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Trump retreats from census plan

President orders agencies to try to compile citizen data

BY JILL COLVIN, MARK SHERMAN AND ZEKE MILLER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump abandoned his controversial bid to inject a citizenship question into next year's census Thursday, instead directing federal agencies to try to compile the information using existing databases.

He insisted he was "not backing down," declaring in a Rose Garden announcement that the goal was simple and reasonable: "a clear breakdown of the number of citizens and non-citizens that make up the United States population."

But the decision was a reversal, after the Supreme Court blocked his effort by disputing his administration's rationale for demanding that census respondents declare whether or not they were citizens. Trump had said last week that he was "very seriously" considering an executive order to try to force the question. The government has already begun the lengthy and expensive process of printing the census questionnaire without it, and such a move would surely have drawn an immediate legal challenge.

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Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, left, and Attorney General William Barr stand with President Donald Trump on the census Thursday. Trump had offered multiple explanations for why he believed the question on citizenship was necessary to include in the population count.



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Columbus Park coach Brandon Wilkerson, his son Aamir Wilkerson, 5, left, and Triston Burns, right, congratulate Kyris Kyles, 10, after his game-winning home run during their scrimmage against Moore Park last month.

'WE ARE BRINGING BASEBALL BACK'

A West Side police sergeant plans to save kids, one game at a time

BY ALEJANDRO SERRANO

It was the final inning and the game was tied.

"This is our last chance to win the game," coach Brandon Wilkerson told his team of 8-to-10-year-olds, clad in bright orange jerseys as they lined up to bat on a recent Saturday morning at Moore Park on the West Side.

One of the players walked slowly to the plate. He took a pair of pitches, a strike and a ball. On the third pitch, he swung a strong cut and popped the ball high into the air, way out of reach of any of the kids on the field. The ball thumped into the grass in left as he darted past first, second, third, then stomped on home plate.

As his teammates emptied the dugout and jumped around, a coach shouted: "Y'all won, but still, sportsmanship." The teams lined up and shook hands.

Wilkerson and the other coaches know this game represents more than runs and outs, winning and losing. The players on this field in Austin are among nearly 500 kids organized into a league by a Chicago police sergeant and community leaders who believe teamwork can change the lives of children who face crime and economic hardship every day.

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Looming ICE raids chill city, activists

Lightfoot vows 'everything' to fight Trump

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN, GREGORY PRATT AND MADELINE BUCKLEY

For the second time in less than a month, immigrants and their advocates in Chicago and other major cities are girding for the prospect of a large-scale Immigration and Customs Enforcement deportation campaign reportedly set to begin this weekend.

With President Donald Trump hinting that sweeps targeting undocumented families and those with final deportation orders would begin soon — after announcing and then postponing the planned raids last month — activists in Chicago are again mobilizing resistance and advising immigrants of their rights.

On Thursday, Mayor Lori Lightfoot reiterated that Chicago police won't cooperate with agents from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement on the campaign and blasted the president for "fear-mongering" and "making immigrants scapegoats ... who are just here to live their life. That's not who we are or should be as Americans."

Advocates who held a news conference outside the ICE office in the South Loop — and who plan another rally on Saturday against the presumed upcoming raids — passed out know-your-rights

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Attempted bank robbery charge gets tossed

'This was sloppy,' judge says after learning that grand jury was misled

BY JASON MEISNER

The federal indictment seemed as routine as they come — a two-sentence allegation that a man tried to rob an Uptown bank three years ago.

But on the day Carmel Cobb was supposed to go to trial last month, the case took a decidedly unusual turn.

A transcript of grand jury testimony turned over by prosecutors at the eleventh hour revealed that an FBI agent erroneously told the panel that a bank teller had identified Cobb as the robber.

But it turned out the opposite was true. Not only had the teller failed to pick Cobb out of a photo array shown to her by the FBI, but she also had specifically excluded him as the suspect, pointing at his photo and saying the real robber's physical features were markedly different, according to court records.

After being told of the problem on June 3 — the day jury selection was supposed to begin — the judge overseeing the case took the rare step of throwing out the charges and releasing Cobb after more than a year in custody.

In making her ruling, U.S. District Judge Sara Ellis said she didn't believe the misstep by prosecutors was intentional but that "it wasn't careful and could have been avoided," said a transcript of the proceedings.

"This was sloppy," Ellis said. "... I find it doubtful that the

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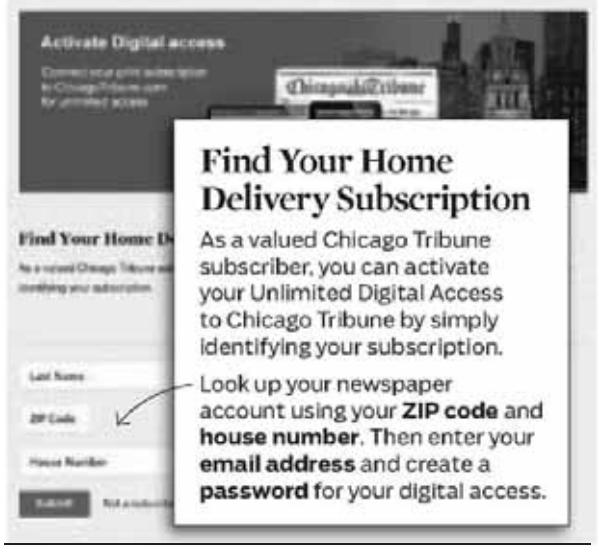
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The Tribune regrets the error.
■ Lionel Bringuier, who was scheduled to conduct the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on Saturday night and is listed in Howard Reich's "On Music" column, has cancelled due to illness. He will be

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Labor Secretary Alex Acosta was the U.S. attorney in Miami when Jeffrey Epstein secured a plea deal in 2007.



John Kass

Acosta should resign over the Epstein deal

What should happen to U.S. Labor Secretary Alex Acosta because of his kid-glove treatment of billionaire child sexual predator Jeffrey Epstein is simple.

Acosta should resign from the Trump administration immediately.

Acosta, a Republican, was the U.S. attorney in Miami years ago when he cut a sweet deal for Epstein, the monstrously wealthy convicted pedophile now accused of trafficking of girls between the ages of 13 and 16.

When those federal sex trafficking charges were filed against Epstein the other day in New York, the old deal cut by Acosta in South Florida bubbled up to sit once again at the intersection of politics and culture. The politics are cheap, but there's enough intrigue and backstabbing and bipartisan drama for a hot summer's worth of conspiracy theories.

Acosta must go. And if he's not gone before the weekend is out, President Donald Trump should push him.

Years ago, after much lawyering, Epstein pleaded guilty to state charges of solicitation of prostitution from a minor. Under the deal brokered with federal prosecutors, Epstein was sentenced 18 months in jail. But while serving his sentence he was allowed to leave the Palm Beach County Jail and go to work six days a week. He got out after just 13 months.

Pedophiles are like vampires. They're always hunting. And Epstein didn't hunt young girls with parents who watched over them. Many of his victims, according to reports, were from indifferent or nonexistent families. Some were homeless. None of them had power.

"There were 36 girls who all told the same story," Miami Herald reporter Julie K. Brown, who broke the story in November, told CNN's Jake Tapper. "They said exactly what the MO was. ... 'We'd set it up for 3 o'clock. I went into the kitchen. We went up this curving stairway.'"

The deal Acosta cut for Epstein was secret. The victims weren't notified until after it was over. Perhaps even worse, it gave immunity to any potential co-conspirators. A reasonable person would think "co-conspirators" would apply not only to those in his vast sex trafficking network but also to influential politicians, business leaders and others in Epstein's infamous black book who may have availed themselves of his services.

At Acosta's news conference the other day, he cast himself as the hero and said he had to get involved, otherwise then-Palm Beach County State's Attorney Barry Krischer, a Democrat, would have let Epstein walk.

"Simply put, the Palm Beach state attorney's office was ready to let Epstein walk free, no jail time, nothing. Prosecutors in my former office found this to be completely unacceptable," Acosta said. "I know that my former colleagues, the men and women of my office, wanted to help (Epstein's victims). I wanted to help them. That is why we intervened. Epstein's actions absolutely deserve a stiffer sentence."

Krischer climbed out from under his rock and blamed Acosta.

"Mr. Acosta should not be allowed to rewrite history," Krischer said in a statement. "If Mr. Acosta were truly concerned with the state's case and felt he had to rescue the matter, he would have moved forward with the 53-page indictment that his own office drafted. Instead, Mr. Acosta brokered a secret plea deal that resulted in a Non-Prosecution Agreement."

It's good they're spitting at each other. Put them under oath, and let's see how they hiss. And don't forget Manhattan DA Cyrus Vance, whose office in 2011 sought to do Epstein a favor after his Miami conviction by trying to keep him off a New York sex registry. A New York judge refused to go along.

Brown, the Miami Herald reporter, said the accounts given by Acosta and Krischer are both suspect. She told CNN that Acosta was accurate in saying Krischer would have let Epstein go.

"It is accurate. Barry Krischer was ready to basically let him off," she said. "But does that mean you (Acosta) still can't prosecute him federally when you find out that this is a sex operation involving recruiters and schedulers and pilots and drivers and moneymen who paid the girls?

"That's a federal sex trafficking crime, that's an organization, so to put it back and say well, the state prosecutor didn't do his job, we are the heroes now because we took the case over, and then give it back to the state prosecutors, it just doesn't make any sense."

It doesn't make sense. Until you think of the money and the power it can buy. If it weren't for his billions, Epstein wouldn't have his "Orgy Island" or his jet, the "Lolita Express," and Trump and former President Bill Clinton wouldn't have been in his social circle. He'd be just some minor pimp, a hideous modern vampire attracted to the broken and the vulnerable, to take their innocence and feed off it, until he could have another.

Acosta may be a good, cautious lawyer. Perhaps he thought about Epstein's money, his political influence, his powerful friends. It appears that he realized a serious prosecution would be difficult. So, he settled for a small victory.

But that's the wrong thing to do with a creature like Epstein. And now, Acosta should pay for it.

Column Note: *Jeff Carlin and I are taking "The Chicago Way" podcast to live radio Friday night, at 7 p.m. on WGN-AM's "Extension 720." Guests include Charles Lipson, Gary Wiviott and former legmen who might break bad on me. Hope you tune in.*

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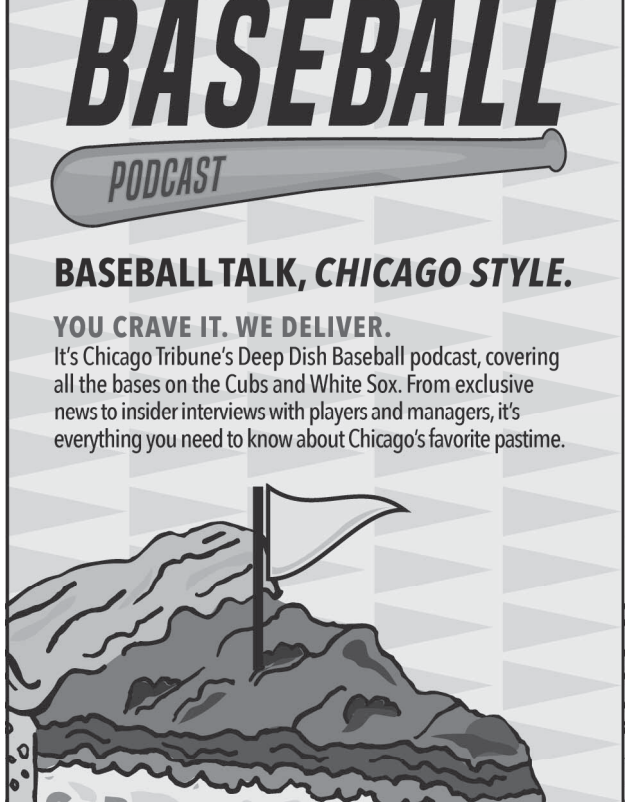
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Do something good for your soul and the soul of the country: Protest the deportation raids



MARY SCHMICH



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Protesters in Denver call on members of Congress to close immigrant detention centers during a rally on July 2. Similar protests are set for hundreds of places around the country in coming days.

The weather in and around Chicago is forecast to be beautiful on Friday and Saturday, perfect for the farmers market, the beach, a bike ride, a boat ride, a picnic.

And perfect for something even better for the heart and soul: a protest.

On Friday night, protesters are expected to gather in hundreds of places around the country — places that include Aurora, Galena, Waukegan and Oak Park — for a Lights for Liberty vigil. Organizers are calling the vigils a protest against the "human concentration camps" where migrants to the United States, many of them children, have been locked up.

The next day, Saturday, thousands of protesters are expected to rally in Daley Plaza in downtown Chicago for a march, in the organizers' words, "against the criminalization, detention, and deportation of immigrants."

Looming over it all? Reports that on Sunday the government will begin rounding up thousands of immigrants living in the country illegally for deportation. In Chicago and beyond, mothers will lose their husbands, children will lose their parents, jobs will go vacant, fear will run rampant.

And for what, really, besides politics? On Thursday, with rumors of raids on the way, Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot registered her objections.

"This fearmongering and making immigrants scapegoats and really disrupting families who are just here trying to live their life," she said, "that's not who we are or should be as Americans."

Well, it's exactly who we are in 2019, the governmental "we," at any rate. But it's not who we should be, and public protests are one way of saying so.

On Thursday I quizzed my Facebook friends on whether they planned to protest this weekend and if so, why? What can taking to the streets accomplish?

"I believe that people can push toward justice by publicly taking a stand," said Lori Fagan, who's going to the Lights for Liberty vigil in Crystal Lake, though she doesn't expect big, immediate change. "Every shoulder to the wheel gets the wagon going."

Susan Pfeuffer-Powell has two Friday vigils on her agenda, one in Homewood and another in Mokena. She says it's important to hold protests beyond downtown.

"Having them locally in the not-so-open-minded far south suburbs has an impact," she said, "and forces people out of their comfort zone."

Nancy Eichelberger plans to go to a vigil in Plainfield. She's looking forward to speakers at the event "who have more lived experience than I when it comes to cruel treatment at the hands of our government."

Cruel treatment at the hands of our government. That's an important phrase.

Many of us have never faced that kind of cruelty. We can only imagine. Imagine what it is to be a child separated from her parents and living in a filthy detention center. Imagine what it is to be an immigrant father torn from his family. Imagine what it is to be a worker — the kind of worker our economy depends on — who is treated like a criminal.

It's important that we imagine the cruelty. And then protest.

"I'm trying to do something, even if it's just raising awareness," said Janet Casassa Breloff, who plans to attend a vigil in Brazil, Indiana. "For those less fortunate than me. I've had a great life. Many people do not, mostly for no fault of their own."

For no fault of their own. That's another vital phrase.

Our immigration system is a mess. Most of us can agree on that. We can agree that it needs the kind of reform that has eluded many presidents and regimes. We can probably agree that it isn't a single problem, but a thicket of problems with roots — in other countries.

But the complexity of the problem isn't being addressed by the current so-called solutions. While we search for a real solution, we have a duty to stand up for our abiding principles of dignity and decency and justice for all.

That's what these protests are for.

You don't have to agree with every point on every activist agenda. But if you believe in dignity, decency and justice for all, a protest is a vital way to say so.

In the words of one man I know who plans to go to Daley Plaza on Saturday:

"Tweeting isn't enough. And the Democrats aren't doing enough. We need people in the streets. We are in major danger now. Not just immigrants — all of us. Giving up my Saturday to protest is not much sacrifice. People need to protest before they find that they're not allowed to do that anymore."

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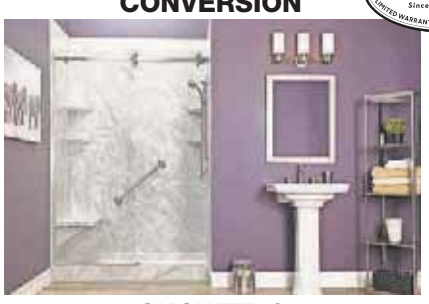


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A little boy is frightened by Willow, a dog dressed in an alligator costume, as curious onlookers around the Humboldt Park Lagoon try to spot the elusive alligator that has taken up residence there on Thursday.

Humboldt Park Lagoon gator evades capture for third day

Reptile avoids traps as park crews put up fences for gawkers

By Eliza Fawcett

The search for the Humboldt Park Lagoon alligator entered its third day Thursday, with more traps in place to catch the reptile, as the curious gathered at the park, unsuccessfully trying to catch a glimpse of it.

Authorities were called to the lagoon around noon Tuesday, several hours after people started reporting seeing the reptile there and sharing photos of it on social media.

People flocked to the West Side park to try to see the alligator, with Chicago Park District workers putting up snow fencing around the lagoon Thursday to keep onlookers away from the water. Thursday morning, about 20 people were gathered by about 9 a.m., looking for the alligator, which hadn't been sighted since about 2 a.m.

The fencing is "to protect kids from getting into the water — and give a certain quiet time to the alligator so it can get to the traps," said Mamadou Diakhate, deputy director of Chicago Animal Care and Control.

The alligator hunt, led by Alligator Bob, a volunteer with the Chicago Herpetological Society, became national news and lit up social media as nonprofit neighborhood news site Block Club Chicago held a contest to name the animal and WGN-TV set up a live camera monitoring the lagoon, including a view of swan boats moored near the water's edge.

Like many Chicagoans, Mayor Lori Lightfoot was also following the saga of the alligator, which she called "Gator-gate."

At first, Lightfoot said, she was surprised when she heard reports about an alligator in the West Side neighborhood, saying she thought, "Is this really real?"

"It's always an urban myth that there's alligators here, there, climbing out of toilets, things like that," Lightfoot said. "When I saw what I think is a real picture, I was pretty surprised."

The situation with the Humboldt Park alligator should lead to a broader conversation, Lightfoot said. Officials have said they believe someone kept the alligator as a pet and recently released it into the lagoon.

"I think the larger conversation we have to have is about people being realistic about the kind of pets they can bring into their home," Lightfoot said.

Among other Chicagoans focused on the alligator, at least one Humboldt Park musician wrote a song about the animal and posted it on YouTube.

As the search wore on, some of the five baited traps in the lagoon had to be restocked after turtles that live in the lagoon ate the bait

Among those watching the lagoon Thursday morning was Lonale Rowry, who arrived at Humboldt Park after working a 10-hour shift on the ground transport crew of O'Hare International Airport.

"Bubbles right there, man! That's it!" he said, pointing excitedly at the water.

"That's a turtle, I think," said Fabian Perez, another onlooker.

Dozens more people flocked to the lagoon Thursday morning, watching the water from the shore and the boathouse, and forming a semicircle around Alligator Bob to pester him with questions about alligators.

Around 11 a.m., a group of elementary school students from a summer program at Moos Elementary School crowded around the edge of the lagoon, trying to catch a glimpse of the alligator.

Samantha Stillwell, a teacher at Moos Elementary, said that the kids were in the middle of a unit on oceans and sea creatures.

"We learned all about crocodiles and alligators before coming out here," she said.

Alligator Bob was checking the traps every two hours, he said, although he had only found turtles in them so far. The traps are baited with raw chicken because that may be what the alligator was being fed in captivity.

"Once (alligators) get comfortable in their domain, they start staking out territory, where the food is available," Alligator Bob said. Now, he said, the alligator is scared and in hiding, which makes capturing it more difficult.

Chicago Tribune's Gregory Pratt contributed.

As critter remains elusive, here are 5 facts about crocodilians that shouldn't escape you

By Marie Fazio

The alligator living in the Humboldt Park Lagoon has captured national attention but continued to evade capture by reptile specialists Thursday.

Across town, deep in the basement of the Field Museum, Alan Resetar, collection manager for amphibians and reptiles at the Field Museum, examined alligators and crocodiles suspended in containers of a 70% ethanol solution.

The creatures, some of them collected in the 1930s, are part of the 300,000 preserved herpetology specimens at the Field.

Neither Resetar nor Josh Mata, a Field Museum collections assistant, were surprised by the lagoon alligator.

"Because we work in reptiles, we hear all the time about people releasing alligators and reptiles out into somewhere they're not supposed to be," Mata said.

For those of you who don't work with reptiles, here are some things to know about crocodilians like the lagoon alligator:

1. Even alligators are crocodilians

Mata, the collections assistant, showed off several crocodilians — the order name for the reptiles including the crocodile and alligator.

The Field Museum's crocodilian collection is one of its most frequently used collections, examined most often by paleontologists to compare with dinosaurs.

There are two types of alligators, Chinese and American, Resetar said. Smaller caimans, cousins of alligators, are usually more aggressive, so it's good the Humboldt Park creature is an alligator.

The sex of an alligator can be determined by how hot their eggs got, Resetar said.

"If they incubate at a higher temperature, the whole clutch of eggs will be male and at a lower temperature they'll all be female," Resetar said.

2. How to ID an alligator

Experts can easily differentiate among crocodiles, alligators and caimans based on physical appearance.

"Generally the biggest tell is alligators have this more U-shaped snout and crocodiles have this more pointed V-shaped snout," Mata said.

And when they have their mouths closed, the fourth lower tooth is exposed on crocodiles, but only top-level teeth are visible on alligators. And caimans are identifiable by a bridge of bone between their eyes.

3. American alligators made a comeback

American alligators were listed on the original Endangered Species Act in 1973. The population has bounced back, and was removed from the endangered species list in 1987.

"Even though they were an endangered species they are farmed now for hides and for meat sustainably," Mata said.

4. City alligators get dumped when they stop being cute

The Humboldt Park Lagoon alligator was most likely dumped by someone who grew tired of having it as a pet, a pattern animal experts have seen before.

"It is about the time people release pet alligators," Mata said. "They're very cute when they're small and tiny, but once they get around 4 or 5 feet that's when they're like, 'This is too much.' "

Resetar has heard of people keeping alligators in bathtubs, basements or in stainless steel cattle feeders.

5. You can't keep an alligator, but you can find them

It's illegal to breed or sell crocodilians in Illinois. Permits usually are only issued for educational purposes. Owning a crocodilian without a permit can result in fines.

Rather than illegally housing an alligator as a pet, Resetar suggested visiting them at local zoos. Or seeing models of full-grown American alligators at the Field Museum.

CPD reassigns area chief in probe

Commander speeding and wouldn't pull over, Indiana State Police say

By Jeremy Gorner

A commander of a Chicago police detective division was reassigned while the department investigates allegations that he refused to stop when an Indiana state trooper tried to pull him over for speeding last month.

Area Central Cmdr. Edward Wodnicki was headed west on Interstate 94 in an unmarked department car, his blue lights flashing, when the trooper tried to stop him near Chesterton, about 45 miles from Chicago, according to the Indiana State Police.

"While patrolling I-94, I observed a vehicle having emergency blue lights on at a high rate of speed with Illinois plates," a trooper wrote in a report. "The vehicle failed to stop and a pursuit ensued."

Wodnicki's Ford Fusion was clocked at more than 100 mph at one point while the commander was on a cellphone, dispatch records show.

"Not stopping," a trooper reported. "On his cell phone. He is not stopping. Passing. Waved at me when I pulled up next to him."

State police deployed spike strips, but the commander stopped before driving over them, records show.

"Request supervisor come to the scene," a trooper reported. "This is a Chicago PD unit. ... Driver advised he was enroute to his office in Chicago."

The records show Wodnicki was detained by state police for about an hour before being released. He was ticketed for speeding. It was unclear why he was in Indiana.

Indiana State Police would not say why a trooper pulled over Wodnicki even though his car's blue emergency lights were activated. State police on Thursday referred all inquiries to Porter County prosecutors, who could not be reached for comment.

The Bureau of Internal Affairs is investigating the incident, according to police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

"Based on information received from the Indiana State Police regarding Commander Wodnicki, Chicago Police Superintendent Eddie Johnson has ordered an internal investigation into the entirety of a June 12, 2019 traffic stop," Guglielmi said in a statement.

Pending the review, Wodnicki has been reassigned to the Bureau of Technical Services, which oversees several administrative functions within the department. Wodnicki could not be reached for comment.

At the time of the traffic stop, Wodnicki was on his way to Area Central headquarters on Chicago's South Side to supervise an ongoing case, Guglielmi said. He could not specify what case it was.

"The superintendent's office requested Commander Wodnicki to oversee interviews about a recent death investigation," Guglielmi said. "Where he was in Indiana and all that part, the traffic stop itself, all of that will be a focus of the Internal Affairs investigation."

Wodnicki was recently in the news because he oversaw the investigation of Jussie Smollett. The "Empire" actor was charged in February with falsely reporting to police that he was the victim of a hate crime.

In late March, Wodnicki aired his frustrations to reporters after learning Cook County prosecutors dropped the charges against the actor in exchange for community service and forfeiture of $10,000 posted for bond.

"To get to this point now opens the door for people to say that we didn't do the job right," Wodnicki said. "It is absolutely a punch in the gut. We worked very, very closely throughout our three-week investigation to get to the point where we arrested the offender."

Chicago Tribune's Rosemary Sobol contributed.



Mike Ditka, Sister Rosemary Connelly and Misericordia residents and twins Paul, left, and Patrick P.

BUILDING COMMUNITY, FINDING ANSWERS

When Chicago football legend **Mike Ditka** met Sister Rosemary Connelly in 1982 and toured Misericordia's 31-acre North Side campus, his life was forever altered. Connelly, a Catholic Sister of Mercy, serves as the executive director of the residential care facility that provides compassionate care for more than 600 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. What he saw inspired his loyal support and friendship over the next several decades.

"The residents of Misericordia have an opportunity to live an extraordinary life," Ditka said. "And the care and love they get is unbelievable."

The Chicago Tribune, **the University of Chicago Medicine, Misericordia Heart of Mercy** and Ditka have joined together to raise awareness of the need for increased funding and support to provide compassionate care for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities and to expand neuroscience research into the causes of epilepsy, Alzheimer's disease and other disorders affecting the brain.

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Officials probe cause of crash near harbor

High water levels come under investigation

By Katherine Rosenberg-Douglas and Rosemary Sobol



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A boat remains capsized in Lake Michigan south of West Fullerton Parkway at the lakefront in Chicago on Thursday. A woman died and two other people were injured when the boat capsized after hitting a jetty, according to Chicago police.

Officials are investigating whether record-high water levels along the lakefront contributed to the crash of a motorboat that slammed into a jetty near Diversey Harbor early Thursday, killing a woman and injuring two of her friends.

The jetty, a narrow barrier that juts into Lake Michigan just south of Fullerton Avenue, was underwater when the 24-foot boat struck it around 1:55 a.m., capsizing the boat and throwing all three into the lake, according to Rachel Torbert, a spokeswoman for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

A 28-year-old woman from Vernon Hills and a 28-year-old man from Waukegan were taken to Illinois Masonic Medical Center, where they were stabilized. The third person, a 27-year-old woman also from Vernon Hills, was initially reported missing after the accident.

