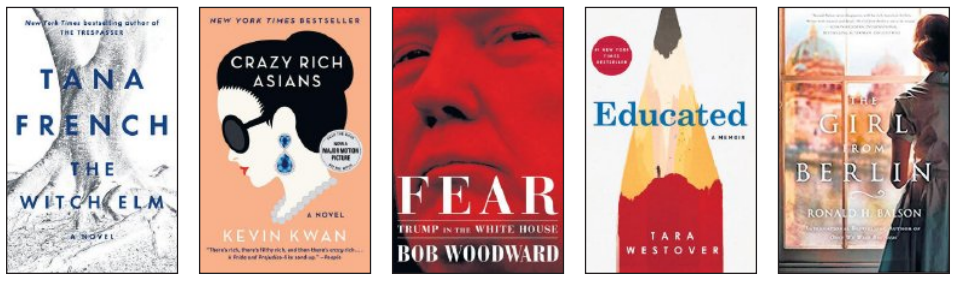
7. "Fear: Trump in the White House" by Bob Woodward (Simon & Schuster, $30) *Last week: 2*

8. "The Fifth Risk" by Michael Lewis (Norton, $26.95) *Last week: 5*

9. "Whiskey in a Teacup: What Growing Up in the South Taught Me About Life, Love, and Baking Biscuits" by Reese Witherspoon (Touchstone, $35) *Last week: 4*

10. "Spygate: The Attempted Sabotage of Donald J. Trump" by Dan Bongino and D.C. McAllister (Post Hill, $27) Last week: —

CHICAGOLAND BEST-SELLERS



1. "The Witch Elm: A Novel" by Tana French (Viking, $28)

2. "Crazy Rich Asians" by Kevin Kwan (Anchor, $16)

3. "Fear: Trump in the White House" by Bob Woodward (Simon & Schuster, $30)

4. "Educated: A Memoir" by Tara Westover (Random House, $28)

5. "The Girl From Berlin: A Liam Taggart and Catherine Lockhart Novel" by Ronald H. Balson (St. Martin's, $27.99)

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SUNDAY EVENTS



POET, EDUCATOR, AND ARTIST JOSÉ OLIVAREZ
"Citizen Illegal"
Sunday, October 28, 2-4 pm
Oak Park Public Library
834 Lake St., Oak Park, IL 60304
708-383-8200
oppl.org/ballinger

Join us and poet, educator, and artist José Olivarez as we recognize former head librarian Ms. Barbara Ballinger and her many years of dedicated service to the library and to **Oak Park**. This annual lecture is sponsored by the Friends of the **Oak Park Public Library**. Books will be available for signing and sale from The Book Table.

About Citizen Illegal: In this stunning debut, Olivarez explores the story, contradictions, joys, and sorrows that embody life in the spaces between Mexico and America. He paints vivid portraits of good kids, bad kids, families clinging to hope, life after the steel mills, and gentrifying barrios. Drawing on the rich traditions of Latinx and Chicago writers like Sandra Cisneros and Gwendolyn Brooks, Olivarez creates a home out of life in the in-between. -- Provided by the publisher

TUESDAY EVENTS



NATHANIEL PHILBRICK
In the Hurricane's Eye
Tues., Oct 23, Two Appearances
11:30 am, Union League Club
7 pm, The Book Stall, Winnetka
847 446-8880
www.thebookstall.com

The Book Stall hosts two events with bestselling author **NATHANIEL PHILBRICK**, author of "**In the Hurricane's Eye**: The Genius of George Washington and the Victory at Yorktown." Philbrick describes how the American Revolution depended, in the end, on George Washington understanding the importance of sea power, which made the victory at Yorktown possible. Both events require tickets. Call us at **847 446-8880**, or go to eventbrite.com to make your reservation.

TUESDAY EVENTS



MICHAEL & SAM WITWER
Dungeons & Dragons Art & Arcana
Tuesday, October 23 at 7 pm
Anderson's Bookshop
26 S. La Grange Rd. La Grange
708-582-6353
www.andersonsbookshop.com

Anderson's Bookshop in **La Grange** hosts author Michael Witwer & Sam Witwer, the actor (& Michael's brother) for the release of **Dungeons & Dragons Art & Arcana**. Be among the first to get this visual history! The event is free and open to the public. To join the booksigning line, please purchase the author's featured book at **Anderson's Bookshop**.



JULIE HYZY
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Tuesday, October 23 at 7 pm
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WEDNESDAY EVENTS



AARON RENIER
The Unsinkable Walker Bean & the Knights of the Waxing Moon
Wednesday, October 24 at 7 pm
Anderson's Bookshop
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Anderson's Bookshop in **Naperville** hosts local children's author **Aaron Renier** with his new book, **The Unsinkable Walker Bean & the Knights of the Waxing Moon**. This event is free and open to the public. To join the booksigning line, please purchase the author's featured book at Anderson's Bookshop.

WEDNESDAY EVENTS



JOHN GRISHAM & SCOTT TUROW
The Reckoning
Wednesday, October 24 at 7 pm
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5021 Highland Ave. Downers Grove
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THURSDAY EVENTS



ELLEN KING
Heritage Baking
Thursday, October 25 at 7 pm
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Anderson's Bookshop in **Naperville** hosts **Ellen King**, of Hewn bakery, with **Heritage Baking**, her new cookbook of rustic loaves and ancient grains. This event is free and open to the public. To join the booksigning line, please purchase the author's featured book at **Anderson's Bookshop**.

UPCOMING EVENTS



GAYLE BRANDEIS
The Art of Misdiagnosis
Sunday, October 28 at 2 pm
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Anderson's Bookshop in **La Grange** hosts **Gayle Brandeis** with her sensitive memoir of her mother's suicide, **The Art of Misdiagnosis**. This event is free and open to the public. To join the booksigning line, please purchase the author's featured book at **Anderson's Bookshop**.

UPCOMING EVENTS



DORIS KEARNS GOODWIN
Leadership in Turbulent Times
October 30, 1:30pm
Abraham Lincoln Book Shop, Inc.
824 W Superior St. Chicago
312-944-3085
AuthorsVoice.net

Abraham Lincoln Book Shop, Inc. hosts Doris Kearns Goodwin for her latest New York Times bestseller, **Leadership in Turbulent Times**. We have limited tickets for this program. The ticket is free with the purchase of a book. Please visit **AuthorsVoice.net** to purchase your book and ticket. Can't make the program? Watch, Order and Ask her a Question at **AuthorsVoice.net**. Copies for gifts? We ship anywhere.



JANE LEAVY
The Big Fella: Babe Ruth and the World He Created
Monday, Oct. 29 at 11:30 am
The Union League Club
65 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago
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JORDAN MATTER
Born to Dance
Monday, October 29 at 7 pm
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630-355-2665
www.andersonsbookshop.com

Anderson's Bookshop in **Naperville** presents Dancers Among Us author and YouTube star **Jordan Matter** with his new visual celebration of movement: **Born to Dance**. This event is free and open to the public. To join the booksigning line, please purchase the author's featured book at **Anderson's Bookshop**.

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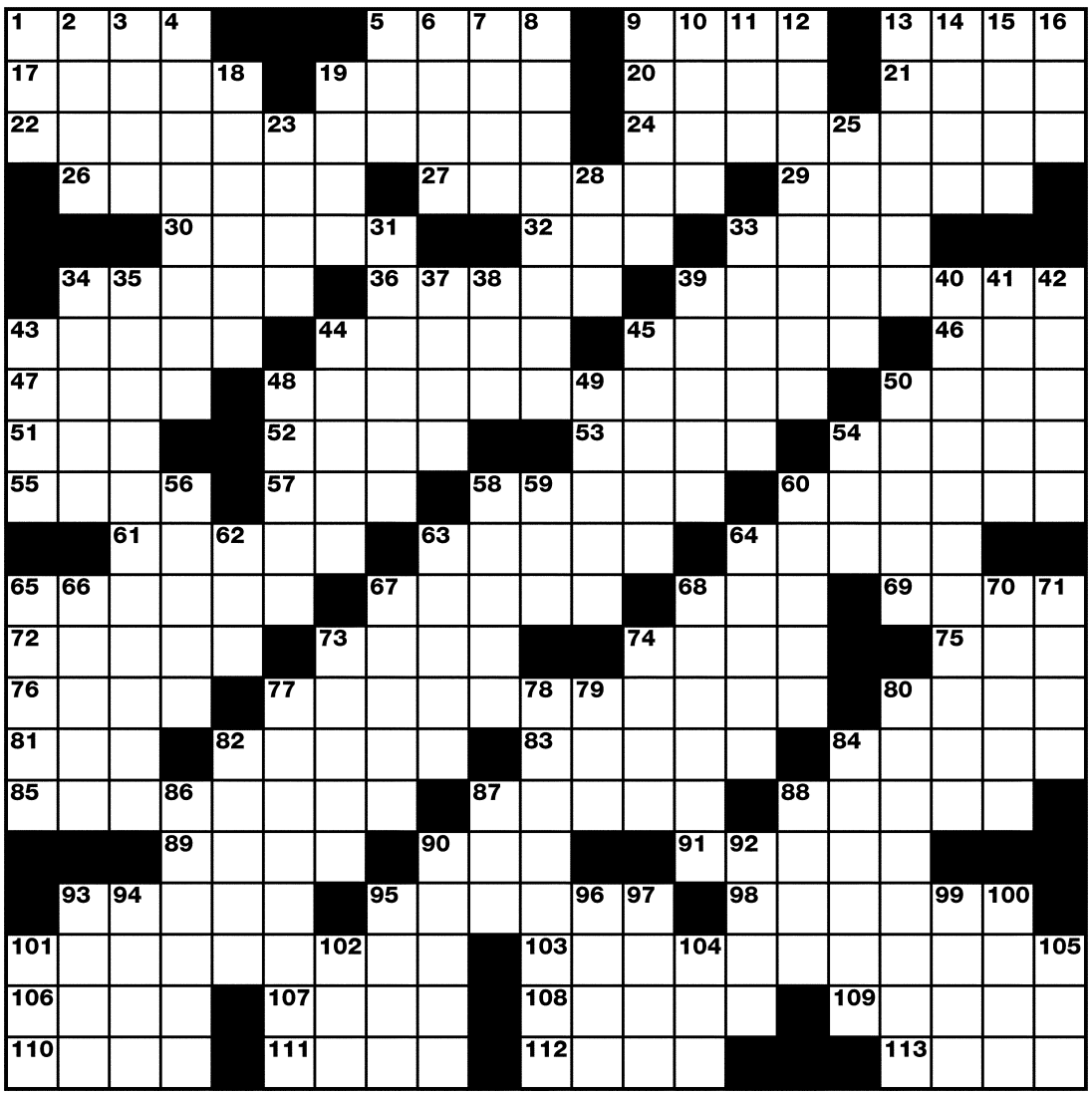
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80 Bolstered
82 Conflict, as colors
84 Souvenirs of Bavaria
86 More cloud-covered
87 Tally up
88 Building by some barns
90 Get ready for the day
92 Loafer's lack
93 Shade of sky or sea
94 Singsong syllables
95 Auctioneer's advisory
96 Flamboyant Spanish artist
97 Miles off
99 How Rodin sculpted *The Thinker*
100 Electronic read
101 Force (open)
102 Basic cable channel
104 UFO crew
105 Basic cable channel

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Quote-Acrostic

1. Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
2. Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
3. When pattern is completed, quotation can be read left to right. The first letters of the filled-in words reading down form an acrostic yielding the speaker's name and the topic of the quotation.

Clues **Words**

A. Scattered ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
167 93 79 61 125 159 8 24

B. Quite lively: mus. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
140 41 128 59 25 100 157 88 114 145

C. Wilma ——, Olympics star ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
5 29 124 121 50 146 66

D. Dessert with zing: 2 wds. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
170 52 18 104 151 85 135

E. James Gang member ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
139 83 164 20 99 116 46

F. Low-profile behavior: 2 wds. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
98 71 43 141 111 62 37 126

G. Kick into higher gear ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
131 106 69 166 96 38 64

H. Notable: hyph. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
70 42 149 32 89 56 107

I. Home of the Purple Aces ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
161 92 127 72 51 142 153 40 9 17

J. Magna Carta signing site ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
158 39 103 123 68 84 134 22 4

K. Trade ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
53 78 15 148 162 97 30 120

L. Dump ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
110 48 154 80 163 63 21

M. Formal beach attire?: 2 wds. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
102 67 147 12 122 33 55

N. Kingdom surrounded by a republic ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
129 14 144 28 155 115 77

O. —— out ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
3 117 130 82 13

P. Adolf's Austrian annexation ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
11 75 1 31 44 152 90 119 160

Q. Vibes ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
27 86 47 10 136 143 113 94 36

R. Discard: 2 wds. ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
137 101 54 87 108 2 65

S. Joyous expression ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
112 76 26 156 45 138

T. Is silent, in music ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
109 23 58 168 91

U. First Saudi king ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
118 6 150 35 74 49 16

V. Kim Jong Un's capital ___ ___ ___ ___ ___
34 105 7 57 95

___ ___ ___ ___ ___
81 19 132 165

W. Genesis says he lived 912 years ___ ___ ___ ___
60 169 73 133

1 P	2 R	3 O	4 J	5 C	■	6 U	7 V	8 A	9 I
■	10 Q	11 P	12 M	13 O	14 N	15 K	■	16 U	17 I
18 D	19 V	20 E	21 L	■	22 J	23 T	24 A	25 B	26 S
27 Q	28 N	29 C	30 K	■	31 P	32 H	33 M	34 V	35 U
■	36 Q	37 F	■	38 G	39 J	40 I	41 B	■	42 H
43 F	■	44 P	45 S	46 E	47 Q	48 L	49 U	50 C	■
51 I	52 D	53 K	54 R	55 M	56 H	57 V	58 T	59 B	60 W
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112 S	113 Q	114 B	115 N	116 E	117 O	118 U	119 P	■	120 K
121 C	122 M	123 J	124 C	■	125 A	126 F	127 I	128 B	129 N
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162 K	163 L	164 E	165 V	166 G	■	167 A	168 T	169 W	170 D

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Street Smart

By Charles Preston

Across

1 Panamas
5 Wield a needle
8 Italian speciality
13 *The Waste Land* poet
15 Allen or Gershwin
16 Steel girder
17 Prague center
20 Fibrous knot
21 Hwys.
22 Umpire's call
23 Baseball Hall of Famer
25 Be a litigant
26 LA footballer
29 Tokyo shopping district
32 Adorable
33 Fine violins
34 Annapolis grad
35 Queen of Olympus
36 Human visceral organ: prefix
37 Service club member
38 French sculptor
39 Math subj.
40 Clay, now
41 Edible grain
42 Congratulatory cries
43 West London area
45 French marshal
46 Scarf
47 Palm tree
48 Blunder
49 King Priam's city
50 Hawaiian food
53 Hollywood locale
58 Inclined
59 Promotional devices
60 Net
61 Paid
62 Also
63 Former spouses

Down

1 Cut
2 Away from the wind
3 New York musicians' hangout
4 Community: abbr.
5 Like some partners
6 Epochs
7 Existed
8 Resentment
9 Border on
10 Bering, *e.g.*
11 Gob
12 Soul: Fr.
14 Topography
18 Glacial direction
19 Cold weather warmups
24 Ancient Mexicans
25 Descend
26 Paris thoroughfare
27 Relating to the heart chamber
28 With malice
29 Resident of southwestern France
30 Pierce
31 Remnant
32 Of vocal accompaniments
37 Literary pseudonym
38 Late-night flights
40 Nautical direction
41 Yule song
44 Legendary tenor
46 Species
48 Laborer, of yore
49 Commotion
51 Caen's river
52 Roman calendar word
53 Health center
54 Samovar
55 Denial word
56 Belfry resident
57 Victory sign

1	2	3	4	■	■	5	6	7	■	8	9	10	11	12
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17					18				19					
20			■	21				■	22			■	■	■
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45			■	46			■	47					■	■
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58					■	59			■	60				
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The French Disconnection

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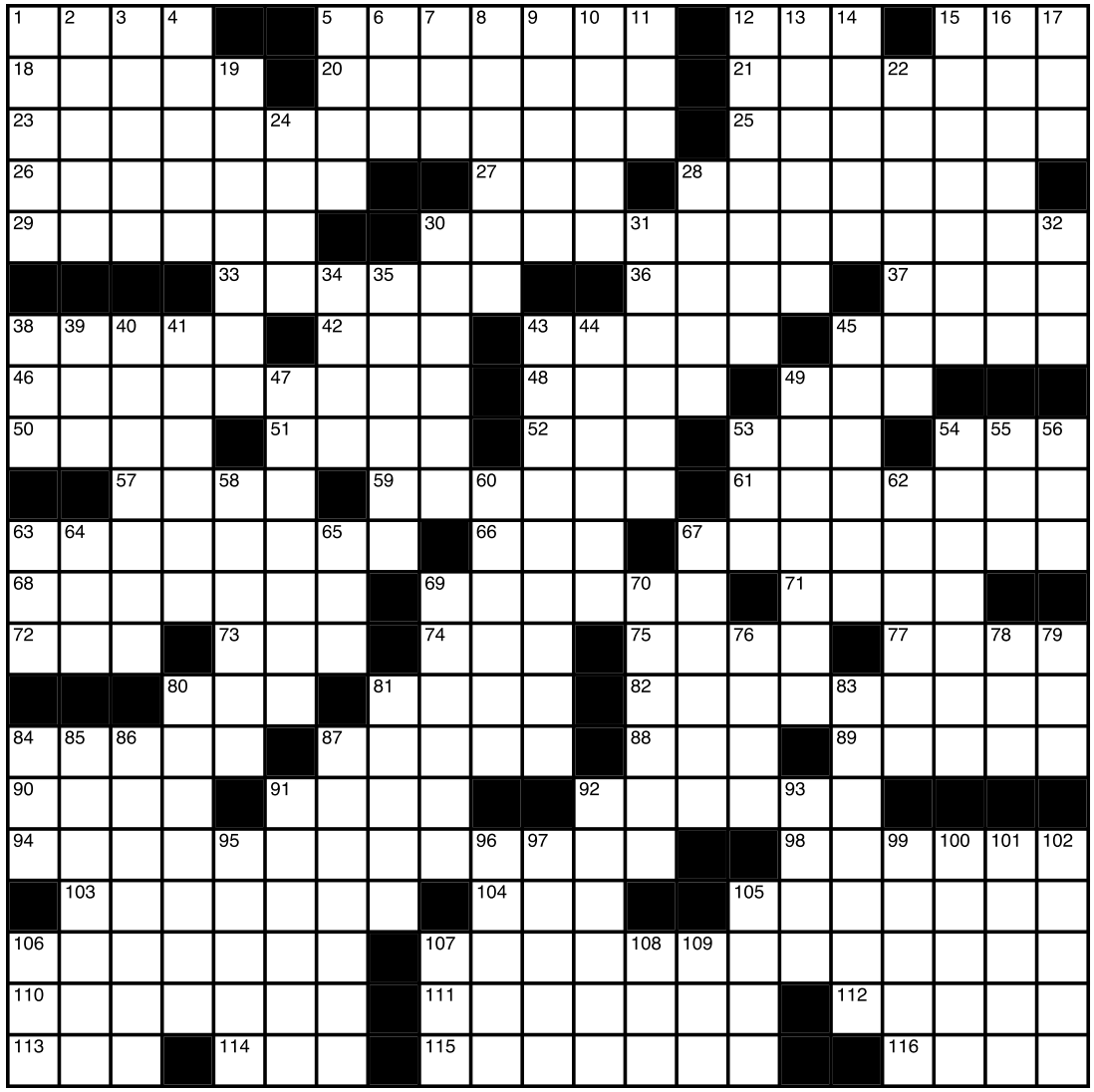
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Across

1 Dropped-jaw stare
5 Like loving caresses
12 Audio units: Abbr.
15 "The Americans" agcy.
18 First name in erotica
20 Place for a bootee
21 Seedy motel, say
23 Painting of an annoying bricklayer at work?
25 Japan's emperor
26 Like many forest roads
27 Suffer
28 Least obfuscated
29 Football laterals, e.g.
30 15th-century food-stained collectible?
33 Beachcomber's pace
36 Breezy and open
37 Glance
38 Chaotic mess
42 Bot head?
43 Harbor protector
45 Dutch South Africans
46 Fabulist's Cheer alternative?
48 "Exodus" author
49 Chickadee kin
50 Undocumented Nepali?
51 Peak in Thessaly
52 Big D cager
53 Annoy
54 PC linkup
57 Mexican mama bears
59 Slip away
61 Popular Oahu beach
63 Dollar for a shot?
66 "Hmm"
67 Dollars for shots?
68 Piles up
69 Captain Hook's creator J.M. __
71 Eight furlongs
72 Caught
73 Erstwhile U.K. recording giant
74 Kind of trading, briefly
75 Sweet Sixteen org.
77 With the bow, in music
80 Of __ mind
81 Qatar's capital
82 "Snow White" witch's download?
84 Refine, as ore
87 Stick on the grill
88 Beat it
89 Jamaican hybrid fruits
90 Fine-tune
91 China-related prefix
92 Irritates
94 Mud, slop, pig, etc.?
98 Mist and such
103 Show great respect for, perhaps
104 Mythical flapper
105 Gulf of Guinea country
106 Easy time
107 Sailing maneuver to avoid a pirate's threat?
110 City on the Elbe
111 Morning paper, e.g.
112 "Gymnopédies" composer
113 French article whose singular form is "disconnected" from nine puzzle answers
114 Newsroom VIPs
115 Boot protectors
116 Smartphone component

Down

1 Full range
2 "That's __!"
3 Twists
4 Their pockets aren't deep
5 Dutch town
6 Geological period
7 Movement at a boring concert?
8 Twin-but-not-Twins' city
9 Half a fitness motto
10 Freezer __
11 Allow
12 Window hanging
13 Where brownies come together
14 Wasp's weapon
15 Disc golf "ball"
16 More eccentric
17 WSJ news bit
19 Sets money aside
22 What an X may mark
24 Arm or chin follower
28 Bios unread by their honorees
30 Universal
31 Endemic
32 Neh. and Esth.
34 Penalty callers
35 Ric of The Cars
38 Opinion
39 French word in bios
40 Home of Elaine, in Arthurian legend
41 Forces fraudulently (upon)
43 Vehicle hired to carry steeplechase horses?
44 Tip for changing your answer?
45 61-Across wear
47 Cavalier "My bad"
49 Emotional wounds
53 Iconic WWII island, briefly
54 Unlike idioms
55 Going by, for short
56 Tip for solving in ink?
58 Not in class
60 Mystery award
62 "Constant Craving" singer
63 Carousel item
64 Broody rock genre
65 Long-running forensic series
67 Put more varnish on
69 Owie
70 Not out-of-bounds, as a ball
76 Goals
78 Cost-of-living no.
79 Photo possibilities
80 Bama rival
81 Tightly packed
83 Some leave you powerless
84 Miss, say
85 "Tartuffe" dramatist
86 Foes
87 Cute calendar subjects
91 Caught
92 "Blah, blah, blah," briefly
93 Tel __
95 Liszt work
96 Middle Corleone brother
97 Mezzo-soprano Anne __ von Otter
99 Part of a flower
100 Speak
101 "Breaking Bad" toxin
102 Benefits
105 18-Across and family
106 Cholesterol letters
107 Tigers' home: Abbr.
108 Vardalos of film
109 Bread, for stew



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Jumble

Unscramble the six Jumbles, one letter per square, to form six words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

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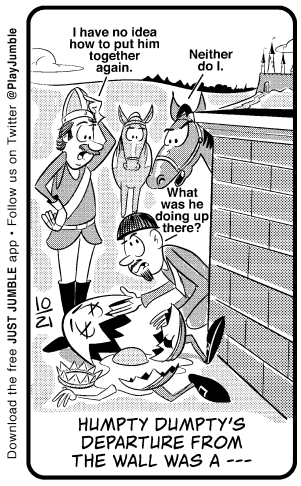
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SSUMIE

MSSETY

CRUPES

SPOGIS



PRINT YOUR ANSWER IN THE CIRCLES BELOW

"____-____"

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Sudoku

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Level: 1 2 3 4

5	8		2					1
			9		3	2		
3					4			
	6							
4	1						7	6
							5	
1			5					7
		3	4					
2	5				7		8	4

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Can boss require attendance at monthly happy hour event?



Judith Martin
Miss Manners

Dear Miss Manners: I'm wondering what is the business etiquette around requiring employees to attend out-of-office events.

My husband is expected to attend a monthly happy hour with the people in his department — all of whom, including the boss, happen to be female. Spouses are never included. I wonder if the boss thinks this is appropriate simply because she holds it during the later afternoon, and because people are generally allowed to leave between 6 and 7 p.m.

In any case, what was once perhaps a "girls' night out" is no longer such a thing, now that there's a male in the department. I've never met the boss, but I can't imagine this is proper business etiquette. Am I wrong? If not, how can this possibly be addressed?

Gentle reader: The issue is not that the event takes place outside of the office, but rather the confusion about whether the event is social or professional.

Professional events generally occur during work hours. Social events do not require permission to leave. Professional events are usually gender-neutral. Social events tend not to be.

You are correct that your husband's boss is not following proper business etiquette. But this confusion is nowadays so common that she may not even realize she is abusing her authority. Rather than confront her with being rude, a safer solution would be for your husband to attend the portion of the event that runs until the close of business, and then excuse himself.

Dear Miss Manners: Is it rude not to get up and unlock/open the door for someone who lives in the house and is returning home?

Gentle reader: It is not impolite to assume that those living in the house can, and will, admit themselves. It is impolite to ignore evidence that they cannot get in, or cannot do so easily or without mishap. Examples include torrential downpours, arms full of groceries or a knock on the door.

As a matter of familial harmony, Miss Manners also cautions against remaining on the couch, visible through the window, while your spouse struggles to find the keys.

Dear Miss Manners: My sister-in-law arranged a memorial service for her father, followed by a less formal "celebration of life."

I thought I'd allowed plenty of time for the drive, but things went wrong and a trip that should have taken an hour and a half ended up taking a brutal four hours. I was so late that I considered turning back, but decided to power through it and make the best of it. Through sheer luck I was able to find the venue, arriving as guests had begun to leave the event.

I was glad I persevered; my sister-in-law seemed genuinely happy to see me, and the extended family stuck around for another couple of hours of reminiscing. I had no idea there was a problem until a few days later, when my sister-in-law called me in a rage. She was furious that I arrived late and she went on to say terrible things about me and even made cruel remarks about my own departed father.

Obviously I should have left earlier, allowing for the inevitable disasters that can occur on a long drive. When a person, despite their best efforts, finds themselves late for an important occasion such as a wedding or funeral, what is the best way to proceed?

Gentle reader: When outside factors intervene, lateness can be the result. It is natural to feel that the blame should be borne by the elements or entities that caused the delay.

Natural, but, Miss Manners points out, incorrect. Your host's social contract is with you — not other drivers, an airline or the climate. The best way, and in fact, the only way to proceed is to accept responsibility and apologize.

How emphatic an apology is required will depend on the seriousness of the occasion, the extent of the tardiness and the resultant impact on the event. Being late for the cocktails before dinner will require less groveling than leaving your bride waiting at the altar. Criminal courts differentiate between evidence given for the purpose of determining guilt and that given in mitigation at sentencing.