She was finally found and taken to Illinois Masonic, where she was pronounced dead.

Torbert said authorities do not know what led to the crash, but said they were looking into high water levels that have swamped the jetty and others along the lakefront, making them hard to see at night.

"Water levels may or may not have contributed to visibility of the jetty. That's something our officers are currently investigating," Torbert wrote in an email.

National Weather Service meteorologist Ricky Castro said water levels are nearly 3 feet higher than normal for this time in July. "It's really high, 31 inches above normal. It's actually tied for the all-time highest record set in 1986," Castro said.

"Things that are typically above the surface are obstructed by 3 feet of water," he added.

Other than that, conditions were generally favorable for boating around the time of the accident, and there were no warnings in effect or strong winds that would have caused high waves, he said.

An Army Corps of Engineers division in Chicago is responsible for jetties, breakwalls and other structures in the lake, but a spokeswoman for the local office could not immediately be reached.

Baseball

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Columbus Park coach Kabaris Haynes helps a player from the opposing Moore Park team with his technique during a scrimmage in June.

They raised more than $15,000, got companies to donate equipment and signed up volunteers from police stations, churches and local organizations. The 20 teams play every Saturday in parks across the West Side, in some of the most violent areas of the city.

"These are the kids that we are out here trying to protect," Austin District Sgt. Jermaine Harris explained one evening at another game, this one at Columbus Park, where the rumble of cars on the Eisenhower Expressway mixed with cheers from the stands.

"If we can do this on a baseball field, what stops us from doing it with anything else?" Harris said. "What stops us from working together to address violence? What stops us from working together to address the economic disadvantages?"

'Collaboration'

The idea for the league started at the end of last summer.

Harris had coached Little League baseball at Garfield Park for about a decade when a grant that paid for police youth programs in other parks was set to expire. Having seen his son and teammates grow up by playing on a team, he wondered how he could take baseball to more parks.

The boundaries of his Little League were much broader than Garfield Park, running from Kedzie Avenue to Austin Boulevard and North Avenue to Cermak Road. "How can we increase the reach?" he asked.

Harris happened to meet Stephanie Marquardt, executive director of City of Refuge Chicago, a nonprofit with a chapter on the West Side that says it "exists to bring light, hope and transformation to individuals and families."

He told her his thoughts about expanding baseball on the West Side. Before long, City of Refuge took the lead on the necessary paperwork, obtaining equipment, training coaches and meeting other requirements for organizing the teams under the Westside Police and Youth Sports Conference.

Harris called Marquardt the mastermind. But she countered, "We wouldn't be instrumental if we didn't have collaboration."

Over the winter, she and Harris looked for partners among churches, local organizations and police officers — what Marquardt called the "three-legged stool."

Marquardt estimates they raised more than $15,000, while companies like Easton and several organizations like The Sports Shed donated gear. Officers in four police districts volunteered to work with the teams.

"Everyone wants to offer some presence," Harris said. "If we are just out there standing around guarding things, it's not as efficient as when we are out here guarding and building."

Because of the donations and volunteers, the league was free to join. Enough kids signed up for 20 teams. Opening day was June 8, after the long, wet spring cleared up.

Following Little League tradition, lines of kids marched to Garfield Park as they chanted "Our summer, our city!" Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts posed for pictures as kids rushed around waving freshly signed paperwork. Spectators crowded the fields.

"It was just joyful," Marquardt recalled.

Since then, the league has flourished. The teams are based out of six parks: Columbus, Moore, Garfield, Kells, Franklin and La Follette. They practice on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and play games on Saturday mornings and sometimes Thursday evenings.

"Man, it feels like things are changing," said coach Wilkerson, who remembers when he used to play ball at Moore Park. "That's a good feeling to know that we are bringing baseball back."

More than answering 911 calls

The number of Chicago children exposed to gun violence is alarming. Nearly 60% of city kids younger than 5 lived in a community that had at least three homicides in 2018, according to an Erikson Institute analysis released this month.

The institute, which specializes in child development, warned that children exposed to chronic violence can become fearful, demonstrate aggression, anxiety, depression and sadness and have difficulty feeling secure.

The league's teams draw from neighborhoods that bear the brunt of gun violence. The Harrison District, a large chunk of the West Side, logged 434 shootings last year, according to numbers kept by the Tribune. This year, through the beginning of July, the district already had 161 shootings.

Hundreds of shooting victims across the city every year are between 10 and 17, according to numbers kept by the Tribune. So far this year, six people younger than 10 have been shot.

"We are only going to go to 911 calls. ... We are only going to go to things that are bad, unless we seek out the good," Harris said. "And we have to do that intentionally."

One of the backers of the league, former Soft Sheen President Gary Gardner, said the sports conference shows how police on the West Side have gotten "in front of problems."

"They really know their community," said Gardner, whose foundation contributed to the league, while watching a recent game. "As opposed to reacting, you know, when things go wrong. You have to give people hope before they turn to something else."

The idea is to work on developing skills that kids will need to make decisions with serious repercussions: Should they hold a gun for a someone, should they get in a car with someone, should they go somewhere? "Decisions you can't play with," as Harris puts it.

"This is a game — winning or losing doesn't matter," he said. "In real life, that's what matters.

"They are not going to remember how many hits they had or what game they lost. They are going to remember their friends. They are going to remember their memories."

'Be coachable'

Harris believes he already is seeing some progress.

Looking ahead, he hopes the conference can spread across the city. In the fall, organizers plan on offering another sport — perhaps soccer — to keep the momentum going.

At the recent baseball game at Moore Park, coaches kept sportsmanship, effort and teamwork at the forefront while warming up.

"Be coachable," a woman yelled at her son.

"It teaches them to be competitive but it also teaches teamwork," Lee Ann Eiland said as she watched her 9-year-old son Josiah listen to a coach on the field. Her 14-year-old daughter also plays.

"Usually it is really hard to get my kid out of the house, but I can say it's baseball practice and he'll say, 'Oh,' and get ready."

For Wilkerson, who grew up in Austin, coaching lines up perfectly with what he believes in: "It is deeper than me just coaching a baseball game. ... (It's) using baseball to teach life skills and build character, and that'll spread right through the community.

"In life, the reason why baseball is the ultimate sport is you can be the best at what you can do, but you are always going to need someone to help you win," he said. "You are going to have good days, you are going to have bad days."

Among those Wilkerson coaches is his 5-year-old son Aamir. At a recent game, Aamir struck out several players as his teammates cheered from all corners of the diamond.

Aamir says he likes playing because "it's fun" and he gets to learn new positions. "I could be for the Cubs," he said.

Wilkerson looked down and said, "Dream big."

Chicago Tribune's Nausheen Husain contributed.

Robbery

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grand jury did not rely upon their mistaken belief that the teller had identified Mr. Cobb as the robber in making a finding of probable cause and deciding to indict. That prejudices Mr. Cobb and the only remedy for that is to dismiss the indictment."

It was a rare rebuke for the U.S. attorney's office, which is one of the busiest federal prosecutor offices in the nation and handles hundreds of grand jury investigations every year.

A spokesman for U.S. Attorney John Lausch had no comment.

According to the charges, Cobb, now 65, walked into the American Metro Bank near Broadway and Lawrence Avenue during the lunch hour on Sept. 23, 2016, and waited in line before handing a teller a piece of paper that said, "Give me the money."



Carmel Cobb

The teller told the FBI she froze and "just stared" at the robber, who said he had a gun and would shoot if she did not give him the money, court records show. After she continued to stare at him, he took the note back and walked out of the bank.

In an interview soon after the incident, the teller described the robber as "black and Asian," about 40 to 43 with Asian-looking eyes, a thin mustache and a missing front tooth, according to court records. She also said the robber was wearing a mustard-colored, short-sleeved shirt and dark pants, and smelled of cigarette smoke.

Two weeks later, the teller was shown a photographic lineup by the FBI. After looking at six photographs in sequence, she was asked by an agent if she wanted to see any of the images again.

The woman asked to see photo No. 4, an arrest photo of Cobb from 2003. The teller said that photo "looked most like the subject" in comparison with the others but went on to "definitively say that the man depicted was not the bank robber," Cobb's attorneys, Ellen Domph and Blaire Dalton, wrote in a pretrial motion earlier this year.

Specifically, the woman commented that the robber's eyes "were more Asian in appearance" than the person in the photo. He also had smaller ears and a thinner mustache, according to the defense filing.

When the case was brought to the grand jury in 2017, however, the sole witness, the FBI agent handling the investigation, was asked, "Did the teller identify the photo of Carmel Cobb as the robber?"

The agent answered, "Yes," according to the testimony quoted in court by the judge and attorneys.

The agent later clarified that the teller wasn't able to make a positive identification because the robber "had different facial hair and appeared to look more Asian."

But Cobb's attorneys said the damage had been done.

"It's an exclusion. It's not an equivocation," Dalton said in arguing last month for the indictment to be dismissed. "Even with the government's trying to clean it up, (the prosecutor) should have cleaned it up by saying, 'Hold on. You misspoke, didn't you? She actually excluded Mr. Cobb.'"

The lead prosecutor, Assistant U.S. Attorney Vikas Didwania, disagreed, saying the error was unintentional and that the grand jury had plenty of other evidence pointing to Cobb as the robber, including surveillance camera images and statements from another eyewitness who saw the suspect fleeing the scene.

"Obviously, going back, I wish it had been different," Didwania told the judge, according to the transcript. "We should have just walked it through step by step, but in our view, it's not necessarily an incorrect statement and is certainly not even reckless."

Didwania has since left the U.S. attorney's office for unrelated reasons, according to an office spokesman.

In dismissing the indictment, Ellis acknowledged that prosecutors were still free to seek to re-charge Cobb — and in all likelihood would do so. No new charges have been filed as of Thursday.

In telling Cobb he was free to go, Ellis also had a warning.

"One of the reasons that you've been in custody is because of your issues with addiction, and I believe at this point you've been in custody now almost a year, right?" Ellis asked Cobb, according to the transcript.

Cobb replied that it had been more than a year, and he was "absolutely" clean.

"So stay clean," the judge said.

"I think I can do that," Cobb replied.

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TRUMP COULD POSE THE GREATEST THREAT TO AMERICA.

McConnell is a close second as his enabler.



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The most powerful politician in Washington will be up for reelection next year. No, we're not talking about Donald Trump. We're talking about the man who makes sure Trump gets whatever he wants.

As the Senate majority leader, Mitch McConnell has been among Trump's most adept enablers. Without McConnell, Trump's first three years in office would have been indisputably deemed a colossal failure. In fact, the president might have been impeached by now.

It should come as no surprise that Democrats have set their sights on McConnell for defeat in 2020. It is a mighty mission, requiring the precision of skilled combatant who knows what it's like to go to war.

For this job, they have chosen a fighter pilot — 44-year-old retired Marine Lt. Col. Amy McGrath. During her 20 years in the Marine Corps, she became the first female to fly an F/A-18 combat jet on a mission. Her resume is impressively heroic, having dropped bombs on al-Qaida and the Taliban in Afghanistan and Iraq.

No question about it, McGrath is a kick-butt contender. But in solidly red Kentucky, the state that has sent McConnell to Washington for six terms, even someone as tough as McGrath might not be able to stop him from winning a seventh.

So as the rest of us in America sit back, relaxing in our recliners, some might wonder why anyone should spend a moment of their time worrying about what voters in Kentucky might do. Unfortunately, McConnell doesn't only affect Kentucky. As the Senate majority leader, he's America's problem.

Let's consider what McConnell has done for our country. He has singlehandedly stopped Democrats in their tracks, dashing the hopes of any bipartisan resolutions to important issues such as immigration, health care reform and climate change. And he has abused that power consistently.

He has made a career of advancing political partisanship, and he is, perhaps more than anyone else, responsible for creating and sustaining the current environment of extreme polarization that cuddles Trump in its bosom.

McConnell takes pride in labels like the "Grim Reaper" and "Darth Vader," which he has bestowed on himself for stubbornly refusing to move any legislation from the Democratic-controlled House to the Senate floor. In doing so, he has protected Trump from having to make the politically damaging move of vetoing popular legislation if it happened to somehow make it to his desk.

If you live in this country, and you are not a wealthy white, conservative male, McConnell has made it clear that he is out to get you. He has targeted you for extinction, and he is betting on voters in Kentucky to allow him to see it through.

If you are a "Dreamer," McConnell has come for you. Before anyone in the Senate had a chance to think through recently passed House legislation offering a path to citizenship for beneficiaries of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, McConnell announced that the bill likely would never come up for a vote.

If you are a registered voter who believes in free and fair elections, McConnell has come for you. He has refused to advance legislation in the Senate that would make it easier for Americans to vote. And he has adamantly opposed stricter campaign finance regulations that would put limits on big-money financing.

If you are a working woman, McConnell has come for you. He ignored the Paycheck Fairness Act approved earlier this year by the House. The bill would help close the wage gap between men and women by forcing employers to demonstrate that salaries are based on factors such as education or experience, rather than an employee's sex.

If you are a victim of a shooting or have lost someone to gun violence, McConnell has come for you. He refuses to allow legislation mandating universal background checks for gun sales to come up for a vote in the Senate. The measure has garnered the bipartisan support from urban areas to suburbia, including survivors of the mass shooting at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla.

If you rely on Social Security and Medicare, McConnell surely would come for you if he thought he could get away with it.

And if you believe that no one, including the president, is above the law, McConnell is waiting for a chance to come for you too. Any move to impeach Trump for alleged obstruction of justice during the Russia probe certainly would hit a stone wall in the Senate. Even if Democrats began impeachment proceedings in the House, McConnell would undoubtedly stop a Senate trial from taking place.

If you want to know who McConnell really is, take a look at what he has done during his tenure. He had no qualms about shepherding through a tax cut that exclusively benefited the wealthy. He knows how to look out for the big-money supporters who have his back.

But his primary goal is to hold the Democratic agenda at bay. If there's any doubt about that, consider what he told the National Journal on the eve of the 2010 midterm elections, two years into Barack Obama's first term.

"The single most important thing we want to achieve is for President Obama to be a one-term president," he said.

He failed at that. Getting rid of a sitting president is harder than some might think.

Many Americans find McConnell as repulsive as Trump. But getting rid of the Senate majority leader in a state that Trump carried by 30 percentage points in 2016 likely would be tougher than kicking Trump out of the White House.

Unfortunately, no one knows that better than McConnell.

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'They died a horrible death'

Animal cruelty charges filed against operator of kennel where 29 dogs perished in fire

BY CLIFFORD WARD AND ROBERT MCCOPPIN

Citing "cruel and inhumane conditions," DuPage County authorities Thursday announced misdemeanor animal cruelty charges against the operator of a kennel where 29 dogs died in a fire in January.



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Owner Garrett Mercado is reunited with Capone outside DuPage County Animal Control in January, after a fire at a West Chicago-area kennel.

Garrett Mercado, 29, of Woodridge, was arrested Wednesday after a six-month investigation of the fire at the Bully Life Animal Services kennel in an unincorporated area near West Chicago and Carol Stream. He was charged with 14 counts of animal cruelty, along with 14 counts of violating his duties as an animal owner.

Mercado had 58 dogs in his care, with many stacked on top of one another in crates not intended to hold an animal for a long period of time, State's Attorney Robert Berlin said at a Thursday news conference.

"These dogs lived in cruel and inhumane conditions, and they died a horrible death," Berlin said.

Authorities said in May that the fire's origin could not be determined, though it did not appear to have been intentionally set. The fire prompted passage last month of state legislation aimed at improving kennel safety.

Mercado, Berlin said, "failed miserably" in discharging his duties as the kennel operator. Many of the crates did not have trays to catch waste, so dogs in the upper cages relieved themselves on dogs in the lower cages, Berlin said.

Authorities say numerous dogs at the kennel suffered mistreatment, suffering puncture wounds, cuts, weight loss and dehydration.

"It's truly sad to see any dog treated in this manner," Sheriff James Mendrick said.

Mercado was not at the kennel, which was near North Avenue and County Farm Road, when the fire broke out about 5 a.m. on Jan. 14. A passing sheriff's deputy saw the blaze and was able to enter and release more than 20 dogs.

In the aftermath of the fire, the number of dead dogs had been put at 31, but officials Thursday said the number was 29.

Mercado was taken into custody Wednesday night and released after posting a $5,000 cash bond Thursday. His next court date is Aug. 12. He faces up to a year in the county jail if convicted.

Reached by phone for comment Thursday, Mercado said he was busy and would call back, but he had not done so by late afternoon.

Berlin said felony charges were considered but that Mercado ultimately was charged based on the evidence gathered during the investigation.

Lawmakers in June passed a measure requiring kennel operators to either staff the facility at all times or install either fire sprinklers or a fire alarm system to notify local emergency responders in case of a fire.

Mercado, a self-taught trainer who worked with rescue dogs, had an apartment on the second floor of the kennel, formerly known as D&D Kennels. In a Tribune profile of Mercado after the fire, his work was praised by some rescue groups with whom he worked. But others thought his DuPage County business had become too big for him to handle.

Mercado's kennel licensing was in good order at the time of the fire, but authorities said the facility was in a filthy condition during inspections in the year before the fire broke out.

The Illinois Department of Agriculture, which oversees dog kennels, did not sanction Mercado for the fire or living conditions at the kennel, but his license to operate the kennel expired in June, department spokeswoman Krista Lisser said.

Department officials could deny a kennel license to a person convicted of a felony, but Mercado is charged only with misdemeanors. Licenses are not required to be a dog trainers in most instances.

DuPage County Animal Control officials said someone had donated a marble bench in memory of the dogs that will be dedicated at the animal control facility in Wheaton, probably sometime in August.

Chicago Tribune's John Keilman contributed.

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The impact of a governor candidate's first impression of a female reporter



Heidi Stevens
Balancing Act

Mississippi governor hopeful Robert Foster has made a depressing calculation.

The first-term Republican state representative, running to be his party's nominee in the Aug. 6 primary, turned down a Mississippi Today reporter's request to accompany him while he campaigns. (The news site is shadowing each of the candidates in the run-up to the election.)

It's not the press he minds. It's that the press, in this case, is female.

"In two phone calls this week, Colton Robison, Foster's campaign director, said a male colleague would need to accompany this reporter on an upcoming 15-hour campaign trip because they believed the optics of the candidate with a woman, even a working reporter, could be used in a smear campaign to insinuate an extramarital affair," Mississippi Today reporter Larrison Campbell reported Tuesday.

Campbell is no stranger to Foster's campaign. She broke the story of his becoming the first Republican to announce a bid for governor in December, she writes, and interviewed him on more than one occasion, "in the halls of the Capitol, over the phone and at events."

Mississippi Today declined Foster's request to assign Campbell a male escort.

"My editor and I agreed the request was sexist and an unnecessary use of resources given this reporter's experience covering Mississippi politics," Campbell wrote. "He reiterated that the campaign couldn't agree unless a male colleague was present — this despite my offering to wear a Mississippi Today press badge in plain view at all times."

So a candidate vying for a job serving his state's 2.9 million people — half of whom are female — has decided he has a better chance of getting elected if he freezes out women than he does if he's photographed working near one.

Oof.

By Wednesday morning, the story started gaining national attention, and Foster doubled down.

"Once again, the liberal left and Hollywood are attacking someone for their integrity, professionalism, and Christian beliefs," Foster wrote on his Facebook page Wednesday. "They aren't just attacking me. They are attacking the countless Mississippians who also share these values. All the more reason we need someone leading Mississippi who will safeguard our traditional and conservative values."

(One could argue Foster is attacking the intelligence of countless Mississippians by assuming they would fall for a hypothetical smear campaign in which a working reporter wearing press credentials is misrepresented as an extramarital fling.)

Also Wednesday, Foster told Mississippi Today, "I am confident that a majority of Mississippians understand that this isn't about gender discrimination, rather a personal conviction. I am a God-fearing man devoted to my wife and even though having a ride along with me wouldn't be in itself immoral, the Bible teaches us to refrain from the appearance of impropriety. That's what I did, and I'm sticking to my guns."

By Wednesday evening, he tweeted, "I will not be intimidated into a corner of silence by a group of radical Socialists and Communists whose goal in life is to dismantle America. In fact, I'm looking forward to fighting their radical, left-wing agenda."

That escalated quickly.

I don't want to dismantle America, but I do wonder how Foster would govern. The risk of being photographed in the presence of a woman would multiply exponentially were he tasked with leading his state.

What if a female business leader, a female lobbyist, a female state representative, a female education policy expert, a female health policy expert, a female fellow governor (Oregon, Michigan, New Mexico, Rhode Island, Maine, Iowa, South Dakota, Kansas and Alabama all have them), a female faith leader, a female prison reform advocate, a female first responder, a female gun-control advocate, a female gun-rights advocate, a female biographer, a female land-use expert, a female ecologist, a female sports team (sorry, couldn't resist) wants to visit the executive office?

Would Foster simply refuse to meet with them? Would he request male escorts? Would he attempt to lead a state with no input or feedback or representation from women, unless those women were accompanied by men?

I guess he'll cross that bridge if he comes to it.

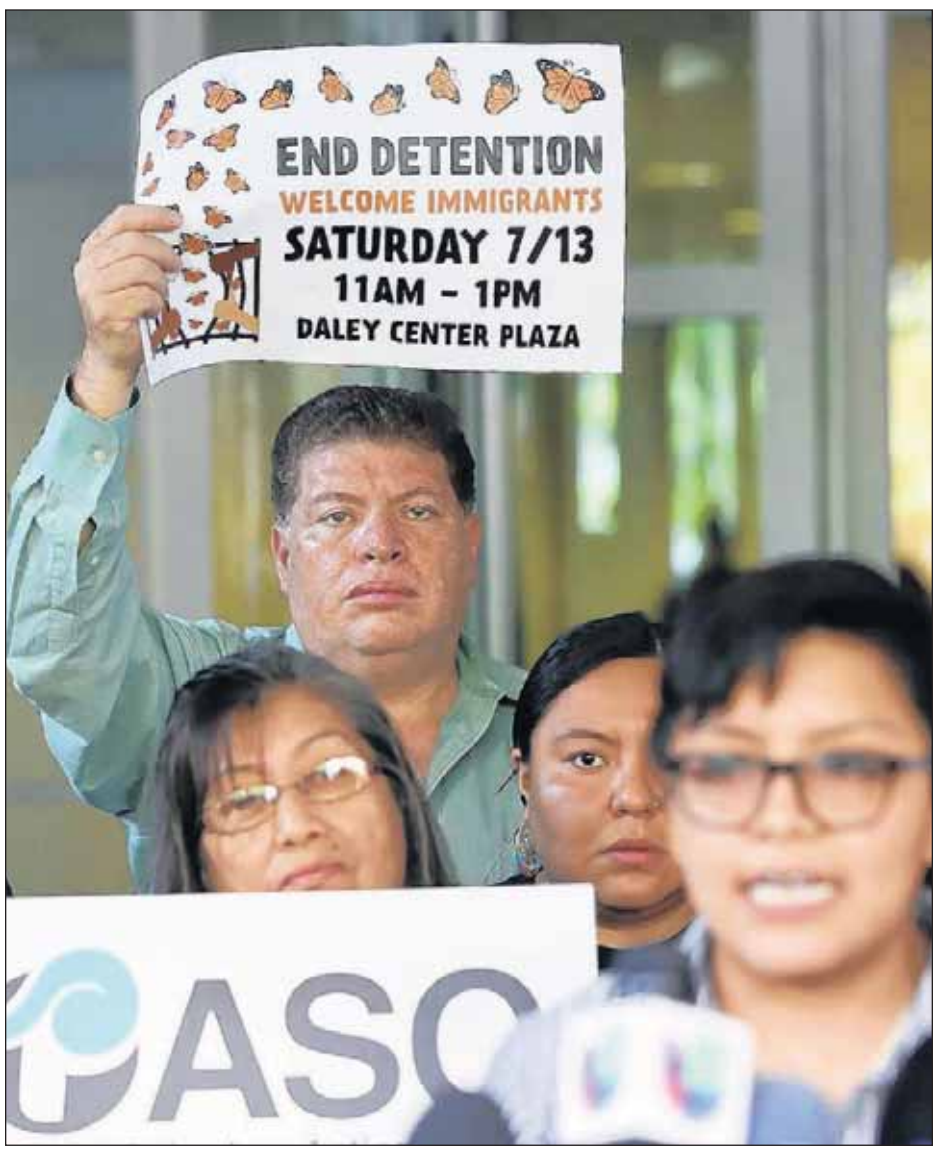
Something in the air — the fact that Vice President Mike Pence has publicly stated he won't dine alone with women, the fact that 60% of male managers have acknowledged they're uncomfortable mentoring or working alone with women, the fact that conversations about #MeToo are almost always accompanied by conversations about #MeToo backlash — has him convinced this is a worthy gamble.

I hope it's a miscalculation. I hope Mississippians can see past his persecuted-by-the-Communists act and consider, when they head to the polls, whether a candidate who sees a female reporter and thinks, "Sex scandal trap!" would represent, listen to and fight for all of his state's residents.

And I hope folks following along outside of Mississippi — deciding how to run their businesses, lead in their workplaces, interact with their fellow humans — understand that a binary existence that cuts off half the world's talents, ideas, contributions, questions, answers, feedback and lived experiences will get us nowhere fast.

At least nowhere we need to go.

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Demonstrators hold placards as Rey Wences, an activist from Organized Communities Against Deportations, addresses reporters during a news conference on Thursday.

Raids

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cards and said they're staffing hotlines and lining up legal assistance for anyone who is targeted.

"Our communities have been in constant fear of detention, deportation and family separation," said Evelyn Venegas Cuzco of the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights.

The operation is similar to ones conducted regularly since 2003 that often produce hundreds of arrests. It is slightly unusual to target families, as opposed to immigrants with criminal histories, but it's not unprecedented. The Obama and Trump administrations have targeted families in previous operations.

But this latest effort is notable because of the politics swirling around it.

Trump announced on Twitter last month that the sweep would mark the beginning of a push to deport millions of people in the country illegally, a near-impossibility given the resources of ICE, which makes the arrests and carries out deportation orders.

Then he abruptly canceled the operation while lawmakers worked to pass a $4.6 billion border aid package. Plus, details had leaked and authorities worried about the safety of ICE officers.

Lightfoot said Thursday morning the country needs comprehensive immigration reform and she hopes Trump can use his power to "forge a solution that has eluded other presidents."

Though Lightfoot has said repeatedly that Chicago police won't cooperate with or facilitate ICE enforcement actions, immigration activists urged her on Thursday to sign an executive order to that effect.

Asked Thursday whether she'll do that, Lightfoot said: "What we are working on is doing everything we can to push back against what the Trump administration is doing."

The mayor also praised the city's lawsuit against the Justice Department over the administration attempting to take money from sanctuary cities and said the city would take more steps, "not just in an executive order but legislatively to address the exceptions to the Welcoming City ordinance."