The cause of your lateness falls into the latter category: It is properly given after the apology, on the understanding that the hostess has less reason to be upset by a flat tire than by someone who never leaves sufficient time. But none of this excuses the subsequent rudeness by the hostess.

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to missmanners.com or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.



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Last week's crosswords

"SEE IT"

R	A	I	T	T	■	C	E	S	T	■	L	O	W	S
A	S	S	A	Y	■	R	I	C	A	■	A	N	A	T
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■	■	■	■	■	S	M	I	T	H	■	P	O	I	■
I	N	C	H	■	■	C	H	E	R	R	Y	P	I	T
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G	E	T	S	O	L	D	■	S	C	H	U	S	S	■
O	C	R	■	A	M	I	D	■	S	A	S	H	A	■
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T	E	N	E	T	■	A	G	E	S	■	O	D	E	S

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"What a Character!"

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D	A	S	H	I	E	L	L	H	A	M	M	E	T	T
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R	A	Y	M	O	N	D	C	H	A	N	D	L	E	R
A	L	E	E	■	A	L	O	E	S	■	A	B	E	L
M	E	S	S	■	B	I	T	E	S	■	K	A	M	E

"For Starters"

C	O	C	O	■	L	A	P	U	P	■	P	L	A	Y
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M	E	R	C	A	T	O	R	A	R	E	A	P	O	L
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O	N	A	N	■	■	G	I	A	■	■	■	A	C	T
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C	L	I	O	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
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E	S	T	S	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■

Last week's Quote-Acrostic

(Michael) STARR: ESCAPE FROM NEW YORK: Doomsday prepper proteges' survival lesson number one is apply 'moral flexibility' aggressively in time of crisis. Need a bike? Steal one. Use bear mace to repel rightful owners and competitive survivalists.

Last week's Sudoku

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Fast fall doughnut fix



Leah Eskin
Home on the Range

Baking isn't heavy lifting – unless you attempt a slab pie and the slab measures 21 by 15 inches. Then, it demands core strength.

You make this discovery after slicing 15 pounds of apples, rolling 6 pounds of pastry, grinding 2 pounds of crumble and sprinkling 1 pound of sugar. Grasping two corners of the pan, you tug. Hard. Muscling 24 pounds of pie into a hot oven, you learn, is easy — compared with getting it out.

The downside of the 21-inch wide, 400-degree slab pie strikes you — right at T7, mid-thoracic spine. Justin, the physical therapist you later engage, identifies the spot when he prods your back and declares: "Here?" Followed by: "What were you lifting again?"

Justin prescribes stretches and crunches, which you attempt to work, while he and his colleagues plan their weekend of hiking and apple picking, followed by apple-cider doughnuts. It occurs to you that doughnuts, too, feature fall's best fruit. They're quick, delicious — and extremely lightweight.

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Quick doughnuts

Prep: 10 minutes **Cook:** 4 minutes per batch

Makes: 18 - 20 doughnut holes

These giant doughnut holes don't require the typical rising, resting and shaping.

Doughnuts:

3 cups flour

¼ cup sugar

2 teaspoons baking powder

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon grated nutmeg

½ teaspoon salt

¼ teaspoon ground mace

4 tablespoons (½ stick) unsalted butter, melted

1 egg

1 cup apple cider

1 quart ghee (shelved near the oil) or canola oil

Topping:

1 cup sugar

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1 Mix: To make doughnuts, whisk together flour, sugar, baking powder, baking soda, nutmeg, salt and mace in a large bowl. In a separate bowl, whisk together butter, egg and cider. Pour wet ingredients over dry and mix with a wooden spoon just until a thick dough comes together.

2 Test: In a heavy pot at least 3 inches deep, heat 2 inches of ghee (or oil) to 350 degrees. Using a 1½-inch diameter ice-cream scoop, scoop up a generous ball of dough and drop it in. Cook, 4 minutes. Scoop out with a slotted spoon and drain on paper towels. Wait 1 minute. Cut in half. If done, you're good to go. If not, add 1 minute cooking time to your next batch.

3 Fry: Scoop balls of dough into hot ghee (or oil), without crowding. Fry, rotating spheres now and then, until deep brown outside and cooked through inside (4 or 5 minutes, depending on your test doughnut). Repeat, frying all doughnuts.

4 Shake: In a paper sack, shake together the sugar and cinnamon for the topping. Drop in doughnuts a few at a time, and shake to coat. Munch while warm.

Eschew the cocktail fuss with easy autumnal spritz

By Joseph Hernandez
Chicago Tribune

There's a trend in home cocktailing eschewing fancy ingredients, complicated syrups and homemade tinctures.

Call it an embrace of Italian sprezzatura, coined by 16-century author Baldassare Castiglione in "The Book of the Courtier" as "a certain nonchalance, so as to conceal all art and make whatever one does or says appear to be without effort and almost without any thought about it." And the cocktail emblematic of the movement? The spritz. Though not exactly related, the spritz and sprezzatura embody the same devil-may-care attitude. Essentially, spritzes are cocktails without the cockiness.

Of course, they're nothing new. The spritz has been an Italian pre-dinner drink for decades, and drinks writer and author Talia Baiocchi literally wrote the book, called simply "Spritz," on the drink back in 2016. But as the days grow shorter and times more trying, it's hard to argue against the utility of the drink, characterized by lighter alcohol content, bubbles (from sparkling wine or water), a base of wine or a liqueur, and a bittering agent, such as amaro. The drink is breezy and can be thrown together in whatever glass you have available, garnish optional.

Futzing around the house one particularly autumnal day, I wanted an easy drink to keep me company while paying bills, sending off overdue emails to friends and otherwise tidying the house. Not wanting to spend my day in a haze but wanting a little pep in my step, I grabbed some leftover muscadet from the fridge — the remains of a bottle from dinner the night before — and tossed it with a new liqueur from a Midwestern distiller, Apologue. The bright, dry and citrus wine was the perfect contrast to the more floral, syrupy aronia berry spirit, while a generous topping of Topo Chico sparkling water (and its aggressive bubble) lifted the whole shebang. Because I had it lying around, a twist of orange zest added just a bit more aromatic zing.

As long as you have wine, bubbles and bitters, you can essentially always live the spritz life. I mean, my version came together in under two minutes, near-instant gratification.

To spritz is almost as easy as popping open a can of beer. Almost.

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No-fuss wine spritz

Prep: 5 minutes **Makes:** 1 cocktail

2 ounces muscadet

1 ½ ounces Apologue Aronia Berry liqueur

1 dash Angostura bitters

Sparkling water, such as Topo Chico

Orange zest, for garnish

In an old-fashioned glass with ice, build the drink in the order of the ingredients list. Stir with a bar spoon, or nature's stirrer: your index finger. That's it. Enjoy.



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The James Blake House is in Boston's Dorchester neighborhood. The house, built in 1661, is listed as the oldest in Boston.

Making an old home livable

The challenge of keeping 17th-century house stylish while preserving historic authenticity

By Tracee M. Herbaugh
Associated Press

BOSTON — What does it take to make a 17th-century house livable today?

Ask Barbara Kurze, who lives at the James Blake House, which the Boston Landmarks Commission says is the oldest house in Boston.

The five-room, two-level house was built in 1661 by Blake, an English immigrant, in Dorchester, now a neighborhood of Boston. Kurze was offered the chance to become live-in caretaker of the property, owned by the Dorchester Historical Society.

Keeping the house both livable and historically authentic has been a constant struggle over the centuries, Kurze said.

Like many municipalities, Boston has strict rules about making changes to historical buildings.

"There's always a balance, what to preserve and what modern touches are appropriate," said Paul Hajian, an architect and professor of architectural design at Massachusetts College of Art and Design. Still, he added, "People in old houses don't want to live like they're in the 17th century."

Kurze, 58, a preservation planner, moved into the Blake House four years ago and brought a renewed ambition to restore the home to splendor. She enlisted the help of Boston-area interior designer Sarah Cole.

Despite significant restoration work over the years, "it was clear when I first saw the house that it was in need of some serious maintenance and repairs," said Cole, owner of design firm Sarah C. Interiors. "The paint was peeling everywhere and the plaster was crumbling."

To start, Cole and Kurze needed approvals from the Boston Landmark Commission and the Massachusetts Historical Commission to make interior changes. They received permission to restore the plaster on the walls and ceilings, and add a new layer of paint. They could choose the color of paint so long as it adhered to the commission's guidelines.

Nothing could be hung on the walls, to prevent damage.

Cole prioritized the house's unique old charm



SARAH COLE

Cole chose many neutral colors to complement the house's natural wooden beams and floors. The Mitchell Gold sofa adds a pop of color for a modern touch.

when it came time for refinements. "If you look at the walls, they aren't smooth, and our goal was not to make it look new," she said.

The Blake House's floors are slightly uneven, and it has low ceilings and drafty, single-pane windows, all common characteristics of buildings from that era.

Indoor plumbing and electricity were installed in the 19th century and have been updated since. There's heat but no air conditioning.

Storage has proved problematic for the home's occupant. The Blake House has only one closet.

Until the early 1900s, most people simply didn't have as much stuff. There wasn't the need to store extra clothes, shoes and sporting equipment, as there is today.

Another difference is a lack of overhead lighting. "It can get pretty dark," Kurze said.

The stairs leading to the second floor are narrow and steep.

"I couldn't bring most of my furniture because it wouldn't fit up the stairs," she said.

After the plaster and paint were finished, Cole began looking for furniture that would fit — both physically and aesthetically.

"We looked for things that came in pieces," she said. "It was pretty difficult finding nicer furniture that could be assembled but still look right in the space."

Accessories help give the rooms a modern feel. Cole chose a floor rug with natural, tan and terra cotta hues to complement the wooden beams and floors in the living room, for instance.

For Kurze, the biggest surprise about living in such a historic home has been the number of visitors who stop by to look at it.

"Several Blake descendants have come by," she said. "I'd say one comes by every month or so."



SARAH COLE

Sarah Cole is restoring the interior of the James Blake House to make it more livable for caretaker Barbara Kurze. Shown here is the central fireplace in the kitchen.



TRACEE HERBAUGH

Cole, left, and Kurze stand by a fireplace in the historic home. Kurze, 58, a preservation planner, moved into the Blake House four years ago and is focused on restoring the home.

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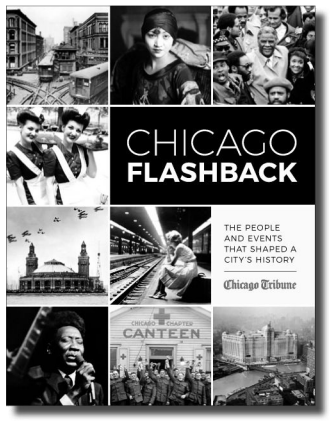
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Instead of clearing away all the fall leaves, let some of them lie under trees and shrubs.

Leaves make great winter mulch for trees and plants

By Beth Botts
Chicago Tribune

In the woods, leaves cover the soil. They form a rich layer of decaying plant matter that insulates the roots of trees and other plants and provides them with nutrients as it decays.

That's the way it works in nature. Yet in our yards and neighborhoods, where trees give us so much beauty and shade, we busily rake those life-giving leaves away every autumn. What gives?

"Most people rake leaves because they assume that's what you're supposed to do, or because they think leaves are untidy," said Sharon Yiesla, plant knowledge specialist in the Plant Clinic at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle. "They don't realize how valuable the leaves are to plants or how useful they can be in the garden." In some suburbs, homeowners even pay to have leaves hauled away.

Instead of clearing all the leaves away, save yourself work and money and let at least some of them lie. "Rake leaves off the lawn," Yiesla said, "but there's no need to remove them under trees and shrubs or in perennial beds. They'll make a great winter mulch."

By spring, most of the fallen leaves will have been broken down by fungi, insects and other beneficial organisms. "That improves your soil," Yiesla said. "It's free fertilizer, and it will help your soil drain better." Soil that is enriched by the slow decay of leaves over time becomes lighter in texture and easier for roots to penetrate.

The leaves you rake off the lawn have many uses in the garden. Here are just a few, according to Yiesla:

Insulation. For tender plants such as hybrid tea roses, make a chicken-wire cylinder and fill it with dry leaves to protect the plant from drying in winter wind and cold.

Compost. Add leaves to your compost pile. "In a good compost pile, autumn leaves are an important component," Yiesla said. "That brown material is carbon-rich, and it creates the structure of the compost." Mix in some nitrogen-rich material such as green leaves and stalks from dead annuals and fruit and vegetable scraps.

Mulch. You can use whole leaves as a healthy layer over garden soil, or shred them into smaller pieces by going over a pile in the grass with the lawnmower. "Shredded leaves will break down faster," Yiesla said, and they won't blow around as much when spread on perennial beds. In less conspicuous corners, there's no need to shred the leaves.

Vegetable mulch. Stash away leaves to use for mulch next spring in your vegetable garden.

Leaf mold. A heap of leaves left alone will partially break down in a year or two to make a dark, rich, handsome material called leaf mold. That's what the arboretum uses to mulch all its ornamental beds and as a soil amendment.

"Leaves are free," Yiesla said, "but they're worth too much to just throw them away."

For tree and plant advice, contact the Arboretum's Plant Clinic (630-719-2424 or plantclinic@mortonarb.org).

Beth Botts is a staff writer at the Morton Arboretum in Lisle (www.mortonarb.org).

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Terracotta Warriors NYC Makeover Event hosted by Shaanxi Provincial Tourism Development Commission officially kicked off near Times Square in the Big Apple on October 12th. It aims to encourage international tourists to Shaanxi, the global tourism hub in China.

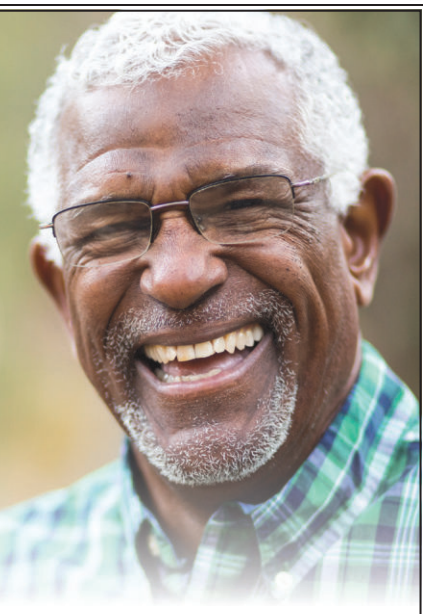
New Yorkers dressed up as the Terracotta Warriors or Tang Dynasty ladies, and snap pictures at the eye-catching pop-up photo booth (an RV decorated by Shaanxi' s most iconic landmarks). Some participants also had the live video chat with Mr. Bing about fascinating destinations in Shaanxi.

Terracotta Warriors NYC Makeover Event is a part two of Mr. Bing' s Travel Diary series, which is a promotional Vlog video series filmed by Shaanxi tourism department this year. In the film, a gentleman who claims to be Mr. Bing started an incredible journey with a Ukraine fan Yuliia in Shaanxi. Mr.Bing's name is Yuan Shuai, graduated from Xi'an International Studies University. He dressed up as a Terracotta Warrior in the film and traveled to 20 prime picturesque spots in Shaanxi.

Shaanxi is the capital of 13 ancient dynasties, starting point of the silk road and is home to the marvelous Terracotta Warriors. In recent years, Shaanxi Provincial Tourism Development Commission had more than 20 international travel promotion campaigns in 14 countries along the "Belt and Road" to promote the new image of Shaanxi tourism to domestic and international travelers. The tourism department runs a Facebook page(@visitshaanxi) with over 266k followers to help boost tourism to Shaanxi.

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As more businesses ban straws, here are some great alternatives

By Debbie Carlson
Chicago Tribune

Using a disposable plastic straw these days is about as cool as choosing a BlackBerry for your smartphone. You just wouldn't do it.

Drinking from a disposable plastic straw is becoming so last century as people realize these mini tubes are harming ocean life (remember the viral video of a straw pulled from a turtle's nose?) and clogging up our waterways.

According to Chicago's Shedd Aquarium, which is pushing to reduce straw use with its #SheddTheStraw campaign, straws don't biodegrade and are nearly impossible to recycle, so it's likely every straw ever used still exists. Nearly 19 billion pounds of plastic end up in the ocean annually. Each day Americans, alone, use and toss 500 million straws — roughly the same weight as 1,000 cars.

Many restaurants and cities have pushed to ban straws. Starbucks recently committed to going nearly straw-free by 2020 and now uses sippy cup-type lids.

The cities of Malibu, Calif., and Seattle banned plastic straw use. New York City and Hawaii are considering ditching the disposable straw too. It's not just a U.S. thing, either. Vancouver no longer allows straw use, and Europe is considering forgoing disposable plastic straws.

Plastic straw alternatives range from make-at-home ice straws to Swzle, which makes an eco-friendly straw with its own carrying case, to Tiffany & Co., which has reimagined the flexible straw in sterling silver for its Everyday Objects collection.

If you're looking for ways to be a smarter sipper, we've rounded up the best plastic straw alternatives.

Debbie Carlson is a freelance writer.



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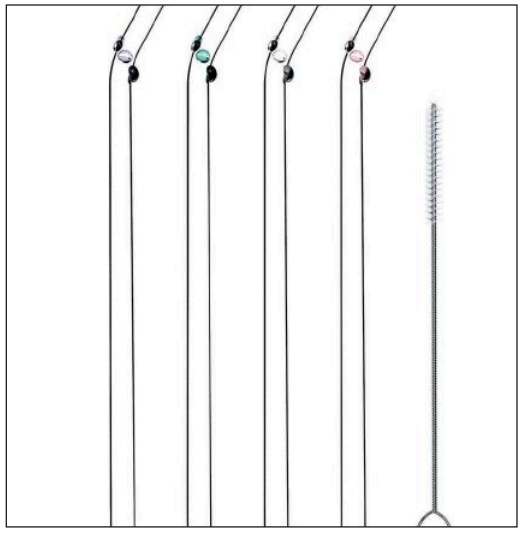
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How to pack light and love it



Ellen Warren
Answer Angel



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Traveling light takes organization but will help you lose your fear that an airline will lose your luggage.

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I'm going on a long-planned three-week vacation trip abroad, and I am not a good packer. I always haul around a huge suitcase and regret it. This time I am *determined* to pack only what will fit in a suitcase I can carry on and stow on the plane.

I'm tired of worrying how I'm going to manage my luggage at the airport and even more tired of worrying that the airline will lose my suitcase. Since I'm going to five different countries, if the suitcase doesn't make it to my destination, I know it will never catch up with me, which will wreck my holiday as I scramble to buy the basics and fight with the airline about paying for them.

If you think I am paranoid, I'm not. Too many times, a trip has been ruined by the airline losing my luggage.

— *Never Again*

Dear Never Again: Hooray for your determination to change the way you pack. I know from experience that it's not easy to pare down to the basics, but it sure makes travel easier.

At the recommendation of a frequent traveler friend, I recently bought some packing cubes, and they've made a huge difference. These are pliable cloth (and often mesh) zip bags that help you organize your belongings and eliminate the need to paw through your entire suitcase when looking for that other sock. They also let you squish down your belongings and more easily find empty spaces to stow more stuff. I bought Amazon Basics cubes (amazon.com, set of four $19.99 and up). I've found the most useful are the medium and large. (Buy one cube just for your dirty laundry.)

Beware that non-U.S. airlines have a wide array of maximum size and weight carry-on rules, and you could wind up having to check your suitcase anyhow.

But there's some good news on the lost luggage front. I'll grant you that it is maddening to pay money to check your luggage and then have the airline lose it. But U.S. Transportation Department statistics show a steady decline of lost baggage over the past 10 years from 4.32 reports of lost luggage per 1,000 passengers in 2007 to 2.8 per 1,000 passengers in 2017. Happy travels!

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I feel as if the only pants I wear are my black jeans. Is it OK to wear just one pair of pants? And, if not, any suggestions on what I should be wearing?

—*Derek C.*

Dear Derek: If those jeans are working for you, stick with a winner and keep wearing them — although I'd urge you to buy a second pair of the same pants, so you can rotate them. Maybe buy two more pairs, since it's been my experience that once you find something you really love, it's discontinued.

As to the question you didn't ask: Are people talking behind your back, as in, "Derek wears the same pants every day! Do you think he ever washes them?" The answer is no, they're not. A while back, as a test for a column I was writing, I wore the same pair of gray pants to work for 10 straight days, and nobody noticed. Nobody. If you do what I did — change what I wore on top — nobody will be the wiser about those pants.

Dear Answer Angel: I don't like to iron. And one reason is that I cannot get the ironing board to close, so I just leave it up as an eyesore in my small apartment. The cheap, cheesy metal closing lever is frustrating and never seems to work. Why are we still using 1890s "technology" on ironing boards anyhow? Doesn't anyone make a decent ironing board that collapses easily? It's clear I have lots of company with this complaint. There are hundreds of people online who are looking for an alternative to throwing their new boards away. Why is this industry still in the dark ages?

— *Peeved Paula S.*

Dear Paula: Boy do I agree. Ironing boards typically are made so cheaply that the levers bend, fall out or freeze up. There are at least 10 YouTube videos on how to fix this problem, but they're nearly impossible to follow.

One of them is hysterical, as Mr. Fixit, Darwin Reyes, actually cuts his pinkie finger and bleeds on the board as his wife or female partner laughs off camera and points out the blood for the video audience. After a few false starts, Darwin finally gets it closed. "So we just leave it closed now," the wife sagely concludes.

So, is there a better ironing board? Does anyone have experience with a well-constructed board? I've tried the mini ones that you set up on a table or kitchen counter, but they are too small for my needs. Maybe the magnetic pad you put atop your washer-dryer is the answer? Thewirecutter.com does extensive testing and is usually reliable for choosing your best options. Its top choices: Brabantia B (amazon.com, about $185, user comment says it's easy to open and close); Minky Hot Spot, (amazon.com, $51.42, one buyer complained about the open-close mechanism); Homz Durabilt Premium Steel Top (walmart.com, $77.25, advertises that "a large release lever and whisper-glide technology make opening and closing the board a breeze," but one user complained of it sticking in the open position). Hey readers, as a public service, tell me if you've found the ideal board that doesn't cost a fortune.

Angelic readers

Readers to the rescue on the question of where to buy jeans for curvy but short women: Joan L. recommends Dress Barn. Natalie loves Uniqlo (uniqlo.com): "Their jeans are fantastic. They are pull-on. They have all the looks of regular jeans, but they pull on. You Must Try Them." Joyce M. recommends the jeans from soft surroundings.com. Lidia P. likes the Gloria Vanderbilt jeans she buys for $15 at Costco.

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Williams serves up pro tips for design

By Chris LaMorte
Chicago Tribune

Tennis superstar Venus Williams came to Chicago's The Hotel at Midtown Athletic Club last month for a trunk show to promote new looks from her athleisure brand EleVen.

She sat on a velvety, jewel-toned green couch in a hotel suite called the V Suite, which opened this summer. Like the Tennis Lounge near the Midtown tennis courts, this suite was designed by the West Palm Beach, Fla.-based interior design firm V Starr Interiors. The firm is hot right now: It was recently hired to do interiors for the Florida locations of Niido, Airbnb's foray into apartment complexes.

By the way: V Starr Interiors? That's Williams too.

When she's not designing clothes or swanky hotel suites, Venus Williams also plays a mean game of tennis.

We caught up with her to talk about her connections to Chicago, her design inspirations and a few tips for making your own place pop.

But after this year's French Open controversy involving her sister Serena Williams' bodysuit (not to mention Serena's attention-grabbing U.S. Open outfit designed by Chicagoan and Louis Vuitton designer Virgil Abloh and Nike), we asked for insight on why it matters what women wear on the court in the first place.

The following has been edited for length and clarity.



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Tennis star Venus Williams in the Midtown Athletic Club's Tennis Lounge, which was designed by her firm V Starr Interiors.



ELEVEN

Williams came to the Midtown's hotel in Chicago last month to promote looks from her athleisure brand EleVen, a fashion line inspired by the ancient goddess Atlanta.

Q: You have a long history at Midtown Athletic Club in Chicago.

A: I came to a tournament here in '98, and Serena played. It was her first main-draw match. They would only give her a wild card if I played doubles. But she didn't need it. She ended up beating two top players quite handily and was in the semifinals on the way to the finals when she twisted her ankle and couldn't continue. We had to drop the doubles — we were also in that semifinals! Literally, (it was) her first main-draw tournament — if you can imagine.

Q: Do you get back to Chicago often?

A: Not that often. I don't have this thing called "free time," but when I do get to come here, it's great. Every time you come here, people are like Chicago — deep dish! But I'm gluten-free and dairy-free! So I feel like I don't get to enjoy all the normal food people get to enjoy in Chicago.

Maybe I need to break some rules.

Q: What sparked your interest for interiors?

A: I love all design, in general. If I could, I'd be a graphic designer, industrial designer, artist ... anything. But there's only limited time. So you have to make a choice.

Q: Any favorite colors?

A: I'm a huge fan of black in interiors. It's a color most people wouldn't go to, but when you do use it, it's very powerful. It's very grounding, and it's very sophisticated.

Q: Any other pro tips for interior design?

A: Create a (mood) board for each and every room, (so) you have this continuous story that's happening. And so you're kind of working toward that. Whether it happens today or tomorrow, this is the direction I'm going in. That's how you achieve a cohesive space.

Q: Tell us about your new EleVen line. You say it was inspired by Atlanta. But not the city of Atlanta.

A: Atlanta was an ancient goddess. She's been off the scene for thousands of years now, but we can remember her. I named a collection after her. So it's that goddess motif. We have to keep sneaking those names in there. We probably won't sneak Nike in, but ...

There's a lot of other ones in there. And, obviously, I'm named after a planet and a goddess, depending on how you want to see it, so the line always has this goddess moment.

Q: What does the goddess Atlanta represent to you?

A: Maybe no individual aspects of that individual god, but just the whole aspect of women being strong, powerful and beautiful. In Greek and Roman cultures — and many ancient cultures — you did have these goddesses that were quite powerful and people were quite reverential to them. So it just shows the personality of a strong woman ... and that people should bow down to them! (Laughs.) No, no, not that.

Q: Do you have one favorite piece in the collection?

A: I would say all our seamless pieces. I love our seamless hoodie, and I wear that all the time. I wear it on the plane, on the court, on the gym, while I'm sleeping ... no, no, not while I'm sleeping, but seamless is so easy.

Q: There's been a lot of controversy on the court regarding women's fashion. Why does it matter what women wear?

A: Whatever you wear, you need to be confident in it. When you're confident, you feel good about what you're doing. When you're self-conscious, it's extremely hard to focus on what you're doing, no matter what it is. So no matter what it is, you've got to feel like you rule the world.

Chris LaMorte is a freelance writer.


Anita Alvarez, left, and Nidia Diaz


Wendy and Gregg Elstien


Sgt. Dion Trotter, Doris Harrison, and Nicki and Bob Fioretti



Marcy and Harry Harczak, and Char Rivette


Angel Perez, Melissa Washington and Michael Fountain


Marco Foster and Kimberly Foxx

Candid Candace



By Candace Jordan
Chicago Tribune

‘Night of Heroes’ raises $130,000 to protect kids

The Chicago Children’s Advocacy Center (Chicago CAC) hosted a new fall fundraiser Oct. 10 at the Montgomery Club. “A Night of Heroes: Protecting Children. Battling Abuse. Restoring Lives.” drew more than 300 supporters — including Chicago police officers, other first responders, politicos and community leaders — and helped raise more than $130,000 to address child sexual and physical abuse in the city.

The evening began with a VIP meet-and-greet where guests mingled with political figures, including Cook County State’s Attorney Kimberly Foxx, former Chicago Public Schools Board President and mayoral candidate Gery Chico, former Ald. Bob Fioretti, former Cook County State’s Attorney Anita Alvarez and Chicago police Superintendent Eddie Johnson, who also served as a host committee co-chair.

The event, chaired by Gregg Elstien (ChicagoCAC’s advisory board chair), included culinary stations by Gibsons Restaurant Group, a raffle, a silent auction, a photo booth and music by DJ Madrid. Superhero characters supported the event’s theme and posed for photos with attendees.

Char Rivette, ChicagoCAC executive director, encouraged the crowd to support the center’s efforts. “This is a time in our country when everyone is talking about the #MeToo movement and what’s happening to sexual abuse victims. It’s our time, as a community, to do a better job for our kids.”

Superintendent Johnson shared statistics about the collective efforts being made to safeguard children. “The ChicagoCAC handles over 2,500 investigative referral calls a year and conducts around 1,800 forensic interviews. Sadly, 66 percent of child sexual abuse involves children 12 years old and younger,” he said.

The nonprofit reports that, since opening its doors in 2001, it has served more than 34,000 children and their families.

Freelance writer Candace Jordan is involved in many local organizations, including some whose events she covers.

More online
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Superintendent Eddie Johnson and John Robak


Terry Kazupski, Maysa and Gery Chico


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Does it pay to go green on upgrades?



Kenneth R. Harney
The Nation's Housing

If you make extensive energy-conservation and other green improvements to your home, will they earn you a premium price for the entire house when you go to sell?

For years, the easy answer has been, oh yeah, absolutely: Green is good, everybody knows that saving energy is a no-brainer, and buyers will pay more to get it.

There's research to back that up. A study of California sales found that green-certified homes sold for between 2.1 percent and 5.3 percent more than similar homes with minimal or no green features. A 2015 study of renovated homes in Washington, D.C., concluded the average price premium was around 3.46 percent. A study last year in Texas found that green-certified homes sold for 8 percent more than comparable properties.

Home builders have told researchers that two-thirds of their customers say they're willing to pay higher prices for homes with significant green features, such as energy-efficient appliances, heavy-duty insulation, water conservation, healthy indoor air quality and others.

So is that it? Going green always nets you more green — case closed? Not so fast. Two recent studies by appraisers with long experience valuing green homes suggest the answer is more nuanced. Some of the researchers' findings, in brief: Though generally it's true that green improvements will earn you at least a little higher price, the size of the premium may depend on external factors you hadn't thought about:

■ Does the real estate agent you picked to list your home know enough about green improvements to market them effectively?

■ Does the agent have any formal training in this area, evidenced by a green designation in her or his own listing presentation or advertising?

■ Does the listing for your home in the local multiple listing service (MLS) contain crucial information about your green improvements, such as a "green addendum" that details the special features that make it energy-efficient?

■ Does the local MLS have "green fields" that allow listing brokers to fill in the blanks with appropriate detail, so that other agents — the ones who are going to find your buyers — know what your house really offers in terms of green improvements?

■ Do agents in the area know much, or anything, about rating systems such as HERS, LEED, Energy Star or others? Do they know where to turn locally to obtain a rating?

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Housing prices across the U.S. have rebounded and are now up more than 50 percent since hitting the bottom, according to CoreLogic.

After the crash

How the housing market has changed in the last 10 years

By Michele Lerner
The Washington Post

Flash back to fall 2008, and you'll remember the free fall the U.S. economy experienced. At the heart of it was the collapse of the housing market.

If you were house hunting before the crash, you could choose from an array of loan products to keep your payments low, such as an interest-only loan, a "choose-your-own-payment" loan, a balloon payment loan or an adjustable-rate mortgage (ARM) with an extremely high cap. If your credit score was low, you didn't have money for a down payment or your income was erratic, you could get around all those obstacles with a no-documentation loan, sometimes for as much as 125 percent of the home value.

Now that a decade has passed, industry insiders look back at where we were, what we learned and where we go from here to ensure that the trauma of the housing boom and bust and the Great Recession are not repeated.

Today's homebuyers are in a different world:

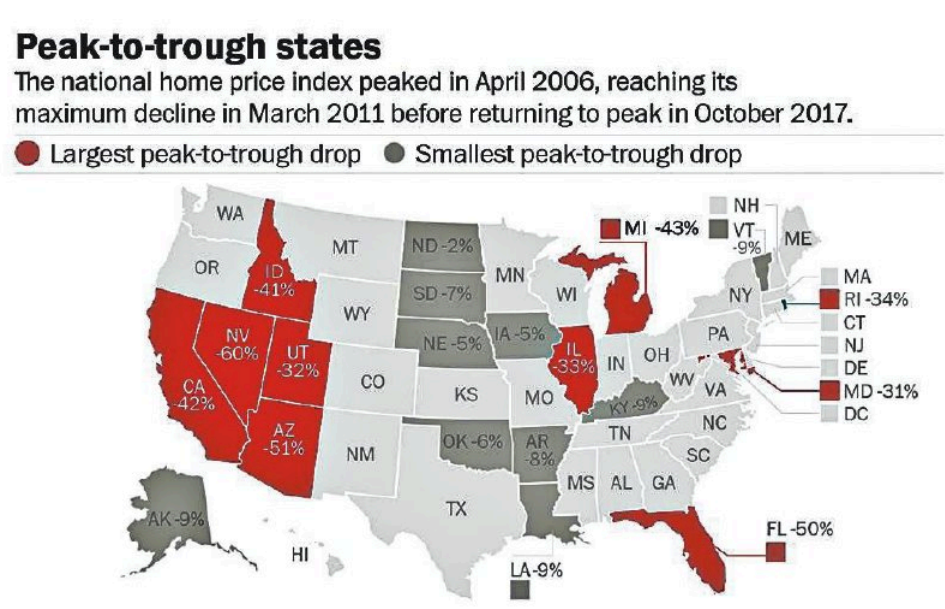
■ The pre-crash loan products are mostly gone. You can choose between a fixed-rate loan or an ARM that meets "Qualified Mortgage" (QM) standards established by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB). That ARM will have caps, so the interest rate can't jump too high too quickly — and you'll have to qualify based on the worst-case scenario of the highest possible mortgage rate.

■ You'll also need to fully document everything and make a down payment of at least 3 or 3.5 percent with most loan programs.

■ If your credit score is less than 620, you're not likely to qualify for a loan at all, and unless your score is 760 or above, you'll pay a little extra in interest on a conventional loan.

■ Pre-crash, buyers saw a good-faith estimate of their loan costs and, at the closing, a Truth-in-Lending statement and a HUD-1 statement that showed the financial terms of their purchase. Yet many buyers

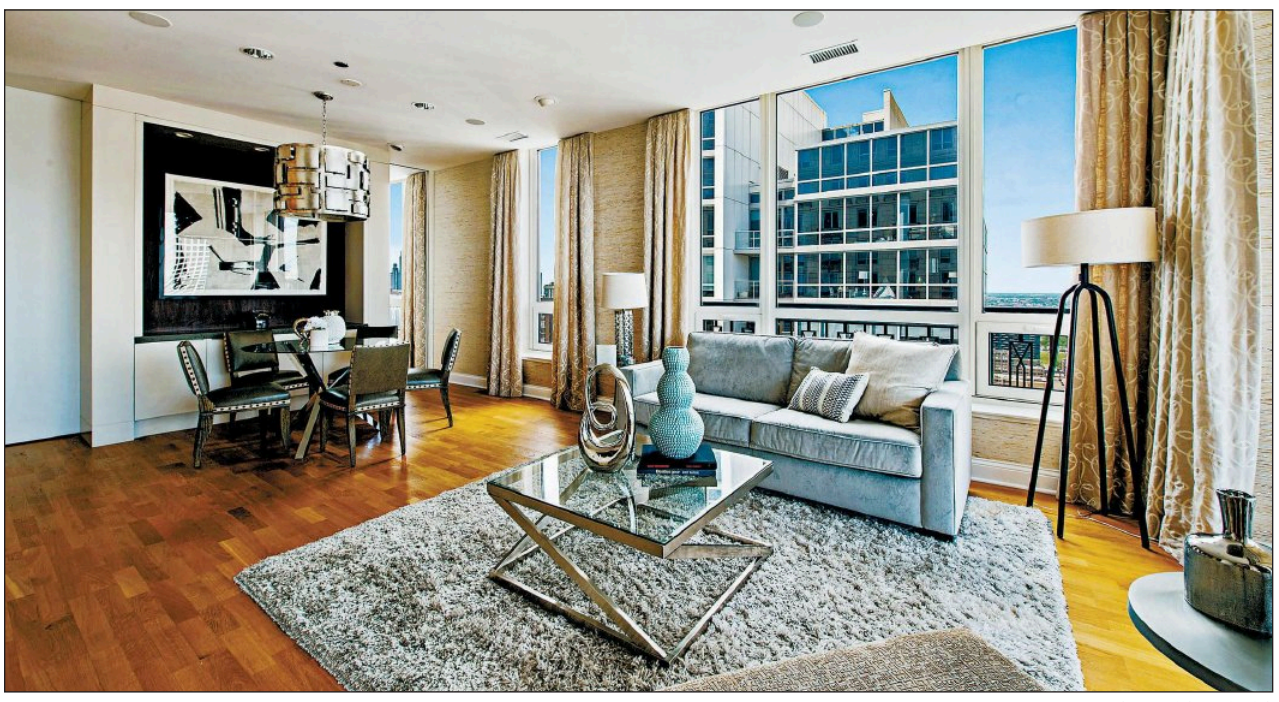
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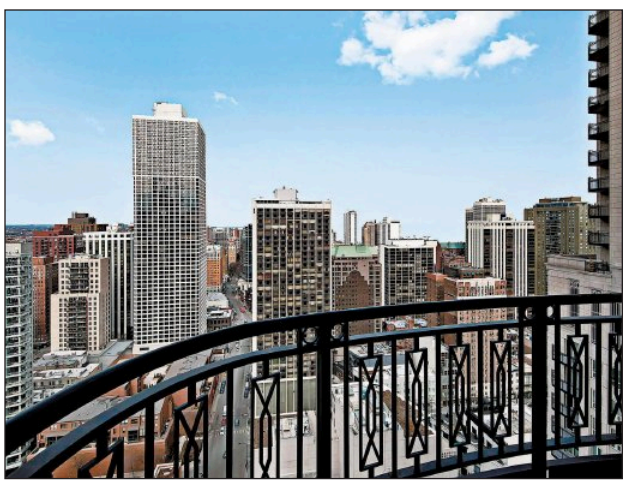


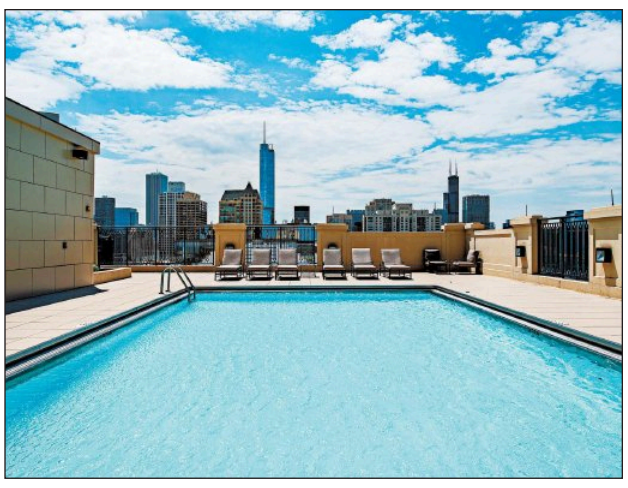
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Chicago high-rise unit with lake views, parking: $1.7M



ADDRESS: 10 E. Delaware Place Unit 30E in Chicago
ASKING PRICE: $1,650,000
Listed on Aug. 13, 2018

This 30th floor unit boasts smart home technology, including lighting, audio, video and motorized shades. The kitchen has a walk-in pantry, Poggenpohl cabinets, Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances, and a custom backsplash. The bathrooms feature all-natural stone and custom vanities. The master suite boasts two walk-in closets, a seating area with custom built-ins and a large bathroom. This unit is located within a full-amenity building with 24-hour door service, a heated rooftop pool, garden, workout facility and party room. Two garage parking spaces are included in the price. Originally a three-bedroom unit, the owner converted the space to a two-bedroom unit plus a den. The den is enclosed with pocket doors and has a full bathroom. Agent: Nancy Tassone of Jameson Sotheby's Intl Realty, 312-215-9701

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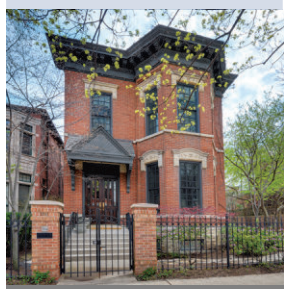
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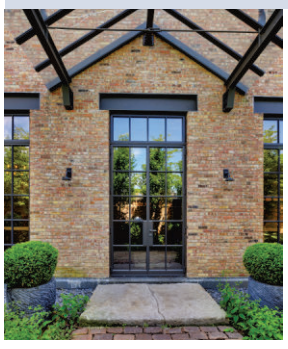
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5 Beds | 6.1 Baths
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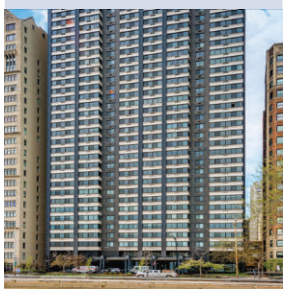
1407 N HOYNE AVE

This spectacular 1886 Victorian home has been brought back to life & beyond, with not a single detail spared. Formal living room features velvet wallpaper & original "carpenter's lace" detailing in the turret area with large windows. The completely custom kitchen by O'Brien Harris offers huge south-facing windows overlooking the lush yard. Three beds on second level, including the luxe master w/ a spa-esque bath & fabulous dressing room. Lower level wine room, playroom w/ heated floors, access to garage & integrated but separate apartment. Corner lot with huge, professionally landscaped yard. This home is truly special!



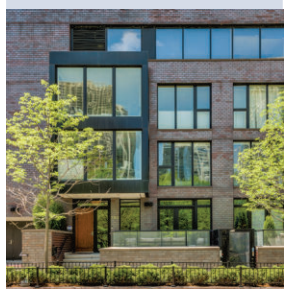
5 Beds | 4.3 Baths
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1440 N LAKE SHORE DR, PHN



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3 Beds | 3.1 Baths
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192 N PARK DR



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Sale Price: $2,149,000
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1050 W WRIGHTWOOD AVE



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Complaint policies required by Jan. 1

By Pamela Dittmer McKuen
Chicago Tribune



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Most community associations in Illinois will be required to have a complaint policy to work out disputes.

By Jan. 1, most Illinois community associations must have in effect a written policy for resolving unit owner complaints. Is your association ready?

The mandate applies to all associations governed by either the Illinois Condominium Property Act or the Common Interest Community Association Act, according to Section 35 of the Condominium and Common Interest Community Ombudsperson Act.

"The purpose of the law is to provide a forum to help work out disputes between associations and their unit owners, and to educate owners and board members on how to deal with these issues," said Kathryn Formeller, attorney and partner at Tressler LLP in Chicago and Bolingbrook.

Section 35 lists several provisions a complaint policy must contain. Among them: a sample form on which an owner may make a complaint, and a description and timeline of the association's decision-making process. Associations must make their final determinations in writing within 180 days after receiving the complaint.

"The statute gives guidance but not great guidance," Formeller said. "I would be more specific about each component."

In her view, complaint policies should detail each step of the process. Associations should consider providing owners with a hearing and the opportunity to provide supplemental information.

"If you ever wind up in a lawsuit, you want to show you were diligent and did everything you could," she said. "You don't want the homeowner to come in and say, 'I didn't have a fair hearing.' "

The Section 35 requirements are "a pretty low bar, but it is an important bar for transparency," said Brian Butler, vice president of property management at FirstService Residential in Chicago. "It's a step toward putting the process of handling complaints more out in the open and telling owners what rights they have."

If your association hasn't started, you'd best get moving to make the deadline. After the policy has been drafted, it must be sent out to the owners for their review. Then, at a properly noticed open meeting, owners are allowed to comment. The board can either make changes and send it out again, or it can vote to approve it.

No one will investigate to make sure you have a policy in place, although owners may report to the Division of Real Estate within the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, which supervises the state ombudsperson, that you don't have one. There are consequences as well for both owners and associations.

Owners cannot apply to the ombudsperson's office for assistance with their disputes until after they have sought — and failed to achieve — resolution through their associations' complaint policy and procedures.

Associations that head directly to court to settle disputes rather than mediating among themselves could find unsympathetic judges, Formeller said.

"The more self-help you can show a court, the better off you will be," Formeller said. "Courts don't want to have to solve every little problem. If you can't solve it on your own, you want to show you tried by going through the process."

A spot check of area managers shows many of their client associations are on track or getting there.

"For many associations, this type of policy already exists," Butler said. "It's a matter of making sure they are compliant with the new requirements. Very few have never touched this kind of policy before."

Keith Hales, president at Hales Property Management in Chicago, said his company is working with an attorney to create a template that his associations can adopt or alter as they see fit.

"I would have to say our managers and boards are taking this seriously," said Thomas Skweres, vice president at ACM Community Management in Downers Grove. "We have several managers who are ahead of the deadline and will have their policies in place by then. Several others had good policies in place previous to this requirement."

Who pays title insurance — the seller or the buyer?

By Ilyce Glink and Samuel J. Tamkin
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Q: Is it mandatory for a seller to pay for title insurance in Oregon, especially if they were sole owner of home from the day it was constructed?

A: We don't know of any particular law that states that a seller or buyer must pay for title insurance when it comes to selling or buying a home. The question you're really asking isn't about whether there is a law that requires you to buy that title policy. It's about whether it is the custom and practice in Oregon for a seller to pay for an owner's title insurance policy.

Many title insurance companies print out guides that show whether the seller or buyer in an area is generally obligated to pay for the owner's title insurance policy. In Oregon, the custom and practice appears to be for the seller to pay that fee.

Let's take a step back, however, and talk about title insurance and why a seller would purchase an owner's title insurance policy. An owner's title insurance policy reassures a buyer that if there is a title claim to the home in the future, a company will step up and back the owner.

A homebuyer wants to know that the seller has the right to sell the property, that all prior mortgages will have been paid off when the buyer takes title to the property, and that there are no undisclosed title defects on the home. The title company issuing an owner's title insurance policy reassures the buyer that if the seller didn't (for some reason) have the right to sell the home, the title company will reimburse the buyer for any money they paid for the home up to the policy amount. Likewise, if the title policy missed an easement or another issue that affects title to the home, the title company may have to pay money to clean the title or resolve the issue, up to the damages incurred by the buyers, but not over the policy limit.

We always recommend that a buyer obtain title insurance. If the buyer is using a mortgage to purchase the property, the lender will require a title insurance policy that names the lender and is for the amount of the loan. But savvy buyers will also purchase an owner's title insurance policy at the same time (or receive one from the seller).

When you buy a car and receive the certificate of title from a state agency, you know you have good title. But real estate is more complicated. There are times when family members buy from one another (and don't record deeds), or other situations happen where a buyer may not know if you are the rightful owner of the property and what mortgages or liens might affect the title to the home.

Even if you could undertake a search of public records, research the seller, and source all the information, you might miss something. And the risk is pretty big — a house is far more expensive than a car. This is why you want to have an owner's title insurance policy.

But there are plenty of issues title insurance doesn't cover: foundation problems, bad heating systems, faulty plumbing or other things that come up after closing. If the seller had work done on the home and a contractor wasn't paid and filed a lien, that might not show up in the title search; but title insurance would protect the buyer in most situations.

We think that title insurance is worth it. Just about every lender will require you to pay for a lender's title insurance policy when you buy a home. Remember: The lender's title policy on the home will cover the lender for any loss on title issues, but not the homebuyer.

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What's the difference between getting pre-qualified and pre-approved for a mortgage?

If you're shopping for a new home, it's smart to get a mortgage lender involved early. But does that mean getting pre-qualified or pre-approved? Knowing the difference can save you from a common homebuyer mistake and possible missed opportunities.

Pre-qualification is easier and comes first for most buyers. Based on debt, income and asset information you provide, the lender recommends the type and amount of mortgage they'll likely approve for you. The process is quick and generally free, and involves no credit analysis.

As a result, the pre-qualification amount is only an estimate of what you might be able to expect. If you've overlooked reporting any debts, have overstated income or assets, or have less than excellent credit, you may find out later your approved mortgage amount is less than your pre-qualification.

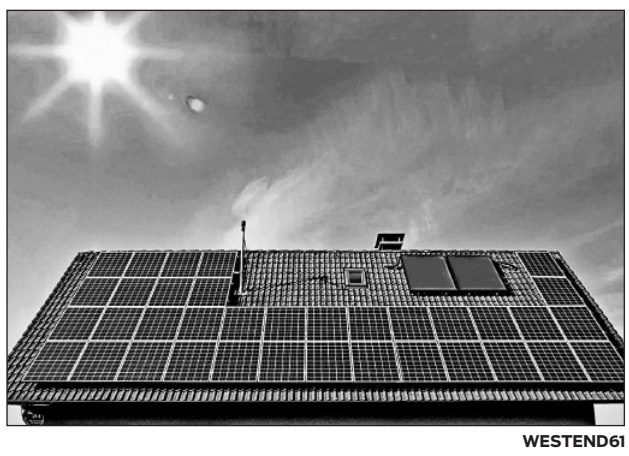
Once you've gotten serious in your house hunting, it's wise to apply for pre-approval and pay the fee it usually requires. Here, you provide information for the lender to confirm and analyze your debt, income and assets, as well as your credit score and report.

With this, the lender can commit on the type and amount of mortgage they're willing to offer you, as well as the rate. This is conveyed in a conditional commitment letter, which confirms you have financing for homes at or below the approved amount.

If you're sure you plan to buy, pre-approval offers advantages that are worth the application fee. Not only does it help you avoid wasting time on homes beyond your price range – it can also give you an edge with a seller, as it demonstrates you can move quickly without a contingency to secure financing.

Pre-qualification is a great first step for most home buyers, but as soon as the house hunt becomes serious, pre-approval becomes your next smart move.

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Homebuilders have told researchers that two-thirds of customers say they would pay more for green homes.

Does it pay to go green on upgrades?

Harney, *from Page 1*

(HERS stands for Home Energy Rating System; LEED is a globally recognized rating system for residential and commercial green real estate; Energy Star is a federally developed rating for appliances, building materials, entire houses and commercial property.)

If none of these key factors is working for you, your green features may be impressive but may not earn you much of a premium. Worst case, they might even get you nothing.

Sandra Adomatis, a Florida-based real estate appraiser and nationally known expert on valuing green improvements, headed the research teams for both of the new studies — one focusing on "paired-sale" transactions of homes in the San Francisco Bay area, the other in Virginia and Maryland. A paired-sale analysis examines price differences in transactions, comparing virtually identical homes, one of which has significant green features.

In the California study, green-certified houses sold for an average 2.19 percent premium. In some Virginia locations, where the local certification company, Pearl Home Certification, had marketed its services to realty agents, the average price premium was 5 percent. But in areas where Pearl had not yet reached out to real estate agents and provided information on how to market certified properties, some premiums dropped to 1 percent or lower.

Adomatis, author of the Appraisal Institute's manual "Green Valuation Tools" and developer of training courses on the subject, told me that in interviews, some agents who listed certified green properties in California admitted they "had no clue what they were selling." A few even said, "I don't know what makes a house green."

That's a direct violation of the code of ethics of the National Association of Realtors, which prohibits members from marketing types of property that are "outside their field of competence" and training. The association offers members in-depth courses on green-home marketing and has urged multiple listing services across the country to include "green fields" in their listings.

Bottom line: If you want to reap the maximum return from your green improvements, make sure that your real estate agent understands what they are and how best to sell them.

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ELITE STREET

Reality TV host buys Lake Forest home

By Bob Goldsborough
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Reality TV show host and entrepreneur Marcus Lemonis paid $1.85 million for a 6,527-square-foot mansion in Lake Forest.

Reality TV show host and entrepreneur Marcus Lemonis on Sept. 28 paid $1.85 million for a six-bedroom, 6,527-square-foot vintage mansion in Lake Forest.



Lemonis

Lemonis, 44, hosts the CNBC reality show "The Profit" and also is chairman and CEO of RV retailer Camping World. Over the years he has owned numerous high-end residential properties in Lake Forest and in Chicago. In June he sold a condo on the 17th floor of a luxury Gold Coast tower to a partner at law firm Kirkland & Ellis for $3.15 million.

Now, through an Illinois limited liability company, Lemonis has bought a traditional-style mansion in Lake Forest that adjoins some other property he owns. Built in 1930, the two-story house was designed by architect Walter Frazier and has 4½ baths, six fireplaces, hardwood floors throughout, a foyer with a winding staircase, a library with original built-ins and a dining room with original built-ins. Outside on the more than acre-sized property is a one-bedroom coach house with a kitchenette.

The house also has some historical value in that it had been the midcentury home of investment banker Ralph Austin Bard, who had been undersecretary of the Navy during World War II.

The mansion that Lemonis just bought adjoins a seven-bedroom, 7,405-square-foot Georgian-style mansion that he purchased in 2013 for $4.95 million.

Jean Anderson of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices KoenigRubloff represented both the sellers and Lemonis. She could not be reached for comment.

Florsheim mansion in Gold Coast listed for nearly $2.4 million: The 11-room Florsheim mansion on the Gold Coast, which was designed by architect Andrew N. Rebori and later modified by architect Bertrand Goldberg, was listed Tuesday for just under $2.4 million after being off the market for more than 4½ years.

Built in 1938, the five-bedroom, 4,500-square-foot home was sold by Rebori to shoe heiress and sculptor Lillian Florsheim in 1946. It originally was built as a single-family house with a separate guesthouse. In the 1950s, Goldberg, who was Florsheim's son-in-law, designed a link between the two structures in the form of a long, galley-style kitchen that now provides indoor access to both the house and the guesthouse. The mansion has been a single-family house ever since.



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The Florsheim mansion designed by architect Andrew N. Rebori was listed this month for just under $2.4 million.

Other features include five baths, three fireplaces, a two-story family room, lake views and an attached two-car garage.

Current owner Russ Rosenzweig has a license to operate the mansion as a bed and breakfast and has been using it in that capacity, listing agent Michael Rosenblum of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices KoenigRubloff told Elite Street.

"We just thought we'd see whether or not there's a buyer," Rosenblum said. "It's on (the market) for somebody wanting to enjoy it as a single-family or for somebody who wants to buy the B&B business."