The activists say they've had discussions with the mayor's office since Trump first announced the wide-scale raids weeks ago. They propose language for an executive order that would prohibit Chicago police from transferring someone into immigration custody unless there is a "properly issued criminal warrant." The proposed order would also prohibit the U.S. Department of Homeland Security from having access to the Police Department's electronic databases, though other federal agencies could presumably access the same information.

Rey Wences, an activist from Organized Communities against Deportations, said the group met with Lightfoot's office as recently as this week but hadn't gotten a response as to why the mayor hasn't signed an order, despite her comments suggesting she agrees with the group's proposal.

"What we know is talk is cheap and words are not enough," Wences said during a news conference outside ICE's office.

Chicago Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th, who was also at Thursday's news conference, said the Welcoming City ordinance has holes in the language that leave the door open for Chicago police to work with ICE. This is why advocates are pushing for the executive order, he said.

"Mayor Lightfoot has the power to do that, and ultimately we need something that has the weight of the law that will defend our community," Ramirez-Rosa said after the news conference.

Advocates are expecting thousands of people to attend a rally at Daley Plaza at 11 a.m. Saturday. Organizers say several people will share personal stories before the group marches to the ICE office at 101 W. Ida B. Wells Drive.

"People are outraged by what's happening, not only at border cities but other places in the country, and want to stand up to support immigrants," said Marj Halperin, a spokesperson for the rally.

Ruth Lopez-McCarthy, an attorney with the National Immigrant Justice Center, urged immigrants to know their rights ahead of the proposed raids.

Anyone who encounters a federal immigration agent, no matter their legal status, can remain silent, doesn't have to open the door to an ICE agent and can walk away if they aren't under arrest, she told the crowd.

"This (federal) administration may not believe so but every person in this country has the right to due process and has a right to be represented by an attorney," Lopez-McCarthy said. "... You are not alone, and we will push back and fight for our communities."

PASO, the West Suburban Action Project, works with immigrant communities in the suburbs and the group has a network in place to inform one another if ICE agents show up in their neighborhoods, said Estela Vara, a senior organizer for the group.

"The community in Illinois is ready and organized to respond to attacks from the president and ICE, and we won't allow more injustices," Vara said in Spanish.

What happens if someone is detained and placed into immigration custody is complicated, Lopez-McCarthy said. It doesn't necessarily mean the person will be deported because there are legal remedies attorneys can attempt to halt the process, but that varies on a case-by-case basis, Lopez-McCarthy said after the news conference.

ICE said in a statement that it would not discuss specifics about enforcement operations.

"As always, ICE prioritizes the arrest and removal of unlawfully present aliens who pose a threat to national security, public safety and border security," ICE said.

Lightfoot also spoke of rights immigrants have to resist deportation, and of the anxiety in Chicago's immigrant community.

"What's most distressing to me is the fear in the hearts and in the eyes of children. ... I've heard young people speaking about the fear that they have that when they go off to school, they may be coming home to an empty house because their parents may have been taken away by ICE," she said. "That is the real tangible harm that is being done."

Amid public outcry over news last month that ICE would launch large-scale raids across the country in major cities, including Chicago, Lightfoot stopped in the Little Village and Uptown neighborhoods to speak out against proposed deportations.

Even after Trump tweeted that he would delay the raids, Lightfoot marched through Uptown's Asia on Argyle corridor and nearby Broadway, stopping at restaurants and bakeries to talk with residents and hand out know-your-rights flyers.

As she walked through the neighborhood, residents stopped her for selfies and hugs.

"This is a race to the bottom for (Trump)," Lightfoot said. "He's trying to galvanize his shrinking base at the expense of terrorizing our immigrant communities."

Standing against Trump's immigration policies is important, Lightfoot said last month, because "every one of us has come from someplace else."

"This president has targeted every single community that doesn't stand for the same values that he has. I'm a black lesbian married with a wife and child. I came from a poor, working-class family," Lightfoot said. "Every demographic that I am and that I care about has been under attack for the last 3½ years."

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Gas main break leads to Far S. Side evacuations

By Liam Ford and Javonte Anderson

Homes and a school were evacuated after a city construction crew hit a gas line in the Burnside neighborhood Thursday morning, officials said.

A construction crew for the city's Department of Water Management hit the line in the 600 block of East 91st Place about 8:40 a.m., Fire Department spokesman Larry Merritt said. There were no reported injuries, he said.

The crew inadvertently hit a 4-inch gas main, said Megan Vidis, a water department spokeswoman.

Fire crews testing air in nearby homes had not yet found traces of natural gas in them, but residents of the surrounding area were being evacuated, Merritt said. A school across the street from where the gas line was hit also was evacuated, a police spokeswoman said.

Peoples Gas was notified and immediately dispatched crews to the scene, said Matt Krecun, a company spokesman. The gas main was secured around 10:15 a.m., he said.

The gas of nine affected customers will be turned back on once repairs are complete.

Worker dies at Northwest Side car wash

Chicago Tribune

A man died after he was crushed by machinery at a car wash where he worked in the Jefferson Park neighborhood on the Northwest Side, according to Chicago police.

The accident happened shortly before 10 p.m. Wednesday in the 4800 block of West Lawrence Avenue, police said. The 45-year-old man was taken to Illinois Masonic Medical Center, where he was pronounced dead.

Police did not release details of the accident.



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US must lead, or 'chaos will prevail'

Dem contenders begin outlining policy ideas

News services

NEW YORK — Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden promised Thursday to end "forever wars" and reassert American leadership to combat authoritarianism and global instability he says are proliferating under President Donald Trump.

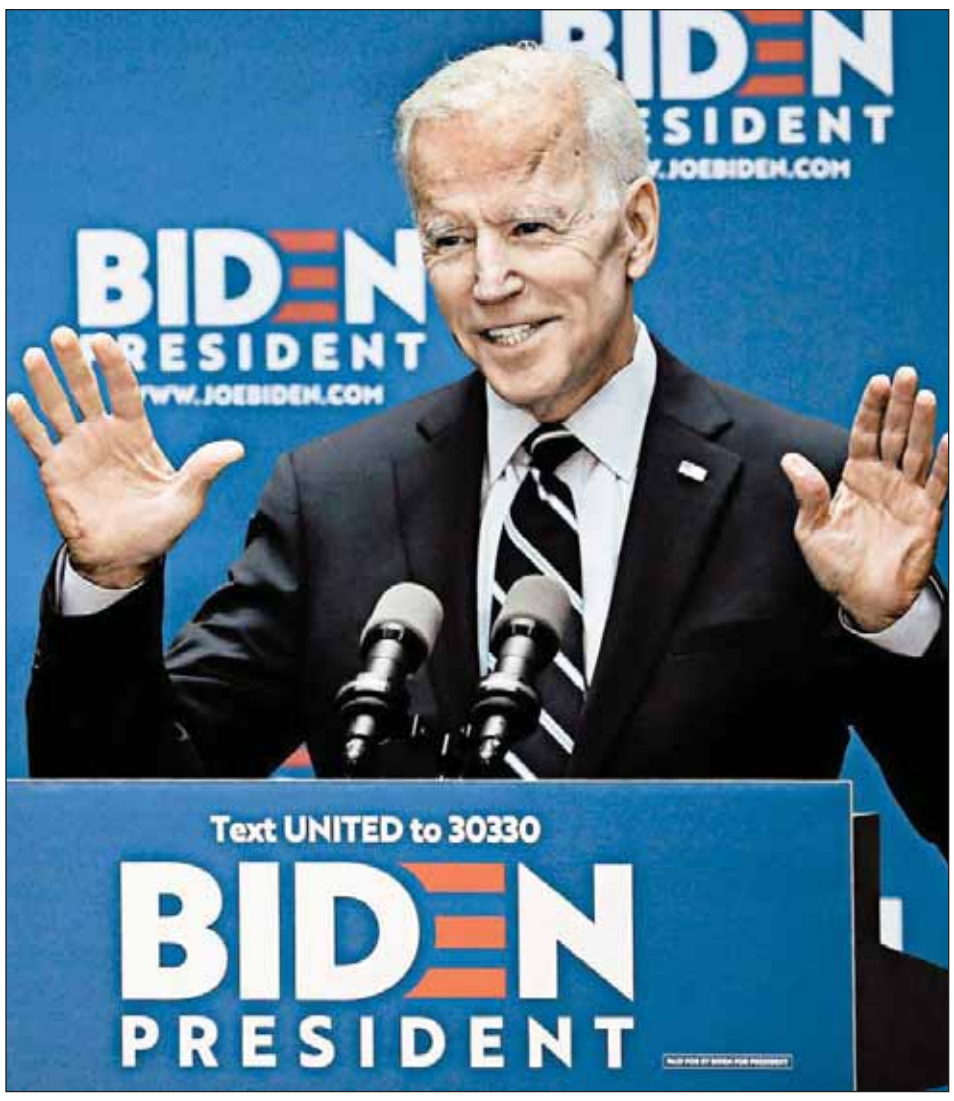
Biden outlined his foreign policy vision in a speech in New York, indicting Trump's "America first" approach as belligerent, short-sighted, incompetent and ultimately threatening to U.S. interests and democracy across the world.

"The world's democracies look to America to stand for the values that unite us. ... Donald Trump seems to be on the other team," Biden said, hammering the president for "embracing dictators who appeal to his vanity" and emboldening a worldwide rise of nationalism, xenophobia and isolationism.

Biden emphasized the urgency for U.S-led global alliances to combat the climate crisis, forge new trade agreements to create a more even international economy and to recommit to nuclear proliferation.

If the U.S. doesn't lead those efforts, Biden said, "rest assured, some nation will step into the vacuum — or no one will, and chaos will prevail."

The speech reflects Biden's belief that his decades of foreign policy experience — 36 years in the Senate and two terms as second-in-command to President Barack Obama — are an asset both in the crowded Democratic primary and against Trump. But that long record also subjects the former vice president to substantial criticisms from the left and the right, particularly from progressives who cast Biden, 76, as a willing cog in a more hawkish, bipartisan establishment that has guided world affairs for generations.



BEBETO MATTHEWS/AP

Joe Biden spoke Thursday about combating global instability under President Trump.

Biden did not mention his support for the 2003 invasion of Iraq under President George W. Bush, a vote that hampered Biden's brief 2007 presidential campaign and continues to draw criticism from rivals, including Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders and Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, who both voted against the action as House members.

His promise to stop "forever wars" also came with qualification; he called for removing most combat troops from Afghanistan in favor of "narrowly focusing our mission" in the region.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren on Thursday called for remaking two of the country's immigration enforcement agencies "from top to bottom" and establishing independent immigration courts, and she reiterated her support for decriminalizing border crossings in a wide-ranging plan to overhaul the country's immigration process.

The plan puts Warren, a Massachusetts Democrat running for president, firmly on the liberal side of the immigration debate. Her announcement comes as many Democratic voters are angered by reports of squalid conditions in U.S. border facilities, the separation of children from parents and President Trump's threats to deport "millions."

Other Democratic 2020 presidential contenders have also offered far-reaching immigration proposals, including Sen. Cory Booker of New Jersey, who wants to close detention facilities with subpar conditions, and former Obama administration housing secretary Julián Castro, who first pushed for decriminalizing illegal border crossings.

Still much of the Warren proposal is framed as reversing actions taken by Trump, whom she blames for creating a hostile environment to migrants as a political strategy.



CHARLES KRUPA/AP

Elizabeth Warren called for remaking immigration enforcement agencies.



AMY HARRIS/INVISION

Pete Buttigieg touted an "investment in the empowerment of black America."

"Donald Trump wants to divide us — to pit worker against worker, neighbor against neighbor," Warren wrote in her plan. "We can be better than this. Americans know that immigrants helped weave the very fabric of our country in the past — and they know that immigrants belong here today."

Much of Warren's immigration proposal would be enacted by executive action, a nod to the difficulty of passing immigration legislation through a bitterly divided Congress.

Mayor Pete Buttigieg of South Bend, Indiana, on Thursday rolled out an ambitious policy plan to "dismantle racist structures and systems" in the United States, proposing changes to the country's health, education and criminal justice systems that he hoped would amount to "a comprehensive investment in the empowerment of black America."

Dubbed the Douglass Plan, after abolitionist and activist Frederick Douglass, the plan is similar to what Buttigieg outlined a month ago in an op-ed for the Charleston Chronicle in South Carolina. "We have lived in the shadow of systemic racism for too long," Buttigieg said in a statement, citing a rise in white nationalism, a growing economic gap between black and white workers and worse health outcomes for African Americans in the United States. Those disparities "should make us all wonder how the richest country on Earth can allow this to happen under our noses."

The 18-page plan includes proposals to establish health equity programs; award a quarter of all government contracts to minority business owners; reduce the incarceration rate by half at the federal and state levels; and "massively increase federal resources" for Title I schools.

Some of his proposals — increasing federal resources by $25 billion for historically black colleges and universities and other minority institutions; issuing new regulations to diversify the teaching profession; and setting a goal to triple the number of black entrepreneurs within a decade — are targeted specifically at minority communities.

Buttigieg likened the Douglass Plan in scope and ambition to "the Marshall Plan that rebuilt Europe after World War II."

Associated Press and The Washington Post contributed.

At his social media summit, Trump dusts off claim of bias

By Tony Romm
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump assailed Facebook, Google and Twitter on Thursday for exhibiting "terrible bias" and silencing his supporters at a White House "social media summit" that critics chastised for giving a prominent stage to some of the internet's most controversial, incendiary voices.

For Trump, the conference represented his highest profile broadside yet against Silicon Valley after months of accusations that tech giants censor conservative users and websites. In doing so, the president, , entering the 2020 presidential election, also sought to rally his widely followed online allies, whom he described as "journalists and influencers" that together can reach half a billion people.

"Some of you are extraordinary. The crap you think of is unbelievable," Trump said.

Trump delivered his winding diatribe against Facebook, Google and Twitter — charges of political bias that all three companies long have denied — at an event at the White House featuring Republican lawmakers, GOP campaign strategists and social-media meme makers, a move that led some critics to express dismay that the president actually aimed to use the policy summit as a re-election push.



EVAN VUCCI/AP

President Donald Trump addressed social media provocateurs on Thursday.

But Democratic lawmakers and watchdog groups said they were most alarmed that Trump had invited supporters who have a history of targeting the president's political opponents with inflammatory tweets, misleading videos and conspiracy theories. At one point, the president praised James O'Keefe, the founder of Project Veritas, which has released widely criticized, highly edited videos of his subjects.

"Somebody said he's controversial," Trump said. "He's truthful."

In response, critics fretted that Trump had essentially endorsed their controversial tactics in the early days of the 2020 presidential race.

"This has the appearance not of a social media summit but a political rally and call for the right," said Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va. "The fact that some of the most extreme voices on social media are coming to the White House, and they get a forum to complain about how often they're retweeted, and that the actual platform companies aren't even invited, smacks of the absurd."

The Southern Poverty Law Center, meanwhile, charged that the president is "essentially conducting a hate summit at the White House," said Heidi Beirich, director of the group's work to track online extremism.

Facebook, Google and Twitter declined comment.

For much of the summit, Twitter appeared to be down, an outage the company said it was investigating. Outside the gathering, Trump's aides lined the hallways with poster boards calling attention to the tech industry's alleged tactics for suppressing conservatives' speech — along with at least one tweet from Trump himself calling him "the best" at using the service.

And Trump threatened additional scrutiny, promising to bring big tech companies to Washington for a meeting while directing federal agencies to explore "all regulatory and legislative solutions to protect free speech."

Trump has skewered Facebook, Google and Twitter for months on allegations that they're biased against conservatives, even accusing them of trying to rig the election. In March, for example, he said the companies had engaged in "collusion" and worked in opposition to a "certain group of people that happen to be in power, that happen to have won the election."

Trump has not provided evidence for his allegations that the tech companies seek to undermine Republicans or U.S. elections, and some of the examples he's cited to illustrate the industry's bias have been debunked. For example, the president has accused Twitter of tampering with his follower count, a charge he repeated Thursday. The company long has said that users with large followings often experience fluctuations as Twitter removes spam.

Some of the conservatives that Trump consulted Thursday have adopted controversial tactics on social media — and even have been disciplined by Facebook, Google or Twitter for running afoul of their rules. That includes O'Keefe and Project Veritas, whose secretly recorded video of Google drew Trump's praise Thursday.

Other attendees included Ali Alexander, who sent the initial, inflammatory tweet questioning whether Sen. Kamala Harris of California, a Democratic presidential candidate, is actually an "American black."

House panel authorizes a dozen subpoenas tied to Mueller report

By Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House Judiciary Committee voted Thursday to authorize subpoenas for 12 people mentioned in special counsel Robert Mueller's report, including President Donald Trump's son-in-law, Jared Kushner, and former Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

The panel also voted to authorize subpoenas for documents and testimony related to Trump's handling of immigration, including on the separation of migrant families at the southern border. The resolution authorizes an investigation into whether there have been any discussions of Trump offering pardons to Homeland Security officials who work on immigration issues.

Judiciary Chairman Jerrold Nadler, D-N.Y., will make the final decision about issuing the subpoenas and has said they can be avoided if witnesses and the administration cooperate voluntarily. The vote was 21-12.

The resolution authorizes subpoenas for documents and testimony from several former administration officials, including former national security adviser Michael Flynn, former White House chief of staff John Kelly and former Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein.

Among the other subpoena targets are Corey Lewandowski, Trump's former campaign manager; Jody Hunt, Sessions' former chief of staff; and former White House aides Rob Porter and Rick Dearborn.

Three other names on the subpoena list are related to the National Enquirer's efforts to help kill potentially embarrassing stories about Trump over the years by paying hush money.

They include David Pecker, chief executive of the National Enquirer's parent company and a longtime Trump ally; Dylan Howard, who former Trump lawyer Michael Cohen said was involved in coordinating payments to two women who said they had affairs with Trump; and Keith Davidson, an attorney who initially represented the women and negotiated their payments.

The panel is investigating whether Trump obstructed justice after Mueller's report detailed several episodes in which Trump tried to influence his investigation.

As part of that probe, Mueller is scheduled to testify to Congress next week before the Judiciary and intelligence panels for around two hours each. Democrats have been in last-minute negotiations to figure out the format under the time constraints. It's likely that not every member will get to question Mueller, a point that raised ire among Republicans at the committee meeting.

The top Republican on the panel, Rep. Doug Collins, said the panel was "rolled" and is "having our legs cut out from under us by limiting the questioning."

Win or lose, Syria confounds US

Difficult choices ahead regardless of final outcome

By Nabih Bulos
Los Angeles Times



MAYA ALLERUZZO/AP

U.S.-backed Syrian Democratic Forces fighters pose in Baghouz after the SDF declared the area free of Islamic State.

BEIRUT — As the perennial jousting between the U.S. and Iran focuses on drones, nuclear enrichment and safe passage of oil tankers through the Strait of Hormuz, Washington is struggling on a lesser watched front in the region: northeastern Syria.

That's where the U.S. led a coalition of European and regional nations in support of a Kurdish-dominated group of militias against Islamic State extremists, lavishing the Kurds with weapons, training, air cover and the assistance of thousands of U.S. soldiers and contractors.

With Islamic State having been ousted from all the territory it held, the Kurdish-led fighters known as the Syrian Democratic Forces, or SDF, now control one-third of Syria. Washington wants to solidify that control, promote the SDF as a viable government and deny the resource-rich region to Syrian President Bashar Assad and his backers in Iran and Russia — even as President Donald Trump has pushed to withdraw all U.S. personnel.

But such ongoing Kurdish-led control clashes with competing local and international rivalries, and faces strong pushback from allies and enemies alike.

Just across the Euphrates River from the SDF lie Syrian government troops, Russian contractors, Iranian-backed paramilitaries and advisers from Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps. They wait for the opportunity to fulfill Damascus' vow to take back every inch of Syria's territory, including the SDF enclave.

If they succeed, Syria's borders would form part of what many believe is Tehran's grand design to forge a land bridge connecting Iran to Lebanon. That, they say, would allow it to more easily transport weapons to its proxies and build a network to circumvent U.S. economic sanctions.

Beyond the SDF enclave's northern border lies Turkey, a North Atlantic Treaty Organization ally that has grown increasingly angry at the U.S. for its support of the People's Protection Units, the dominant Kurdish militia within the SDF. Turkey insists the group is a proxy for the separatist Kurdish movement it has fought for decades at home; it has threatened to overrun the group's bastion and install its own Syrian rebel factions in power.

The U.S. has sought to placate Turkey with talk of a so-called safe or buffer zone, which would see the gradual withdrawal of the Kurdish force from the border and the destruction of its military fortifications. The evacuated areas would be patrolled by Turkish soldiers along with the U.S. and other coalition service members.

But European allies remain unconvinced. Last month, James Jeffrey, the U.S. special representative for Syria, said plans for Europe's participation in the safe zone had gone nowhere.

Meanwhile, the Trump administration's hopes for a so-called Arab NATO appear to be crumbling. Saudi Arabia has so far failed to entice its allies in the region to join and Egypt has reportedly withdrawn.

The SDF, meanwhile, has little interest in giving up territories it clawed back from the Islamist extremists, especially to Turkish-backed Syrian rebels who view the Kurds as atheist separatists and the Arabs allied with them as traitors to the anti-Assad cause.

There are also fractures within the SDF's enclave.

The deserts of eastern Syria are home to Arab tribes whose members extend across the borders of Iraq and Saudi Arabia. Some, such as the Shaitat tribe, were among the first victims of Islamic State's rise in eastern Syria; hundreds were slaughtered when they rallied against Islamic State. Their kin later joined the Kurds to dislodge the intruders.

The tribal people make up the majority population of eastern Syria, and though they were allies with the Kurds in combat, many have come to resent them in governance. There has been a persistent wave of demonstrations since April in areas of eastern Syria against Kurdish domination.

Many say that Kurdish security officers have imprisoned people wrongly accused of links to Islamic State, said Abdul Rahman Khadher, a Dair Alzour-based activist and member of the Shaitat tribe.

"At the same time, you see Daesh leaders paying money and being set free within 10 days, and even working with the SDF," he said in a phone interview, referring to Islamic State by its Arabic acronym. "They also employ incompetent people as administrators, people with a bad history who are implicated of being part of Daesh."

In recent months, Russia has sent emissaries to cajole the tribe members back to Assad's fold. Last month, Thamer Sabhan, Saudi Arabia's minister for Gulf affairs, joined a delegation of U.S. officials to eastern Syria to mollify tribal representatives from the eastern Syrian province of Dair Alzour frustrated with the SDF.

Then there is Islamic State. Surviving members and their sympathizers have scattered across the eastern Syrian desert. They have burned crops, planted bombs and conducted targeted assassinations as part of a campaign to terrorize the tribes into collaboration, while also targeting Kurdish fighters.

Hanging over any discussion of the enclave is the question of whether the U.S. will withdraw its remaining troops from the area, and just what its policy will be moving forward.

Under the Obama administration, U.S. officials had pushed the Kurds to negotiate a deal with Damascus over the land. But the Kurds, said Dareen Khalifa, a senior analyst with the International Crisis Group, now have tens of thousands of fighters and a bureaucracy of 140,000 civil servants serving a population of roughly 2 million — and the Kurds control most of Syria's oil, gas and water.

"Damascus didn't negotiate, and the Kurds now had a taste of what autonomy looks like and they liked that," Khalifa said.

Negotiations broke off after Trump took office and began issuing statements inconsistent with those of his own officials.

Though Trump has consistently said he wanted out of Syria, military and foreign affairs officials promised the U.S. was staying put.

Now the U.S. strategy appears to have morphed into one that would pressure Assad into kicking out Iran and committing to a series of concessions that would either make his rule acceptable to the U.S. or lead to a transition away from it, said Nicholas Heras, a fellow at the Center for a New American Security. The SDF's success would be part of that pressure.

"Essentially, the U.S. is calling for a regime-change strategy without calling it a regime-change strategy," Heras said. At the same time, it is trying to build "a plane in flight, trying to create enduring resilience, governance, administrative, security and economic recovery structures for the SDF."



U.K. MINISTRY OF DEFENSE

The HMS Montrose escorts a ship during a 2014 mission involving Syrian chemical weapons. Britain said the Montrose stopped Iranian vessels trying to impede a ship's passage.

Britain says 3 Iranian vessels tried to block oil tanker's path

By Aya Batrawy and Amir Vahdat
Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — The British navy said Thursday that it stopped three Iranian paramilitary vessels from disrupting the passage of a British oil tanker through the Strait of Hormuz in a brief but tense standoff stemming from the U.K.'s role in seizing an Iranian supertanker a week earlier.

The incident highlights how fragile maritime security has become through one of the world's most vital energy supply routes as the Trump administration carries out a campaign of maximum pressure on Iran.

Iran recently began breaching uranium enrichment limits set in its 2015 nuclear deal with world powers in response to President Donald Trump's decision to pull the U.S. out of the accord a year ago. He also has re-imposed tough sanctions on Tehran's oil exports, exacerbating an economic crisis that has sent its currency plummeting.

Russia and China, both signatories to the nuclear agreement along with Britain, France and Germany, have called for restraint. Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov said "freedom of navigation should be ensured in the Persian Gulf and the Strait of Hormuz."

Iran's Revolutionary Guard denied any incident had occurred in the strait, saying if it had received orders to seize any ships it would have done so immediately.

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani, however, had warned on Wednesday of repercussions for the seizure of the Iranian vessel by Britain's Royal Marines in Gibraltar, off the southern coast of Spain a week ago.

The U.K. said in a statement that the British naval vessel HMS Montrose had been accompanying the commercial ship, British Heritage, through the narrow Strait of Hormuz, a crucial waterway for energy shipments. It said three Iranian vessels attempted "to impede" the ship's passage.

"HMS Montrose was forced to position herself between the Iranian vessels and British Heritage and issue verbal warnings to the Iranian vessels, which then turned away," the statement said.

The HMS Montrose is on a three-year mission at the British navy's support facility in Bahrain, the hub of its naval operations east of the Suez Canal.

U.K. Defense Secretary Penny Mordaunt said the government is concerned by the incident and urged Iranian authorities to de-escalate the situation. She thanked the Royal Navy for upholding international law and supporting freedom of navigation through the Strait of Hormuz.

A U.S. aircraft was in the area at the time of the incident and the military has video imagery, a U.S. official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. The U.S. 5th Fleet in Bahrain declined to comment on the incident.

U.S. Central Command spokesman Capt. Bill Urban said CENTCOM was aware of reports of "harassment and attempts to interfere with" the passage of the British Heritage near the Strait of Hormuz by the Islamic Revolutionary Guard's naval forces.

In recent months, the U.S. has sent thousands of additional troops, an aircraft carrier, B-52 bombers and advanced fighter jets to the region as tensions with Iran rise.