Rosenzweig first listed the mansion in 2010 for $2.5 million and reduced the asking price to $2.35 million and then to $2.09 million before offering it for rent in 2011. He also listed it in 2011 for $1.999 million before taking it off the market and then relisting it in 2013 and 2014 for $2.199 million. Now it's available for the unusual asking price of $2,397,747.

Rosenblum said that price is aimed at sparking discussion "from a talking point standpoint."

Rosenzweig paid $2.23 million in 2006 to buy the mansion from then-Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago Director Robert Fitzpatrick.

Navigant Consulting CEO sells Wheaton home for $775,000: Julie Howard, the chairman and CEO of Chicago-based Navigant Consulting, recently sold a four-bedroom, 3,333-square-foot house in Wheaton for $775,000.

Howard, who became Navigant's CEO in 2012, now lives in Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood, where she paid $3.05 million in 2014 for a newly built five-bedroom house.

In Wheaton, the farmhouse-style home that Howard sold was built in 1937 and has been updated. It has 3½ baths, two fireplaces, an office with built-ins, an updated kitchen, an attached two-car garage and a master suite with two large walk-in closets and a remodeled bath. Outside on the nearly acre-sized property, which sits on a private street, are an in-ground pool, a patio and a detached garage with space for two additional cars.

Howard took a loss on the house, which she purchased in 2006 for $965,000. She first listed it in 2014 for just under $1.3 million and reduced it to $1.249 million and $1.149 million before taking it off the market. She relisted it in February at $849,000 and cut her asking price to $825,000 before finding a buyer in May.

Katie Claypool of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices KoenigRubloff was the listing agent. Howard did not wish to comment.

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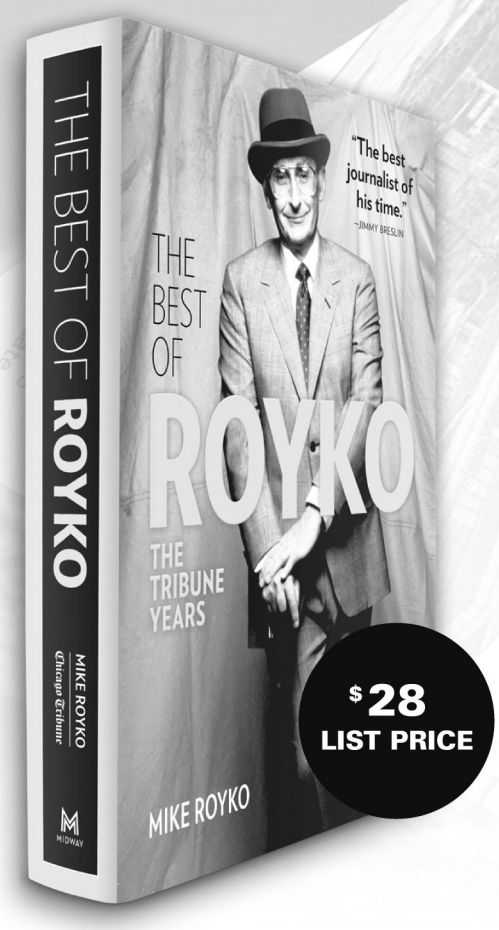
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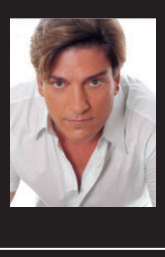
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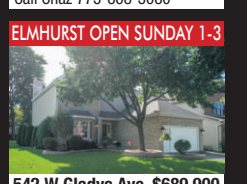

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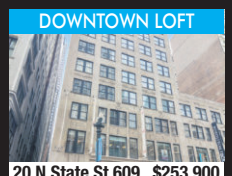

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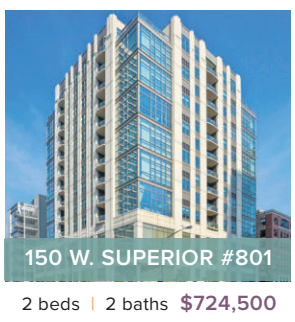

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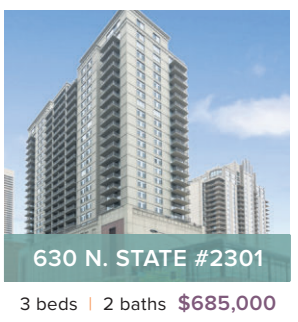

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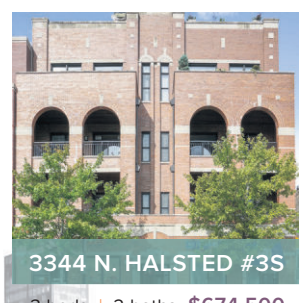

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GreenFields Of Geneva Geneva, IL 60134	630-232-9105	Life Plan Community	From $2,632	From $3,451	RC, SA, AL	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Heritage Senior Apartments Alsip, IL 60803	866-665-7473	$635	$845	$945-$1,035	SA					●	●	●	●
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The Reserve of Geneva Geneva, IL 60134	630-584-4300		$1,785 start	$2,132 start	SA, RC, AL	●	●		●	●	●	●	●
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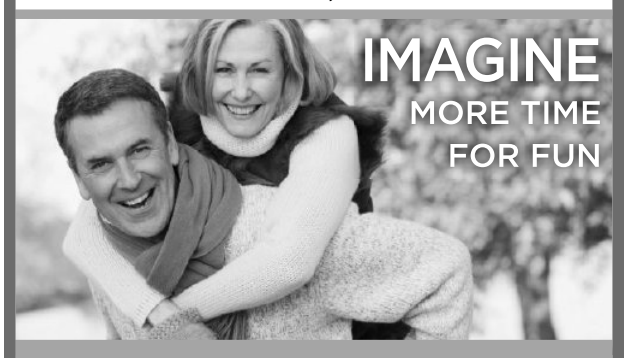
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10 years later: How market changed

Crash, *from Page 1*

found the entire purchase process mysterious and often didn't understand their loan terms.

Post-crash, reforms by the CFPB under the "Know Before You Owe" umbrella meant to create greater transparency include a three-page Loan Estimate that shows whether buyers face a balloon payment or a possible increase in their mortgage rate as well as a Closing Disclosure that combines the former closing documents into one more user-friendly version.

Despite the homeowners' loss of $16 trillion in net worth and the 10 million people who lost their homes to foreclosure during the crash, one reality — though diminished — hasn't changed: The majority of Americans want to own a home.

"There's a remarkably high preference for homeownership that shows up in every survey of renters," says Chris Herbert, managing director of the Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University. "Ninety percent or so of renters still want to become homeowners. Certainly, young people are moving into homeownership more slowly, but that's because of a host of reasons such as marrying and having children later, a reduced ability to save since the recession and that it's harder to get a loan. It's not because of a fundamental change in attitude."

The housing market has generally recovered. Prices across the U.S., which fell 33 percent during the recession, have rebounded and are now up more than 50 percent since hitting the bottom, according to CoreLogic, a global property analytics site.

Still, some markets in Arizona, Florida, Illinois and Nevada have yet to reach their pre-recession levels.



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Construction of this neighborhood northwest of Atlanta ground to a halt in August 2007.

Homeownership rates peaked at 69.2 percent in 2004 and dipped to 62.9 percent in the second quarter of 2016, according to the Census Bureau. Rates have slowly climbed over the past two years to 64.3 percent in the second quarter of 2018.

"Clearly, there hasn't been a rush to homeownership back to the rate it was during the housing boom," says Rick Sharga, executive vice president of Carrington Mortgage Holdings in Aliso Viejo, Calif.

Lingering nerves from the housing crisis continue to affect homebuyers, lenders, builders and other industry professionals.

"Even if you weren't part of the homebuying bubble, you were part of the economic fallout, or you knew someone who lost their home to a foreclosure or short sale," says Elizabeth Mendenhall, president of the National Association of Realtors and a Realtor with Re/Max Boone Realty in Columbia, Mo. "As a result, people are having deeper discussions before they buy to make sure they don't end up losing their home."

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> *— Elizabeth Mendenhall, president of the National Association of Realtors*

Real estate agents are less likely to automatically push buyers toward the most expensive house they can qualify for, says Sharga.

"Hopefully, consumers and Realtors know the difference between the ability to qualify for a home and the ability to maintain and truly afford it now," says Sharga.

Another lingering impact of the financial crisis is that private mortgage lending remains limited.

"That's partly because investors don't have faith in the system," says Herbert. "So some borrowers who don't fit in the normal box may still not be able to get credit."

Essentially, he says, lending to people with credit scores below 620 is virtually nonexistent now.

At the peak of the housing boom, borrowers with a credit score of 620 to 640 qualified for the lowest interest rates on conventional loans. Credit scores for FHA borrowers were in the mid-500s.

By contrast, in July 2018, according to Ellie Mae, a mortgage analytics company, 70 percent of borrowers had a FICO score of more than 700. The average FICO score for conventional loans for a home purchase in July 2018 was 751, more than 100 points higher than what was considered worthy of the best mortgage rates from 2004 to 2006.

Some areas of lending are easing, such as the increasing availability of low down payment loan products and higher allowable debt-to-income ratios, which compare your monthly recurring debt payments with your gross monthly income. However, lenders no longer layer multiple risk factors as they did during the housing boom, such as allowing borrowers to take out interest-only loans without documenting their income or their debts, according to Sam Khater, chief economist of Freddie Mac in McLean, Va.

"One reason some borrowers qualify with a higher debt-to-income ratio today is that renters in some high-cost markets are paying 40 to 50 percent of their income on rent," said Michael Fratantoni, chief economist of the Mortgage Bankers Association in Washington. "If they're showing us they can handle that larger housing payment as a renter, then they should be able to handle it as a homeowner too."

Loan approvals are always a balancing act, he says, because the goal is to serve borrowers and yet make sure their purchase is sustainable.

An estimated 5.2 million households with a mortgage still owe at least 25 percent more than the value of their property, according to ATTOM Data Solutions, which is about 9.5 percent of households with a mortgage.

"A lack of mobility is holding back the housing ladder," says Khater. "People used to stay in their homes about five years, and now it's about 10 years. Seniors are holding on to their homes longer in part because they're working longer and because they have very low interest rates. In addition, they don't often like what's available to buy. GenXers bought their homes at the peak of the market, so they're still waiting to build more equity."

Among the lasting fundamental changes brought about by housing crisis, says Sharga, is that people today look at a home as place to live, not as an investment.

"It's important to realize that homeownership is something to aspire to, but it's also important to be ready for it," he says. "It can be a wealth builder, but as we saw, it can also be the quickest path to financial devastation if you're not prepared."

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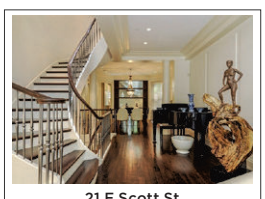
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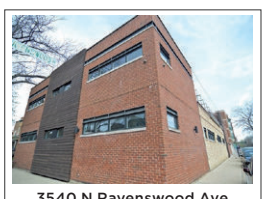


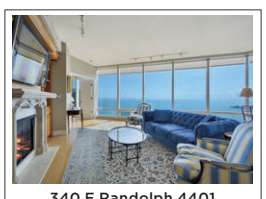
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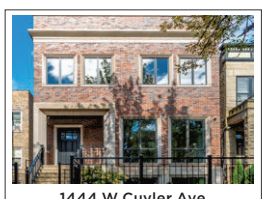

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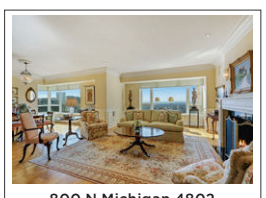
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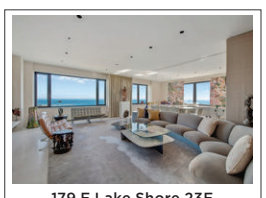

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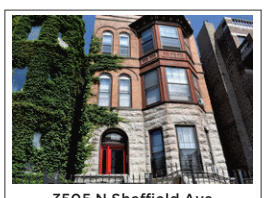
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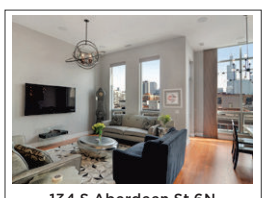
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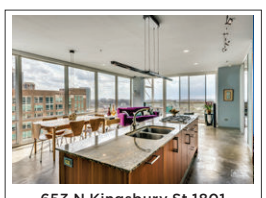

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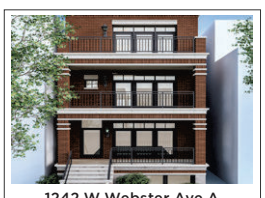

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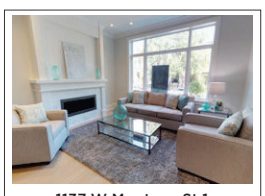

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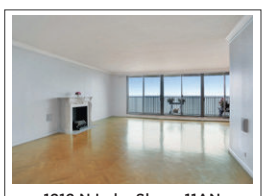

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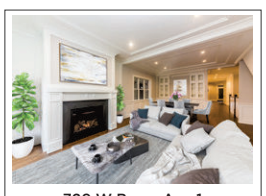

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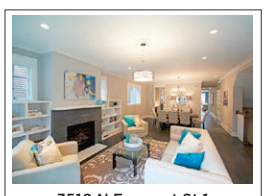

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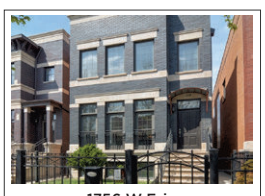

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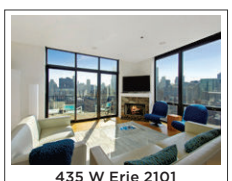
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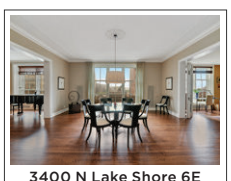
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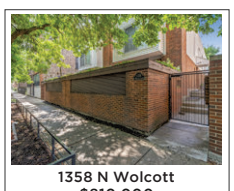

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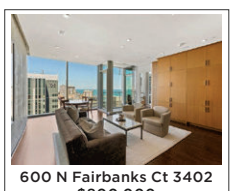
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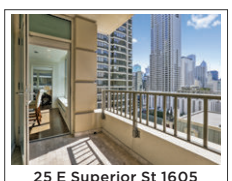
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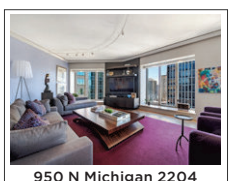
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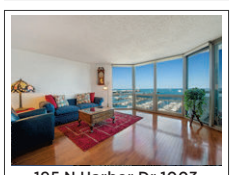

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2018 Lexus RX 350L in luxury trim

This crossover's cramped third row would indicate the "L" doesn't stand for legroom. **Review, Page 3**

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AWDs with off-road chops

We put 4 '19 crossovers to the test

By Robert Duffer
Chicago Tribune



ROBERT DUFFER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

All-wheel-drive crossovers trek down a trail during Rocky Mountain Redline's inaugural Colorado Climb last month.

The all-wheel-drive crossover is America's favorite family vehicle. It provides roominess and safety, capability and assurance, and can handle at least 95 percent of most drivers' wants and needs. But most AWD crossovers are underutilized and far more capable than most owners know.

It wasn't clear to us until a day spent driving select AWD crossovers off-road up and down the Continental Divide outside of Breckenridge, Colo.

This is not the normal terrain to go over the river and through the woods to grandmother's house.

The old dirt mining road was strewn with rocks, and rutted where snowmelt had run off in wetter seasons. Hairpin turns led to narrow tracks flanked with dense evergreens and rich aspens. A ring of Colorado's famed fourteeners — peaks jutting over 14,000 feet — framed both trails, and on certain narrow spots with steep drop-offs, a misstep could lead to a whole lot of headache.

Of the two trails, we trekked the tamer one with a 2019 Acura RDX, a 2019 Mazda CX-9, a 2019 Kia Sorento and a 2019 Honda Pilot on the inaugural Colorado Climb produced by Rocky Mountain Redline.

Driving all these vehicles back to back with equal seat time put into context the range of capabilities when it comes to rear- or center-locking differentials, brake traction control, torque vectoring and all the engineering wizardry that enables marketers to fill our flights of fancy with off-road conquests. It's all about moving power from the wheels that slip to the wheels that grip, as they say.

Yet it was the family haulers meant to handle bad weather or the occasional icy driveway, or the steep climb at the family lake house — those 5 percent of other uses — that truly impressed.

2019 Acura RDX A-Spec with SH-AWD

As tested: $45,500

Engine: 272-horsepower 2.0-liter turbo four-cylinder

Transmission: 10-speed automatic in all-wheel drive

This whippersnapper surprised us the most. The redesigned compact crossover with the premium 3D sound system and adaptive cruise is meant for around town or city-to-city driving, not bounding about on a dirty, dusty trail. It is one of the best premium offerings in a crowded class — on the road.

Parent company Honda's super-handling all-wheel drive (SH-AWD) with torque vectoring is meant as much for performance handling on dry roads as it is for safety assurances on wet ones. It also works well off-road, with a nimble, light-footed capability. The 280 pound-feet of torque can be sent to either axle as in any AWD vehicle. When cruising on the highway, up to 90 percent of the power is sent to the front axle to optimize fuel economy. But on a curve while accelerating, or over a rock when crawling, as the vehicle weight shifts to the rear, up to 70 percent of the torque is sent to the rear axle through the limited-slip rear differential. Clutch packs on either side of the differential can then send 100 percent of that torque to either wheel. If one of the rear wheels is hung up in the air, then torque goes to the wheel most firmly planted. That is what makes the torque vectoring good for cornering as well.

Since ground clearance is only 5.7 inches and doesn't come with skid plates, the RDX might not be the best off-road option. But in case of the zombie apocalypse, it can escape the marauders until it can find a road to do what it does best.

2019 Honda Pilot AWD Elite

As tested: $48,020

Engine: 280-horsepower 3.5-liter V-6 engine

Transmission: Nine-speed automatic in all-wheel drive

The AWD system on the Pilot is mechanically similar to that of the RDX, but Honda calls its torque vectoring Variable Torque Management. Call it front-wheel drive with a rear differential, which distributes torque to the rear wheels.

Like the RDX, the Pilot has a cool display showing torque distribution in the vehicle info panel. A button shifts it from normal driving to snow, sand, mud, if you choose, but the system senses when the rear axle needs torque and delivers it instantaneously. We didn't notice when it engaged or disengaged. Overall, the Pilot felt most assured and capable. It could have handled the harder trail.

The front passenger tire got popped at some point near the end of the day, but that was circumstantial and could have happened to any vehicle on either trail. Good thing it had a doughnut spare.

The Pilot is loaded with standard safety features and can tow up to 5,000 pounds, which, along with its interior roominess, makes it a three-row that swings above its weight class. Ground clearance is 7.3 inches.

2019 Mazda CX-9 Grand Touring

As tested: $44,315

Engine: 227-horsepower 2.5-liter turbocharged four-cylinder

Transmission: Six-speed automatic in all-wheel drive

The CX-9 seats seven but drives like a compact crossover, with tighter handling and less body roll than most other midsize three-row crossovers. Yet it has the greatest ground clearance at 8.8 inches. The SKYACTIV turbocharged four-cylinder can feel poky from a stop, until it gets to about 2,000 rpm, when that boost kicks in to apply up to 310 pound-feet of torque.

CX-9 uses a transfer case and rear differential to distribute torque 50/50 to the axles with its i-ACTIV system. It is a front-wheel drive vehicle until it needs the rear wheels. Mazda claims its computer module uses 27 sensors and inputs to read conditions, ranging from wiper speed to steering angle, at a rate of 200 times per second to make the system proactive more than reactive. When the system detects or predicts wheel slip, the stability and traction control systems will apply the brake to the slipping wheel, which then redistributes torque to the wheels with grip. It's torque control by subtraction, so unlike Honda and Acura's system, it doesn't directly distribute torque to one wheel.

On the trail, the CX-9 had more wheel spin than the others, serving up plenty of dust blooms for trailing vehicles. It appeared to have the hardest time climbing and required more throttle modulation, but it still got the job done.

One other note: The CX-9 got sideswiped by a deer. The deer bounded off, we were told, and the side panel and side mirror were the only parts damaged.

2019 Kia Sorento SXL AWD

As tested: $47,030

Engine: 290-horsepower 3.3-liter six-cylinder

Transmission: Eight-speed automatic in all-wheel drive

The 2019 Kia Sorento felt the heaviest but also most planted of the bunch. It didn't weigh more than the Pilot or the CX-9, which was surprising, but had the same ground clearance of 7.3 inches as the Pilot. The Dynamax AWD system has an electronic locking center differential to send torque equally to both axles, if needed. So if the rear wheels are stuck in mud or slipping on ice, for instance, then the front axle is still getting at least half the torque. Without that differential, torque would favor the path of least resistance at the rear; it would just keep digging the rear wheels deeper into its rut. Like the CX-9 it uses computer inputs and brake traction control to stop the spinning wheel and send power elsewhere.

Could sedans with similar AWD systems handle the same terrain? We doubt any sedan would come away as relatively unscathed as the four tested crossovers. We do know that crossovers equipped with AWD systems such as these can actually handle off-road terrain and still return to their suburban milieu dusty, dirty and, in one driver's eyes, better for the wear.

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Small crossovers can make drivers feel young

By Mark Phelan
Detroit Free Press

It's easier to get in and out of a vehicle with seats about 2 feet off the ground, said Keith Knudsen, Ford vehicle architecture manager.

That's the emerging sweet spot as SUVs replace traditional sedans as America's best-selling vehicles.

The shift from sedans to small SUV-type vehicles could pay off for automakers as drivers grow older and learn to appreciate seats that are easier to slip into than low-slung cars or traditional taller SUVs and pickups.

A few examples include the Nissan Kicks, Chevrolet Trax, Ford Escape, Honda HR-V and Kia Soul. The vehicles also provide better visibility, thanks to their height and big windows.

Easy entrance and exit will become more and more important as the population ages and huge groups like Gen X move into their 50s and 60s.

"Seat height is key," Knudsen said. "People like to be able to slide in, not lift themselves up or down."

It's a truism that people want cars that make them look younger, not reminders they're less limber at 60 than 40. Nonetheless, the incoming tide of small SUVs will fit aging drivers and people with limited mobility like a glove.

"Front-seat access is the No. 1 factor in comfort and safe driving," said Sherry Kolodziejczak, national coordinator for driving safety at the AARP, which represents 38 million people over 50. "The small SUVs tend to have wider door openings and lower sills to step over. Step-in height is really, really important."

"The vehicles are just easy to use. It's easy to see, easy to get in and out," Nissan human factors engineer Larry Smythe said. "People appreciate that."

The ideal seat height is about 21 to 27 inches above the ground, Knudsen said.



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The 2018 Nissan Kicks SR is easy to get in and out of.

Other factors include the size of the door opening, from top to bottom and front to rear. People don't want to bump their head getting in and out of their vehicle.

"Getting into a sports car is a controlled fall into the seat and a climb out," Smythe said. "A pickup is the reverse."

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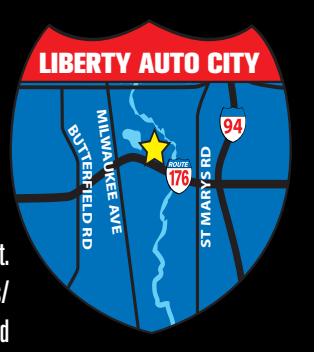
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The 2018 Lexus RX 350L in luxury trim is a long-awaited three-row version of the RX 350.

Lexus RX 350 finally gets a third row, but it doesn't fit

By Robert Duffer
Chicago Tribune

Looking for a three-row crossover to haul a family of four or more? Avoid the Lexus RX 350L. It has the most cramped third row in the midsize crossover market.

Sure, other automakers crammed a jump seat into their compact crossovers, usually as a stopgap while filling in their crossover lineup. But Lexus taking its established perennial best-seller and adding a third row feels like a money grab, even though customers have been asking for it.

Lexus has the midsize GX with three rows standard, and it's about the same length as the RX but larger everywhere else. Then there's the full-size LX, which is a more refined but equally off-road-capable Toyota Land Cruiser. Point being, Lexus has vehicles that can adequately transport six or seven people, but those vehicles don't have the 20 years of dominance in the hot luxury crossover segment as the RX.

The large version of the RX 350 should indicate L is for length; it is 4.3 inches longer, which gives it more than 2 cubic feet of capacity, but cargo space with all seats up drops from 18.4 cubic feet to 7.5 cubic feet. It's also 242 pounds heavier and $4,200 more. Otherwise, it is the same as the RX 350, except with the third row wedge.

2018 LEXUS RX 350L IN LUXURY TRIM

Three-row luxury crossover

As tested:

$61,963

(excluding $995 delivery)

Base price: $54,085

Mpg: 18 city, 25 highway, 21 combined

Engine: 290-hp 3.5-liter V-6

Transmission: Eight-speed automatic

Competitive rank: Acura MDX, Volvo XC90, Buick Enclave, Infiniti QX60, **Lexus RX 350L**

To be fair, we fit four kids in the second and third row of the tester, which came with seven seats. There is a six-seat option with captain's chairs in the middle. We put a smallish 12-year old and a wiry 6-year-old in the third row, then shifted the midrow seats forward to fit two average-sized 11-year olds. All those bony knees were touching each seat back. And the driver (me) is 5 feet, 8½ inches (the half counts!), so that seat was more forward than back.

An argument could be made that it could work for grandma to help out ferrying the grandkids around in a pinch, or for anyone who occasionally helps out getting the young kids to and fro. Or it could be the ideal dog seat. Or simply for more cargo room. The advantage is that it's not as large to park, handle and drive as other three-row crossovers. So it has that going for it. And its mate, the RX 350, had nearly double the sales of the second-best-selling crossover in 2017.

The tester also featured Lexus' navigation package ($3,200) with a 12.3-inch split-screen display that alleviates the problem of a narrow screen with tiny buttons. Enform is still an inferior suite of multimedia applications, and the touchpad control is still hit-or-miss while driving, but Toyota/Lexus appear to be committed to improving what has been a source of frustration the past few years. Fortunately, most of the essential functions like audio controls and vehicle info can be accessed with steering wheel controls.

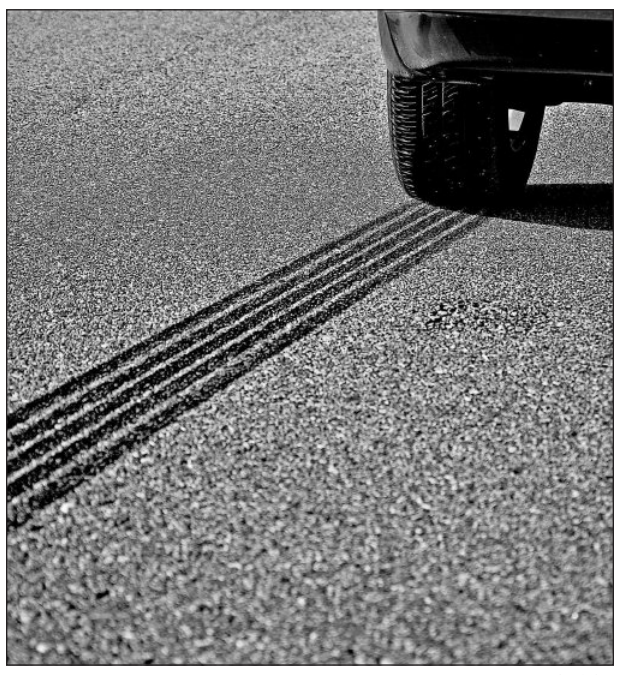
The market wanted a third row, and Lexus gave it to them in the market leader. But the execution does not fit well in a market bursting with three-rows.

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Q: I am from the era when cars had carburetors and was told that to avoid problems with my parking brake, I need to use it — use it or lose it. I park my 2012 Chevy Malibu on a slight incline. A couple of times, I forgot to release the brake before I started down the driveway, and my Malibu made a warning ding. At my oil change, I questioned the dealer. They told me I need to have both rear brake calipers replaced for $718. My husband got mad at me for using my parking brake every day. Help!

— M.C., Fleetwood, Pa.

A: Parking brakes are just that. They hold the car in place when parked. They are not strong enough to overtake the engine. That's why it's called a parking brake, not an emergency brake. It is common to be able to back up with the brake applied. You practice what we preach: Use the parking brake every time to prevent the cables from corroding. We suggest you get a second opinion about the need for new calipers.

Q: I recently visited the gas station to fill my car. I unscrewed the cap as usual and began to pump in the gas. When I pulled the nozzle out, the metal flap that covers the interior hole broke off and went into the neck of the tank. Now it takes three to four times as long to fill the tank because the pump continually cuts off. Could the piece of metal be partially blocking the neck of the gas tank? What should I do?

— N.G., Margate, Fla.

A: The tab, which is there to prevent siphoning, is likely stuck in the filler pipe. It may be impossible to fish it out. You probably need to have the pipe replaced.

Q: We have a 2000 Toyota Camry with 123,000 miles on it. We noticed a noise from the upper front end when we go over speed bumps. The mechanic said it needs new struts for $800. We plan to get another car in about a month. Is it OK to drive the car until then?

— D.B., Atlantic Beach, Fla.

A: Yes.

Q: What was the first car recalled and why?

— R.K., Crystal Lake, Ill.

A: We didn't know, so we turned to the internet and found a citation from the Mashaw and Harfst book "The Struggle for Auto Safety." The car was a 1959 Cadillac. The Pitman arm, which is part of the steering linkage, was often failing.

Q: I have a 2008 Chevy Trailblazer. When I turn on the windshield wiper and sprayer, the passenger side works, but the driver's side has no spray. Is this an easy fix for me? My wife offered to help me.

— B.K., Northfield, Minn.

A: Most likely, the rubber hose that carries the solvent has detached. Operate the washers with the hood open and observe where the water is coming from. You may need to replace the hose if it is leaking. If there are no leaks, see that the hose is not kinked. Employ your wife to operate the switch as you investigate.

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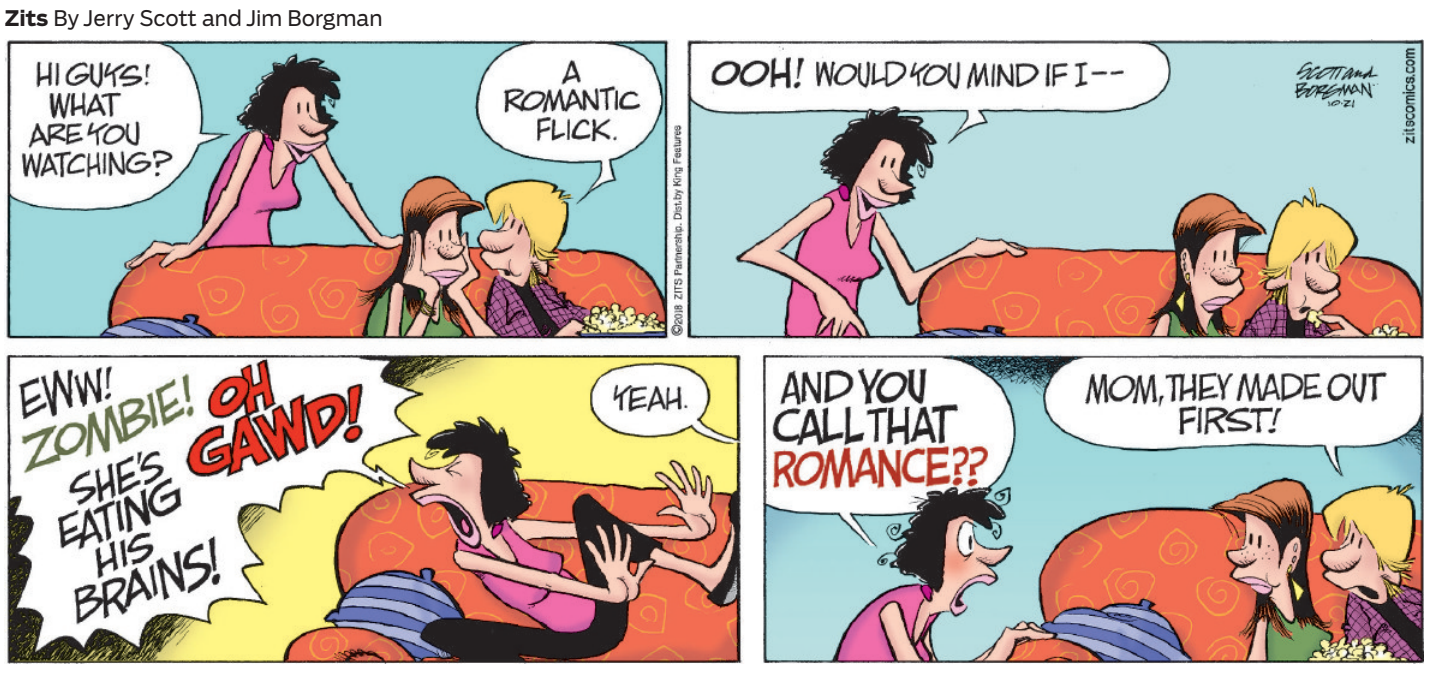
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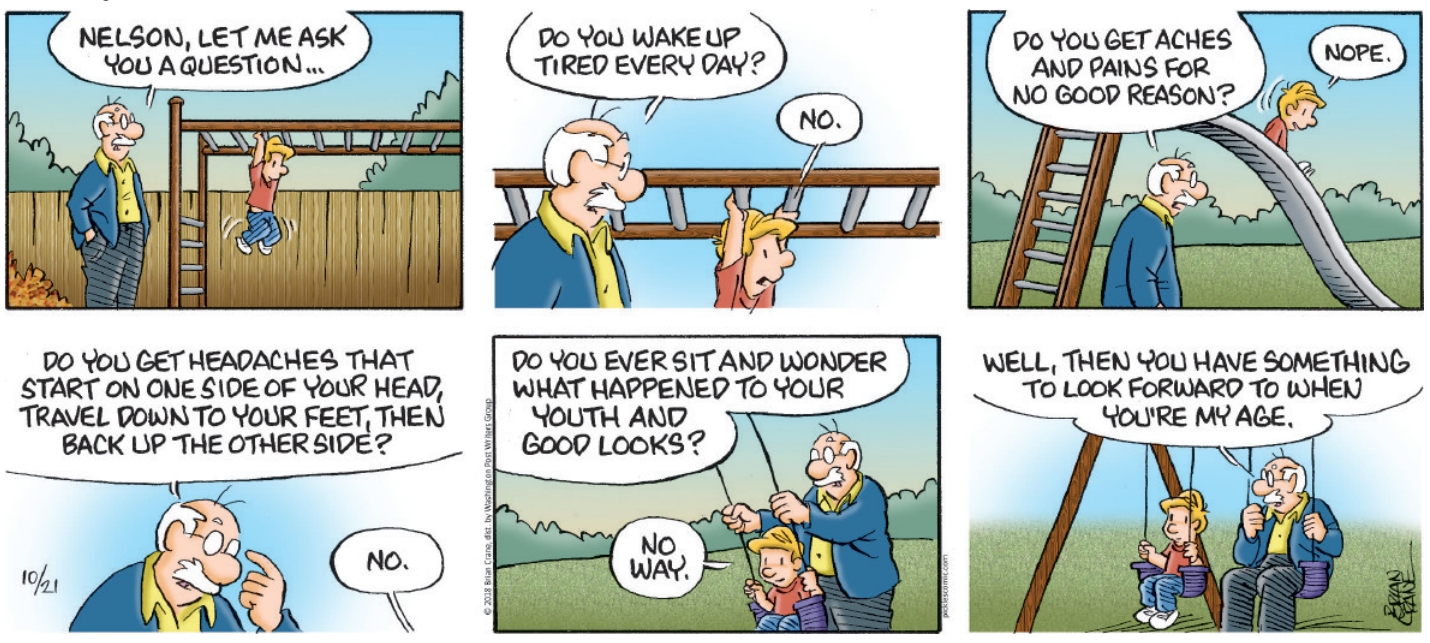
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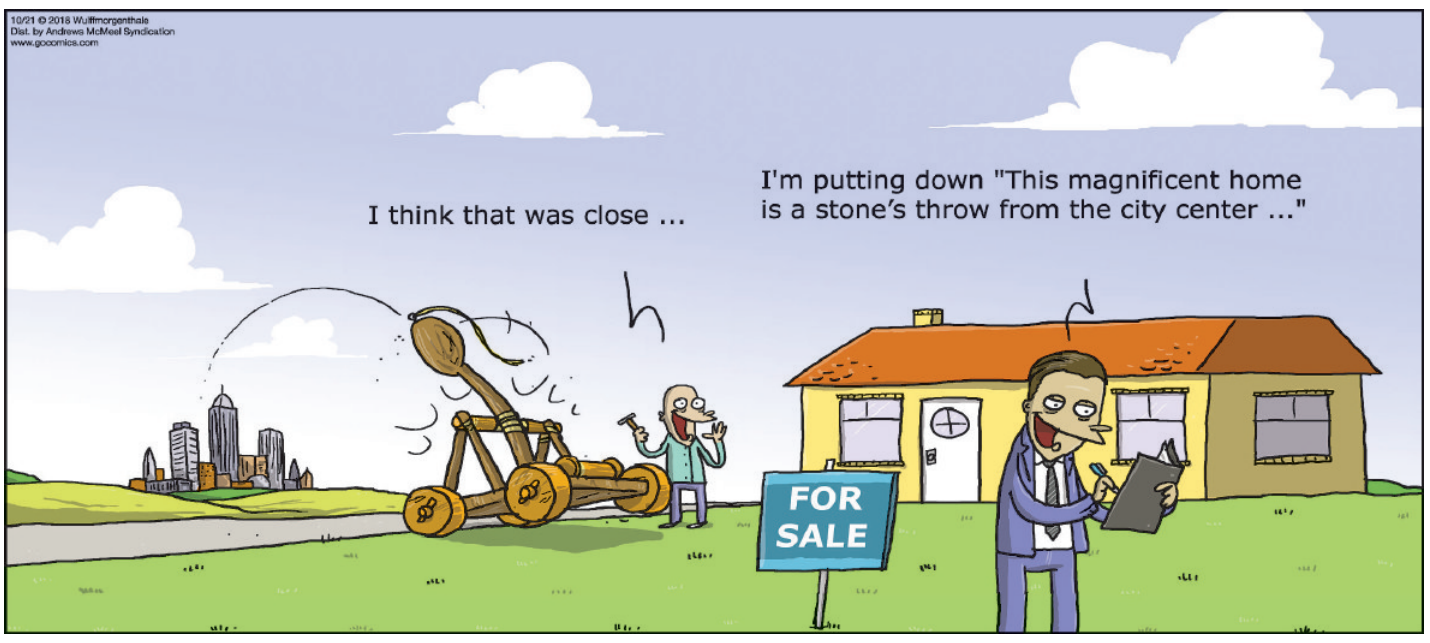
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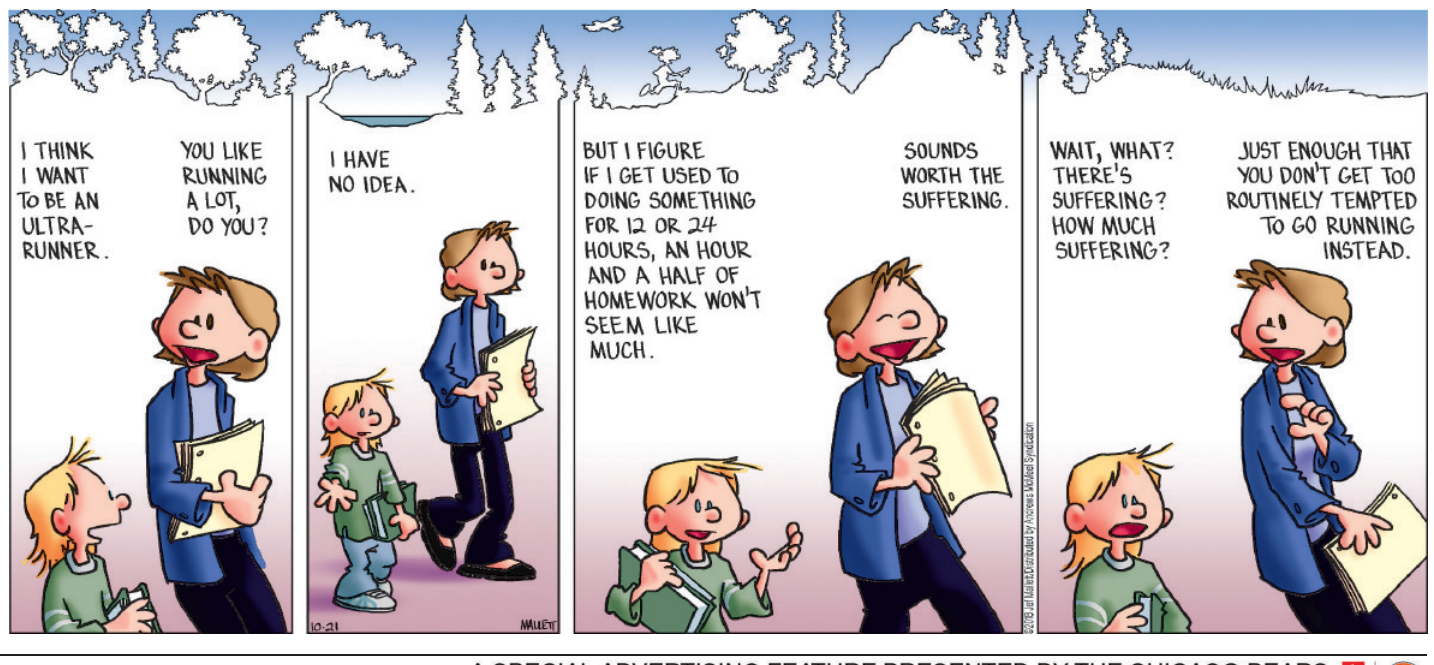
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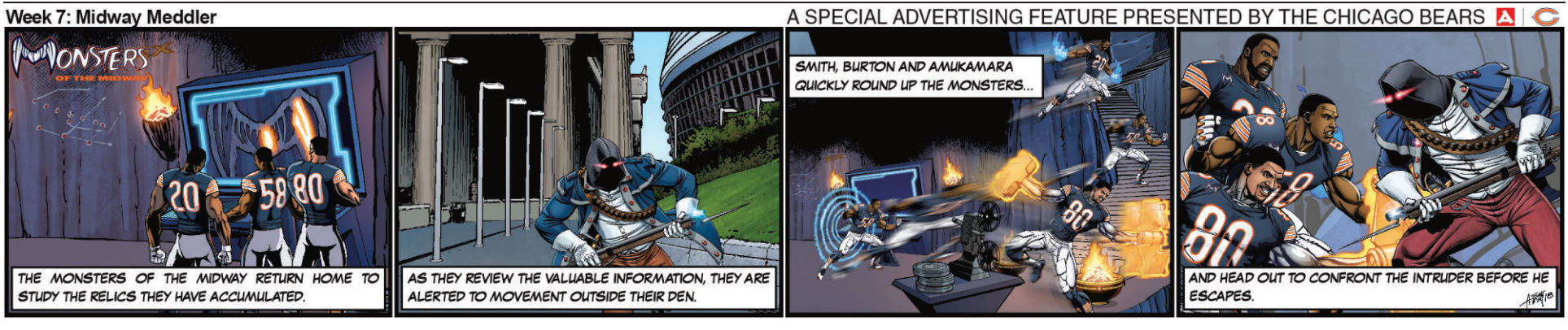


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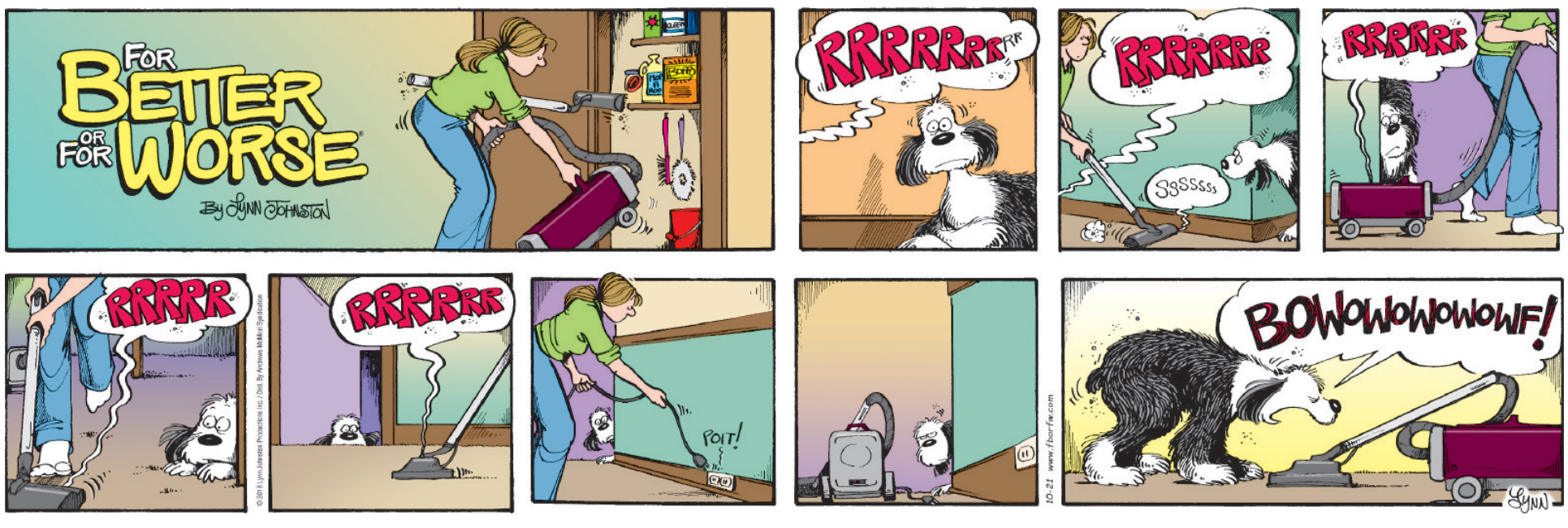
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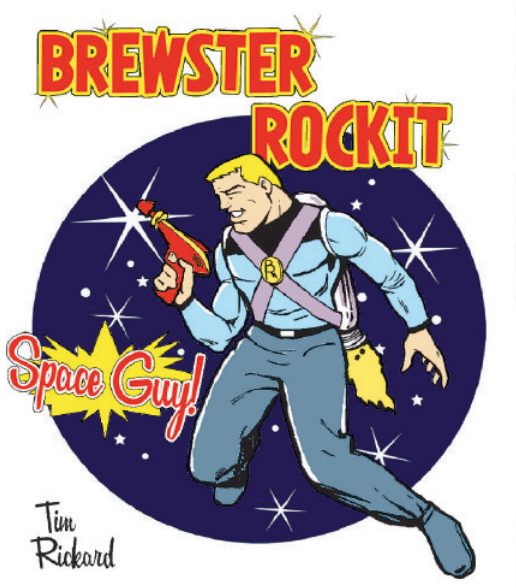
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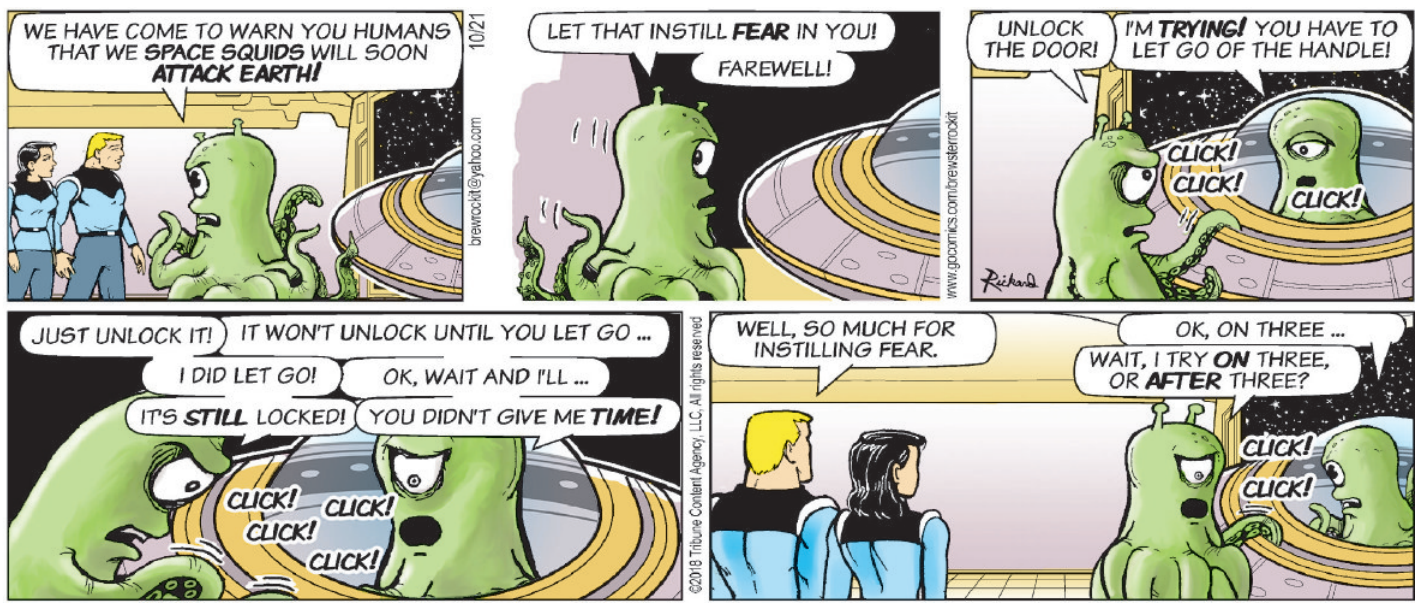
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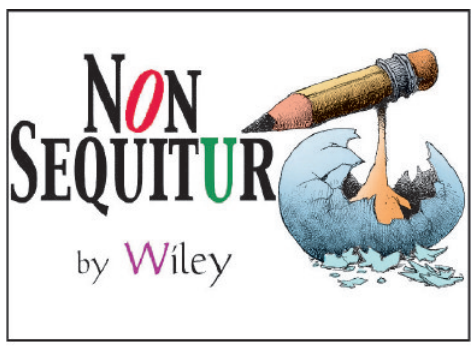
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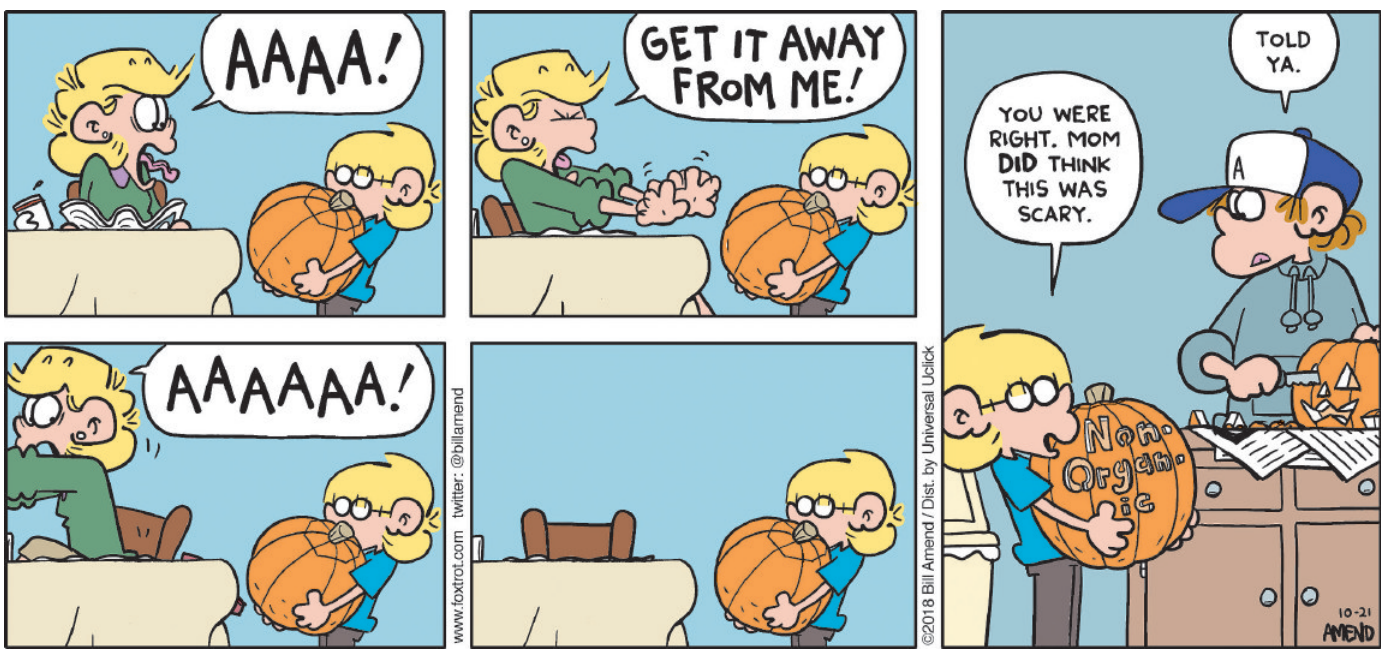
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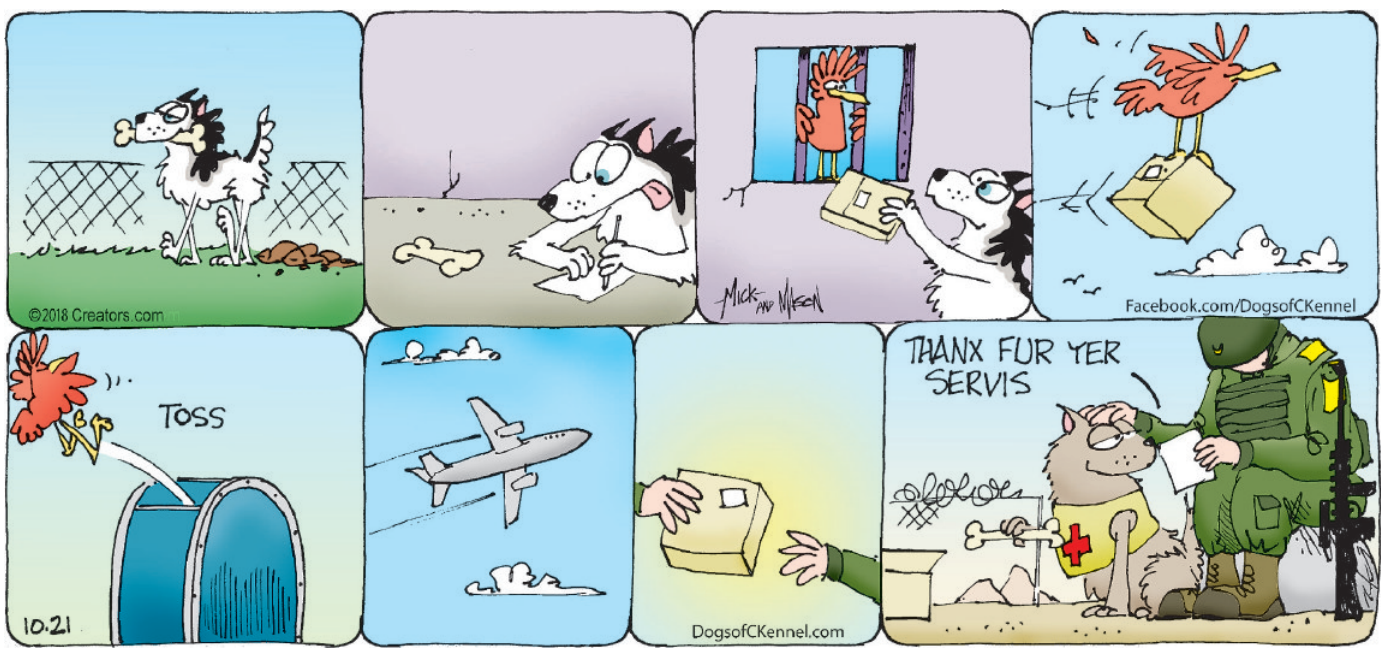
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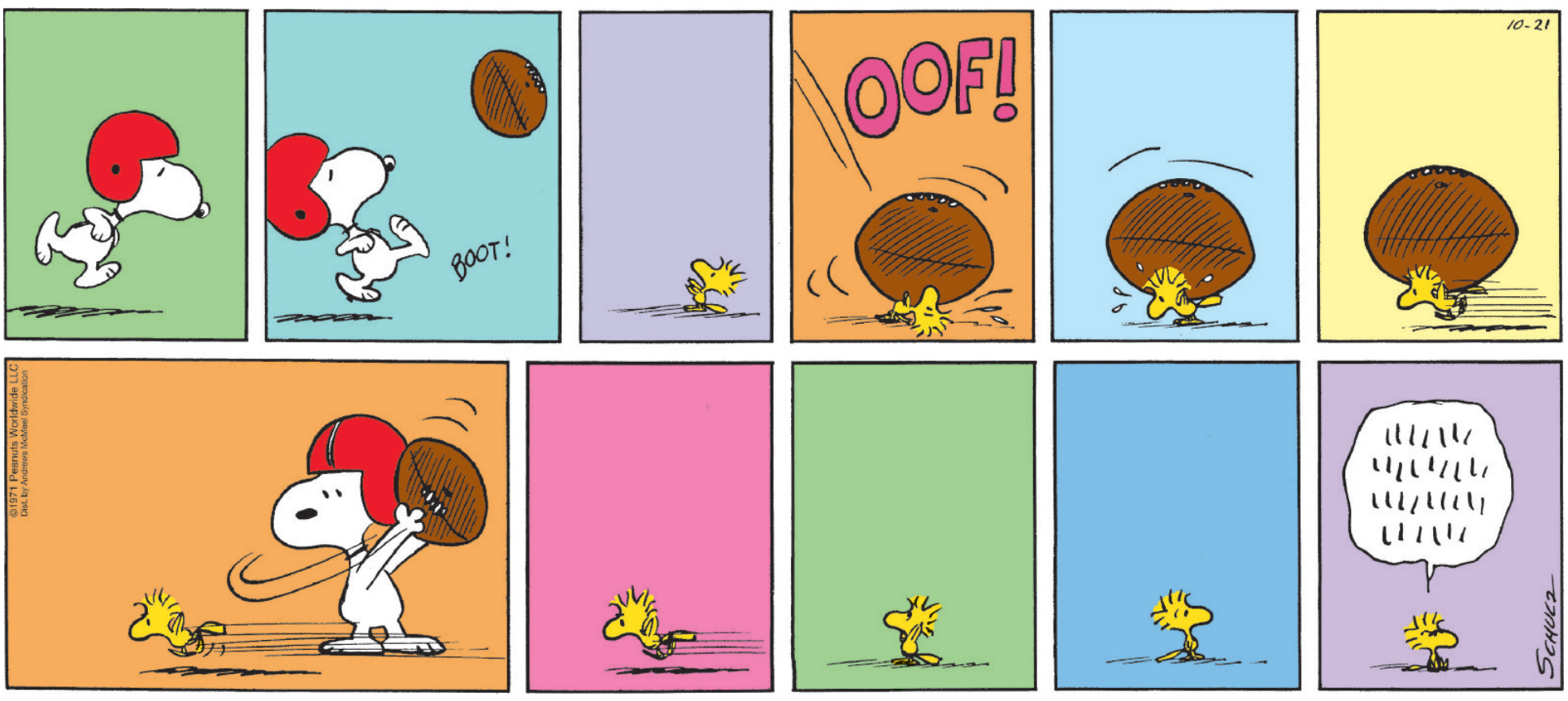