Washington has blamed Iran for a series of mysterious attacks on oil tankers in the region in the past two months — charges that Tehran denies.

The regional waters are of global importance. About 20% of all oil traded worldwide passes through the Strait of Hormuz from Middle Eastern producers.



MATTHEW HINTON/AP

Delilah Campbell, 4, left, and her sister, Tallulah, 8, clear out debris Thursday near New Orleans. Tropical Storm Barry is expected to reach Louisiana on Friday night or Saturday.

New Orleans area braces for Barry as storm moves closer

By Kevin McGill and Rebecca Santana
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Thousands of Louisianans broke out sandbags or fled to higher ground Thursday as Tropical Storm Barry threatened to turn into the first hurricane of the season and blow ashore with torrential rains that could pose a severe test of New Orleans' improved post-Katrina flood defenses.

National Guard troops and rescue crews in high-water vehicles took up positions around the state as Louisiana braced for the arrival of the storm Friday night or Saturday.

Barry could have winds of about 75 mph, just barely over the 74 mph threshold for a hurricane, when it comes ashore, making it a Category 1 storm, forecasters said.

But it is expected to bring more than 18 inches of rain in potentially ruinous downpours that could go on for hours as the storm passes through the metropolitan area of nearly 1.3 million people and pushes slowly inland.

Louisiana Gov. John Bel Edwards, who declared an emergency earlier in the week as the storm brewed in the Gulf of Mexico, warned that Barry's winds could form a dangerous combination with the already-high Mississippi River, which has been swelled by heavy rain and snowmelt upriver this spring.

"There are three ways that Louisiana can flood: storm surge, high rivers and rain," Edwards said. "We're going to have all three."

He said authorities do not expect the Mississippi River to spill over its levees — something that has never happened in New Orleans' modern history — but cautioned that a change in the storm's direction or intensity could alter that.

Edwards also asked the Trump administration for a federal declaration of emergency ahead of Barry's expected landfall.

As of Thursday night, Barry was about 90 miles south of the mouth of the Mississippi, with winds around 40 mph. A hurricane warning was posted for a 100-mile stretch of Louisiana coastline just below Baton Rouge and New Orleans.

Southeast of New Orleans, authorities handed out sandbags and people piled into cars with their pets and began clearing out.

Plaquemines Parish, at Louisiana's low-lying southeastern tip, ordered a mandatory evacuation, and by midafternoon the area of as many as 10,000 people was largely empty.

Justice of the Peace David McGaha waited with his mother, his wife and their 15-year-old son and 11-year-old daughter for a ferry so they could evacuate to his mother's house in Alabama.

"If the river wasn't so high, we'd probably stay," he said. "You have to worry about the water that'll be pushing against those levees."

The National Hurricane Center said as much as 20 inches of rain could fall in parts of eastern Louisiana, and the entire region could get as much as 10 inches.

Meteorologist Benjamin Schott said the chief concern is not the wind: "Rainfall and flooding is going to be the No. 1 threat with this storm."

Hurricane Katrina caused catastrophic flooding in New Orleans in 2005 and was blamed for over 1,800 deaths in Louisiana and other states.

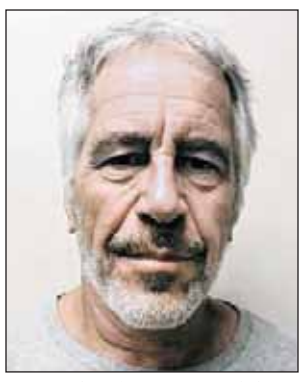
Defense urges house arrest, not jail, for financier Epstein

By Larry Neumeister
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Financier Jeffrey Epstein's lawyers, seeking bail for their client, said Thursday that he had long lived with the fear that federal prosecutors might pursue sexual abuse charges against him again — and yet had never sought to flee the country.

Epstein, 66, was arrested Saturday night in New Jersey as he arrived from Paris and now faces charges that he engaged in sex trafficking with dozens of underage girls in Florida and New York from 2002 to 2005. His lawyers have argued that a non-prosecution agreement made more than a decade ago with federal prosecutors covers the same ground as the new charges.

He pleaded not guilty Monday, and a judge asked defense lawyers and prosecutors to submit their bail arguments prior to a hearing next week.



NY SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

Jeffrey Epstein, 66, was arrested Saturday. He pleaded not guilty Monday.

His lawyers recommended house arrest and electronic monitoring for Epstein as they countered what they described as a "drastic demand" by prosecutors that he be detained until trial.

In seeking detention, prosecutors said a trove of what seemed to be nude photos of underage girls was found in his mansion after his arrest on charges that he sexually exploited and abused underage girls.

In their submission in Manhattan federal court, lawyers said Epstein always knew federal authorities might renege on a non-prosecution deal signed in 2008, under which Epstein pleaded guilty to state charges in Florida, served a 13-month jail sentence and registered as a sex offender.

"Indeed, Mr. Epstein feared the toxic political climate might tempt the government to try and end-run the NPA — yet continually returned home from travel abroad, fully prepared to vindicate his rights under the agreement and otherwise mount a full-throated defense," they wrote.

The lawyers also said Epstein was in "perfect compliance" with sex offender registration requirements.

The defense also gave some insight into arguments they might use at future hearings and at trial, saying that the accusations against Epstein are "outside the margins of federal criminal law" and don't constitute sex trafficking since there were no allegations he "trafficked anybody for commercial profit; that he forced, coerced, defrauded, or enslaved anybody."

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— Jeffrey Epstein's lawyers

The indictment filed in New York accuses Epstein of paying underage girls for massages and then molesting them at his homes in Palm Beach, Florida, and New York from 2002 through 2005. The charges carry the potential for up to 45 years in prison.

Since the charges were filed, a woman has come forward to say Epstein raped her at his New York mansion when she was 15. Epstein's attorneys have not responded to that accusation.

A massage therapist who says she traveled to one of Epstein's private Caribbean islands to work dozens of times in the early 2000s told The Associated Press that she saw "nothing out of the ordinary" there. She said she saw girls there on two occasions: One girl appeared to be 16 or 17 and excitedly road around the island on an ATV. She glimpsed another girl hurrying from Epstein's house to a nearby cottage.

The woman spoke on condition of being identified only by her initials, H.W., because she feared losing business. H.W., who was then in her 50s, said she was never asked to do anything improper and didn't make anything of seeing the girls on Little St. James Island, Epstein's main retreat in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Several employees who worked on Epstein's property have refused to talk because they signed non-disclosure agreements.

In the documents filed with the court, Epstein's lawyers said their client was willing to offer his $77 million Manhattan mansion as collateral while he lives there, along with his private jet as he fights the charges.

The once-secret agreement with federal prosecutors in Florida has been widely criticized as a sweetheart deal. The criticism has fallen heavily on Labor Secretary Alex Acosta, who was the U.S. attorney in Miami at the time and played a role in letting Epstein avoid federal prosecution.

Census

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Trump's efforts to add the question on the census had drawn backlash from critics who complained that it was political, meant to discourage participation, not only by people living in the country illegally but also by citizens who fear that participating would expose non-citizen family members to repercussions.

Dale Ho, director of the American Civil Liberties Union's Voting Rights Project, and the lawyer who argued the Supreme Court case, celebrated Thursday's announcement by the president, saying: "Trump's attempt to weaponize the census ends not with a bang but a whimper."

Trump said he would be signing an executive order directing every federal department and agency to provide the Commerce Department with all records pertaining to the number of citizens and non-citizens in the country, including the Department of Homeland Security and the Social Security Administration.

The Census Bureau already has access to Social Security, food stamp and federal prison records, all of which contain citizenship information.

Trump, citing Census Bureau projections, predicted that using previously available records, the administration could determine the citizenship of 90 percent of the population "or more."

"Ultimately this will allow us to have a more complete count of citizens than through asking the single question alone," he contended.

But it is still unclear what Trump intends to do with the citizenship information.

At one point he suggested it could help states that "may want to draw state and local legislative districts based upon the voter-eligible population." That would mark a change from how districts are drawn currently, based on the entire population, and could increase Republican political power.

Attorney General William Barr said there was disagreement over whether "illegal aliens" can be included for apportionment purposes. "Depending on the resolution of that dispute, this data may be relevant to those considerations," he said.

The Census Bureau has stressed that it could produce better citizenship data without adding the question.

The bureau had recommended combining information from the annual American Community Survey with records held by other federal agencies that already include citizenship records.

"This would result in higher quality data produced at lower cost," deputy Census Bureau Director Ron Jarmin had written in a December 2017 email to a Justice Department official. But Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross, who oversees the Census Bureau, rejected that approach and ordered the citizenship question be added to the census.

The American Community Survey, which polls 3.5 million U.S. households every year, already includes questions about respondents' citizenship.

Trump's administration had faced numerous roadblocks to adding the question, beginning with the ruling by the Supreme Court temporarily barring its inclusion on the grounds that the government's justification was insufficient. Two federal judges also rejected the Justice Department's plan to replace the legal team fighting for inclusion.

Trump had insisted his administration push forward, suggesting last week that officials might be able to add an addendum to the questionnaire with the question after it was printed. He has also toyed with the idea of halting the constitutionally mandated survey while the legal fight ensued.

Barr said he was confident the census question would have eventually survived legal review but the process would have taken too long to work its way through the courts.

Trump had offered multiple explanations for why he believed the question was necessary to include in the once-a-decade population count that determines the allocation of seats in the House of Representatives for the next 10 years and the distribution of some $675 billion in federal spending.

"You need it for Congress, for districting. You need it for appropriations. Where are the funds going? How many people are there? Are they citizens? Are they not citizens? You need it for many reasons," he told reporters last week, despite that congressional districts are based on total population, regardless of residents' national origin or immigration status.

How Betsy Ross legend got wrapped in flag

Tale stretched from sewing Washington linens to Nike flap

By Morgan Krakow
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — She was a single mother and a businesswoman. She was widowed twice before 30 and crafted the bed linens George Washington slept on at Mount Vernon. Like many women during the American Revolution, Betsy Ross was just trying to get by. So she made flags.

The legend of Betsy Ross has captivated Americans for more than a century. She is credited with creating the first American flag. Whether or not she really did, she is undoubtedly one of the few female figures to feature in Revolutionary War history.

By telling her story, Ross's descendants cast light on the life of a woman who lived during a time when women were largely left out of the history books.

She and her flag became the subject of controversy this month as we celebrated America's independence: Nike halted the sale and production of sneakers that sport the Betsy Ross flag after former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick — a Nike spokesman — told the company the design was offensive, The Wall Street Journal reported.

The flag has been used at times by white-supremacist groups, who idolize the time in American history when power was exclusive to white men, and women and people of color had no voice. There are photos of the white-supremacist group Aryan Nations using the flag in the 1980s, according to Heidi Beirich, director of the Intelligence Project at the Southern Poverty Law Center, though Nazi symbols and the Confederate flag are used more often than the 13-star original.

It is perhaps ironic then that the flag that harks to a time of white-male superiority is believed to have been crafted by a woman.

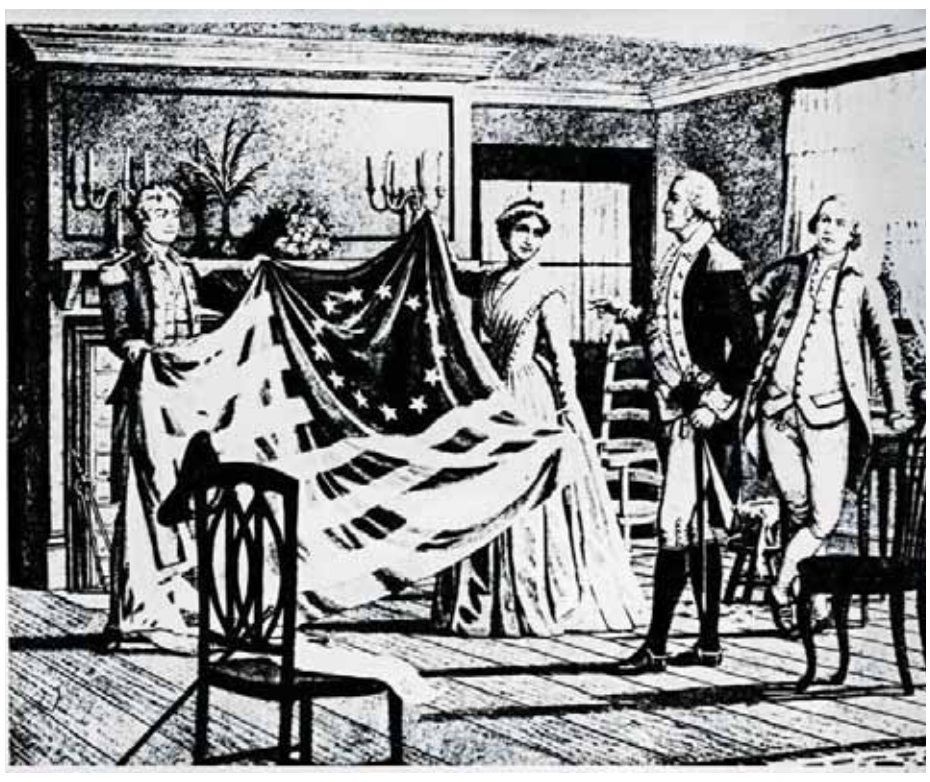


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The legend of Betsy Ross is depicted here showing the first American flag to George Washington in Philadelphia.

Ross, born Elizabeth Griscom in 1752, started her life in New Jersey and later moved with her family to Philadelphia. One of 17 children, she went to school until about the age of 11, when she began an apprenticeship with a Philadelphia upholsterer, John Webster, according to Lisa Moulder, director of the Betsy Ross House.

It was during her apprenticeship that she met the man who would become her first husband, John Ross. He was Anglican and she was a Quaker, and her faith did not allow for them to marry. So she and Ross eloped — traveling across the Delaware to Hugg's Tavern in Gloucester, New Jersey.

After their apprenticeships, John and Betsy started their own upholstery business. Around that time, according to Moulder, they met George Washington, who was in Philadelphia for the First Continental Congress in 1774. Washington "commissioned them to make a full set of bed hangings and pillows and mattresses for his home in Mount Vernon," she said.

Word has it that a group of men, including Washington and John Ross' uncle, visited Betsy in an upholstery shop and commissioned the original American flag. It was to be red, white and blue — that much hasn't changed. But instead of 50 stars, there were only 13, one for each colony, organized in a circle.

According to the story in some elementary school history books, Betsy Ross told Washington to change the stars from six points to five. As a "craftswoman," Ross probably told Washington "that five-pointed stars were more practical, from a production standpoint, than the six-pointed stars he initially envisioned," Marla Miller, a historian at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, told The Washington Post.

The men in this tale were meticulous in recording their own lives, but this particular encounter was never recorded. There are no receipts for the flag, but that doesn't mean Ross didn't design it. She was making flags at the time: There's evidence she was paid "a substantial sum of money" for a flag she crafted in 1777, according to historians at the Betsy Ross House. American troops flew several flags during the Revolutionary War, and there were specific flags for militia and naval units, flown to prevent an ally from opening fire from afar.

It was not until after Ross' death in 1836 that she was popularized in American history and culture. Her grandson, William Canby, spoke to the Historical Society of Pennsylvania in 1870, sharing the story of Ross's contributions to the flag. He had aunts, cousins and siblings sign affidavits testifying that her story was true.

According to Marc Leepson, a historian who wrote a book on the evolution of the American flag, it was around this time in the late 19th century that "what historians call the 'cult of the flag,' " was born — "the almost-religious feeling that Americans have about the red, white and blue."

It is not known whether Ross did this work out of patriotism, financial need or some combination of the two. "Betsy Ross is a representative of other just ordinary 18th-century working-class women who were just trying to make it during the founding of our nation," Moulder said.

Ross was probably one among a number of people who contributed to the flag's design, according to Miller.



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Harvey Weinsten and new attorney Donna Rotunno, a #MeToo critic, arrive at court Thursday in New York.

Judge approves new Weinstein legal team

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A judge gave Harvey Weinstein the green light Thursday to shake up his defense team yet again — this time a mere two months before the disgraced movie mogul whose case inspired the #MeToo movement is due to stand trial in New York on sexual assault charges.

One lawyer had already bolted amid public backlash. Now Jose Baez, known for representing high-profile clients such as Casey Anthony, is out after saying he and Weinstein just can't get along. Donna Rotunno, a #MeToo critic specializing in defending men accused of sexual misconduct, and Damon Cheronis are in.

The judge, James Burke, approved the swap after questioning Weinstein and getting the new lawyers to promise they won't seek to delay the trial from its scheduled Sept. 9 start.

Baez signaled last month that he wanted to leave the case, telling Burke in a letter that Weinstein had tarnished their relationship.

Weinstein engaged in behavior that made representing him "unreasonably difficult to carry out effectively" and insisted on taking actions "with which I have fundamental disagreements," Baez wrote.

Leaving the courtroom Thursday after getting sprung from the case, Baez said: "I feel like I won the lottery. Just kidding."

Weinstein responded through his spokesman, saying: "With a lawyer like Donna Rotunno, I feel like I'm the one who won the lottery."

Rotunno has espoused a philosophy that the #MeToo movement, spurred by revelations about Weinstein's alleged behavior, is overblown and that women are "responsible for the choices they make."

Weinstein, 67, is charged with raping a woman in 2013 and performing a forcible sex act on a different woman in 2006. He denies the allegations, has pleaded not guilty and is free on $1 million bail.

NEWS BRIEFING

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Democrats face test of cohesion on annual defense spending bill

WASHINGTON — House Democratic leaders are facing a high-stakes test before the end of the week over whether they can persuade opposing factions of their party to unite behind the annual defense authorization bill, a traditionally bipartisan measure that Republicans, bolstered by a White House veto threat, have all but pledged to oppose.

Endorsing a behemoth, record-setting defense bill that doesn't direct similar increases to domestic programs goes against the orthodoxy of the party's most progressive Democrats.

But this year, the GOP's near-complete boycott of the measure means that Democratic leaders, newly in charge of the House, will need those liberal votes — and are engaged in concerted effort to secure them, many of whom felt steamrolled into voting for an emergency border bill.

Judge: Georgia must allow inspection of election databases

ATLANTA — A federal judge has ordered Georgia election officials to allow computer experts and lawyers to review the databases used to create ballots and count votes.

The ruling came Tuesday in a lawsuit that challenges Georgia's election system and seeks statewide use of hand-marked paper ballots.

U.S. District Judge Amy Totenberg gave the state until Friday to turn over electronic copies of the databases to the plaintiffs' lawyers and computer experts.

The lawsuit was filed by a group of voters and the Coalition for Good Governance, an election integrity advocacy organization. It argues that the paperless touchscreen voting machines Georgia has used since 2002 are unsecure, vulnerable to hacking and unable to be audited.

Hospital fires 23 workers in case of excessive doses, deaths

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio hospital system where excessive painkiller doses were given to dozens of patients who died fired 23 nurses, pharmacists and managers Thursday and said it is changing leadership, a sign that professional fallout from the scandal has expanded far beyond the intensive care doctor accused of ordering the drugs.

The announcement by the Columbus-area Mount Carmel Health System comes five weeks after that doctor, William Husel, pleaded not guilty to murder charges in 25 of the deaths.

The newly fired employees include five physician, nursing and pharmacy management team members. Mount Carmel said the other 18 fired were among the nurses and pharmacists who had been on administrative leave.



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Umbrellas and lounge chairs are strewn on the beach in Nea Plaigia on Thursday after a violent storm lashed northern Greece's Halkidiki Peninsula.

Greece declares emergency after deadly storm hits resorts

THESSALONIKI, Greece — A state of emergency has been declared in an area of northern Greece after a violent storm tore through seaside resorts, killing six tourists. A fisherman, who had been missing, was also found dead Thursday taking the death toll to seven.

The widespread damage wrought by the storm has renewed calls from civil protection experts, environmental groups, and the country's Orthodox Church for a shift in policies to address the impact of climate change on Greece's coastline terrain.

Powerful gales late Wednesday hammered the Halkidiki Peninsula snapping trees and power pylons, tossing vehicles and flinging beach lounge chairs into trees, leaving swathes of debris across the coastline.

Authorities said 22 people remain hospitalized, including a woman in critical condition, and more than 100 others received medical attention. Six of the dead were tourists: two each from Russia, the Czech Republic and Romania.

Two of those who died were killed when high winds overturned their recreational vehicle, while an 8-year-old boy and his mother were killed when an outdoor restaurant's lean-to roof collapsed. Another two were killed by falling trees.

The storm came nearly a year after a wildfire near Athens killed at least 100 people during a heatwave, and prompted concern over more frequent damaging weather events.

The army was ordered to help civilian agencies restore power and running water to damaged areas and end road closures and disruptions to rail services.

Man indicted in killing of teen over rap music

PHOENIX — A white man who authorities say was out of prison for two days when he stabbed a black teen on July 4th because he felt threatened by the youth's rap music at a suburban Phoenix convenience store was indicted Thursday on first-degree murder charges.

Elijah Al-Amin, 17, "did nothing to warrant the brutal and senseless attack that took his life," an emotional Maricopa County Attorney Bill Montgomery said in announcing the murder charge. Montgomery, who said he has a 16-year-old child, explained that Arizona does not have a hate crime law, but stiffer penalties can be imposed at sentencing.

Police arrested Michael Adams, 27, after finding him near the scene with a pocket knife and blood on his clothes.

He is being held on $1 million bond and is due in court July 18.

Cost estimate for Trump's July 4 show: $5.4 million

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's July Fourth extravaganza — featuring tanks, a military flyover and a Trump speech at the Lincoln Memorial — cost an estimated $5.4 million, according to rough figures released Thursday.

Interior Secretary David Bernhardt provided the latest share of costs, $2.45 million for his agency, in a letter to lawmakers, saying his agency pulled money from operating funds for national parks, recreation fees, and another source to help fund "Salute to America."

Trump announced Monday he would do it all again next year, calling the event "remarkable."

Democratic lawmakers have condemned the extra expenditures for the celebration.

The Pentagon said its costs came to $1.2 million, but did not provide a precise breakdown.

In Sudan: The nation's ruling military council said it foiled an attempted military coup Thursday, just days after the military and a pro-democracy coalition agreed on a joint sovereign council to rule the country during a transition period until elections are held.

Lt. Gen. Gamal Omar, a member of the military council, said in a statement that at least 16 active and retired military officers were arrested. Security forces were pursuing the group's leader and additional officers who took part in plotting the coup attempt, he said.

The military and a pro-democracy coalition agreed last Friday on a joint sovereign council that will rule for a little over three years while elections are organized.

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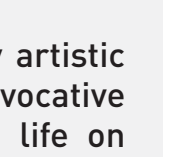
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In Chicago and Illinois, the downside of a higher minimum wage

The argument for a higher minimum wage is simple: It puts more money in the pockets of workers at the bottom of the income ladder, which makes life better and easier for them. Who can be against that? No one, really. But here is the central truth of economics: Nothing comes without a cost. The effects of raising the pay floor are not so beneficial as they appear at first glance.

If you charge less for something, people will buy more of it, and vice versa. When auto dealers want to clear out inventory, they don't raise the price; they cut it. A grocery store that tries to double its revenue from bananas by doubling the price will find that the math doesn't work: Some of the fruit will go unsold.

The same pattern holds true for the commodity known as labor. If employers are compelled to pay workers more, they will be under pressure to reduce the number of people they have to pay or the hours those employees work. They may also raise prices to cover their higher costs. That, in turn, will reduce their sales, which may make some employees unnecessary.

All this matters because the minimum wage in Chicago rose last week to $13 per hour. The state floor of $8.25 will jump by $1 next year, under legislation signed in February by Gov. J.B. Pritzker, and will climb to $15 in 2025.

As the Tribune's Alexia Elejalde-Ruiz reports, the discomfort is being felt in Chicago's restaurants. Co-owner Tony D'Alessandro of the sandwich shop Big and Little's said the cost of labor is already a strain. "Every time we're doing payroll it's like — Wow — it hits us." He says cutting back on staffing is "the only way to get through," but he and his partner wonder if they should close down.

Manager Carlos Rosas of Calumet Fisheries told Elejalde-Ruiz that the business may have to get rid of a second telephone line or close earlier to reduce the number of people working. "The higher your wages go," he tells workers, "the less we may be requiring of you."



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Big and Little's server Maria Montesdeoca delivers drinks at the restaurant's Logan Square location in Chicago. Co-owner Tony D'Alessandro says labor costs are forcing staffing cuts.

If you prefer to hear from nonpartisan economists rather than business owners, then check out the new report from the Congressional Budget Office. It estimates that increasing the federal minimum wage from $7.25 per hour to $15 per hour would raise pay for at least 17 million workers and pull 1.3 million out of poverty.

That's the good news. The bad news is that it would put 1.3 million people out of work. Instead of being paid $15 an hour, or even $7.25 an hour, they would be paid nothing per hour. "Some people who became jobless because of a minimum-wage increase would be out of work for many weeks," says CBO.

And let's not forget the higher prices that employers would charge their customers. When you raise the pay scale at Walmart, keep in mind that more low-income people shop at Walmart than work at Walmart. Likewise for fast-food restaurants.

Illinois, of course, already has a problem creating jobs and sustaining businesses. The burden of taxes and regulations in Chicago and beyond are heavy, and they're among the reasons that Cook County has lost population each of the past four years and the state has shed people for five consecutive years.

"We've had a few family discussions of if we stay in Chicago are we going to make it," said Fabulous Freddie's Italian Eatery co-owner Stephanie Fitzpatrick. In Indiana, Wisconsin, Iowa and Kentucky, the wage floor is $7.25. If you were trying to decide where to locate a new restaurant or other establishment, those states might look more attractive.

The best thing elected officials could do for low-paid workers is to create a better environment for business, which would expand the job base and rev up the demand for labor. A boost in the minimum wage will help some people. But for too many people in Chicago and the state, it's one more indication that the economic future lies elsewhere.

Mass shooters give hints before they explode. The rest of us can cautiously work with that.

A cliché about violent offenders is that someone often will say what a nice, quiet neighbor the person was before the eruption. A new study of mass attacks in America suggests quite the opposite — and that perhaps more of these rampages can be prevented.

The U.S. Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center studied 27 incidents in 2018 in which a total of nearly 200 people were killed or injured in public spaces, including Mercy Hospital in Chicago and Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla. The findings don't at all suggest that perpetrators had gone unnoticed by others, or that they had shown no previous signs of strain.

Rather, researchers found that most attacks were motivated by specific grievances. Two-thirds of offenders had histories of mental health symptoms, though mental illness alone is not a risk factor for violence. Nearly all were men, and nearly all had made threats, or said or done things that raised concerns in people around them.

Three-quarters had experienced a major stress event, such as a death, divorce or homelessness. They had gotten a divorce. They'd lost their job or been kicked out of school. The future, for whatever reason, looked bleak, and disturbing behavior was escalating.