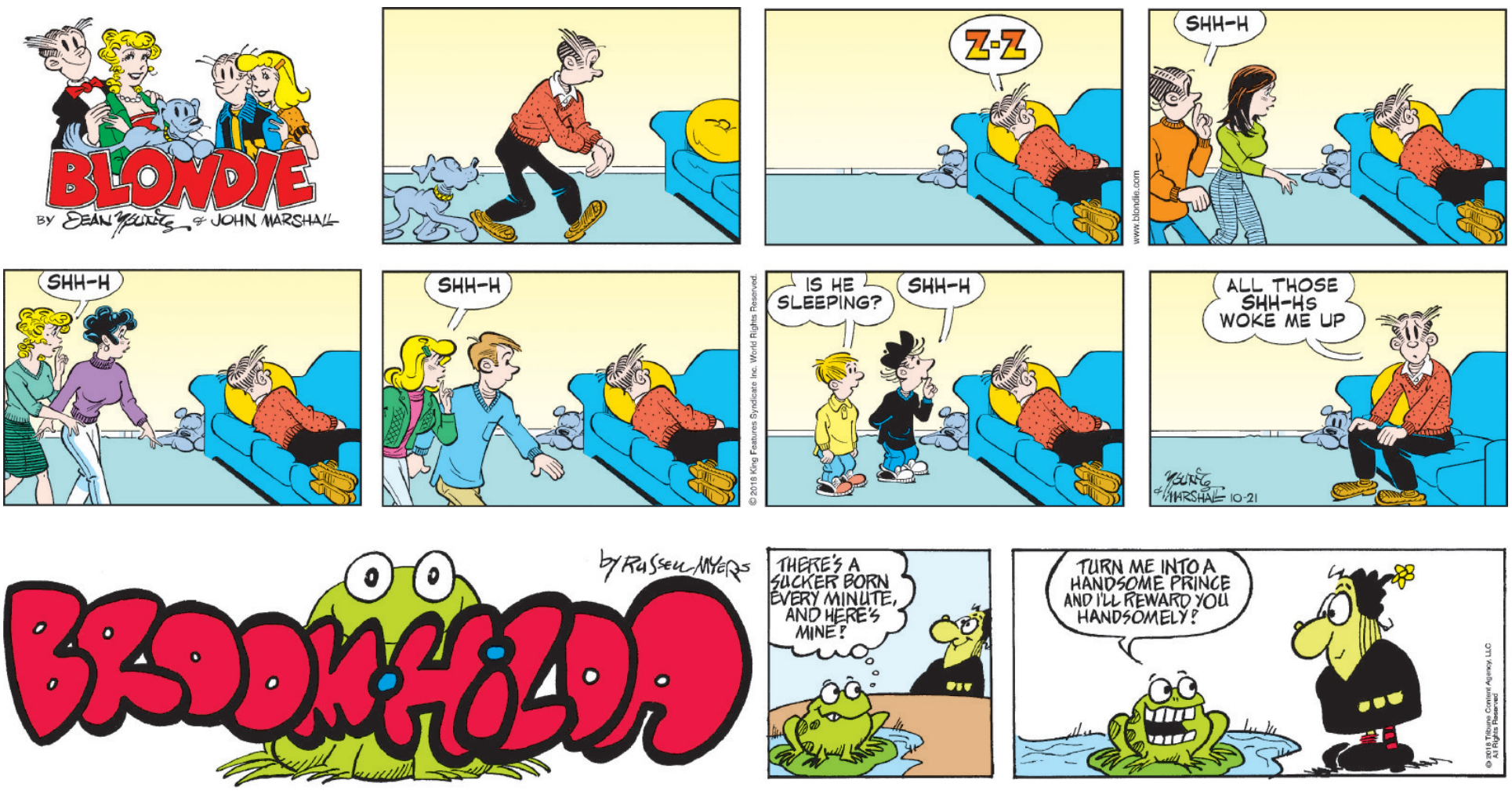
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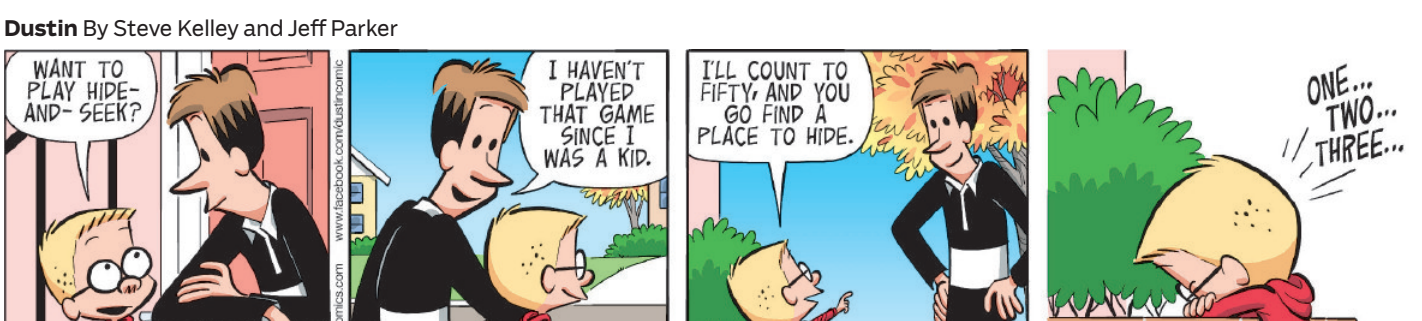
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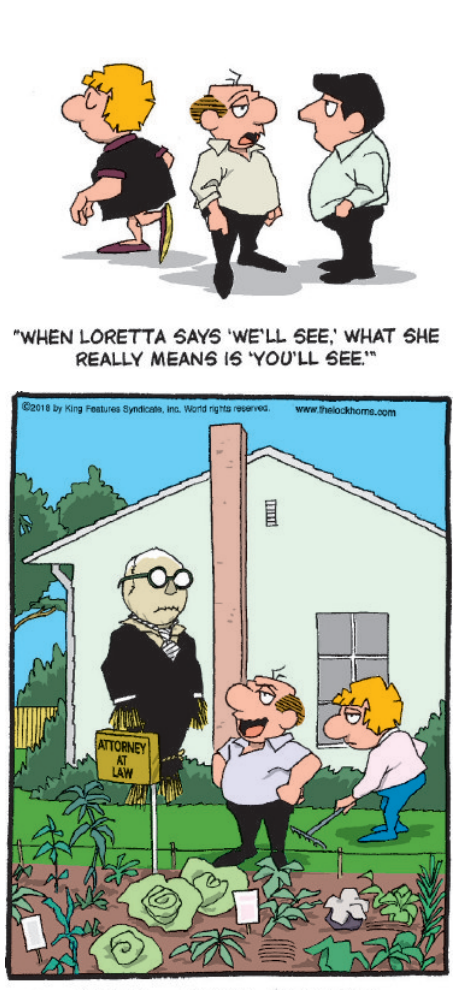


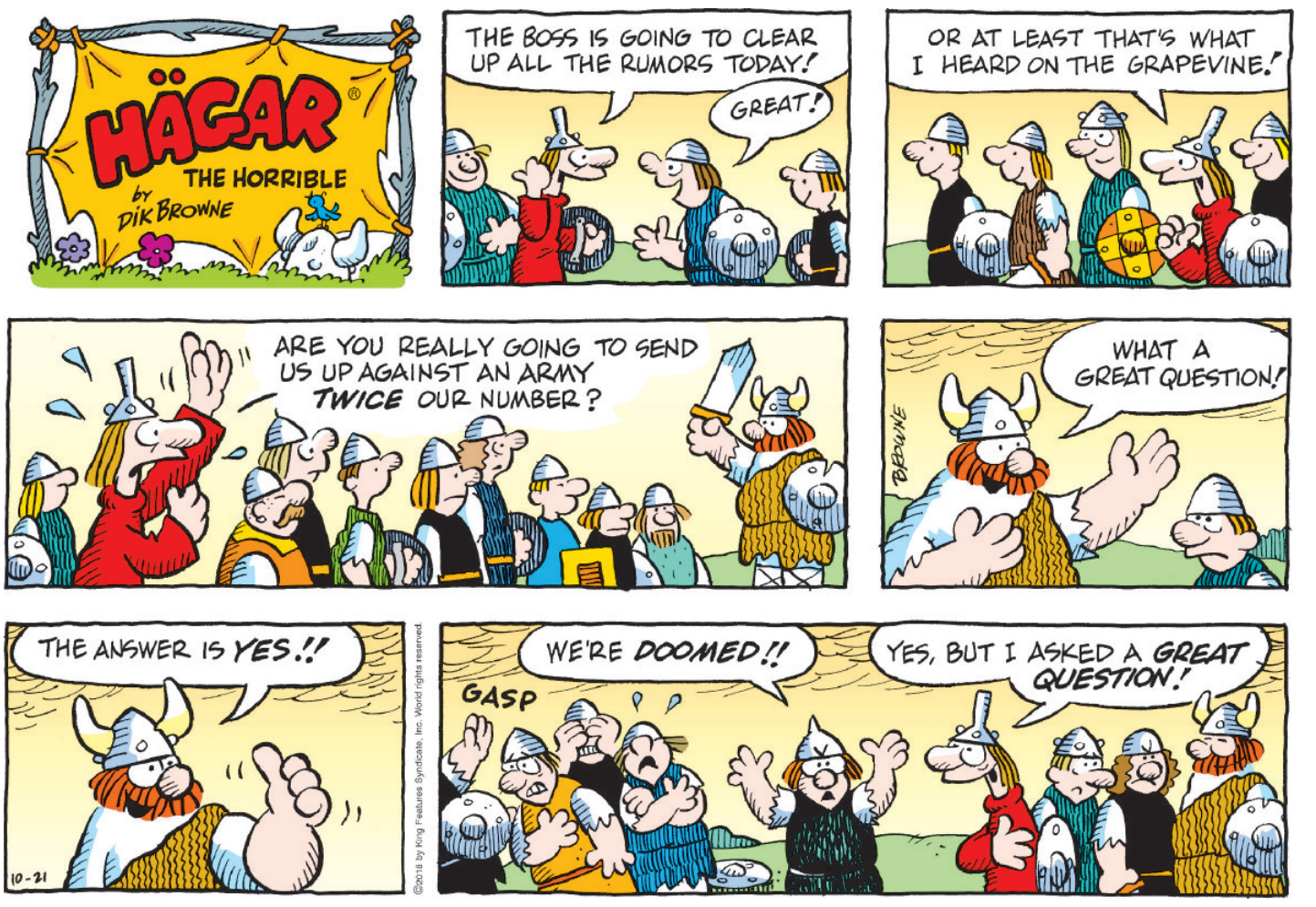


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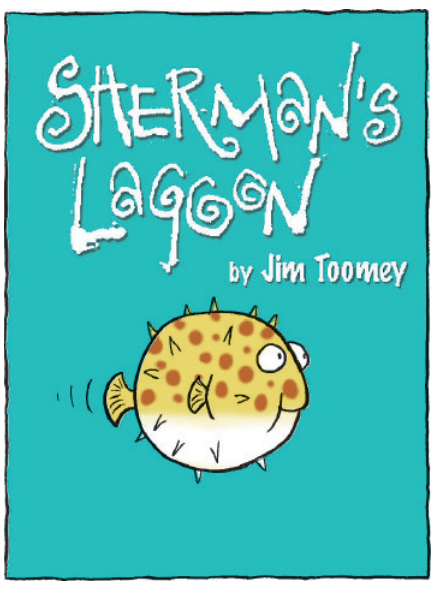


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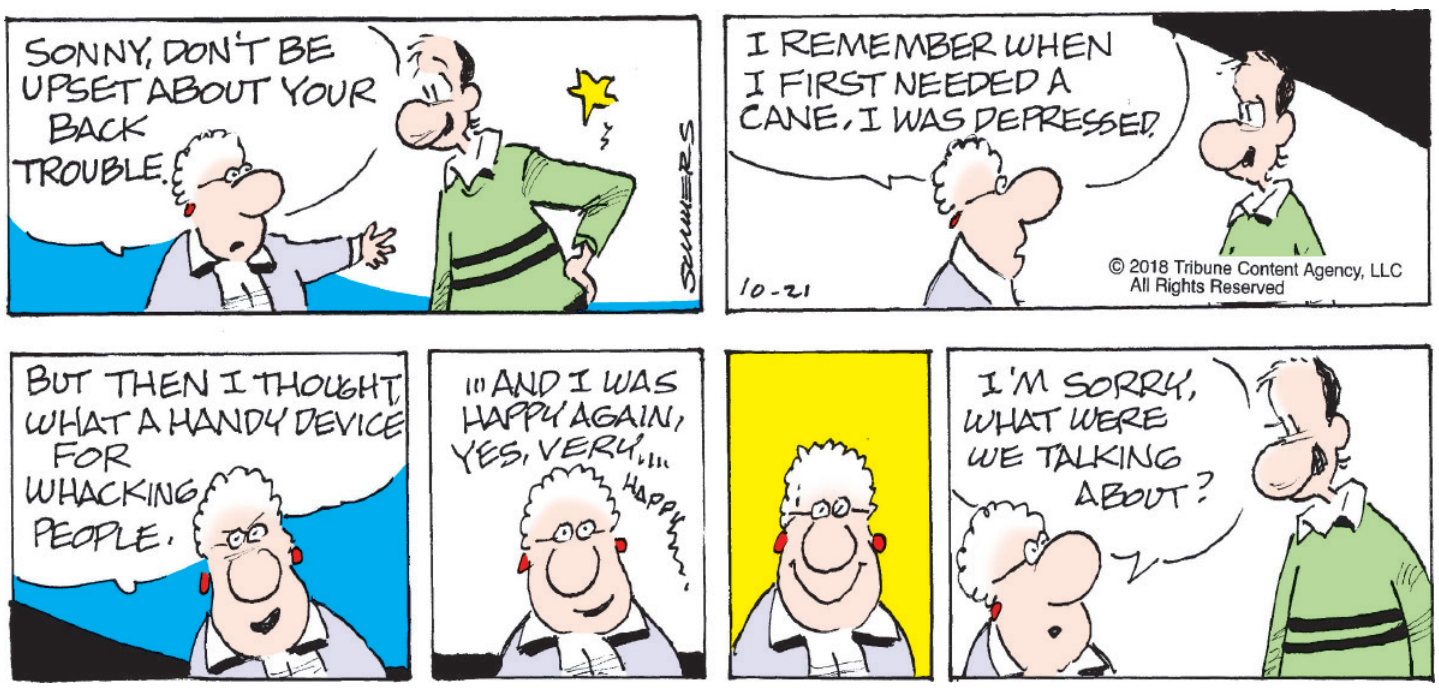
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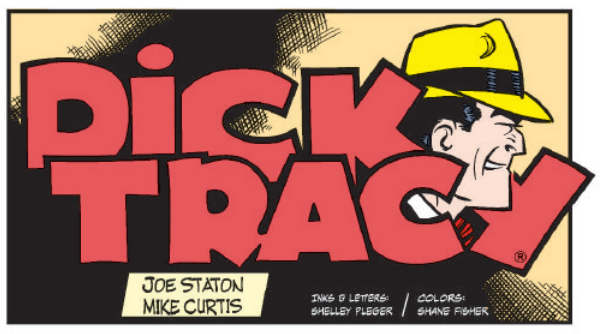
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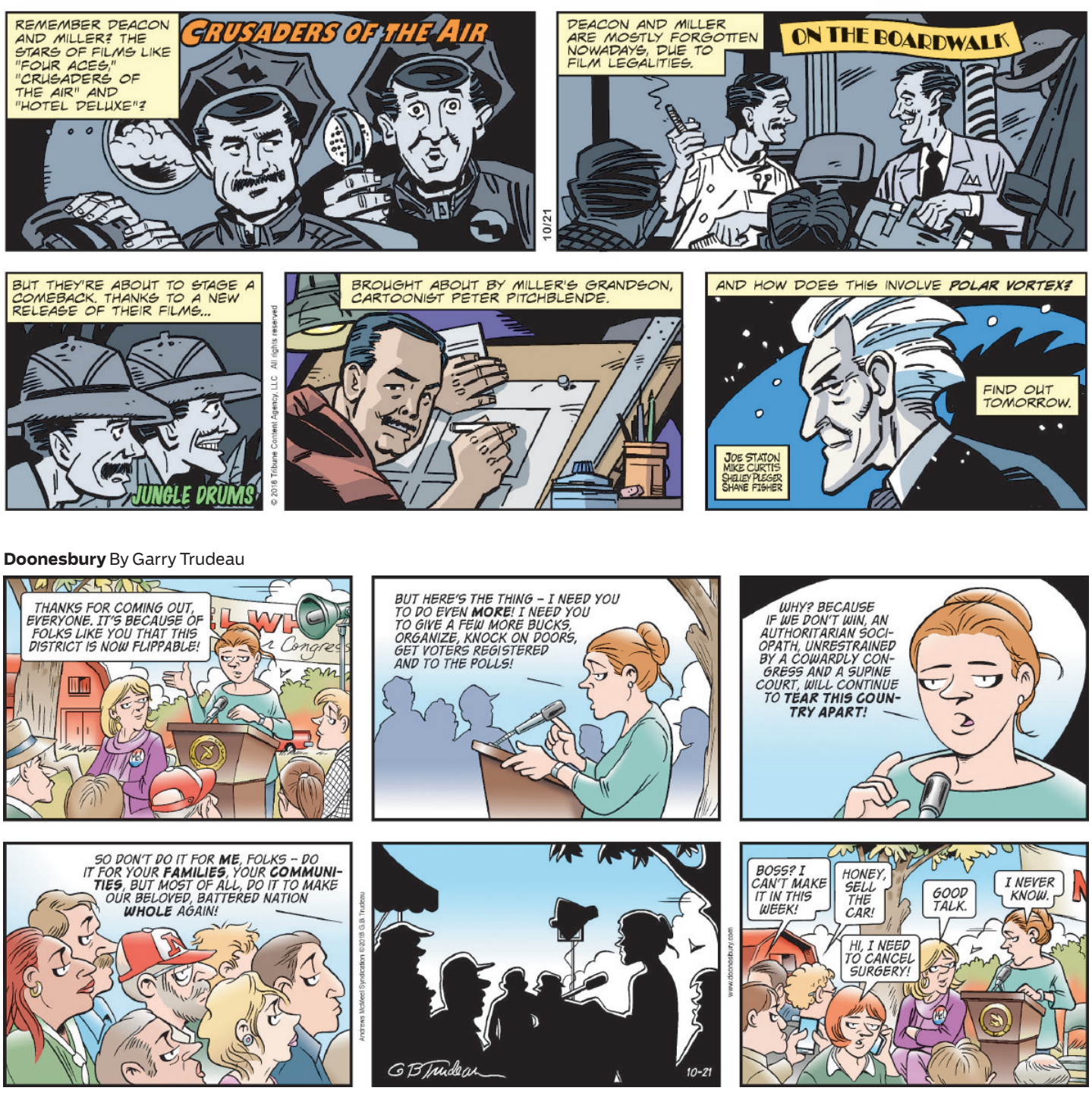
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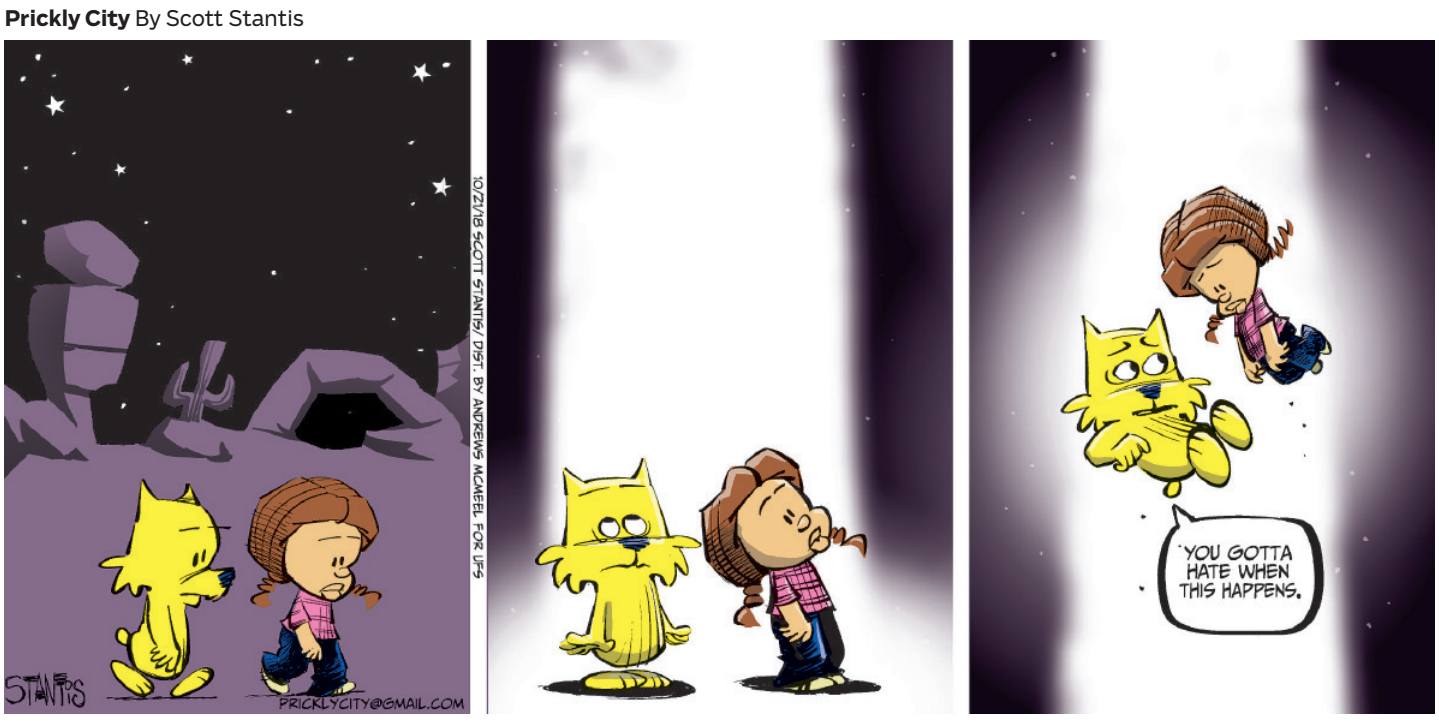






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Rachel Brosnahan, top, arrives for the Emmy Awards on Sept. 17 in Los Angeles and attends the Tony Awards on June 10 in New York.