Last February in suburban Aurora, Gary Martin killed five co-workers and injured five police officers at manufacturer Henry Pratt Co. He had a history of violent behavior going back two decades, including stabbing one girlfriend and threatening to kill another. On the day of the shootings, he warned a co-worker that "If I get fired, I'm going to kill every mother (expletive) here" and "I am going to blow police up," according to the Kane County state's attorney's office.

That was an extreme example, and of course hindsight is 20/20. An observer might even think that if someone were really serious about wanting to commit a crime, he'd have the sense to keep quiet about it. But rather than plotting in secret, these perpetrators tend to strew around plenty of hints.

The need to pick up on those clues is not a license to report people to bosses, school officials or the police for no reason. Rather, it's about understanding how to recognize and respond to red flags in family, acquaintances, co-workers or fellow students, and making it more routine to report behavior that seems truly out of line and escalating. Friends, neighbors and members of online communities can be more alert to who in their midst might be in real trouble. Workplaces and other institutions can build effective ways to respond. Law enforcement and other public officials can accept tips and connect dots whenever possible.

This isn't a perfect solution. It echoes the advice for situations that could be precursors to terror assaults: *If you see something, say something.* If people on both ends of a tip behave with respect and resolve, a person who isn't dangerous might at most get an alert that others are concerned about his well-being. And a person who is spiraling out of control might merit an intervention.

Very few people commit mass violence, and it can't all be stopped by personal vigilance on the part of others. Many offenders are already under some kind of watch, and too many have illegal access to guns. But the picture forming here is worth understanding. Given the heavy toll of these incidents — 17 dead and 17 injured at Stoneman Douglas, most of them students — foiling even a single attack can save quite a few lives.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The Democrats want to raise the cap on refugees from Central America to 100,000 a year and propose no tightening of asylum law. But it's the asylum law that needs to change. Since 2014, there has been a *240 percent* increase in asylum cases. As Fareed Zakaria has pointed out, the number of asylum cases from Honduras, Guatemala, and Venezuela has soared at the same time as the crime rate in those countries was being cut in half.

Take the tragic tale of Oscar Ramirez and his young daughter Valeria, the father and daughter captured in death in that heartbreaking photograph. Ramirez's widow explained to The Washington Post why her husband wanted to move to America: He wanted "a better future for their girl." This is an admirable goal, but it is classic economic immigration, and it would appear, based on what we know, that it has absolutely nothing to do with asylum.

But somehow the courts have decided that you qualify for asylum if there is simply widespread crime or violence where you live, and Ramirez was also going to use that argument as well.

Courts have also expanded asylum to include domestic violence, determining that women in abusive relationships ... qualify. In other words, every woman on the planet who has experienced domestic abuse can now come to America and claim asylum. Also everyone on the planet who doesn't live in a stable, orderly, low-crime society. Literally *billions* of human beings now have the right to asylum in America.

Andrew Sullivan, New York Magazine

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Gardening tips for Mayor Lightfoot and Gov. Pritzker

By David Greising



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Western Illinois University President Jack Thomas, shown with his wife, Linda, was allowed to step down on administrative leave for two years, during which time he will receive full annual pay of $270,528 plus benefits, despite a record of poor performance.

As any gardener knows, the middle of July is that pivotal time when we need to pull the weeds or risk letting them strangle what's left for the remainder of the summer.

The challenge is not all that different on the good-government beat. The bustle of legislative activity in Illinois has slowed, but the threats to a healthy and productive government are still there.

The trouble with weeds, in government as in gardening, is that they almost never completely die. The forces of waste, ineptitude or corruption — whether in plain sight or deep beneath the surface — can be costly and destructive.

Look no further than Macomb, home of Western Illinois University, where a college president was allowed to step down with a rich payout, despite a record of poor performance.

A new 2018 state law — one that was backed by the Better Government Association's policy unit — forbids the awarding of large severance packages to public officials. This came after a series of scandalously large payouts, more than $4.3 million worth, to seven state and community college executives who were drummed out of their jobs for ineffectiveness, malfeasance or both.

But Western's president, Jack Thomas, wasn't fired and isn't leaving, so the law doesn't apply, the school's officials say.

Instead of dismissing Thomas, the trustees placed him on administrative leave for two years, with full annual pay of $270,528 plus benefits. After that, he would have the option of part-time teaching, at above-grade pay.

The sweetheart deal flouts the intent of the new law designed to put strict limits on severance packages. It throws around taxpayer money — our money — as wastefully as fertilizer on a dung heap. Western's trustees owed us better.

Farther south, Gov. J.B. Pritzker's administration canceled the appearance of a musical group, Confederate Railroad, in August at the Du Quoin State Fair.

The band's logo features two images of the Confederate flag's stars and bars — a reprehensible symbol of violence, slavery, bigotry and armed rebellion against the United States. Whatever the flag once symbolized to Southerners, hate is its modern meaning. Even South Carolina has removed it from the grounds of its state Capitol.

A Pritzker spokeswoman explained that state resources should not be used to promote symbols of racism. "Symbols of hate cannot and will not represent the values of the Land of Lincoln," she said.

Good move by the governor's office.

But wait, there's another state fair. In Springfield. And one of its featured artists is Snoop Dogg.

For Snoop's 2017 album, "Make America Crip Again," the cover photo is dominated by the feet of a cadaver. A tag hangs from one big toe. "Trump," it reads.

Gov. Pritzker has drawn a distinction between the institutionalized hate, and high body count, of the slaveholding Confederacy and what he sees as legitimate satire on Snoop's album cover.

But let's be real: The toe-tagged "Trump" looks like an assassinated president, in the state of an assassinated president. Pritzker's administration waded into this prickly patch by ousting Confederate Railroad for good reason. Snoop Dogg's disgraceful grab for attention shows the weeding is not done.

In the northern part of the state, here in Chicago, there are places that demand constant attention. And they're getting it at last, to a degree not previously seen: Mayor Lori Lightfoot is tending to violence in Chicago's most downtrodden neighborhoods with a hands-on approach.

She took part in a change of watch in Englewood, then rode along in a patrol car. She backed police Superintendent Eddie Johnson's move to put 1,500 additional officers on the streets and confiscate firearms from people with expired licenses. She joined him in complaining about the court system's tendency to put violent criminals back on the streets.

Her "Accountability Monday" meetings with public safety leadership are a way to demonstrate she is sticking with this problem, as long as it takes.

Despite all that, over the long Fourth of July weekend, 66 people were shot, with six fatalities.

Shootings happened in Austin and Englewood and Fuller Park and Calumet Heights. In comments from City Hall on Monday, Lightfoot put the spotlight on Austin and its deep-seated problems.

"Austin is Austin. Austin is, if you look at the demographic information, it's got high unemployment rates, it's got high poverty rates, it's got high concentration of people that are on public assistance. And then just looking at the geography there, there's not a lot of economic activity going on," Lightfoot said.

"That is something that as a city we have to take on and we have to address, because I can send 10,000 officers to the West Side, if we don't address those underlying challenges, which we must, we're not going to solve the problem."

The same could have been said about a number of communities where the violence is concentrated and the investment of public capital, educational resources and commercial activity has been inadequate for years, even decades. To our disgrace, parts of the city never have recovered from the riots following Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination in 1968.

Lightfoot's statement had the authority of someone who knows policing, knows the neighborhoods, knows the way the problems intersect and amplify.

She knows, too, like any good gardener, that bringing health to the city's most troubled places will take years of steady attention, finding out what takes root and what will not, uprooting, replanting, nourishing and caring.

It won't happen overnight. She is discovering that too. But a mayor willing to get dirt under the fingernails is the best chance for getting the job done.

David Greising is president and chief executive officer of the Better Government Association.

Note: Lori Lightfoot served on the board of the Better Government Association in 2014 and 2015. She has no association with the writer, who joined the BGA in 2018.

The 'Billy Graham Rule' doesn't honor your wife — it demeans her and all women

By Monica Hesse

Let's first assume that Robert Foster genuinely believes he is the hero of this story. Let's assume that when the Mississippi gubernatorial candidate denied a female journalist access to his campaign because she is female, he truly saw himself as a bulwark against moral decay. This doesn't make him right, of course, but it does give context to the problem — albeit a context that should terrify us all.

Larrison Campbell, a female reporter with Mississippi Today, revealed this week that she had asked to shadow Foster for a day on the campaign trail. Two of her colleagues were already following other contenders, but Foster turned down Campbell's request — unless, that is, she brought along a male colleague. The reason? He obeys the so-called "Billy Graham rule," refusing to be alone with any woman other than his wife, or, as he put it, "avoid any decision that may evoke suspicion or compromise of our marriage."

Criticism followed, and Foster bristled at it: "The liberal left ... can't believe, that even in 2019, someone still values their relationship with their wife and upholds their Christian Faith," he tweeted.

Unfortunately, there's not a single inch of moral high ground achieved via the Billy Graham rule — a dubious philosophy also championed by Vice President Mike Pence. It doesn't honor your wife. It just presumes that your marriage vows are so flimsy that you can't be trusted to uphold them unless a babysitter monitors you. It's rather like a thief sanctimoniously announcing that he brings a parole officer every time he goes to the bank to make sure he doesn't rob it. Good for you, dude, for knowing your own limitations — but it doesn't make you better than the rest of us, who manage to regularly not steal things even when we're completely alone.

Or, as writer Jeremy White offered: "(The rule) presumes either: A) you can't be trusted or B) women can't be trusted. Everyone invoking that rule should be prepared to answer which is true."

At other points, Foster's camp seemed to imply that the issue wasn't about his marriage vows but about optics. "We're really concerned about bad publicity," Campbell said Foster's campaign director told her. The director mentioned the possibility of a rival campaign taking photographs of the pair together, which would put Foster in a "compromising position."

There's so much wrong with this logic that it's difficult to know where to start.

It implies that a man and woman together are necessarily engaging in compromising activities. Even if they are in public. Even if one of them, like Campbell, is gay. Even if one of them is a candidate on the campaign trail and the other is holding a notebook and wearing a press badge, and they're making the rounds of public events and rubber chicken dinners.

This logic further implies that Foster's silly, specious perception of a "compromised position" is more important than the actual compromised position that his policy creates for Campbell. She has been assigned a job that she is now unable to do. Her news outlet must decide whether to short its readers on coverage of a gubernatorial candidate on a matter of principle, or capitulate to the candidate's insulting demands. (They rightly chose the former, and skipped the assignment).

The most harmful aspect is this: It keeps women out of the room. It says that men can forward their careers via mentoring sessions, golf games and brainstorming lunches, but women cannot. Are we to gather that, because of this rule, Foster would also never employ a female chief of staff, attorney or accountant, and never visit a female doctor, dentist or physical therapist, since all of those roles would necessitate occasional alone time?

These might be acceptable, if dispiriting, choices for a private citizen to make in his own life, but a governor making them has cascading effects for hundreds or thousands of people within his bureaucracy.

To add insult to injury, the men barring the door get to use their faith as the deadbolt. Their discrimination is wrapped in piety; their disdain for women is disguised as honor for wives. Rather than figuring out how to do something truly moral, like create a world in which all genders are equally able to succeed, they create a delusion where women must be protected into oblivion.

Can you imagine if Foster's faith-based rationale were rooted in any faith but Christianity? Can you imagine if a Muslim male candidate refused to be shadowed by a female reporter? What then do you suppose would be the reaction of far-right conservative evangelicals?

Can you imagine what a positive impact Foster could have had if he'd chosen a different route — highlighting his respect for women in professional roles, for example, or building enough trust in his marriage that it didn't need to be governed by arbitrary rules? If he was uncomfortable with Campbell coming along alone, he could have provided his own campaign staffer, rather than asking her to bring a colleague. He could have brought his wife. He could have livestreamed the trip, for video evidence of its propriety. He had options.

But late Wednesday night, Foster was still defending his position, presenting himself as the wronged party. "My wife and the State of Mississippi deserve a governor who doesn't compromise their beliefs," he wrote. And then, a vaguer tweet: "I will not be intimidated into a corner of silence by a group of radical Socialists and Communists whose goal in life is to dismantle America."

Dismantle America. Two professional, clothed, adults riding together in a car, in the process of doing their respective jobs, is dismantling America.

The only upside of Foster continuing to dig this hole was that, by the end of the day, it was difficult to imagine any woman wanting to spend 15 hours in a car with him. Not alone, not with a chaperone, not for work, not for fun. He can't be in a car with a woman doing her job? Fine. Leave him in the dust, by the side of the road.

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Why I won't be teaching in CPS anymore

By Gina Caneva

For the first time in 15 years, when Chicago Public Schools opens its doors in September to begin another school year, I will not be entering. I've spent my career in three South Side high schools — two neighborhood and one selective-enrollment. But this fall, I'll be entering a high school in a different district.

Teachers leave CPS for a variety of reasons — crowded classrooms that are under-resourced and now are becoming even filthier with recent privatized janitorial services; a lack of support due to thinly stretched administrators handling the burden of managing buildings while also evaluating every teacher; and the continued uncertainty of salary and benefits as teachers do not yet have a new contract.

My reason for leaving could have been any of those. In my early years, I would stop at a grocery store nearby Corliss High School to make copies, paying out of my own pocket because our copiers at school never worked, and if they did, we had a limit on how many copies we could make. At Lindblom Math and Science Academy, one of CPS' most highly touted schools, my assistant, a retired master teacher, would spend an hour cleaning the library before students would enter because our janitorial staff was cut so thin.

At TEAM Englewood, a school CPS has recently closed, teachers often had to share the burden of acting as a social worker for many of our students who faced trauma because we did not have a consistent social worker or school psychologist on staff. Simply put, the services that I considered normal in my suburban high school experience are luxuries in CPS.

My position, a high school library media specialist, is also a luxury. When I switched from being an English teacher to Lindblom's librarian, my former principal noted that many schools were replacing librarians with parent volunteers. After a principal switch at Lindblom, I spoke with my new principal often about job security — that was during a time when CPS went from 454 school librarians to 139. Currently, only 1 in 4 schools in Chicago employs a certified school librarian.

But despite job instability, a lack of resources and funding, and the ever-growing feeling that our district's schools in no way offer our students both a sustainable academic program and a social emotional support system, I believed I would work in CPS for the long haul.

Like most other veteran CPS teachers, I innovated on a shoestring budget. I instituted a peer tutoring program, ran fundraisers, applied for and won grants to fill our library with books and technology. Since CPS also cut many professional development programs, I continued my education by entering a doctoral program at the University of Illinois at Chicago. I am not alone in any of these pursuits; I often see my CPS colleagues side by side in these endeavors.

Although I loved my work, I had a longing to live elsewhere. I grew up in Lockport, a small suburb near Joliet. After having my own children, I longed for a similar atmosphere, but one simple rule kept me from moving away — Chicago and the Board of Education's residency rule that requires teachers to live in Chicago. Every other large school district in America has ended its residency requirement due to teacher shortages; every single one, except Chicago.

Some of my colleagues at Lindblom do not have to follow the residency requirement, though, as they are on an ever-growing list of positions that receive waivers stating they can live wherever they want (there are now over 20 teacher positions that can receive waivers). A foreign language teacher lived in Lombard, another in Naperville and another in Burbank. An ROTC instructor lived in Kankakee and another in Bolingbrook. All of these teachers had excellent rapport with students, were never late and were highly respected. I saw several of my colleagues who were not on waivers leave Lindblom not because they wanted to leave Lindblom, but because they wanted to live elsewhere.

As a school librarian, my position is actually on the list to receive a CPS waiver, but only as a new hire. Because I lived in Chicago when I started, I would need to live in Chicago until retirement.

This rule is supposed to make me feel loyal or empathetic to my students. Instead, it has only made me feel trapped. In any other urban area in America, I would be able to live outside of city limits and commute in to teach. Just not Chicago. I decided to resign.

I am excited about my new journey as an educator outside of Chicago, but it really did not have to be this way. I know I am only one teacher in this incredibly large district, but the residency requirement keeps countless teacher candidates from choosing Chicago, and it pushes countless veterans like me away. Both factors highly impact a student body that would greatly benefit from a larger teacher candidate pool and strong veteran teachers from all across the Chicago region.

Gina Caneva taught in CPS for 15 years. She will become the library media specialist for East Leyden High School in Franklin Park in the fall. Follow her on Twitter @GinaCaneva

It's time for Congress to authorize price transparency for prescription drugs

By Dan Lipinski

This week, U.S. District Judge Amit Mehta derailed an attempt to fight the high cost of prescription drugs when he blocked a Trump administration regulation that would require pharmaceutical companies to include the price of a drug when it is advertised on TV. As a longtime proponent of efforts to require price transparency in health care, I was very disappointed.

The first bill I introduced after I was first elected to Congress was the Hospital Price Reporting and Disclosure Act in 2006. This legislation was inspired by the shock I felt when I saw the billed prices from my hospital stay following a bike accident. Hospitals fought back hard on my bill, just as the drugmakers did in the recent court case that stopped the Department of Health and Human Services' drug price transparency regulation. They clearly believe they have something to be concerned about when it comes to price transparency. I agree.

While transparency is only one small weapon in the fight against the high cost of health care, I believe one way of helping control costs is to allow patients to see prices just as we do for any other service we buy. Not only can transparency help patients comparison-shop in the cases in which that is possible, it also can shame providers into lowering their prices. This is probably why providers continue to fight these efforts.

In his ruling on the HHS regulation, Judge Mehta wrote, "That policy very well could be an effective tool in halting the rising cost of prescription drugs. But no matter how vexing the problem of spiraling drug costs may be, HHS cannot do more than what Congress has authorized."

So now is the time for Congress to authorize price transparency for prescription drugs. That is why on Wednesday, I joined on as a co-sponsor of House Resolution 3327, the Drug Price Transparency Act for Medicare Patients, introduced in June by my colleague Rep. Francis Rooney, R-Fla. This bipartisan bill provides statutory authority to require television ads for prescription drugs that cost over $35 to include the list price of a 30-day supply. It would go into effect immediately. The bill follows the regulation set forth by the Trump administration, and though there are many of the president's policies I disagree with, this is not one of them.

Our nation's prescription drug market is a runaway train without a conductor. Drug manufacturers like Merck, Eli Lilly and Amgen, which filed the lawsuit to block the price transparency regulation, are free to charge what they want for their products with little oversight. It's no wonder they would resist having their prices listed in their ubiquitous television ads. Meanwhile, patients and American taxpayers are stuck paying the exorbitant bills, and struggling to do so.

A recent study by the Kaiser Family Foundation found that in the past year, 24 percent of Americans didn't fill a prescription because of the high cost.

Take the cost of insulin, for example, which as a Type 1 diabetic I am intimately familiar with. Uninsured diabetes patients in my district who purchase a monthly supply of Lantus Solostar — a popular brand of insulin — pay an average discounted price of $286, as compared with $33 in Australia, $51 in the United Kingdom and $70 in Canada. It's not much different for patients covered under Medicare.

It's time we apply the same logic to prescription drugs as we do to every other good and service we purchase. It's not the only answer to the high cost of health care, but it is a common-sense start. I look forward to working with my colleagues to get the Drug Price Transparency Act passed into law.

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Editorial regarding scrap yard misleading

It is disappointing that a Tribune editorial ("The sneaky scrap yard deal Emanuel dumped on Lightfoot," July 6) relied on cherry-picked and conflated information to criticize the operations and intentions of General Iron Industries, a metal recycling business on the city's North Side. Instead of acknowledging the tangible steps that this 110-year-old Chicago company is taking to transition to a less densely populated location, the Tribune insinuates nefarious motives and conniving tactics to the routine and impartial process of issuing city permits.

The facts are straightforward: A new company that will divest the Labkon family of its four-generation control of General Iron properly obtained new permits for the standard three-year term established by the city. The new company did not request an extension and is not considering operating on the North Side beyond 2020. The Tribune apparently would have preferred that the Chicago Department of Public Health deny those permits without cause? Moreover, the Tribune ignores the vital benefits of a metal recycling facility that processes more than 700,000 tons of junked autos and discarded metal annually while conserving energy and natural resources in forging new iron and metal products.

There is evidence that Ald. Brian Hopkins, 2nd, lacks credibility in claiming that he only recently learned of the Emanuel administration's granting of the new permits. City officials conveyed that they did notify Hopkins during the permit process. While Hopkins has repeatedly demonized the company, the Tribune fails to question the real motives behind his four-year crusade to shut down an indigenous company that provides more than 100 well-paying jobs in his ward.

In its news and editorial coverage, the Tribune is fond of continuously reminding its readers that the Labkon family is engaged in internal legal conflict, while also conflating individual family members' campaign contributions as having a common purpose. Contrary to Ald. Hopkins' self-serving narrative, General Iron's majority members remain steadfast in their goal to cease operations on the North Side by the end of 2020, while a new first-class recycling facility is built on a well-buffered industrial site along the Calumet River. Zoning permits issued for that location after a public process and listing the North Side properties for sale manifestly demonstrate their true intention.

— Patrick Collins, Chicago, and Randall Samborn, Glenview, representatives of General Iron

Scrap yard is a threat to city's health

A July 6 editorial slams Mayor Rahm Emanuel's last-minute decision before stepping down to grant General Iron Industries, a scrap metal company on a federal watchlist of chronic polluters, a three-year extension of its operating permit before it relocates to the Southeast Side of the city. I applaud the 47,500 Lincoln Park residents for finally (eventually) ridding themselves of this company; however, how in the world does this clearly culpable company get a chance to pull up stakes and begin polluting the Southeast Side? This entire situation constitutes a serious issue of environmental justice. Relocation of any kind for this company places the health and well-being of Chicagoans living in its path in jeopardy.

— Deborah Harrington, Chicago

More proof of North/South bias

The Tribune Editorial Board rightly called out the raw deal Chicago got with General Iron Industries' continued operations in a highly populated area. However, it missed the mark, perpetuating the city's North/South divide, when it declared, "Relief had been in sight ... (with plans to) move operations to the Southeast Side." In one breath, it denounces this lung-damaging, regulation-violating company, and yet it is a "relief" to pass the problem on to a part of our citizenry that has been fighting the industrial waste heaped upon it. Where is the environmental justice, editorial board, and will you not champion it?

— Lorraine Brochu, Chicago

Let millennials take the helm

Fellow baby boomers: I think it is time for us to stop complaining about how millennials are different from us. They are — in many wonderful ways! Let's start trusting that we did a good job raising and educating them. Let's give them a chance to take charge in our workplaces and our government. I'm not saying we have nothing left to contribute. I'm saying we've taken our turn captaining the ship. Let's give our children and grandchildren a chance to fix some of the messes we've made. We've let (primarily) old, rich white guys run the world for long enough.

— Susan M. Sheffer, Plainfield

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Sprint launches 5G network in Chicago



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Visitors to Millennium Park use their cellphones on May 23. Sprint launched its 5G network in certain areas of Chicago on Thursday.

Wireless data coverage reaches from Little Village to Evanston

By Ally Marotti

Sprint launched its 5G network in Chicago on Thursday, becoming the second mobile carrier to roll out the fifth generation of wireless in the city.

Though Verizon turned on its 5G network in certain areas of the Loop and surrounding neighborhoods this spring, Sprint's 5G map is more extensive, covering neighborhoods from Bronzeville north to the city of Evanston, and from Lake Michigan west to Logan Square and Little Village.

To be sure, Sprint's network isn't available everywhere in the Chicago area yet. Users won't be able to connect when their "L" trains dip underground. But Sprint plans to continue building and improving its network in Chicago.

The first iterations of 5G promise lightning-fast speeds, allowing users to download entire movies or TV series in less than a minute, and increased download capacity.

Sprint's 5G network was built on top of its 4G network, said Lori Ames, the vice president of Sprint's network division. That means the footprint will be largely the same.

"You have to have a network that travels with you, even when you pop into Starbucks to get a coffee," Ames said. "The point is it's a consistent experience wherever you go."

Ames and several colleagues tested the network in River North on Wednesday. "Austin Powers: International Man of Mystery" downloaded in less than a minute as they walked down Ohio Street toward the Forever 21 store on North Michigan Avenue. Sprint's 5G equipment perched on the building overhead.

Sprint's 5G network isn't as fast as Verizon's can be, although it is still 10 times faster than what customers are used to with 4G, Ames said.

But Sprint says its coverage is more consistent. The phone Greg Nohalty, Sprint's director of network engineering, was using during the test Wednesday never lost 5G connectivity during the 25-

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Amazon announced plans to offer job training to around a third of its US workforce to help them gain skills to adapt to new technologies.

Amazon plans to spend $700M to retrain workers

Online shopping giant seeking to grow a more tech-savvy workforce

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amazon, needing a more tech-savvy workforce, is offering to pay to retrain its employees and help them switch to more technical jobs at Amazon or elsewhere.

The online shopping giant said Thursday that it plans to spend $700 million by 2025 to retrain 100,000 workers, or a third of its U.S. workforce. The initiative could help Amazon find and keep more workers.

"The harder it is to hire workers from the outside, the more sense it makes to invest in training the workers you already have," said Jed Kolko, chief economist at job site Indeed.

The training could also help Amazon.com Inc. tame criticism from labor groups and some politicians, including presidential candidates, who say Amazon's order-packing warehouses have poor working conditions.



Amazon has been criticized by labor groups who say working conditions are poor in its order-packing warehouses.

Workers at a Minnesota facility plan to strike next week during the company's busy "Prime Day" shopping holiday, saying that they are not paid enough for the speed at which they're expected to pack boxes.

Late last year, Amazon raised the minimum wage for all its U.S. workers to at least $15 an hour.

Most of the in-house training will be free for Amazon employees, the company said. It will offer several programs, depending on skill and job level. A warehouse worker with no college degree, for example, could be trained to become an IT technician who keeps the computers and scanners in a warehouse running smoothly.

"While many of our employees want to build their careers here, for others it might be a stepping stone to different aspirations," said Beth Galetti, a senior vice president of human resources at Amazon. "We think it's important to invest in our employees, and to help them gain new skills and create more professional options for themselves."

Software firm's footprint doubles

ActiveCampaign's hiring spree causes need for another floor

By Ally Marotti and Ryan Ori

Software firm ActiveCampaign is doubling its Loop footprint to accommodate a workforce that's added some 200 people this year.

The 16-year-old company is set to take over an additional floor at 1 N. Dearborn in the coming months, said CEO and founder Jason VandeBoom. It first moved in two years ago, and will soon occupy about 115,000 square feet.

VandeBoom said he plans to keep hiring at a similar pace. The company has seen headcount increase to more than 500 employees from about 20 people at the start of 2016.

ActiveCampaign makes software that helps clients automate and personalize their interaction with customers, VandeBoom said. Demand for those types of tools is growing as people become accustomed to receiving individualized attention from companies.

"Customer experiences that are excellent that a consumer would remember is becoming an absolute requirement today," he said.

Though every team at ActiveCampaign has grown, VandeBoom said half of this year's new hires have been on the product and engineering teams. He expects the company will outgrow the new space in about a year.

The 17-story tower at 1 N. Dearborn St. is owned by Boston-based Beacon Capital Partners, New York-based MetLife and the New York State Common Retirement Fund.

The 102-year-old structure extends from Dearborn to State Street, along the north side of Madison Street. Home to Chicago Public Schools' headquarters, it was also Sears' downtown flagship until the store shut in 2014.

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First section of $6B Lincoln Yards megadevelopment opens this month

Developer wrapping up construction of park with sports fields



Ryan Ori
On Real Estate

After years of planning and a bruising battle for city approval, the first small piece of the planned $6 billion Lincoln Yards megadevelopment is about to open to the public.

Chicago developer Sterling Bay is wrapping up construction of Fleet Fields, an approximately 1-acre park with sports fields near the southern end of the 55-acre site along the Chicago River on the North Side.

The artificial-turf fields will open July 28, the developer said Wednesday. The fields will be used for youth and adult sports leagues and other community events.

It's a tiny first step for a development that could take a decade or more to complete, after Sterling Bay won final approval from the City Council in April.

But it represents the first tangible public benefit for a project that encountered stiff resistance from some neighbors and politicians because of its sheer size and the use of up to $1.3 billion in tax-increment financing to help fund major infrastructure work in the area.

One soccer field and two smaller multipurpose sports fields are near the intersection of Ada Street and Wabansia Avenue. They will be open to the public from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily, according to Sterling Bay.

The interim sports fields are well ahead of schedule, after Sterling Bay promised 2nd Ward Ald. Brian Hopkins they would open by the end of 2020. The developer agreed to create the interim fields until larger parks are created during upcoming phases of construction. Ulti-

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Fleet Fields near the intersection of Ada Street and Wabansia Avenue in Sterling Bay's Lincoln Yards project is pictured on Wednesday.

White House jettisons drug rebate plan

Trump to focus on legislation after earlier price setback

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar
Associated Press



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President Donald Trump's drug rebate plan was crafted by Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar, left.

WASHINGTON — After two setbacks this week, President Donald Trump is now focusing his drive to curb drug costs on congressional efforts aimed at helping people on Medicare and younger generations covered by workplace plans.

The White House on Thursday yanked its own regulation to ease the financial bite of costly medications for those on Medicare by letting them receive rebates that drugmakers now pay to insurers and middlemen. A congressional agency's estimate that the plan would have cost taxpayers $177 billion over 10 years seemed to seal its fate.

Earlier a federal judge ruled that the administration lacked the legal authority to require drugmakers to disclose list prices in their TV ads. The ruling Monday blocked a highly visible change expected to have started this week.

Both price disclosure and the rebate idea were part of a strategy on drug costs that Trump announced at the White House amid much fanfare last year.

"This is a big setback," said Peter Bach, director of the Center for Health Policy and Outcomes at New York's Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. The rebate rule "was not good policy (since) it would have increased spending on prescription drugs even if it mildly reduced out-of-pocket costs in some cases. But nevertheless this was a cornerstone of the blueprint."

White House spokesman Judd Deere said the rebate proposal was withdrawn "based on careful analysis and thorough consideration."

Deere said Trump is not backing away from his promise to lower drug prices, and the administration is setting its sights on bipartisan legislation.

One idea would cap drug copays for people with Medicare, which would produce savings for seniors taking costly drugs. That's another way to achieve a similar goal as the rebate plan.

"The Trump administration is encouraged by continuing bipartisan conversations about legislation to reduce outrageous drug costs imposed on the American people, and President Trump will consider using any and all tools to ensure that prescription drug costs will continue to decline," Deere said in a statement.

While agreeing it's a setback for Trump, John Rother of the National Coalition on Health Care said that if legislation could be worked out, "that might actually lead to a better outcome." His organization is an umbrella group that represents a cross section of business and consumer groups.

Sens. Charles Grassley, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, and Ron Wyden, the committee's top Democrat, are trying for a compromise centered on lowering drug costs for government programs such as Medicare and Medicaid. Top administration officials this week participated in a closed-door meeting between Grassley, R-Iowa, and GOP senators on his committee.

Grassley said he had concerns about the administration's rebate rule, but was confident about the prospects for legislation.

"While the final details are still being negotiated, we're on track to report a bill out of committee very soon," he said.

Separately, Grassley and Illinois Sen. Dick Durbin, the chamber's second-ranking Democrat, are pushing legislation that would grant the government the power to require drug companies to disclose their prices in consumer advertising.

House committees are also working on legislation and Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., remains in contact with the White House on a drug cost compromise. Changes to Medicare often have an impact on workplace insurance.

The rebate plan was crafted by Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar but ran into opposition from White House budget officials. That pushback stiffened after the nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office estimated the plan would cost Medicare $177 billion over 10 years by leading to higher premiums subsidized by taxpayers.

Audio apps help visually impaired navigate through airport terminals

By Kristen De Groot
Associated Press



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Chieko Asakawa walks in Pittsburgh International Airport in June using a navigation app that she helped design.

Navigating airports can be tricky. They're loud, crowded and not always laid out intuitively. They're even more challenging for visually impaired people.

Chieko Asakawa knows those challenges firsthand, and she has also devised a remedy.

Asakawa has been blind since she was 14 and is now an IBM Fellow and a professor in Carnegie Mellon University's Robotics Institute. This spring, she and other researchers at Carnegie Mellon launched a navigation app for Pittsburgh International Airport that provides turn-by-turn audio instructions to users on how to get to their destination, be it a departure gate, restaurant or restroom.

Pittsburgh is one of a growing number of airports around the globe to provide wayfinding apps. The Pittsburgh app, called NavCog, was first used at the Carnegie Mellon campus and works almost like an indoor GPS.

"Independence is very important," she said. "Technology has been helping us to be more independent and this is one of the examples. We still have a lot of challenges, but we will keep working to make it easier."

Typically, visually impaired travelers arrive at the Pittsburgh airport and request an escort, Asakawa said, but escorts aren't available until passengers check in. So they must reach the counter on their own.

The escorts bring passengers to their gate and leave, she said. For Asakawa, if she wanted a coffee, or if the flight was delayed, it was very difficult to manage, and very often she'd just be stranded at the gate.

With NavCog, she can get up and find the gift shop or coffee shop or even just wander around a bit, she said. The app is up and running and free to download.

It works with the help of hundreds of Bluetooth beacons installed inside the airport to wirelessly communicate a user's location.

Users put in where they are going; for example, Gate A3. The app gives users audio instructions like "walk 20 feet and turn left" and gets them to their destination.

The app also lets users know what stores they might be passing, giving them a better sense of their surroundings, and shopping options.

It relies on a map of the terminal that has been annotated with the locations of restrooms, restaurants, gates, entrances and ticketing counters.

Ten legally blind people tested the app using an iPhone 8, traversing the terminal's large open spaces, escalators and moving walkways with few errors.

Most users were able to reach the ticketing counter in three minutes, traverse the terminal in about six minutes, go from the gate to a restroom in a minute and go from the gate to a restaurant in about four minutes, the researchers said.

Carnegie Mellon and the airport have partnered in developing systems and technologies for enhancing traveler experiences and airport operations. The technology is tested at the university's on-site lab at the airport.

"Part of our commitment to the public includes making sure our airport works for everyone, particularly as we modernize our facility for the future," said airport CEO Christina Cassotis.

Dozens of airports, including Philadelphia International, offer free use of a service called Aira, where users connect with an "agent" either by using glasses equipped with a camera or through a smartphone app that accesses the user's camera.

Hobson promoted to co-CEO at Ariel Investments

By Mary Ellen Podmolik

Mellody Hobson, president of Ariel Investments for the past 19 years, has been named co-CEO of the firm and will purchase a portion of the ownership stake owned by founder and co-CEO John Rogers.

In an announcement to "clients and friends" posted Wednesday on Ariel's website, to Rogers spoke in glowing terms of Hobson, who has been at the firm for almost 28 years. Rogers said he met Hobson at a high school recruiting fair when she was 17 years old, hired her as a summer intern while she was at Princeton University and made her a full-time employee after her graduation.

"I have seen Mellody's fortitude and resolve in the tensest of situations," Rogers wrote. "She stands firm when others are shaky. She is a beacon in a storm — disciplined and thoughtful when others lose perspective."

He added, "Even though I founded Ariel, it has long been Mellody's firm too. In all the years of working together, Mellody and I have evolved into co-leaders. Her decision-making has always been through a lens of ownership and entrepreneurship."

The sale of shares to Hobson, 50, will make her the largest shareholder in the firm. Hobson will purchase about 14% of Rogers' shares by July 19, after which she will own 39.5% of Ariel, compared with Roberts' 34.1%. Employees and board members own 21.8%, while outsiders own 4.6%.

"Both her promotion as well as this share purchase represent a long-planned generational transition of leadership and ownership while simultaneously allowing us to maintain continuity," Rogers wrote. "As many know, I have never been a seller of my Ariel stock and these are the only shares that I ever plan to sell. I am happily doing so to level the playing field."

Rogers, 61, said he would remain chairman of Ariel's board.

Charming Charlie to close all stores

By Jeremy Hill
Bloomberg

Fashion accessory retailer Charming Charlie will close all its stores after going bankrupt for the second time in less than two years. More than 3,000 full- and part-time employees will likely lose their jobs.

Charming Charlie Holdings filed for Chapter 11 protection in Delaware with plans for going-out-of-business sales at about 261 stores, according to court documents. The chain expects the liquidation to take about two months.

Founded in Houston in 2004, Charming Charlie has stores in malls across the U.S. It's known for organizing its bright merchandise by color, and its core customer base is middle-aged women, Chief Financial Officer Alvaro Bellon said in a court declaration.

The chain has 14 stores in Illinois, including one in Chicago at The Shops at North Bridge on Michigan Avenue.

The retailer's shutdown adds to the carnage in the retail sector that claimed more than 5,800 outlets last year, according to Coresight Research. This year is already worse, with 7,062 announced and Coresight estimating the total for all of 2019 could hit 12,000.

After emerging from its previous bankruptcy in April 2018, the company "continued to face challenges that make it impossible for Charming Charlie to continue as a going concern," Bellon said. Those included fewer mall visits by customers, landlords that required the retailer to keep some weak stores open and lack of capital. By the time it filed for bankruptcy, Bellon said, Charming Charlie had only $6,000 of cash on hand.

Charming Charlie loaded up on lower-quality inventory after its last bankruptcy in an attempt to boost liquidity — its credit line grows along with its inventory levels. But those goods sat unsold, resulting in markdowns and thinner margins, Bellon said. In addition, vendors took longer than expected to ease off on tough trade terms, such as requiring deposits or cash on delivery.

The company arranged for a $13 million loan from existing creditors including Second Avenue Capital and White Oak Commercial Finance to help finance its wind-down. Hilco Merchant Resources and SB360 Capital Partners were hired to run liquidation sales, which are expected to raise $30 million. Hilco helped the company close outlets as part of its prior bankruptcy, court papers show. The retailer expects to vacate its stores by Aug. 31.

Charming Charlie in the past paid severance to certain terminated employees, but discontinued that program as of the bankruptcy filing, court papers show. The company is, however, seeking court permission to give bonuses to store-level employees for staying on through the liquidation.

The company has debt of about $82 million, comprised of an asset-based credit line, a term loan facility and vendor payment credit line, court papers show.

A representative for Charming Charlie didn't immediately return a call seeking comment.

Virgin Galactic sets sights on going public

By Danica Kirka
Associated Press

LONDON — Richard Branson's space tourism venture, Virgin Galactic, is planning to go public, creating the first listed human spaceflight firm.

Virgin Galactic said Tuesday that it is merging with Social Capital Hedosophia, whose CEO, Chamath Palihapitiya, will become chairman of the combined entity. The value of the merger was put at $1.5 billion.

"We are at the dawn of a new space age, with huge potential to improve and sustain life on Earth," Branson said. "I am delighted that SCH has decided to become such an important part of our amazing journey. They share our dreams and together we will make them reality."

The company intends to offer "a unique, multi-day experience culminating in a personal spaceflight that includes out-of-seat gravity and views of Earth from space."

It aims to complete the merger this year before listing on the New York Stock Exchange.

The company believes it is at an "inflection point" in its development as it moves toward launching commercial operations, and said it had overcome a number of the technical hurdles required to make the company profitable.

In December, Virgin Galactic's tourism spaceship climbed 51 miles above California's Mojave Desert, reaching for the first time what the company considers the boundary of space.

Sprint

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minute walk.

In a test the Tribune conducted in May using a 5G-compatible phone on Verizon's network, it took less than 9 seconds to download all two hours and 17 minutes of "Homecoming: A film by Beyonce." But less than two blocks away, the 5G signal was lost.

Verizon continues to build out its network in Chicago, said Garima Garg, the company's system performance director for the Chicago area. It has doubled its 5G footprint since the launch, making it denser and more expansive.

5G is the standard the wireless networks are building toward, but they're using different technologies and techniques to get there. That will cause coverage to vary by carrier.

Devices and applications that run 5G must be adopted before the technology takes hold. Sprint sells three 5G-compatible devices — two phones and a hub that acts as a 5G mobile hot spot — that will be available in Chicago-area stores starting Friday.

There are other roadblocks too. Some experts worry the Trump administration's tariffs on Chinese goods could make it more expensive for wireless companies to buy the hardware 5G uses. Separately, the technology has sparked concerns about potential health issues among some Chicagoans.

AT&T plans to turn on parts of its Chicago network later this year, and T-Mobile is aiming for 2020.

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A map provided by Sprint shows the coverage area of its 5G network. Yellow areas are covered. Black spots within the yellow are not covered.

Think globally, power locally

Hydro plants in rural communities serve neighbors

By Michael Hill
Associated Press



MICHAEL HILL/AP

Sarah Bower-Terbush cleans debris from the canal that feeds her company's hydro plant in Wappingers Falls, New York.

WALKILL, N.Y. — Eat locally. Shop locally. Generate locally?

Some electricity customers in New York's Hudson Valley support hydropower harnessed from running water close to home.

The idea is similar to farm-to-table, except for electricity instead of food: green-minded customers supporting an area renewable resource. And smaller hydro plants like those run by Harry Terbush and Sarah Bower-Terbush have a different way to keep their turbines turning.

"It's community energy, and it allows us to sell directly to customers, and allows them to get a little more benefit of what's in their backyard," said Bower-Terbush.

The husband-and-wife engineers running Natural Power Group have been maintaining hydro sites north of New York City for three decades. The trio of sites they operate are "run of the river" that rely on flowing water. The steel-encased turbines are modern, but sites have a long history of producing power.

The Wallkill River site once provided mechanical energy for a hat factory. It now can generate 0.5 megawatts — enough power for around 400 homes — by diverting into a short canal that feeds a pair of turbines inside the rebuilt plant.

A larger 2.5-megawatt site across the Hudson River in Wappingers Falls is in a long brick building beneath a fast-falling stretch of Wappinger Creek. Water flows through a 9-foot diameter pipe that snakes across Wappinger Creek to a site that first produced electricity more than a century ago.

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> *— Sarah Bower-Terbush, co-owner of Natural Power Group*

"Why not utilize what we have?" Bower-Terbush asked.

But it can be difficult for smaller hydro sites to compete in the electricity market. In New York, plants that generate less than 1 megawatt are currently unable to participate in wholesale markets because of their size. Older hydro sites can miss out on incentives promoting new construction in solar and wind.

And as Matthew Swindle of the hydro company NLine Energy put it: "The challenge is that you can site wind and solar just about everywhere. I can't put hydro on a rooftop."

Swindle, who is involved with the National Hydropower Association, said hydro operations are starting to sell to local customers by taking advantage of states' differing energy policies.

In states like California, New Hampshire and New York, it can involve a form of "net metering."

In New York, Gravity Renewables sells its power from its Chittenden Falls Hydro Project on Kinderhook Creek plant to Skidmore College 60 miles away under the state's remote net metering program. Skidmore owns the meter at the site, and it counts toward around 10 percent or more of the campus' electricity use.

"You can produce kilowatt hours more cheaply from a coal plant or from, generally, a gas plant than you can from a small hydro plant," said Ted Rose, CEO of the Colorado-based company. "But the real question is: Is a small hydro asset that's been around for 100 years inside a community, does that have value to that community above and beyond those kilowatt hours? And I think that answer is yes."

For decades, the Terbushes sold their hydropower to the local utility under a 1978 federal law promoting renewable energy. Those contracts lapsed, and they began selling power last year from Wallkill under the state's "community-distributed generation" program.

Bower-Terbush said the transition to marketing directly to customers has been challenging, but they are working toward selling power the same way at their other two sites.

The policy allows electricity customers to collectively invest in renewable projects, mostly solar, in their utility service territory.

It allows Manna Jo Greene to support the Wallkill site, 20 miles from her home.

"My thought was to support a local source of generation: clean hydroelectric power," said Greene.

They can't run a power cord from Greene's home. Wallkill's hydroelectricity still flows into the grid. Instead, customers essentially reserve a percentage of the power generated by a hydro project. The local utility still sends a monthly bill, but with credits based on hydropower the customer signed up to buy. Natural Power Group sends a separate bill, with a 10 percent discount on the credits.

New York ratepayers help fund renewable programs like this through a monthly charge on their bills, though regulators say costs are mitigated by investments in local generation.

Greene and other customers say cheaper electricity bills are nice, but the choice is philosophical. Greene is a veteran environmental activist who already relied on rooftop solar panels for most of her electricity. Officials in nearby Woodstock purchased hydro to help keep the famously left-of-center town meet its carbon-neutral goals.

"They decided that they really wanted to have something local, where you could actually understand that the renewable power was being generated," said Kenneth Panza, a resident who helped choose hydro, "rather than buying renewable energy credits from windmills in Texas or Oklahoma."



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The Fleet Fields name is a reference to the Department of Fleet and Facility Management vehicle maintenance facility that previously stood on the site.

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mately, Lincoln Yards will include 21 acres of other parks, riverwalk and other open space.

"Fleet Fields is our first step in bringing life back to the corridor and delivering vibrant, well-maintained, publicly accessible recreational green space to the city of Chicago," Sterling Bay CEO Andy Gloor said in a statement.

The Fleet Fields name is a reference to the Department of Fleet and Facility Management vehicle maintenance facility that previously stood on the site, which Sterling Bay bought from the city for $104.7 million.

Sterling Bay demolished that structure and combined the property with other former industrial properties it acquired, including the former A. Finkl & Sons steel plant site, to create the sprawling riverfront site now known as Lincoln Yards.

Hopkins will hold community meetings regarding the permanent park configurations after Sterling Bay selects designers and architects, he said Tuesday in an email to constituents.

Sterling Bay plans to build as much as 14.5 million square feet of office, residential and hotel towers, as well as restaurants, bars, retail, entertainment and open space on land that runs along the east and west sides of the river between North and Webster avenues.

Sterling Bay scrapped some elements of its proposal, such as a 20,000-seat soccer stadium and several live entertainment venues, during the zoning approval process.

The firm also increased its commitment to on-site affordable housing to 600 units, from 300. Just after Mayor Lori Lightfoot took office, Sterling Bay agreed to one final concession — a promise to increase the amount of construction contracts going to minority- and women-owned firms — before tax increment financing for the project was finalized in April.

The City Council approved TIF funds for $490 million in already identified projects, such as new bridges. Another $410 million would need to be approved by Lightfoot's administration, and the TIF package also could include up to $400 million in financing costs.

Sterling Bay agreed to pay $293 million for other projects, such as 21 acres of open space, an extension of The 606 recreational trail, riverwalk construction and new water taxi stations.

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SAVINGS UPDATE

Banks vs. credit unions: What's the difference?

When shopping around for a top-rate savings account or CD, you'll likely encounter several credit union options. If you've never banked with a credit union before, you might be wondering what the difference is between these institutions and traditional banks.

In short, banks are for-profit institutions that must satisfy their shareholders, while credit unions are not-for-profit with a focus on their member customers. And while almost anyone can open an account with a bank, only customers meeting certain geographic, employer, or other affiliation criteria can join most credit unions.

As a result of their profit status, banks tend to have higher fees and lower interest rates on savings. They may also charge more on loan and credit products. But their strong profit-making ability means they generally offer more products, branches, and ATMs, as well as better online and mobile options.

At a credit union, you may find better savings rates, lower fees, or lower-interest loans, as well as possibly stronger customer service. However, many credit unions offer less branch and ATM accessibility, and many have less customer-friendly mobile sites and apps.

You'll also need to become a credit union member to be a customer. Each credit union defines a "field of membership" to indicate its affiliation or residency requirements. However, some credit unions accept members nationwide through a very broad member definition.

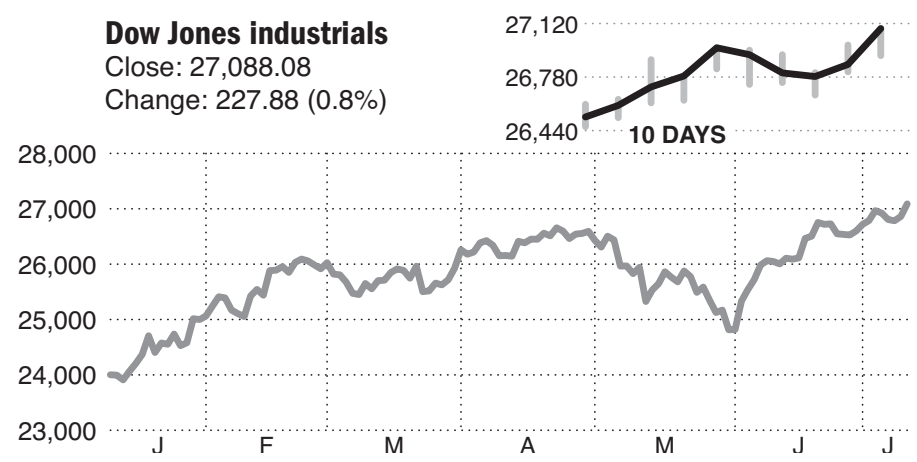
As for safety, the institutions are equivalent. Whereas your deposits at a bank are federally insured up to $250,000 by the FDIC, credit unions carry the same level of insurance from the NCUA.

For the highest convenience, broadest accessibility, and latest technology, banks will suit some consumers better, but at the cost of potentially higher fees and lower earnings. But for those wanting a top deposit rate or enhanced customer service, a credit union may be the winning bet.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow **High: 27,088.45** **Low: 26,916.32** **Previous: 26,860.20**



Nasdaq

-6.49 *(-.08%)*

Close	**8,196.04**
High	8,226.18
Low	8,171.63
Previous	8,202.53

S&P 500

+6.84 *(+.23%)*

Close	**2,999.91**
High	3,002.33
Low	2,988.80
Previous	2,993.07

Russell 2000

-7.13 *(-.46%)*

Close	**1,557.92**
High	1,567.95
Low	1,552.40
Previous	1,565.05

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
+.06 to 2.12%	**-5.80** to $1,404.30	**+.05** to 108.47/$1	**-.0003** to .8883/$1	**-.23** to $60.20

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+.45	+.32	+.14	+3.76	+4.58	+3.74	+8.68	+4.76	+7.21

FUTURES

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 19	514.25	536.25	514.25	536.25	+24.50
		Sep 19	505	523	500.25	521.50	+16.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 19	433.25	448	433.25	447.75	+13.50
		Sep 19	434.25	444.75	426.50	444.25	+9.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jul 19	894	896.25	890.75	896.25	+3.25
		Aug 19	893.25	899.50	887.25	899	+4.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jul 19				28.07	+.10
		Aug 19	28.13	28.25	27.94	28.18	+.09
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jul 19	310.60	311.60	309.30	311.60	+2.50
		Aug 19	310.20	313.00	309.30	312.40	+1.70
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Aug 19	60.44	60.94	60.14	60.20	-.23
		Sep 19	60.50	61.02	60.22	60.28	-.24
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, $ per mm btu	Aug 19	2.445	2.487	2.393	2.416	-.028
		Sep 19	2.428	2.472	2.377	2.401	-.032
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Aug 19	2.0140	2.0378	1.9843	1.9895	-.0157
		Sep 19	1.9494	1.9713	1.9274	1.9335	-.0133

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. *Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ*

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	85.77	+.39
AbbVie Inc	N	71.24	-.41
Allstate Corp	N	103.15	-1.11
Aptargroup Inc	N	124.02	+.44
Arch Dan Mid	N	41.73	-.07
Baxter Intl	N	82.53	+.41
Boeing Co	N	359.00	+6.70
Brunswick Corp	N	44.64	-.09
CBOE Global Markets	N	113.00	+1.30
CDK Global Inc	O	49.87	-.23
CDW Corp	O	113.57	+1.11
CF Industries	N	44.94	+.72
CME Group	O	206.41	+3.24
CNA Financial	N	48.13	-.17
Caterpillar Inc	N	133.96	+1.32
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	27.48	-.86
Deere Co	N	161.26	+.45
Discover Fin Svcs	N	80.59	+.49
Dover Corp	N	97.63	-.91
Envestnet Inc	N	71.08	+.74
Equity Commonwlth	N	33.34	-.17
Equity Lifesty Prop	N	125.98	-2.07
Equity Residential	N	79.29	-.28
Exelon Corp	N	49.54	+.17
First Indl RT	N	37.38	-.59
Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	54.91	-.08
Gallagher AJ	N	91.38	+.52
Grainger WW	N	262.81	+4.27
GrubHub Inc	N	74.00	-3.06
Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	104.99	+.75
IDEX Corp	N	169.14	+.13
ITW	N	146.87	+.72
Ingredion Inc	N	80.34	-2.03
John Bean Technol	N	122.23	+.31
Jones Lang LaSalle	N	139.56	+2.44
Kemper Corp	N	88.13	-.25
Kraft Heinz Co	O	30.65	-.65
LKQ Corporation	O	26.24	+.08
Littelfuse Inc	O	167.13	-6.41
McDonalds Corp	N	212.69	-.31
Middleby Corp	O	135.03	+.07
Mondelez Intl	O	54.63	-.90
Morningstar Inc	O	151.01	+2.63
Motorola Solutions	N	171.07	+.34
NiSource Inc	N	29.52	+.02
Nthn Trust Cp	O	91.34	+.92
Old Republic	N	22.93	+.05
Packaging Corp Am	N	98.95	-1.10
Paylocity Hldg	O	103.99	+.92
RLI Corp	N	87.80	+.12
Stericycle Inc	O	45.57	-.58
TransUnion	N	74.98	+.63
Tribune Media Co A	N	46.39	-.01
US Foods Holding	N	36.42	+.03
Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	346.98	-.22
United Airlines Hldg	O	89.48	-.03
Ventas Inc	N	69.44	-1.42
Walgreen Boots Alli	O	55.62	+.05
Wintrust Financial	O	71.17	+.40
Zebra Tech	O	195.01	-16.95