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RACHEL BROSNAHAN

EMMY WIN STILL SINKING IN FOR STAR OF 'MRS. MAISEL'

In the end, a piece of dental floss saved the day.

Rachel Brosnahan's otherwise perfect night at the Emmy Awards — which included not only a trophy for best actress in a comedy for Amazon's "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel" but also a win for comedy series, among others — had one tiny flaw. There was the little matter of the diamond ring she couldn't get off her hand.

Hours earlier, in her rush to get dressed, she tried on the "beautiful, beautiful" ring. But then she wanted to switch it to another finger — and it wouldn't budge. "And then you know when you start pulling on something, it just gets swollen," she says. "So I was on the red carpet minorly panicking about this ring that was very stuck on my finger."

It wasn't until she got home that she was able to do a bit of research on YouTube, and learned about the dental floss and olive oil trick. After a little threading and a lot of slathering, the offending bauble finally slid off her finger. "So much for a perfect night," she adds with a laugh.

"The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel" proved marvelous indeed — the comedy, which will debut its second season later this year, would go on to win five prizes and eight trophies overall out of 14 nominations. The Academy clearly fell in love with the tale of Midge Maisel, a 1950s New York City housewife whose life gets upended when her husband walks out, leading her to discover a talent for stand-up comedy.

"I'm not as confident as Midge, particularly when it comes to work," the 27-year-old actress says. "Midge enters into this whole new field that she has no experience in at all, and genuinely believes in her heart of hearts that she can take it by storm. ... That's not me."

— *Variety*

Want to be a rebel? Try tucking in shirt



ELLEN WARREN



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The untucked shirt is as ubiquitous as ice cream lately. Should you buy in, or buck the mainstream?

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I spent an afternoon at the botanic garden and noticed that only I (and a few older gentlemen) were wearing our shirts tucked in. Every other man and boy was untucked. I've been leaving my shirts tucked in because, like all other fads, this one started as a dissent against convention, but now it has itself become conventional. Just like wearing your cap backward.

Should I continue my fight against the conventional, or should I just untuck? P.S. I'll never wear my cap backward because it's just stupid. Makes as much sense as wearing my pants backward.

— Dennis B.

Dear Dennis: Keep on tuckin'! What you observed is just one more example of the trend to dress ever more casually these days. (Consider other examples such as a three-day scruff of beard for even the most formal of occasions and gym shoes for every event, including weddings.) If you're concerned about looking out of place because you tucked your shirt in, fear not. There are still enough men out there of all ages who remain tucked. One important reason men no longer tuck in their shirts is because they think it camouflages a big stomach. And, I must say, it sort of works.

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: I am invited to a wedding in Colorado, and the party the night before the wedding says we should dress "mountain casual." The party is in a private club. What on earth does that mean?

— Meg A.

Dear Meg: It means that the wedding couple were trying to be cute.

And it didn't really work if you have to ask what it means! If I were you, I'd wear precisely what I'd wear to a pre-wedding celebration. Nothing glittery. Just a pretty dress or pants and a nice top — the kind of outfit you'd wear to dinner at a good restaurant. Just bear in mind that evenings get cool in the mountains, so take a sweater or a pashmina to get from the car to the club or if you wind up having sunset cocktails on the patio.

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: In one of your past columns, you discussed using men's mustache tint to dye eyebrows. I have not been able to find any mustache dye at my local box stores or drugstores. Amazon offers all kinds of products. It's confusing. What do you suggest? I have very thin brows, and what I do have are patchy gray and dark brown.

— Mary W.

Dear Mary: It's mustache and beard hair color, and you'll find it in the men's section of drug and big-box stores like Target.

One brand, for example, is "Just for Men." It gives better and longer lasting coverage than the eyebrow dye from stores like Sally Beauty or, in my experience, the dye used at the hair salon. However, the DIY beard color is not a perfect solution. It's messy, and it's hard to remove the residue. For that you'll need a product like Roux Clean Touch (amazon.com, $6.86).

I hate to add one more product to your daily makeup routine, but I've found the best solution is one of the eyebrow products (there are loads) from the drugstore. They're sort of like mascara for the brows. They give the best coverage for those silver hairs and also thicken without looking painted on. Trial and error will help you find the best match for your skin tone and current eyebrow color.

Angelic readers

Many of you offered explanations for the mysterious tiny holes that appeared on reader Deb. B.'s favorite T-shirts:

Lee V. writes: "Like Deb B., I had tiny holes appearing on the fronts of my shirts. Please tell her to examine her belt buckle and post (the part that goes into the belt holes) for rough edges. The posts on two of my belts had rough edges that snagged, causing the holes on shirts that I didn't tuck in." Debbie B. agrees: "Now when I wear my belt, I have to turn it to make sure the metal pieces are under a belt loop of my jeans. It's a pain! Looking for a different type of buckle, which is hard to find."

M.B. says it's the zippers. "When a person sits down (at least in my case), the top of the zipper pull kind of pops up. There is a little spur on this pull which I believe is used to lock the zipper in place. Also, the edges of the zipper "handle" are not super smooth. After being extremely frustrated and upset that my tops were being damaged, I used some heavy thread or yarn to wrap around the pull so that there are no sharp edges. It only takes a few minutes to do so, and the results make it all worthwhile."

Karen K. solved the problem by making sure her pants are zipped up before she washes and dries them in the same loads as her T-shirts. Rise B. swears that that is the solution too.

Donna C. says, that if your rough countertop edges are the culprit, "A lady in the kitchen design department at Home Depot suggested purchasing Minwax Water Based Polycrylic Protective Finish in clear satin. It comes in an 8-ounce can. Use a small sponge brush to put two coats of it under the edge of granite or quartz or other stone countertops, and no more holes! It works great!"



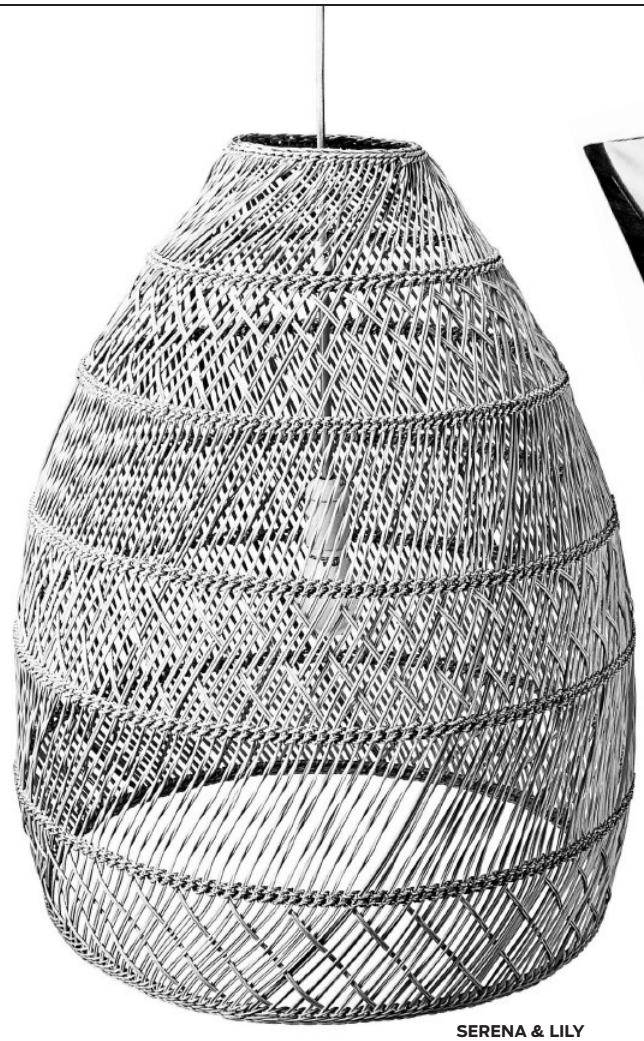
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Endless summer: Bring best of outdoors inside

By Megan McDonough | The Washington Post

Botanical design is a budding trend of 2018. According to Pinterest's 2018 home-trends report, searches for botanical-inspired prints on the social network went up 114 percent, and interest in framed plant pictures went up by 396 percent.

"Plant and nature lovers, like me, are always on the hunt to bring more of the outdoors in," says Nubi Interiors founder Carmeon Hamilton, who also is a buyer and environmental designer for the furniture company Stash Home. "With actual plants, natural elements, like rattan, or energy-infusing colors, like emerald green, the botanical look is really easy to achieve."



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SVEN grass green velvet and mahogany sofa, $1,299, article.com

Bargain vs. quality: Where to draw the line

By Darcel Rockett
Chicago Tribune



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If cash is king, then who gets to don the biggest and best crown? Quality or bargain buys?

According to a recent online survey by Avya Skincare, the "average consumer" (defined by 2,000 people polled across the nation in May) cared most about quality when it came to condoms, car repairs, education and professional services that focus on finances and health.

That same population cared more about finding a bargain when it pertains to clothing, electronics like smartphones and toilet paper.

Data also revealed that consumers cared least about quality when shopping for beauty products like makeup, and salon services like manicures, pedicures and hair coloring, as well as alcohol. And some categories straddle the quality vs. bargain fence: Folks demand the highest quality, but at a discount, for such things as real estate, dining out and meat.

After learning about the list, Bolingbrook, Ill., resident Stephanie Stewart, 53, agreed with some of the consumer opinions — not skimping on car-related expenses — but she says she looks for quality when it comes to small- (ear swabs, makeup and beer) and big-ticket items like furniture.

"Quality means a lot of different things to people. I'll pay an extra $25 per tire, but it's based on longevity and the fact that it doesn't get a lot of flats — in that way, quality means the wearability of the tire, it has nothing to do with the brand name," Stewart said. "We (my husband and I) have no brand loyalty. Most of what we buy has to do with our experience with the product or the person who sells it."

Coupons.com savings expert Jeanette Pavini understands the logic behind such shopping habits.

"A brand name doesn't always mean it's the best product," Pavini said, referring to the idea of second labels — products made under a name brand that also sells the same product under a second, less expensive label. "I think it's fine if you have a designer or a product you feel is exceptional quality and buy it. But it's also good to have an open mind to other products that don't have the name recognition but have the goods," she said.

And those goods include tattoos, where, per the survey, millennials are 33 percent more concerned with the quality of their ink than baby boomers. Similarly, there is a gender divide when it comes to beauty products: Women are 31 percent more concerned with the quality of beauty products than men.

"Keep in mind, just because an item is a great deal doesn't mean you should get it," Pavini said. "I feel we have been trained to check to see if there is a coupon or sale before we make a purchase. Technology has made it so that many consumers come to expect some type of coupon, sale, promotion or discount on their purchases."

Lorraine Osipczuk, 47, of Naperville, Ill., considers herself a bargain shopper. She's not afraid to haggle, but if she walks away from a purchase and finds she can't get the item out of her head, she will go back to buy it regardless of price. She also finds herself picking a product that falls in the middle of a high-low price range if she can't decide which product to choose.

"In situations like car repair or anything having to be fixed, I'll worry why is a price so low, and with the high price, I really don't want to pay that much," Osipczuk said. "Most of the time it boils down to: I just don't have that much; I can't spend that much."

And if you think income is a factor in deciding whether bargain is best, think again. Income was not a main factor when looking at consumer preferences for both quality and bargaining, according to the survey. Participants' income level was fairly evenly distributed, with 27 percent making less than $30,000, 33 percent making $30,000 to $60,000, 23 percent making $60,000 to $90,000, 10 percent making $90,000 to $120,000 and 7 percent making over $120,000 each year.

"There are some multimillionaires who will not make a purchase unless they feel they are getting a deal. And there are some people who live well beyond their means spending money they don't have to buy a high-quality item. Income doesn't always determine a person's spending habits," Pavini said. "I feel you can get both bargains and quality on many products on the market today. Spend a little time researching the features you want in a product or service, and then compare different retailers. You can usually find what you want at a good price. For things that will affect your well-being or your family's well-being, always go for the best you can afford. And if it is a purchase on an item you will use for many years to come, like a mattress, find the best one within your budget."

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HEALTH

Shopping app for more nutritious eating

By Susan Moskop
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Northwestern Medicine recently launched FoodSwitch, an app designed to help users make healthier choices.

Millions of Americans have tried a digital approach to nutrition — like the carb-counting Atkins app or Weight Watchers' point system or the ever popular MyFitnessPal.

Northwestern Medicine has joined the mix with FoodSwitch, which dubs itself "a nutritionist whispering in your ear." As you grocery shop, the app allows you to scan an item's bar code, pull up nutrition facts such as saturated fat, sugar, sodium and energy, and get its health rating based on a five-star scale. Finally, FoodSwitch will suggest healthier alternatives from its database of more than 268,000 products.

The app, which launched in June, is a collaboration of The George Institute for Global Health in Australia, data from Chicago-based Label Insight, and academic support from Northwestern.

"We needed a system to monitor what's in the food supply in order to improve the helpfulness of what we eat every day," said Dr. Mark Huffman, associate professor of preventive medicine at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and cardiologist at Northwestern Medicine.

"(Users) could range from people with conditions such as elevated blood pressure to families looking to make healthier lunch choices for their kids at school," said Huffman, who collaborated on FoodSwitch. "The app is designed to meet people where they are. ... I understand that some people will still be eating (Froot Loops), so we're trying to help people find alternatives closer to what their interested in."

Karen Raden, a registered dietitian based in Chicago, said that whether or not a digital approach to nutrition works is very person-specific.

"If (the app) brings freedom and education; it's very empowering," says Raden. "Even if people aren't tracking the exact perfect stuff, it helps with making better choices." In contrast, she said, some people may be stressed or feel micromanaged by a nutrition app, and she wouldn't recommend it to those who obsess over food, such as people with an eating disorder.

I'm a pretty health-conscious person who buys a mixture of produce and meats, supplemented by packaged items (FoodSwitch only includes information for packaged items). To test the app, I went to Mariano's, narrowed my standard grocery list to 10 items and tried to find healthier alternatives. All 10 items had a few things in common — they were popular brands with a reputation for being not so healthy.

The app's interface is easy to navigate and includes a bar code scanner, a list of recently scanned items and a "compare items" function. I found it easy to scan food and see the rating, nutrition information and suggested healthier items. Here's a look at my experience.

Cereal: This was an interesting one. Finding healthy cereal is a constant battle in my household — I like Special K; my boyfriend prefers the sugary kids stuff. I started scanning. The app couldn't find Special K, Lucky Charms, Cinnamon Toast Crunch and Reese's Puffs. Aren't those classics? It finally found Froot Loops and suggested some other fruity, circular puff-type alternatives.

Coffee creamer: My go-to is flavored Nestle Coffee-mate. Unsurprisingly, FoodSwitch said it was unhealthy and offered several alternatives, including Dunkin' Donuts unsweetened creamer, which I ultimately purchased.

Yogurt: Chobani nonfat Greek yogurt is one of my favorites. It had a five-star rating — the healthiest option, according to the app. FoodSwitch also suggested Dannon Okios triple-zero blended Greek yogurt as another five-star option. I located it pretty quickly.

Milk: When I scanned Horizon Organic Lowfat Milk (1 percent), FoodSwitch suggested Fairlife brand as a healthier alternative, which was about $1 cheaper. One problem: Fairlife is a nonorganic, ultra-filtered, lactose-free milk — aka a fairly different product altogether, likely a deal breaker for organic-conscious eaters.

Potatoes: I scanned frozen Simply Potatoes Southwest-style hash browns because I love breakfast skillets. I always assumed I was indulging, but FoodSwitch gave it a 4.5-star rating. With this endorsement, Sunday brunch just got a little bit better.

Ranch dressing: I usually opt for Hidden Valley. FoodSwitch presented me with several healthier options, as I expected, because ranch is so high in fat. I gave up after not being able to locate the first three recommendations. Maybe they were in the fancy refrigerated dressing section? I moved on, Hidden Valley in hand.

Hot dogs: Oscar Mayer premium beef franks scored a whopping one-star health rating. But again, I couldn't easily locate FoodSwitch's healthier alternatives — mostly chicken and turkey varieties. I would've loved to find any of those, all of which held a four-plus-star health rating, but again to no avail.

Pizza: I plugged in two well-known frozen pizza brands, Digiorno and Tombstone (both of which had three stars) and found the healthier alternatives to be obvious — Atkins, Smart Ones, some organic brand. So again, not much gained by using FoodSwitch.

Ice cream: Searching for chocolate peanut butter cup Talenti gelato, the results were wild. The first suggestion was a vanilla and blueberry gelato, the second was something with cashews and chocolate creme of some sort. My craving for peanut butter wasn't exactly met.

Alcohol: None. Zip, Zero. Zilch. If you're looking for healthier alternatives to your beloved libations, you'll have to look elsewhere — the FoodSwitch database doesn't include alcohol at the moment.

This became a running theme. Although FoodSwitch boasts more than 250,000 products in its database, I consistently came up empty (add La Croix, and Kraft Macaroni and Cheese to the list). That said, FoodSwitch constantly updates its database via crowdsourcing, prompting users to help out by sending a picture of the package, bar code, ingredients and nutrition panel when an item is not found.

FoodSwitch is free, so it doesn't hurt to have on hand. Maybe you only use it occasionally. Maybe you use it to clean out your pantry and decide what to toss and keep. Even if you eliminate two or three poorly rated items, that's a healthier kitchen, right?

Like almost everything else in the health realm, getting the most out of nutrition apps takes dedication.

FoodSwitch is available for free in the Apple and Google Play app stores.

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How to pick the perfect sofa

By Cathy Hobbs
Tribune News Service

For many homeowners, a sofa is a key investment. Typically not considered to be an impulse purchase, most seek to make a sofa purchase perhaps only once or twice. From construction, comfort and versatility to the ability to reupholster, here are some key elements to keep in mind.

Construction

Construction is key when it comes to the longevity and durability of a sofa. Sofas constructed of hardwoods (such as walnut) will outlast those made of softer woods such as pine. Not sure? Ask the sofa manufacturer about construction materials. Another important ask relates to sofa springs. Metal coils often break. An eight-way hand-tied sofa spring system is preferable and a signature of a well-made, crafted sofa. Expect to pay a bit more, but it will be worth it in the long run to have a sofa that is built to last.

Cushions

Love the feel of fluffy down? While this may serve you well when it comes to a bed pillow, down will likely fall flat long term in a sofa. The reality is down will compress and flatten. Sofa cushions made of foam are a more durable choice. Still not convinced? One option is a sofa in which the seat cushions are made of foam and side pillows are made of a less dense material.

Upholstery fabric

A well-kept secret of interior designers is to use hospitality-grade fabrics, even in residential settings. Why? Durability. These days, commercial fabrics are fun, modern, fresh and easily relatable in a residential environment. The downside is hospitality and commercial fabrics do tend to cost a bit more and may come in limited colors and patterns. The upside is the durability factor; spills can easily be wiped away.



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Two chaise pieces are placed together to create a single low sofa.

Configurations

Should you go with a sectional? Perhaps modern, low and sleek is your style, or high-backed and comfy?

Regardless of your taste and style, what should most determine your sofa selection is your space. So often a sofa looks and feels out of place because it is the inappropriate size, scale or configuration.

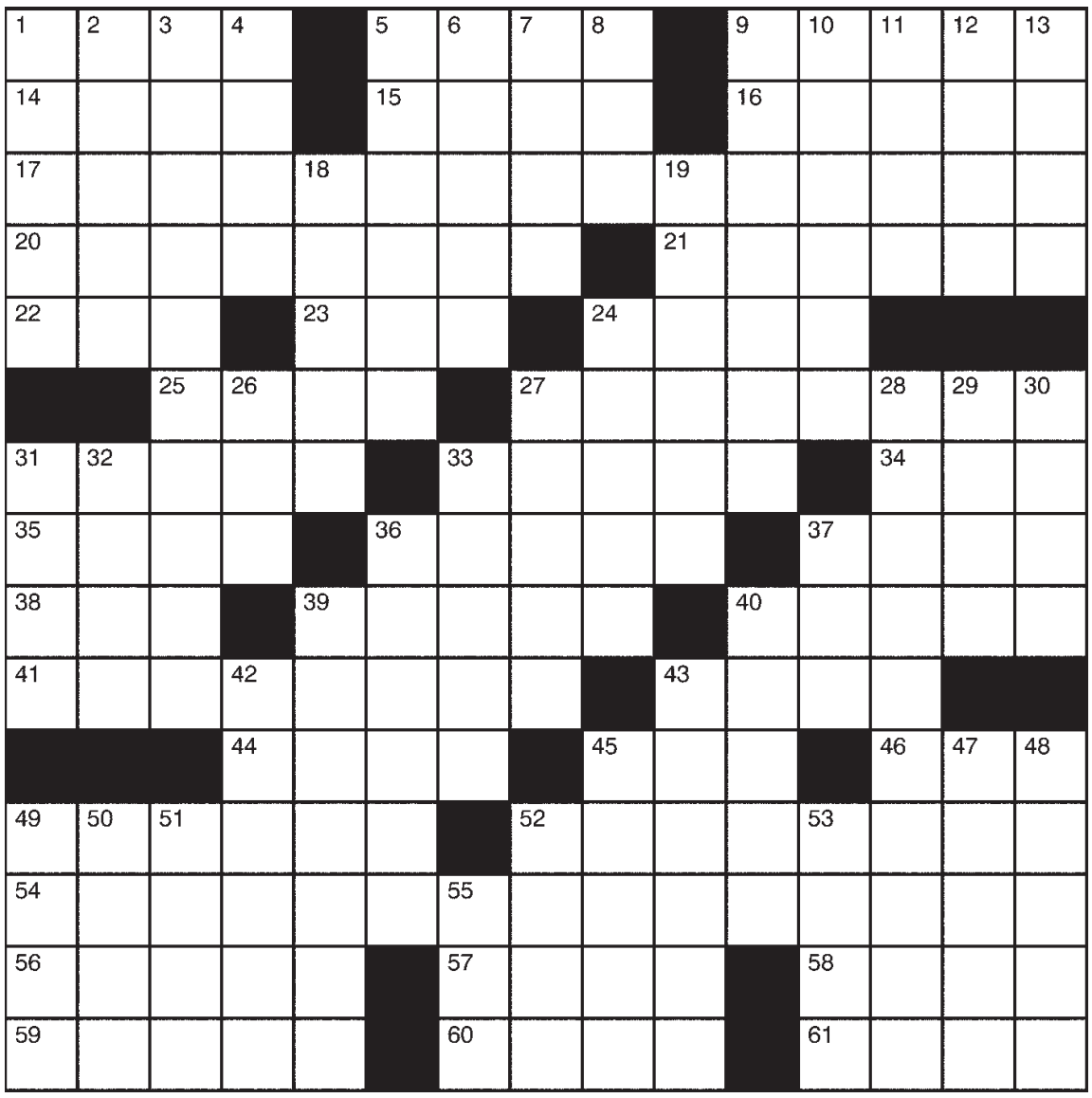
In a space with low ceilings, low, modern and sleek may be the best choice, especially if a view needs to be preserved. In open spaces, a sectional sofa is helpful to define and create a lounge space for a large group. Social areas such as family rooms and even dens may be best suited for sofas that may be more plush and comfy.

A note of caution: Oversized furniture often makes a room feel crowded, and seldom is "buying the set" successful. Multiple pieces can create a look that is overly "matchy" and crowded. Looking for an alternative? Consider placing two chaises together to create a single sofa or a long one-armed sofa or loveseat.



A four-seat sofa adds a sense of drama in this long, narrow living room.

Sounds Alike



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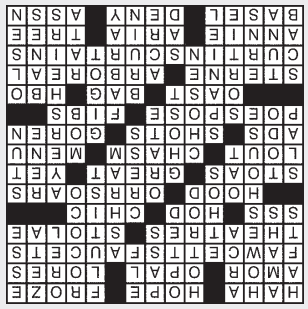
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16. Traditions
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21. Roman matrons' robes
22. Recruitment agcy.
23. Coal scuttle
24. Modish
25. Thomas or Robin
27. Bobby's paddles
31. Greek porticoes
33. Large
34. Still
35. Oaf
36. Deep fissure
37. Bill of fare
38. Commercial come-ons
39. Injections
40. Bridge expert
41. Edgar's posture
43. Small prevarications
44. Kiln
45. Capture
46. Movie channel, briefly
49. Author of Tristram Shandy
52. Tree-related
54. Jane's drapes
56. Alice Ghostley vehicle
57. Sills' trills
58. Corner
59. City of northern Switzerland
60. Disavow
61. Org.

DOWN

1. Handles
2. Oriental maids
3. Sally Ann's residence
4. Reliquary
5. Highway menace
6. Chose
7. Freebie
8. North Pole employee
9. Galway, e.g.
10. Ornate
11. City on the Oka
12. Greek letter
13. Being: L.
18. Cultural values
19. Religious retreat
24. Salad garnish
26. Cereal grain
27. Speechify
28. Sir Alfred's
29. Descartes
30. Strike dumb
31. Stinging rebuff
32. Disturbance
33. Scrooge's visitant
36. Korea, formerly
37. Rabble
39. Canine breed
40. Leg of lamb
42. Armed attack
43. Actress Nanette
45. Boston hockey player
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ALL ABOUT SUSAN

Susan Sarandon, 72, is doing double duty this month. She returns to her role as Samantha Winslow on season six of Showtime's *Ray Donovan* (Oct. 28). And she stars on the big screen in *Viper Club* (Oct. 26) as a nurse who recruits a clandestine community of journalists to help when her war-correspondent son (Julian Morris) is taken hostage on assignment.



1. She dated rocker David Bowie in the '80s after she and actor husband Chris Sarandon divorced.



2. Sarandon kept her Oscar for Best Actress for *Dead Man Walking* in the guest bathroom for years.



3. She almost didn't get the part in *Bull Durham* because the studio thought she was too old and not funny enough.



4. She caught pneumonia after filming the swimming pool scene in *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, but kept working.



5. Sarandon fractured her foot during production of the FX TV series *Feud* and wore a supportive boot whenever possible.



Johnny English Returns

He's back in *Johnny English Strikes Again* (in theaters Oct. 26), and it's the third time the British secret agent bungles his way through a comical case. When the U.K. is in peril—every agent in the field has been exposed—the prime minister (**Emma Thompson**, 59) has no choice but to bring Johnny (**Rowan Atkinson**, 63) out of retirement. The British comedian says he was excited to once again play "this spy who's not as good as he thinks he is."

Kiernan Shipka Gets Spooky

Just in time for Halloween, Shipka, 18, who played Sally Draper on *Mad Men*, takes on the title role in the new Netflix series *Chilling Adventures of Sabrina* (Oct. 26). It's a reimagining of Archie Comics' *Sabrina the Teenage Witch*, but a much darker coming-of-age story about a young woman wrestling to reconcile her dual nature—half witch and half mortal—as she approaches her 16th birthday. "There's this minor little thing of signing your soul away that sounds a little intense to Sabrina," says Shipka.



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Walter Scott Asks

Andrea Bocelli

The Italian-born tenor, 60, returns with his first album of new material in 14 years, *Sì* (Oct. 26). After receiving international acclaim for his performance of grand opera and classical music, he returns on the new album to his roots, with songs and ballads that celebrate love, faith and family.

What does the title, *Sì*, signify? We too often say no. But *sì*, "yes," is the word you say when you have your first kiss, when you agree with somebody, when you want to make someone feel good. *Sì* is the word you say every time things will end well. For a thousand and one reasons, *sì* is the expression of a positive, powerful feeling and emotion.

It's been 14 years since you recorded new material. Why so long? Finding worthwhile material is really difficult. There are only seven notes in the scale and there are billions and billions of songs that have been published already. To find something really inspiring takes time.



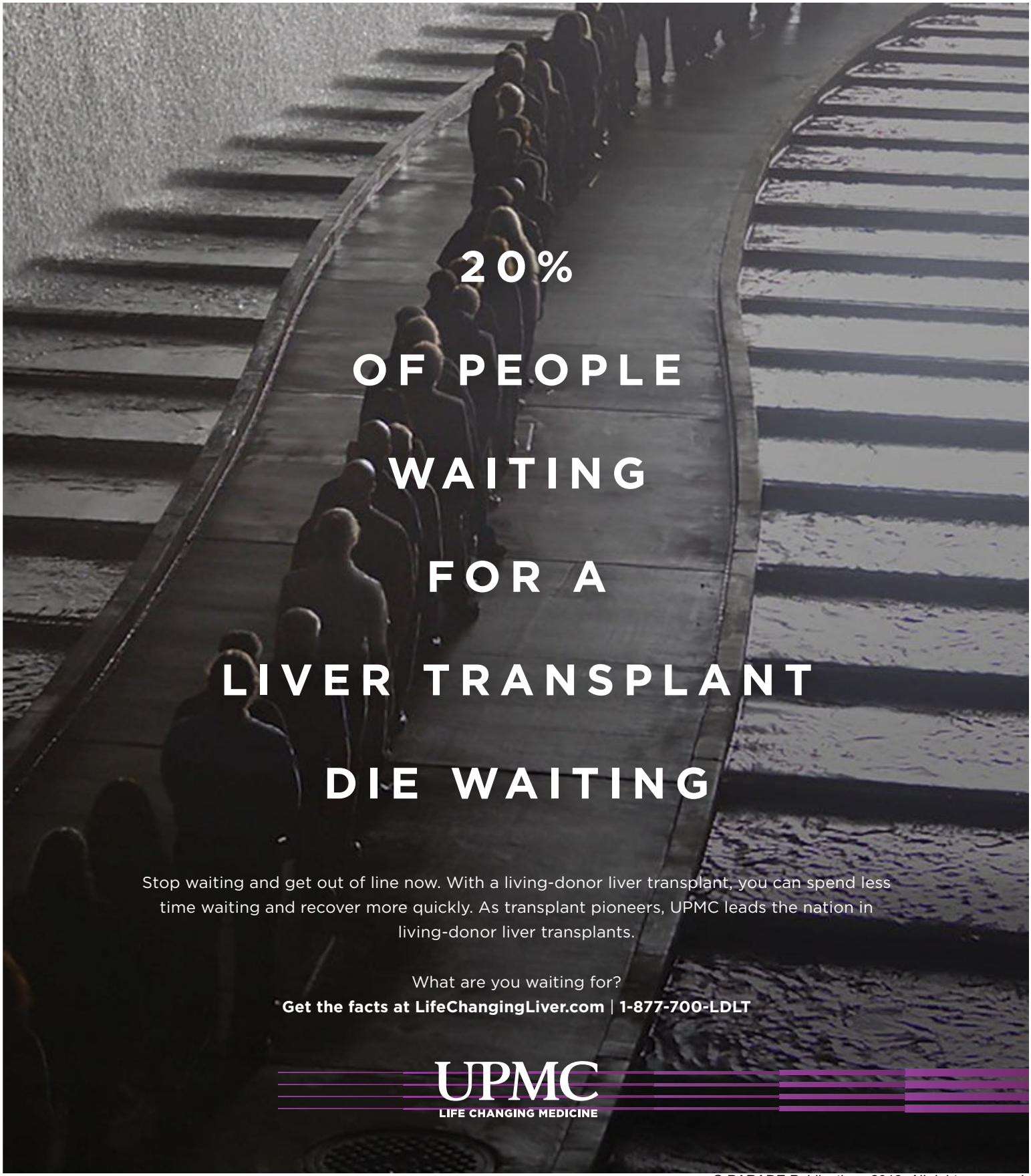
Why do you collaborate with contemporary artists, like Ed Sheeran [left] and Josh Groban? We had really beautiful moments together. Every collaboration that I have with another artist is enriching and interesting in its own way.

I find it impressive that despite being blind, you still horseback ride, cycle and water-ski. I am always astonished when people are astonished, because for me this is absolutely normal. I always loved sports and I always loved having new experiences. I never stop. When I see a difficulty, when I see an obstacle, it doesn't stop me. It just makes me feel like I have to work harder to overcome it.

What's the surprising secret to his long career? Go to ***Parade.com/bocelli*** to find out.

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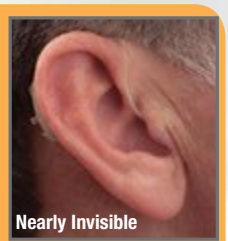
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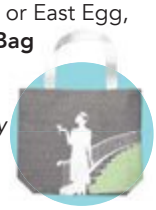
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Our eyes may be small, but they do a huge job collecting the images that create our visual world. Here's what you need to know about these hard workers—and some fun facts.

By Sheryl Kraft



WHAT DOES 20/20 MEAN?

Known as "normal" vision, 20/20 means you're able to clearly see an object at a distance of 20 feet, explains Craig See, M.D., an ophthalmologist at Cleveland Clinic's Cole Eye Institute. For someone with 20/60 vision to see clearly, they must be 20 feet from an object that a person with normal vision can see at 60 feet. If you've ever wondered how a batter can accurately aim for a ball racing toward them at triple-digit speed, the secret could be in their eyes: The average Major League Baseball player has 20/12 vision, See says.

Every 2 to 4 years

That's how often people age **40 to 64 need a comprehensive dilated eye exam**. If you're 65 or older, go every one to two years. This is the only way to know for sure if your eyes are healthy and to detect diseases like glaucoma, diabetic eye disease and age-related macular degeneration (which often have no warning signs) at their earliest stages. Dilating, or widening, your pupil allows your eye-care professional to see into the back of your eye and check for any signs of damage or disease.

WHO'S MOST LIKELY TO BE COLORBLIND?



1/12 men*



1/200 women*

*Of Northern European descent

Men! That's because this mostly genetic condition is on the X chromosome; males have only one X chromosome, but women have two. "If a woman has one copy of the colorblind gene, chances are she has a normal gene in her 'backup copy,'" explains See. Here's a myth buster: People who are colorblind don't see only in black and white. They can still see colors but have trouble distinguishing the difference between colors—most commonly greens and reds. Although many people are born with color blindness, it sometimes doesn't first appear until adulthood.

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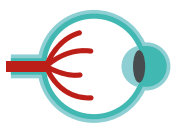
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That's the number of eyelashes on the top edge of the eyelid. The lower lid has about 50 of these human filters that help protect our eyes. Animals like giraffes and the red kangaroo have multiple rows of eyelashes, while humans have just one.



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That's the average diameter of an adult eye (equal to about a quarter). Your eyeball sits in a region called the orbit, a cavity within your skull. A newborn baby's eye is about two-thirds the size of an adult's and grows considerably during the first two years of life.



35 years old

Hit this age and the odds go up for developing presbyopia, a common condition that makes it hard to read small print. As you get older, the lens of your eye hardens and muscle fibers around it weaken, making it more difficult to focus up close. Reading glasses, which can be prescribed by your eye provider or purchased at a drug store, help by changing your eye's focal point. They come in powers ranging from +1 to +4 in increments of +.25 (1.00, 1.25, 1.50, etc.). The numbers indicate the distance that will be in focus, measured in fractions of a meter, with +1 indicating 1 meter, +2 indicating ½ meter and so on. "Lower powers are better for things like looking at a computer screen," See says, "while higher powers are better for fine detail, like reading small print or threading a needle." Try the lowest power first, experts say, and choose the glasses that help you see most clearly at the most comfortable distance.

What's the 20-20-20 exercise?

The average person sleeps eight hours a night, which means their eyes are open—and working—for 16 hours a day. To reduce eyestrain, every 20 minutes, look away from what you're doing and look about 20 feet in front of you for 20 seconds. A 2013 study of almost 800 university students found that this helped relieve computer vision syndrome, which can lead to eyestrain, blurry vision and headache.

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By Marilyn vos Savant

When I first visit a doctor, I have to fill out a long form with personal information, my medical history, etc. Why isn't there a database with this information, accessible to all doctors and updatable?

—Candy Welty, Baltimore, Md.

Among the concerns with a national electronic health record system are loss of privacy, thievery of data, hackers altering health records or holding them hostage and malfunction. These problems have already occurred, affecting at least 100 million Americans. Also, physicians commonly dislike the systems, which require doctors to focus on their computers—keyboarding and looking at monitors instead of the people in their care.

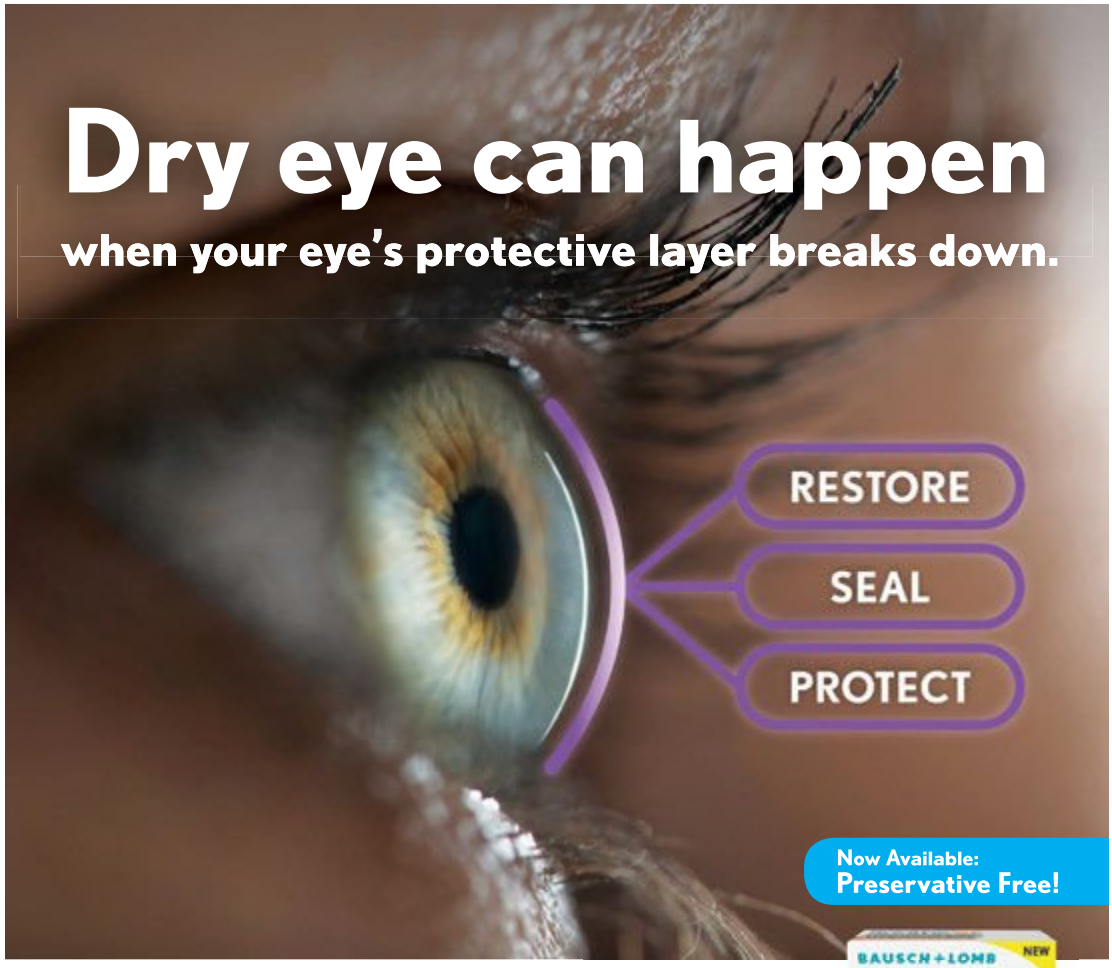
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This Is What *healthy* Looks Like



ROBIN ROBERTS, *GMA*'s co-anchor, is stronger than ever. She talks with us about surviving two life-threatening illnesses and the results of our *Parade*/Cleveland Clinic Healthy Now survey.

By Lambeth Hochwald
Cover and opening photography by Heidi Gutman/ABC

If you're looking for someone who defines strength under fire, you'll find no better role model than Robin Roberts, *Good Morning America*'s co-anchor since 2005 and a two-time cancer survivor.

Roberts was first diagnosed with breast cancer in 2007 and then, in 2012, was diagnosed with myelodysplastic syndrome, a rare and often fatal blood disease. In fact, she just celebrated her six-year "birthday," meaning it has been six years since her sister Sally-Ann donated the bone marrow needed for Roberts' lifesaving transplant.

Her health journey made her particularly interested in the results of our recent *Parade*/Cleveland Clinic survey, which revealed that Americans are rethinking what it means to be healthy. Instead of focusing on meeting society's unrealistic body standards, respondents were more concerned with being seen as positive, mentally sharp and balanced. They chose strong over thin and smart over sexy. We knew Roberts would have a lot to say about what it means to be healthy today.

Strong is the new healthy

"Thank you for saying being physically and mentally strong is the new healthy, because I believe everything I have faced—whether at *GMA* or with my health challenges—is as much mental as it is physical," Roberts, 57, says while sipping warm water with lemon during our interview at *GMA*'s Times Square studio. "My mantra is 'I have to change the way I think in order to change the way I feel.' That gets me motivated."

Another study revelation: While many of us are coping with a health issue, that doesn't mean we have to lead unhealthy lives. In fact, the survey revealed that 67 percent of Americans believe it's possible to balance being healthy and dealing with a chronic illness, something that resonated deeply with Roberts.

"It's funny to say, after going through cancer twice, that I feel stronger than I ever have in my entire life, but I can

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sincerely say that and it's true," she says.

Not that Roberts considers having cancer a blessing.

"I'm not going to be one of those people who says cancer was the best thing that happened to me," says Roberts, who chronicled her journey in her 2014 memoir, *Everybody's Got Something*, including the 100 days of being shut off from the outside world after her bone marrow transplant, time she needed to rebuild her immune system.

"No, cancer wasn't the best thing that happened to me, but fighting off two life-threatening illnesses taught me so much about who I am," she says. "When I was diagnosed, I had taken such pride in eating right, not smoking, and drinking in moderation, but cancer doesn't discriminate. I'll never forget: My doctor said my lifestyle didn't prevent me from getting cancer, but he said, 'Boy, it's going to help you fight it.' And so that's how I look at it."



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"Left foot, right foot, breathe."

That's the mantra Roberts learned from her friend Pat Summitt, the legendary basketball coach at the University of Tennessee who died in 2016 of early-onset Alzheimer's.

Finding healthy habits that stick

While Roberts is quick to call her health journey a roller coaster, she's forgiving about the ups and downs.

"It's all about giving myself a break, knowing that I'm going to fall off the wagon and not beating myself up for it," she says. "We all know what we need to do, but are we there to open our minds and say, 'I'm ready'? That's what my journey has been."

Staying consistent—whether it's sipping kombucha [a fermented tea beverage] every morning at 7:30 or finding a new exercise regimen and falling in love with it—remains a goal for Roberts, who says she loves variety in her workouts.

"I've always been athletic, but I find that to be able to keep fit you can't get bored," she says. "So right now I'm in this Peloton craze [an at-home exercise bike workout that digitally connects the rider with a competitive cycling class]. I love that you can go for as long as you want, it can be high intensity or it can be low impact."

Ultimately, Roberts is grateful she's strong enough to work out. "I exercise and do things now not because I want to but because I can," she says. "There was a time not so long ago that I couldn't do that."

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What It Means to Be Healthy Now

Highlights from a *Parade*/Cleveland Clinic survey

Last July, *Parade* and Cleveland Clinic joined forces to take the pulse of Americans' attitudes toward health today. What we learned was that people are still worried about their health—for example, 44 percent surveyed fear a loved one could get cancer and 39 percent fear they could get it themselves—but they are far less worried about their weight or being "perfect."

"When I see these results, it shows me that people want to create real health—they want to be strong and feel good both mentally and physically," says Mark Hyman, M.D., director of Cleveland Clinic Center for Functional Medicine.

Still, many respondents aren't taking steps to improve their health and are looking for guidance.

"For years, Americans have heard conflicting information about diet and exercise, and many of them are so confused they have just given up," Hyman says. "The truth is, you can't exercise your way out of a bad diet, and eating healthy doesn't have to be complicated." Read on for survey highlights, and go to ***Parade.com/healthynow*** for the full results and a get-healthy action plan.

We don't buy into myths about being perfect.

88% of Americans surveyed think society's body image expectations are unrealistic

79% would rather be viewed as smart than sexy

75% would rather be seen as physically strong than thin

67% agree that you can be healthy while dealing with a chronic illness

57% would rather be seen as positive, and 43% as mentally sharp, than thin

68% strongly believe mental health is as vital as physical health

We're not taking steps to improve our health.

80% of Americans surveyed are not eating 5+ servings of veggies per day

49% are not getting a good night's sleep

52% are not drinking 8 glasses of water a day

49% are not getting an annual physical or checkup

We're confused and looking for guidance.

72% of Americans surveyed wrongly see exercise as more important than diet

66% want help figuring out the best methods for improving their health

Source: *A joint online survey by Cleveland Clinic and* Parade *of 1,010 Americans, 18 years of age and older, living in the continental United States, completed between July 13 and 20, 2018. The margin of error for the total sample at the 95% confidence level is +/- 3 percentage points.*

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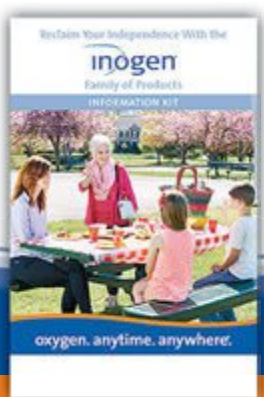
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Sharing happiness every day

Off the *GMA* set, Roberts has become known for her optimistic social media posts, such as Monday Motivation, Wednesday Wisdom and Thankful and Thriver Thursdays—all meant to inspire her nearly half-million Instagram followers.

"What I really love about my Instagram is that, while I respond as much as I can, the group responds to each other, they lift each other up," she says. "They have become this wonderful family and tribe. There's a lot going on in the world today, and I have long believed that optimism is a muscle that gets stronger with use. When challenging times come, I look for that silver lining."

Roberts credits this glass-half-full attitude to her parents. Raised on the Mississippi Gulf Coast, her father, Lawrence, who died in 2004, was a colonel in the United States Air Force and a member of the famed Tuskegee Airmen. Her mother, Lucimarian, who died in 2012, was a social worker and educator and was the first African-American to serve as chairwoman of the Mississippi State Board of Education. It was her parents who inspired her and her two sisters and brother to engage in a lifetime of service.

"My parents came from very humble beginnings, and I saw that from an early age," she says. "But they always helped others. For example, it would be Thanksgiving and sometimes airmen and -women couldn't get home for the holidays and there would be someone at the table. I'd say, 'Is that a cousin?' and it was, 'No, that's someone who couldn't get home.' When you're around that all the time and it's not a big deal, that's what you do."

After studying at Southeastern Louisiana University, where she became a star basketball player, Roberts began her career



"Faith, family, friends. Surround yourself with that," says Roberts, here with her partner, Amber Laign.

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at her local TV station, and at age 29, after working in cities including Nashville and Atlanta, she joined ESPN as a host of *SportsCenter*. Then, after several years as an ABC contributing correspondent and news reader, Roberts joined Diane Sawyer and Charlie Gibson in 2005 as a *GMA* co-anchor.

Despite career highlights, including coverage of countless news events, such as Hurricane Katrina and the inauguration of President Barack Obama, as well as the Academy Awards, where she has hosted the red carpet preshow, Roberts says she revels in downtime with her partner, Amber Laign.

"Amber—you don't have

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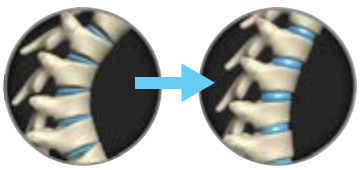
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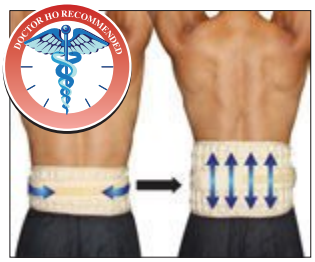
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enough time for me to sing her praises," she says with a laugh. "When I was first diagnosed in 2007, Amber was working in fashion. She would walk by the studio and wave—it was early on in the relationship, when everything's new. One day at dinner, I had two hairs on my head, and she said, 'I quit my job. I want to be a massage therapist. I want to heal people.' She said watching me go through my health battle inspired her."

Roberts remains close with her family and stays connected via group text messages that often include silly jokes sent by her



"He brings us joy and he brings others joy." That's Lil Man Lukas, the Tibetan spaniel–papillon mix (now Instagram star) Roberts and Laign rescued.

brother, Lawrence Jr.

"Your tribe determines your vibe, and my family is my tribe," she says. "I appreciate the fact that my mother and father established a strong foundation for us to remain a family. We make time for each other, and my sister saved my life, so I've got to be nice to her—your sibling saves your life, that's a big one!"

Rise and shine

Finally, with an alarm that rings every morning at 3:15, Roberts is often asked, "How do you get enough sleep?" For starters, she's in

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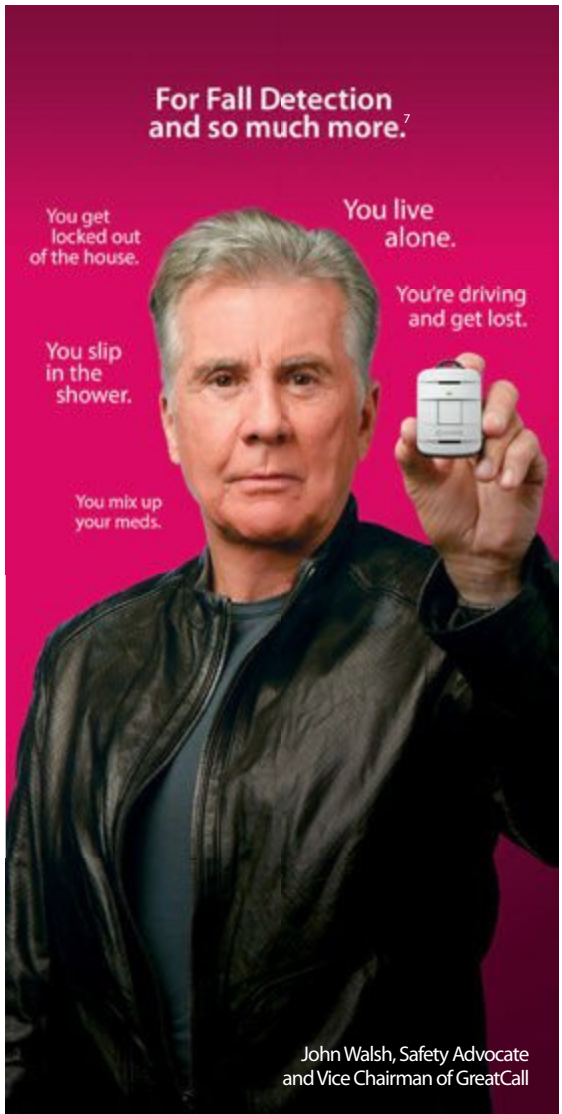
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bed by 9 p.m. most nights.

"Sleep, my friends—it's not a luxury, it's a necessity," she says. "There are times when I want to work out but I'm tired. I will go to bed and the rest will do me better than working out."

Staying calm in a hectic world is another daily goal.

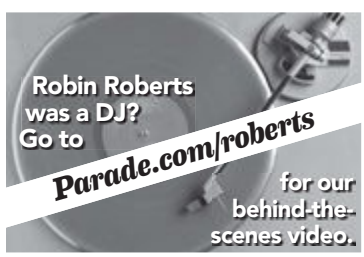
"I'll never forget one crazy morning on set with George Stephanopoulos," her *GMA* co-anchor. "He was just so peaceful. I said, 'Dude, what are you doing? I want some of that.'"

It was Stephanopoulos who turned Roberts on to Transcendental Meditation, something she does every morning at 3:30.

"I'm telling you, that half hour of meditation is like five hours of sleep," she says. "And, yes, I've gotten to that age where I'll take a little 20-minute nap during the day. I find it's really helpful."

With her confident exterior and sunny outlook, it's easy to think Roberts wouldn't get emotional in an interview, but when asked what the younger Robin Roberts would say to the 50-something version of herself, the tears began to fall down her cheeks.

"The younger Robin Roberts would tell me it's going to be OK," she says. "You're going to lose your health, you're going to lose your mom and dad, but you know what? You're going to be stronger than you think you'll be. It's going to be OK; you're going to figure it out."



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Customer Rating ★★★★★



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COMPARE TO BLUE HAWK $9.98 MODEL: BGBX10-Y

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PITTSBURGH AUTOMOTIVE #1 SELLING JACKS IN AMERICA — SUPER COUPON

RAPID PUMP® 3 TON STEEL HEAVY DUTY LOW PROFILE FLOOR JACK

- Weighs 73 lbs.



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POWDER-FREE NITRILE GLOVES PACK OF 100

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PITTSBURGH — SUPER COUPON

3 PIECE ADJUSTABLE WRENCH SET

LIFETIME WARRANTY

Customer Rating ★★★★★

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CHICAGO ELECTRIC POWER TOOLS — SUPER COUPON

12" DOUBLE-BEVEL SLIDING COMPOUND MITER SAW

- Laser guide



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COMPARE TO RYOBI $249 MODEL: TSS120L

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PNEUMATIC ADJUSTABLE ROLLER SEAT

- 300 lb. capacity



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COMPARE TO DURALAST $64.99 MODEL: TR6201C

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20 VOLT LITHIUM CORDLESS 1/2" COMPACT DRILL/DRIVER KIT

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- 1.5 amp hour battery
- Weighs 3.4 lbs.

Customer Rating ★★★★★



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125 AMP FLUX-CORE WELDER

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10 FT. x 20 FT. PORTABLE CAR CANOPY



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4 PIECE, 1" x 15 FT. RATCHETING TIE DOWNS

- 400 lb. working load

Customer Rating ★★★★★



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