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	29.36	+.34
Pfizer Inc	42.98	-1.08
Gen Electric	10.11	-.09
Chesapk Engy	1.90	-.01
CVS Health Corp	57.97	+2.59
AT&T Inc	33.46	-.30
Sprint Corp	6.91	-.25
Ford Motor	10.19	+.08
Ambev S.A.	4.95	-.10
Snap Inc A	15.57	+.31
EnCana Corp	5.09	+.10
Sthwstn Energy	2.70	-.19
Brist Myr Sqb	44.53	-1.43
Petrobras	16.69	+.41
Nokia Corp	5.06	...
Merck & Co	81.00	-3.82
Vale SA	13.84	+.03
Wells Fargo & Co	47.14	-.01
Freeport McMoRan	11.10	+.15
Teva Pharm	8.97	-.21
GameStop Corp	4.84	-.34
Barrick Gold	16.39	-.13
Infosys Ltd	10.72	+.24
Alibaba Group Hldg	166.55	-.38

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
SELAS Life Sciences	.14	-.01
Adv Micro Dev	33.06	-.73
Revolution Lighting	.58	+.33
Taronis Technologies	.22	+.01
Co-Diagnostics Inc	1.09	+.21
FuelCell Energy	.77	-.03
Micron Tech	43.48	+.58
Bed Bath &Beynd	11.17	-.35
Microsoft Corp	138.40	+.55
Apple Inc	201.75	-1.48
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.03	...
Fastenal Co	30.36	-.89
Nvidia Corporation	166.28	+6.22
Intel Corp	48.60	+.39
Zynga Inc	6.26	-.03
Cisco Syst	57.30	+.17
Comcast Corp A	44.08	+.29
Qualcomm Inc	73.71	-.65
Facebook Inc	201.23	-1.50
Caesars Entertain	11.85	-.13
Naked Brand Group	.17	+.01
Flex Pharma Inc	.76	+.11
T-Mobile US Inc	78.26	-.37
Ascena Retail Grp	.65	+.09

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2917.76	+2.5/+.1
Stoxx600	386.70	-.5/-.1
Nikkei	21643.53	+110.1/+.5
MSCI-EAFE	1916.82	+3.3/+.2
Bovespa	105032.70	-784.4/-.7
FTSE 100	7509.82	-20.9/-.3
CAC-40	5551.95	-15.6/-.3

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	166.55	-.38
Alphabet Inc C	1144.21	+3.73
Alphabet Inc A	1144.08	+3.17
Amazon.com Inc	2001.07	-16.34
Apple Inc	201.75	-1.48
Bank of America	29.36	+.34
Berkshire Hath B	213.17	-.86
Exxon Mobil Corp	77.57	+.06
Facebook Inc	201.23	-1.50
HSBC Holdings prA	26.45	+.03
JPMorgan Chase	114.10	+1.08
Johnson & Johnson	140.11	-1.10
MasterCard Inc	278.32	+2.94
Microsoft Corp	138.40	+.55
Procter & Gamble	114.38	+.63
Royal Dutch Shell B	65.84	+.16
Royal Dutch Shell A	65.38	+.14
Visa Inc	180.74	+1.43
WalMart Strs	113.92	+.94

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	2.10	2.13
6-month disc	2.02	2.01
2-year	1.85	1.82
10-year	2.12	2.06
30-year	2.64	2.57

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	$1404.30	$1410.10
Silver	$15.067	$15.147
Platinum	$825.00	$824.10

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	5.50
Discount Rate Primary	3.00
Fed Funds Target	2.25-2.50
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.70

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

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Argentina (Peso)	41.7058
Australia (Dollar)	1.4336
Brazil (Real)	3.7545
Britain (Pound)	.7984
Canada (Dollar)	1.3072
China (Yuan)	6.8703
Euro	.8883
India (Rupee)	68.449
Israel (Shekel)	3.5510
Japan (Yen)	108.47
Mexico (Peso)	19.0902
Poland (Zloty)	3.79
So. Korea (Won)	1174.79
Taiwan (Dollar)	31.02
Thailand (Baht)	30.73

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG IN $	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	32.76	+.09	+4.8
American Funds AmrcnBalA m	27.62	+.06	+6.8
American Funds CptWldGrIncA m	49.46	+.13	+3.7
American Funds CptlIncBldrA m	61.40	-.04	+5.3
American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	60.16	+.27	+5.3
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	51.42	+.18	+4.8
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.61	-.05	+6.1
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	38.76	+.08	+4.1
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	45.34	+.09	+7.0
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	46.53	+.23	+9.8
DFA IntlCorEqIns	12.94	+.01	-3.8
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.89	-.02	+7.0
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	41.81	+.03	-.5
Dodge & Cox Stk	189.43	+.84	+3.5
DoubleLine TtlRetBdI	10.64	-.03	+5.9
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrm	104.29	+.24	+10.3
Fidelity Contrafund	13.58	+.04	+8.4
Fidelity TtlMktIdxInsPrm	84.95	+.14	+8.6
Fidelity USBdIdxInsPrm	11.73	-.04	+7.1
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.32	...	+4.9
Metropolitan West TtlRetBdI	10.84	-.03	+7.4
PIMCO IncI2	12.13	...	+6.7
PIMCO IncInstl	12.13	...	+6.8
PIMCO TtlRetIns	10.29	-.03	+6.8
Schwab SP500Idx	46.34	+.11	+10.3
T. Rowe Price BCGr	119.76	+.80	+11.0
T. Rowe Price GrStk	70.93	+.36	+9.2
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	276.96	+.63	+10.3
Vanguard DivGrInv	29.99	+.15	+19.5
Vanguard EqIncAdmrl	76.21	+.01	+9.4
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	86.54	+.19	+10.9
Vanguard HCAdmrl	82.53	-.12	+4.6
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	14.40	...	+6.5
Vanguard InsIdxIns	271.77	+.62	+10.3
Vanguard InsIdxInsPlus	271.78	+.62	+10.3
Vanguard InsTtlSMIInPls	64.63	+.10	+8.7
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	93.98	-.27	-.7
Vanguard MdCpIdxAdmrl	210.15	+.19	+7.3
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	138.35	-.11	+4.5
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.69	...	+5.3
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	75.32	-.19	+.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	32.02	-.02	+6.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	19.24	-.01	+6.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	35.16	...	+6.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.63	...	+6.0
Vanguard TtBMIdxAdmrl	10.87	-.04	+7.1
Vanguard TtBMIdxIns	10.87	-.04	+7.1
Vanguard TtInBIdxAdmrl	22.90	-.06	+7.7
Vanguard TtInBIdxIns	34.36	-.09	+7.8
Vanguard TtInBIdxInv	11.45	-.03	+7.6
Vanguard TtInSIdxAdmrl	28.35	+.02	+.8
Vanguard TtInSIdxIns	113.38	+.10	+.9
Vanguard TtInSIdxInsPlus	113.41	+.10	+.9
Vanguard TtInSIdxInv	16.95	+.01	+.8
Vanguard TtlSMIdxAdmrl	74.39	+.12	+8.7
Vanguard TtlSMIdxIns	74.40	+.12	+8.7
Vanguard TtlSMIdxInv	74.36	+.12	+8.5
Vanguard WlngtnAdmrl	72.03	-.01	+10.0
Vanguard WlslyIncAdmrl	64.66	-.16	+9.5
Vanguard WndsrIIAdmrl	64.45	+.29	+6.7

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OBITUARIES

JADA RUSSELL 1973-2019

Executive, advocate used skills to help spread messages

By Graydon Megan



FAMILY PHOTO

Marketing exec Jada Russell was instrumental in helping the Chicago Cultural Alliance gather attention.

Jada Russell used her communication skills in her own marketing and public relations firm, HSMPR, as well as on behalf of community organizations and celebrity foundations whose messages she helped spread.

"She understood what communities might be looking for, so she provided a conduit between leaders and others," said the Rev. Byron Brazier, pastor of the Apostolic Church of God in Chicago's Woodlawn neighborhood and a client of Russell's.

"Being able to communicate to different audiences was a gift she had," Brazier said.

Russell, 45, died of breast cancer July 2 in Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, according to family members. She lived in Chicago with her husband, Julius Russell.

She was born Jada Goodlet in 1973 and grew up on the city's South Side. After attending both Curie and Hyde Park high schools, she studied marketing, communications and public relations and earned a bachelor's degree from the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York, family members said.

She founded High Style Marketing & Public Relations about 15 years ago, focusing on a broad range of marketing and media services, including corporate branding and social media strategy. She recently rebranded the company by the initials HSMPR, according to Juan Teague, who became a partner in the business about 10 years ago.

The two women connected when Teague asked Russell to help her with public relations and media coverage for a Chicago fundraising event put on for the Kanye West Foundation.

"Teaming up helped both of us," Teague said, as Russell started working with high-profile celebrities and took on projects that impacted the city of Chicago.

"She was such a stalwart community advocate," said Emily Reusswig, executive director of the Chicago Cultural Alliance. Reusswig was with the since-closed Redmoon Theater in 2013 when she first met Russell, who was doing community relations work for the group.

Reusswig said one of Russell's strengths was making sure community voices were heard in the media. "She was really about making sure that communities around the city knew that their stories were important and needed to be told and she was going to help them tell them."

Russell was instrumental in helping the Cultural Alliance, which represents 40 Chicago-area cultural heritage museums, centers and historical societies, gather attention for what Reusswig called the alliance's collective voice.

"She helped us get a lot of press for our program, with her volunteering for the alliance and being an advocate for us," Reusswig said.

The client list of Russell's firm includes the University of Chicago, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, Network of Woodlawn, arts and cultural organizations, and elected officials including U.S. Rep. Bobby Rush, Chicago Ald. Michael Scott Jr. and the "I'm With Rahm" campaign for former Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel.

Russell's impact went far beyond her business, according to the Rev. Jesse Jackson Sr. "She was a brilliant social servant," Jackson said. "She gave herself to volunteering."

"I think two words describe her lasting legacy," Brazier said. "Integrity and commitment."

In addition to her husband, a Chicago chef, survivors include her father, William Goodlet; a sister, Sybil Goodlet Smith; and a brother, Wendell Goodlet.

A wake will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in Apostolic Church of God, 6320 S. Dorchester Ave., Chicago, followed by a funeral service at 11 a.m.

Graydon Megan is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON JULY 12 ...

In 100 B.C., Roman dictator Julius Caesar was born.

In 1543, England's King Henry VIII married his sixth and last wife, Catherine Parr, who would outlive him.

In 1690, Protestant forces led by William of Orange defeated the Roman Catholic army of James II at the Battle of Boyne in Ireland.

In 1812, U.S. forces led by Gen. William Hull entered Canada during the War of 1812 against Britain.

In 1862, Congress authorized the Medal of Honor.

In 1948, the Democratic national convention opened in Philadelphia.

In 1972, the Democratic National Convention in Miami Beach nominated Sen. George McGovern for president.

In 1974, White House aide John Ehrlichman and three others were convicted of conspiring to violate the civil rights of Daniel Ellsberg's former psychiatrist.

In 1976, U.S. Rep. Barbara Jordan of Texas became the first woman and the first African-American to give the keynote speech at a Democratic National Convention.

In 1977, President Jimmy Carter defended Supreme Court decisions limiting government payments for poor women's abortions, saying, "There are many things in life that are not fair."

In 1979, "Disco Demolition Night" got out of hand at Comiskey Park, forcing the White Sox to forfeit to the Detroit Tigers.

In 1984, Democratic presidential candidate Walter Mondale named Rep. Geraldine Ferraro of New York as his running mate.

In 1985, doctors discovered what turned out to be a cancerous growth in President Ronald Reagan's large intestine, prompting surgery the following day.

In 1990, Russian republic President Boris Yeltsin resigned from the Communist Party.

In 1991, a Japanese professor who had translated Salman Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses" was found stabbed to death, nine days after the novel's Italian translator was attacked in Milan.

In 1994, President Bill Clinton visited Berlin's eastern sector, the first president to do so since Harry Truman.

In 1996, the House voted to define marriage in federal law as the legal union of one man and one woman.

In 1998, France won its first World Cup, beating Brazil 3-0.

In 2000, a television news helicopter in Philadelphia videotaped about a dozen police officers kicking and punching Thomas Jones, a wounded carjacking suspect.

In 2001, Abner Louima, a Haitian immigrant tortured in a New York police station, agreed to an $8.7 million settlement.

In 2002, a panel of Ontario superior court judges ruled that Canada's policy of refusing legal recognition of gay and lesbian marriages was unconstitutional.

In 2003, the USS Ronald Reagan, the first carrier named for a living president, was commissioned in Norfolk, Va.

In 2004, Wall Street brokerage Morgan Stanley settled a sex-discrimination suit brought by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, agreeing to pay $54 million.

In 2005, Mohammed Bouyeri, a Muslim extremist on trial in the slaying of Dutch filmmaker Theo van Gogh, unexpectedly confessed in court, saying he was driven by religious conviction.

In 2012, opposition activists said as many as 200 people were killed in the farming village of Tremseh, Syria. Resident accounts contradict the account offered by Syrian authorities, who said no heavy weapons were used and that almost all the victims were insurgents killed while attacking government forces.

In 2015, Mexico mounted an all-out manhunt for powerful drug lord Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman, who escaped through a mile-long tunnel from a maximum security prison 55 miles west of Mexico City.

In 2017, an investor group led by former Chicago Ald. Edwin Eisendrath and the Chicago Federation of Labor bought the Chicago Sun-Times, keeping the city's No. 2 paper in business and ending a bid by the Chicago Tribune's owner to acquire its longtime rival.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS
July 11
Lotto ..... **10 11 19 28 35 52 / 19**
Lotto jackpot: $7M
Pick 3 midday ..... **895 / 2**
Pick 4 midday ..... **9850 / 0**
Lucky Day Lotto midday **06 12 27 30 32**
Pick 3 evening ..... **919 / 7**
Pick 4 evening ..... **7541 / 7**
Lucky Day Lotto evening **06 22 31 33 39**

July 12 Mega Millions: $121M
July 13 Powerball: $194M

WISCONSIN
July 11
Pick 3 ..... **515**
Pick 4 ..... **2803**
Badger 5 ..... **06 11 17 21 26**
SuperCash **06 10 17 18 19 26**

INDIANA
July 11
Daily 3 midday ..... **360 / 1**
Daily 4 midday ..... **0224 / 1**
Daily 3 evening ..... **441 / 4**
Daily 4 evening ..... **8559 / 4**
Cash 5 ..... **06 28 39 42 45**

MICHIGAN
July 11
Daily 3 midday **964**
Daily 4 midday **6297**
Daily 3 evening **453**
Daily 4 evening **7329**
Fantasy 5 ..... **08 14 25 35 39**
Keno **01 06 11 18 21 24 28 32 33 35 36 41 44 49 53 55 58 59 60 62 75 78**

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Death Notices

Black, Norma Alicia



Norma Alicia Black, nee Noriega, age 78; beloved and caring wife of Edgar L. Black. Norma was the loving and phenomenal mother of John and Ron Black; loved Grandmother to Ashley, John Jr. Marnie, Vilolette and Alenna. Favorite Mother-in-law to Beth and Marni Black. Dearest daughter of Juan and Marina Noriega; most beloved sister of Edgar, Gladys, Juan, Carmen, Luis, Leonor, and Maggie Noriega; aunty of many nieces and nephews. Memorial Service and Internment Private. Thursday July 18 at **Chapel Hill Gardens West** Funeral Home, Oak Brook, IL.

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Boblink, Bernice A.

Bernice A. Boblink, age 85; beloved wife of the late Frank R. Boblink Jr.; loving mother of Susan (Donald) Sitkawitz, Lois (John) Hindes, Michael (Mary), Daniel (Tammy), Raymond (Kathy) and the late Frank III (Shirley); cherished grandma of Bryan, Colleen, Nicholas (Megan), Julian, Brylee, Clara, Sarah, Brandon, April, Jennifer and Stephanie; dear great grandma of Luke; fond aunt to many nieces and nephews. Bernice was a lifetime member of the Ladies VFW Axillary in Midlothian, an avid bingo player and a proud long time member of the St. Christopher Church Choir. Visitation Monday 2-8 P.M. Funeral Tuesday 9:00 A.M. from **Lawn Funeral Home** 7732 W. 159th St. Orland Park, IL 60462 to St. Christopher Church Mass 10:00 A.M. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Funeral info: 708-429-3200

Lawn Funeral Home

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De Vita, Frank

Frank De Vita, 97, passed away on July 10, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Blanche De Vita, nee Gilbert; loving father of Maria (William) Burg, Anthony De Vita (Catherine McLaughlin), Michelle (Arthur) Fong Jr. and Jean (Vito) Ferri; grandfather of William Anthony Burg, Michael Sean Burg, Jeanne De Vita, AnnMarie (Brunell) Mori, Arthur Muir Fong III and to the late Anthony Joseph De Vita and Ralphy Vito Ferri; great-grandfather of Emi, Fia and Jasper. Frank served as a combat medic in WWII in Europe attached to the 390th Military Police Battalion and attained the rank of Staff Sergeant. After the war, he continued to serve his Country in the Reserves and National Guard where he attained the rank of First Lieutenant. Before retiring, Frank spend 31 years as an insurance agent and manager. Frank was ordained as a Permanent Deacon in the Roman Catholic Church in 1974 and served the Catholic community of Divine Providence where he assisted in hospital and parish ministry. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. Funeral Monday 9:30 a.m. from the funeral home to Divine Providence Church for 10:00 a.m. Mass. Entombment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorials would be appreciated to Divine Providence Church, 2550 Mayfair, Westchester, IL 60154. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

Conboy – Westchester Funeral Home
www.ConboyWestchesterfh.com

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Deany, Patricia Ann

Patricia A. Deany, age 90, late of Mokena, IL. Beloved wife of the late Charles E. Deany. Loving mother of Anthony and Kevin Deany. Dearest daughter of the late Charles and Ann Fisher. Dear sister of the late Elizabeth Fisher the late Richard (Maureen) Fisher and the late Robert (Carrie) Fisher. Proud aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Saturday, July 13th, 2019, from 9:00-10:00 AM at St. Mary Church 19515 S. 115th Ave. Mokena, IL. Interment will be held at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. For information on services 708-479-1210 or www.vandenbergfuneralhome.com

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Driks , Adam



Adam Driks July 3, 1961- June 6, 2019

Dr. Driks, age 57, was a Professor of Microbiology and Immunology at Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine since 1995. He was co-director of the Infectious Disease and Immunology Institute. Dr. Driks studied spore-forming bacteria, including Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus anthracis (the causal agent of anthrax) and Clostridium difficile. His research contributed to an understanding of the spore structures that contribute to their ability to survive extreme environments and the development of approaches for decontamination. Dr. Driks received a B.A in Biophysics at Columbia University in NYC and a PhD in Biology at Brandeis University. He did post-graduate studies at Harvard University. Dr. Driks was a dedicated teacher and mentor of Graduate and Medical students. While at Loyola, he was named the Scientist of the year in 2013 and Faculty Member of the Year in 2017 by the Graduate School. The cause of death was Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis. He was pre-deceased by his parents Samuel and Shirley Driks. He is survived by his wife, Jean T. Greenberg. A Celebration of Life was held on July 6, 2019. In lieu of flowers, donations to support a memorial lectureship to honor Dr. Driks can be made on line at www.luc.edu/stritch/giving. Under "Who is this gift in honor or memory of?" please indicate Dr. Adam Driks. Alternatively, a check can be made out to: Loyola University Chicago with a statement in the memo line that this is for "The Adam Driks Memorial Lectureship Fund" and sent to

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Maywood, IL 60153

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Edelmann, Ruth



Ruth Youngquist Edelmann, 98, beloved wife of the late Herbert M. Edelmann for 63 years; loving mother of Doris (Price) Phillips; dear grandmother of Diana (Lee) Winchester, Collin and Eric (Lacie) Phillips; great-grandmother of Jordan Winchester and Corinne and Jayce Phillips; fond aunt of many. Retired from Hines VA Hospital after 25 years. Visitation Sunday 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at **HURSEN FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY**, SW corner of Mannheim & Roosevelt Road, Hillside/ Westchester. Funeral Service Monday 10:00 a.m. at Westchester Community Church, 1840 Westchester Blvd, Westchester. Interment Oak Hill Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Westchester Community Church preferred. Funeral info: 800-562-0082 or www.hursen.com.

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Henry, Catherine M.

Catherine M. Henry (nee Nolan) native County Mayo, Ireland, age 93; beloved wife of the late Patrick J.; loving mother of Phelim (Marifran), James (Mary Jo), Brendan (Melissa), Catherine and the late Rev. Patrick, John and Gerard Henry; devoted grandmother of James, Laura, Erin, Crista (Robert) Whooley, Megan (Austin) Harrison, Olivia, Aidan, Colleen Clouse and Amanda (Judah) Tice; dear great grandmother of Patrick, Hazel, Connor, Takoda and Tallulah. Visitation Sunday 2-8 P.M. Funeral Monday 10:45 A.M. From **Lawn Funeral Home** 7732 W. 159th St. Orland Park, IL 60462 to St. Julie Billiart Church Mass 11:15 A.M. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Funeral Info: 708-429-3200

Lawn Funeral Home

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Iosco Jr, Anthony 'The Bear'

Born into this life June 27, 1926. Born into eternal life July 9, 2019. Beloved husband of Marie (nee Carbonaro) for 71 wonderful years. Dearest father of The Honorable Anthony A. "Terry" (Debra), Denise and Beth Ann. Adored "Pa" of Alexandra (William Szepi) and Kristen Sobo and Vincent Tarallo Jr. Devoted son of Bertha (nee Satzke) and Anthony Iosco Sr. (Melrose Park Police Chief 1960-1967). Much loved brother of the late Vito "Sonny", the late Joseph "Midge" (the late Alma) and Vito "Buddy" (Ida). As close as a brother to his cousins Vito Malpier and Eric Baumgart. Affectionate son-in-law of the late Alfred and the late Mary (nee Lombardi) Carbonaro. Admired uncle of Sandy, Joey, Loriann, John, JoLynn and Theresa Marie Iosco, the late Freddy and the late Ricky Carbonaro and especially cherished by Michael Carbonaro.

Tony was born and raised in Melrose Park and served his hometown as a devoted police officer for 37 years, retiring from the department in 1989 but always remaining a policeman in heart and soul. Funeral Services Tuesday 9 from **Carbonara Funeral Home**, 1515 N. 25th Avenue Melrose Park, to The Shrine of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Mass 10. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Visitation Monday 3-9 at **Carbonara Funeral Home**.

Carbonara Funeral Home

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Ishigo, Hazel P.

Hazel P. Ishigo nee Luke, age 90, beloved wife of the late Hiroshi; loving companion to the late Carl Preisel; cherished sister of Toy (the late Bill) Kay, Ann (the late Alon) Tanabe, the late Gene (the late May) Luke, the late Frank (Pauline) Luke, the late Mary (the late John) Yee, the late Mae Lee, the late Betty (the late Andrew) Lo and the late Billy Luke; dear aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Saturday, July 13, from 9 am until time of prayers 10:30 am at **Nelson Funeral Home**, 820 Talcott Rd., Park Ridge. Procession to St. Pascal Church, 3935 N. Melvina Ave., Chicago, for 11:30 am Mass of Christian Burial. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. For more info www.nelsonfunerals.com or 847-823-5122.

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Koehler, Harriet

Harriet Koehler nee Blustein, age 90. Beloved wife of the late Henry. Devoted sister of the late Allan Marshall (Judy) Blustein and the late Rhoda (Lewis) Cherniak. Loving aunt of Karen (Bill) Friedman, Naomi (Dr. Robert) Levine, Jennifer Blustein, Lia (Richard) Weiss, David Cherniak, Cindy (Gordon) Koehler, Jay (Molly) Koehler, Alison (Howard) Koehler. Dear sister in law of Ernest (Barbara) Koehler. Also survived by many other family members and friends. Graveside service Sunday 10AM at Jewish Oakridge Cemetery, 4301 W. Roosevelt Road, Hillside. A gathering to follow at 12:30PM at Congregation Rodfei Zedek, 5200 S. Hyde Park Blvd., Chicago, IL 60615. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Congregation Rodfei Zedek, www.rodfei.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Kopp, Virginia M.

Virginia M. Kopp (nee Fergus), 96, beloved wife of the late Joseph Kopp; Devoted daughter of the late Thomas and Maude (nee Kilroy) Fergus; Loving mother of Thomas Kopp, Eileen (Brian) McDonough, and Mariellen (John) Teevans; Fond grandmother of Meghan, Tim (Emily), Sean, Tatum (Corey), Hayley (Andrew), Adeline, Bobby and Erin; Adored great grandmother of Wesley, Alaina, Cassia and Henry; Dear sister of Helen (the late Harry) Flood, the late William (Therese), Mary Elizabeth, and Edward (Mary) Fergus. Visitation will be Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 3-8pm at **Oehler Funeral Home**, 2099 Miner St., Des Plaines, IL (Corner of NW HWY and Rand Rd.). Funeral Mass will be held Monday, July 15, 2019 at 10am at St. Emily Catholic Church in Mt. Prospect. Interment to follow at All Saints Catholic Cemetery

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Loula, Stanley Desort

Stanley Desort Loula, age 85, of Western Springs. Beloved husband of Lois Loula for a wonderful 59 years. Loving father of John Stanley Loula. Dear brother of Franklin (Christine) Loula. Stanley was an attorney, Mason, Rotarian for 60 years, active with the Cermak Road Business Association for many years, and the President of the Board of Tabor Hill Retirement Home. Visitation 4 to 8pm Sunday, July 14th at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside, where visitation will continue from 11am until time of Funeral Service 12pm Monday, July 15th. Interment to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Forest Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your favorite charity. For Information: 708-352-6500 or hjfunerals.com

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Maniscalco, Constance A

Constance A Maniscalco, 97, nee: Collura. President/ owner of **Maniscalco Funeral Directors** (Grein Funeral Directors affiliated). Beloved wife of the late Joseph A; loving daughter of the late Vincent & Josephine Collura; devoted mother of Frank, Joseph and the late Nicholas (Nancy); adoring grandmother of Brandon, Blair (Paul) and Matthew; caring great grandmother of Harlow and Isla; cherished sister of the late Lt. Frank J Collura, US Navy. Longtime member of the Mens & Womens Burgio Society, Maria SS Lauretana Society and many other Italian American Societies. We've lost a giant and gained an angel. Family and friends will meet directly at St. Mary of the Woods Church, 7033 N Moselle on Saturday for a 10:30 am Funeral Mass.Graveside Interment St. Joseph Cemetery.Visitation Friday 3 to 8 pm at Grein Funeral Directors 2114 W Irving Park Rd. 773-588-1234 or greinfuneraldirectors.com

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Murphy, Kevin P.

Kevin P. Murphy, age 83, resident of the East Side, passed away on July 10, 2019. Beloved husband of Joann Podkul Murphy for 33 years, loving father of Mary Murphy, Therese Murphy and Cathy Murphy. Devoted grandfather of Anna Scheff. Dear son of the late Joseph and late Josephine Murphy. Dearest brother of the late Maureen Murphy.

Fond brother-in-law of Helen Mahalik, Margaret and Frank Proski, Stanley and Helen Kordyla, Jean and Joe Martino, Martha Ksiazek and Lottie Gayda, all of whom preceded him in death. Loving uncle to many nieces and nephews. Kevin served as a Lieutenant in the U.S. Army during the 1950's to 1960's. He earned his Master's Degree in Sociology from DePaul University and was an educator for many years.

In addition to serving the Southeast Chicago community in historic preservation and environmental activities, Kevin supported the arts through his numerous YouTube videos. For a number of years, he covered the Calumet Region as theatre reviewer for the Northwest Indiana Times. He authored three novels and several plays, including "Unfriendly Fire", revolving around the 1937 Republic Steel Massacre. His website, "Spotlighting Southeast Chicago", featured community events and celebrated too often neglected treasures on the Southeast Side. Visitation Sunday, July 14, 1-8 p.m. Funeral services Monday, July 15, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. at the **Elmwood Chapel** 11200 S. Ewing Ave., Chicago, IL 60617. Cemetery private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Kevin's name to organizations providing for the homeless and the hungry, would be appreciated. 773-731-2749. www.elmwoodcchapel.com.

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Olson, Eric G.

Eric G. Olson, 69, of Lindenhurst and formerly of Elmhurst. Beloved husband of Ann Marie; loving father of Adam; dear son of the late Ivan and Alice Olson; brother of the late Christie. Visitation at **Ahlgrim Funeral Home**, 567 S. Spring Rd., Elmhurst from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sunday, July 14, 2019. Services and Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, Memorials will be appreciated for the American Cancer Society or the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Funeral info 630-834-3515 or www.ahlgrim.com.

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Pisut, Stephen Mathias 'Steve'



Stephen M. Pisut, 76 years, died at his lake home in Hayward, Wisconsin on Sunday, July 7, 2019. Survived by his loving wife, Gail (Furer) of Northbrook, daughter Michelle C. Owens of Chicago, Illinois, son Stephen M. Pisut, II of Shorewood, Illinois, stepson Michael (Nichole) and his son Jack, stepson Jacob (Julie) and his daughters, Jazmine and Jordana, two brothers, James (Sue) Pisut and John (Dolly) Pisut, one sister, Marianne (John), and one brother-in law, William (Sue) Pierce; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by his wife of over 40 years, Beverly M. (Pierce) Pisut, his parents Stephen J. Pisut and Margaret (Maslan) Pisut, one infant sister (Margaret), one sister-in-law, Marsha J. Pisut, and one niece, Melissa A. Pisut.

Steve retired from Lucent Technologies as an accomplished accounts manager and often shared fond memories of his career there. Steve also shared a life-long love of the Chicago Cubs with his late Aunt Agatha, and remained an avid fan up until his last days. Like his first wife, Beverly, Steve enjoyed spending time with family and friends at his lake home. He recently enjoyed one last trip there with Gail, Steve "Jr.", and their dear friends, Bob and Nikki Terson.

Visitation will be held Saturday, July 13, 2019 at Tezak Funeral Home, 1211 Plainfield Road, Joliet, Illinois from 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m. with a prayer service to follow. According to Stephen's wished cremation rites were accorded.

Pisut Funeral Services entrusted to arrangements 815-722-0998

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Samuel, Charles M.

Charles M. Samuel, age 42, of Chicago passed away July 8, 2019. Loving son of Normita, nee Mendoza, and the late George; dear friend of Kyla Elliott; fond cousin of Sharon Klauser and Sandra West; dear member of the Mendoza family. Visitation Sunday, July 14, 2019 from 3-9 pm at **Matz Funeral Home**, 3440 N. Central Ave., Chicago. Prayers at the funeral home Monday 9:15 am proceeding to St. Ladislaus Church for Mass 10 am. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Memorials to Gift of Hope appreciated. For info: (773) 545-5420 or www.matzfuneralhome.com

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Smeriglio, Rocco Angelo

Rocco Angelo Smeriglio, age 86, passed away peacefully on July 11; loving husband of Elizabeth, nee Scarpelli, for 57 years. Cherished father of Joseph (Concetta), Rocco Jr. (Andrea), Chiara (late Christopher) Zelko; devoted grandfather of Nicholas, Michael, Francesca, Emilia, Rocco, Francesco, Joseph, Antonio; beloved son of the late Giuseppe and Chiara, nee Russo; loving brother of the late Frank (Grace), Rosaria (late Dario) Orlando and Margherita (late Gaetano) Anno; dear brother-in-law of the late Frank (Janet) Scarpelli, Joe (Louise, the late Carol) Scarpelli, Sylvia (Don) Pasier; dear uncle to many nieces and nephews. Papa was a devoted husband, father and grandfather who loved having the family at the house for Sunday pasta. He enjoyed sharing memories about his childhood in Italy, and returned to his childhood home with his family in 2003 and 2005. He seldom missed one of his grandchild's sporting events or music recitals. Rocco was a master tailor, working for many high-end clothing stores and was also the owner of Rocco's Custom Tailors. Rocco was the ultimate gentleman and always thought of others before himself. He was a member of Leyden Laurel Masonic Lodge and Medinah Shriners. Papa we love you more. Visitation Sunday July 14th from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral Monday, Friends and family to meet directly at St. Paul of the Cross Church, 320 S Washington St., Park Ridge, IL for Mass of Christian Burial 10:00 a.m. Entombment Immaculate Heart of Mary Mausoleum, All Saints Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Funeral info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.

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Stiles, Bette C.

Bette C. Stiles (née Steffens), age 96, late of Orland Park. Beloved wife of the late Loren W. Stiles; devoted mother of Melinda (Bernard) Rechlicz, Deborah (John) Barry, Mary Carol Chessman, and Susan (Robert) Fabros; proud grandmother of Julie Rechlicz, Thomas (Tabitha) Rechlicz, Jeanne (Kyle) Wright, Grant Chessman, Kimberly Chessman, Stephen Fabros, Carolyn Fabros, and the late Joyce Pepalis; loving great-grandmother of Kyle and Alec Rechlicz; dear sister of the late Margaret Course and Dolores Wood. Visitation Sunday from 2:00 p.m. until the time of Funeral Service at 7:00 p.m., at **Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service)**, 14318 S. LaGrange Rd. (Northbound traffic: U-turn permitted at 143rd St.), Orland Park. Inurnment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials directed to Palos Community Home Health and Hospice. 708-460-2300 or thornridgefuneralhomes.com

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Tavoletti Sr., Alfred A 'Al'

Alfred A. "Al" Tavoletti Sr. Vietnam Army Veteran, beloved husband of Ruthanne (nee Ritter) and the late Beverly Ann (nee Lewis); loving father of Anthony Tavoletti and Kara (James) Vodicka; devoted grandfather of James, Joseph and Anthony; dear brother of Dennis Tavoletti and the late Gloria Jean Tavoletti; dear stepfather of Joseph (Heather) Trubich and Anthony (Courtney) Trubich: fond step grandfather of Nathan, Tanner, Taylor and Savannah. Visitation Sunday 1-7 P.M. Funeral Monday 9:00 A.M. from **Lawn Funeral Home** 17909 S 94th Ave Tinley Park Il, 60487 to St. Stephen Deacon & Martyr Church Mass 9:30 A.M. Interment Assumption Cemetery Funeral info (708) 636-2320.

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weiner, Dennis John

Downers Grove:



Dennis John Weiner

Dennis John Weiner, 72 of Downers Grove, passed away at 8:55 am Tuesday July 9, 2019 at his home in Downers Grove, IL.

Dennis was born on July 13, 1946 in Chicago, Illinois. He married Janet Maxeiner in 1974 in Bellwood, IL. They were happily married for 45 years.

Dennis is survived by his spouse, Janet, his daughters Morgan (Ted) Xoxakos and Susan (Matt) Mowry. Dennis grew up in Chicago, IL. After High School, he served 4 years in the Army and on getting out, he started working with Computers and retired from Bearing Headquarters after 30 years.

His Funeral service will at 11:00 am Saturday July 13, 2019 at Calvert Metzler Memorial Home, Bloomington, IL. Visitation will be Saturday from 10:00 – 11:00 at the funeral home. Burial will be at East Lawn Memorial Gardens, Bloomington, IL. As the service is out of town, a memorial service will be held locally at a later date.

Memorials may be made to the Evangelical Child & Family Agency, 1530 N. Main St., Wheaton, IL. 60187

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Zawilinski, Ronald Walter

Ron passed away June 22, 2019 with his family by his side. Visitation will be held Saturday, July 13, 2019, 8:45am to 9:45am at St. Julie Billiart Church, 7399 w. 159th St., Tinley Park, IL. Funeral mass to immediately follow at 10:00am.

Ron is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Diane, and his loving children-Julie (Wayne) Hollamby, Caroline, and James (Elizabeth) as well as his adoring grandchildren -Sean, Conor, Logan, Quinn, Nicholas, Anneliese, Jacob, Chase, Cole, and Zachary. He is also survived by his sister, Juliana Zawilinski. Preceded in death by his parents, Walter and Julia Zawilinski. In lieu of flowers, donations to American Cancer Society are greatly appreciated.

Ron was a United States Air Force veteran, retired member Local 134 Electrician and lifelong Cubs fan.

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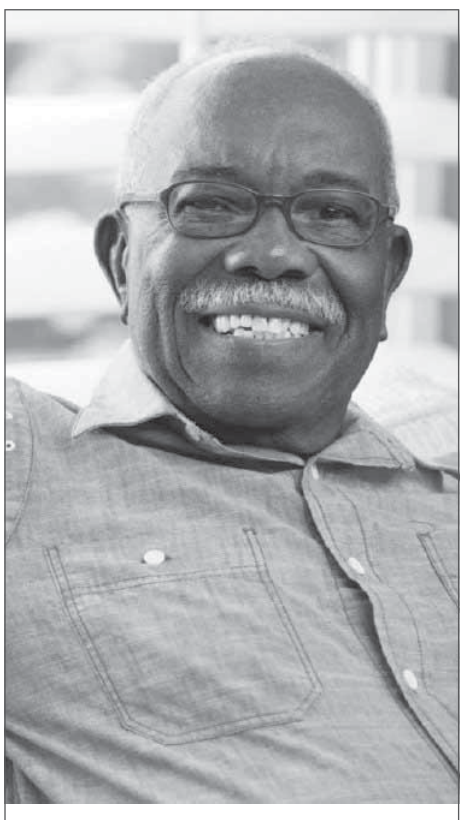
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Zoeller-Kappes, Margaret Anna

Margaret Anna (Gretel) Zoeller-Kappes, 90, of Niles, formerly of Chicago and Twin Lakes, WI. Beloved wife of the late Adam Zoeller and the late Richard Kappes. Loving mother of Edith (Peter) Soraparu, Andrew (Mary) Zoeller, Doris (Michael) Angelo and the late Rolf (Arlene) Zoeller. Adored grandmother of Matthew (Grace) Soraparu, Jessica (Nicholas) Krams, Nicole (Steve) Anson, Cynthia (Tyler) McCune, Adam Zoeller, Ryan Zoeller, Joseph Zoeller, Michael Angelo and Danielle (Brad) Truran. Dear great-grandmother to seven. Devoted sister-in-law of Irmgard Muirragui, and loved by her late sisters Liesl Kissel, Helga Muller, Christel Muller and her many nieces and nephews. Prayers at 9:15 AM on Monday, July 15, from **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 6150 N Cicero Avenue, Chicago, to Queen of All Saints Basilica, 6280 N. Sauganash Ave, Chicago for a Memorial Mass at 10:00 AM. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. Memorial visitation 4 PM to 8 PM, on Sunday, July 14 at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations to your favorite charity would be appreciated. Info 773-736-3833 or visit Margaret's memorial at www.smithcorcoran.com

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CUBS & WHITE SOX RETURN FROM ALL-STAR BREAK

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With exciting young players such as All-Star pitcher Lucas Giolito, White Sox attendance was up 10 percent in the first half over 2018’s final numbers.

Cubs must get back to basics to break out of tight NL Central

By Mark Gonzales

The days of the Cubs putting on their uniforms and simply expecting to win the National League Central with their former top-10 draft picks and ballyhooed free agents are over.

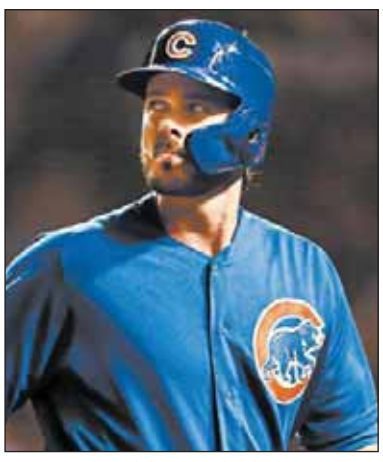
They already made a big admission that the other four division contenders have caught up with them, making this their toughest quest in the last four seasons.

“We can’t always lean on our track record,” Kris Bryant said. “Each year is different. Every team is coming for us. Our division is more competitive.”

Reliever Brandon Kintzler added: “You just can’t look too far ahead in this game because everyone is too talented. Like we’ve seen, anyone can show up and beat anybody at any given time.”

That was evident in the first half. The Reds took six of nine games from the Cubs, and the Pirates — who come to Wrigley Field to open the second half Friday — won five of

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QUESTIONS ENTERING THE 2ND HALF OF THE SEASON

Mark Gonzales and LaMond Pope have the answers as the Cubs and Sox resume play. **Page 3**

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White Sox (Nova) at **A’s** (Fiers)
9:07 p.m. Friday, NBCSCH

Sox created a buzz in the 1st half, now they look to maintain it



Paul Sullivan
On the White Sox

White Sox fans are returning to the fold in Year 3 of the rebuild, with the average home attendance of 22,100 in the first half representing almost a 10 percent increase from last season’s final average of 20,110.

It’s easy to see why. Exciting young players Eloy Jimenez, Lucas Giolito, Tim Anderson and Yoan Moncada. Ticket discounts that make it more affordable to take the family. And a general feeling that the Sox finally have turned the corner, with more talent on the way.

For the first time in years, there is a significant buzz on the South Side. So it’s important for the Sox to keep it going the next 2½ months to build momentum for 2020, when the team should become a realistic contender.

I spend a lot of time in the stands when I’m at Sox Park, walking around talking to fans and trying some of the delicious food on the concourse. Sox management knows it’s not all about winning. The ballpark experience includes the food, some of the best of any major-league ballpark, and the vast beer selection.

Attendance issues have vexed the Sox for decades since leaving Comiskey Park in 1991, so it’s nice to see the upsurge.

After the 1996 season, Sox Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf commissioned a fan survey to find out why a team that had been in wild-card contention all summer hadn’t drawn well.

Some theorized it was the steepness of the new ballpark’s upper deck, which made it the butt of jokes. When the park opened, the Tribune’s Inc. column issued a “vertigo alert,” writing: “The upper deck is so steep, Sherpas are needed to make it to the top. The view is fine — like hanging over the field — but anybody with a fear of heights should be careful.”

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TV premiere got some static

For the sake of all those involved, here's hoping the next era of Cubs television begins more smoothly than the first.

The ballclub — which plans to bid adieu to WGN-9 and ABC-7 after this season in favor of Marquee Sports Network, its cable, satellite and streaming venture with Sinclair Broadcast Group — made its debut on over-the-air broadcast TV on July 13, 1946.

That's almost two years before WGN, the TV channel most associated with Cubs baseball, hit the air.

It was also nearly three months after the first Cubs telecast was *supposed* to air.

Yeah. There were problems.

"Television Eye to Follow Cub Fortunes Today: Entire Game Will Be Seen in Broadcast" read the Tribune headline on the morning of April 20, 1946.

WBKB, Chicago's first commercial TV station, had its mobile unit at Wrigley Field for the defending National League champion Cubs' home opener against the Cardinals.

The station had been in operation for a few years. Future "20/20" host Hugh Downs, for example, made his debut on the station as a newscaster the year before.

The forerunner of what today is CBS-2 — which later gave its call letters to what since 1968 has been ABC-owned and -operated WLS-Ch. 7 — put its lone camera in the stands above first base.

WBKB staff announcer Jack Gibney was behind the microphone, and the images looked all right leaving Clark and Addison, or at least as good as might be expected with a 1940s camera and no zoom lens.

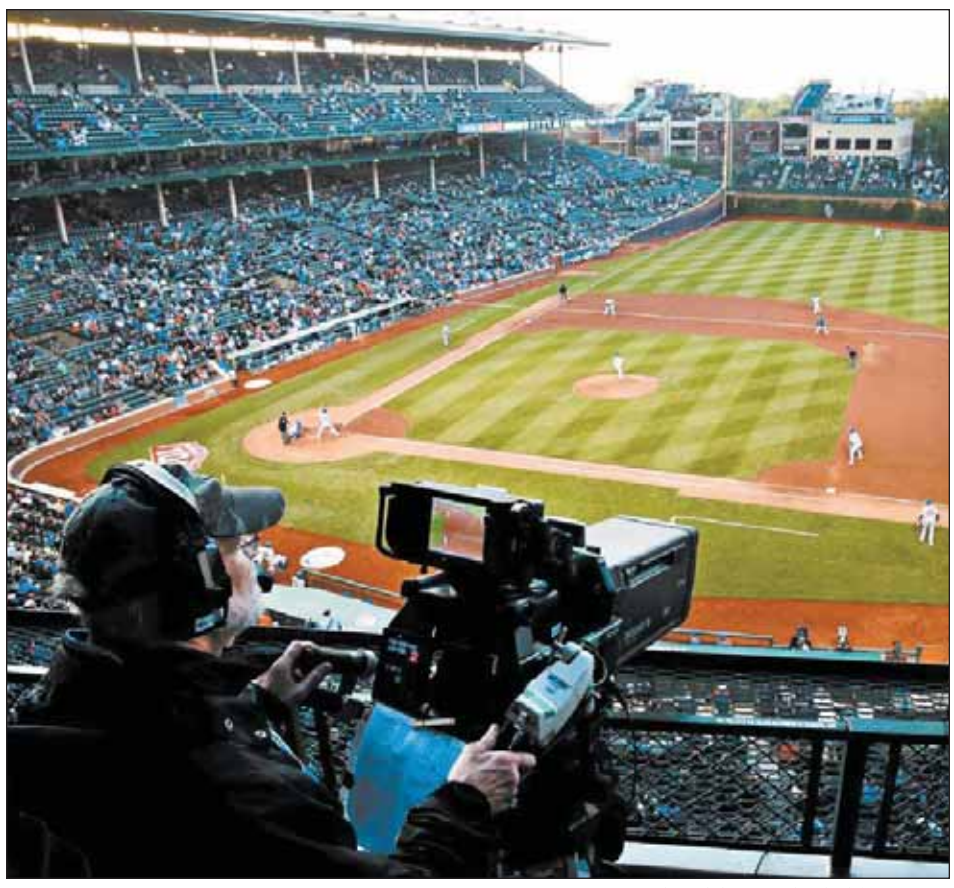
But anyone at home hoping to see the ballgame, a 2-0 loss to the Cards and the Cubs' first defeat of the season, was in for an unpleasant surprise.

"Fail in Effort to Televise Cubs' Game," the next day's Tribune headline said.

See, a funny thing happened back at station headquarters at State and Lake, still the home of ABC-7 today.

While the live video images had looked fine at the station the night before during a trial run, WBKB boss William C. Eddy told the Tribune, the elevators at the building housing the station weren't in use at that hour.

When game time rolled around, the elevators were busy enough that their electrical interference turned the video signal from the ballpark into a blizzard of static.



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The images were less crisp when the Cubs made their live television debut on July 13, 1946.

The plan was to take another stab at putting the Cubs on TV the following week, but the technical difficulties proved more persistent than anticipated.

Come July 13, with the Dodgers in from Brooklyn, Cubs baseball finally was on the air.

"Telecast enables distant fan to see, hear Dodgers Beat Cubs" read a Tribune headline over a review by Larry Wolters.

Wolters marveled at the ability to broadcast the sights and sounds for viewers as far away as Michigan City, Ind. But he nevertheless complained that the players looked too tiny and "only rarely could the ball be seen."

When Dodgers manager Leo Durocher ran onto the field to argue with an umpire, Wolters observed, "They looked like black bears."

The WBKB camera — whether the one above first base or another used exclusively in the second inning that was closer but had more limited range — tended to miss action in the infield whenever it tried to follow the ball into the outfield.

Gibney tried to fill in the gaps and add relevant stats as the Cubs lost 4-3 despite rallying for a pair of runs in the bottom of the ninth.

But Gibney was no Len Kasper, and the Cubs apparently were no Chief Don Eagle, a popular TV pro wrestler of the era. Not yet anyway.

"Because of the considerable area of action in baseball," Wolters decided, "this sport is much less satisfactory for telecasting at present than wrestling or boxing."

Things would improve greatly over the next 70 years or so.

LET'S PLAY 2

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Cubs	Pirates 1:20 p.m. NBCSCH	Pirates 1:20 p.m. WGN-9
White Sox	@A's 9:07 p.m. NBCSCH	@A's 3:07 p.m. NBCSCH
	Saturday	**Wednesday**
Fire	Cincinnati 7 p.m. ESPN+	Crew 7 p.m. ESPN+
	Friday	**Sunday**
Liberty	Liberty 7 p.m. WCIU-26.2	@Wings 3 p.m. League Pass

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MLB

1 p.m. Pirates at Cubs	NBCSCH WSCR-AM 670
1 p.m. Regional coverage	MLBN
5 p.m. Regional coverage	MLBN
9 p.m. White Sox at A's	NBCSCH WGN-AM 720
9 p.m. Regional coverage	MLBN

WNBA

7 p.m. Liberty at Sky	WCIU-26.2
7 p.m. Mercury at Sun	ESPN2
9 p.m. Wings at Storm	CBSSN

CYCLING

7 a.m. Tour de France	NBCSN
5:30 a.m. (Sat.) Tour de France	NBCSN

GOLF

12:30 p.m. Senior Players Champ.	Golf
3 p.m. John Deere Classic	Golf

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6 p.m. Revolution at D.C. United	ESPN

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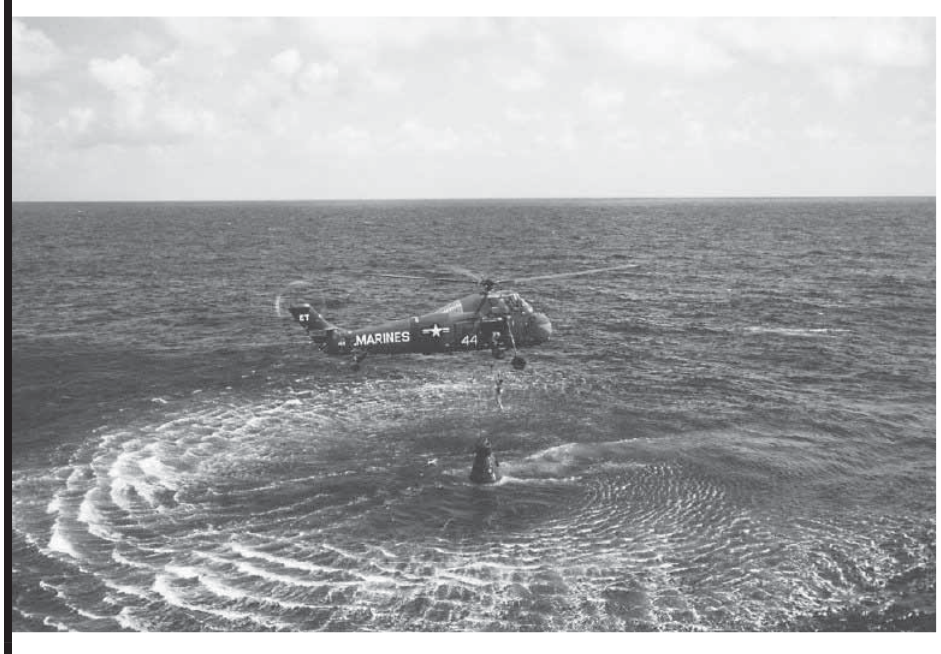


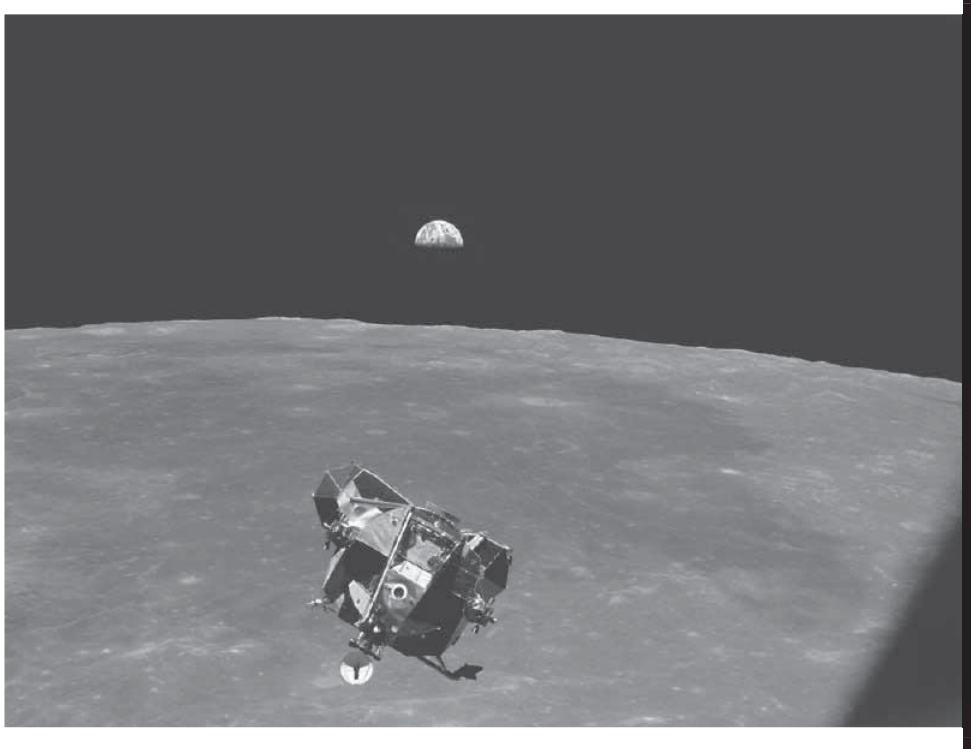
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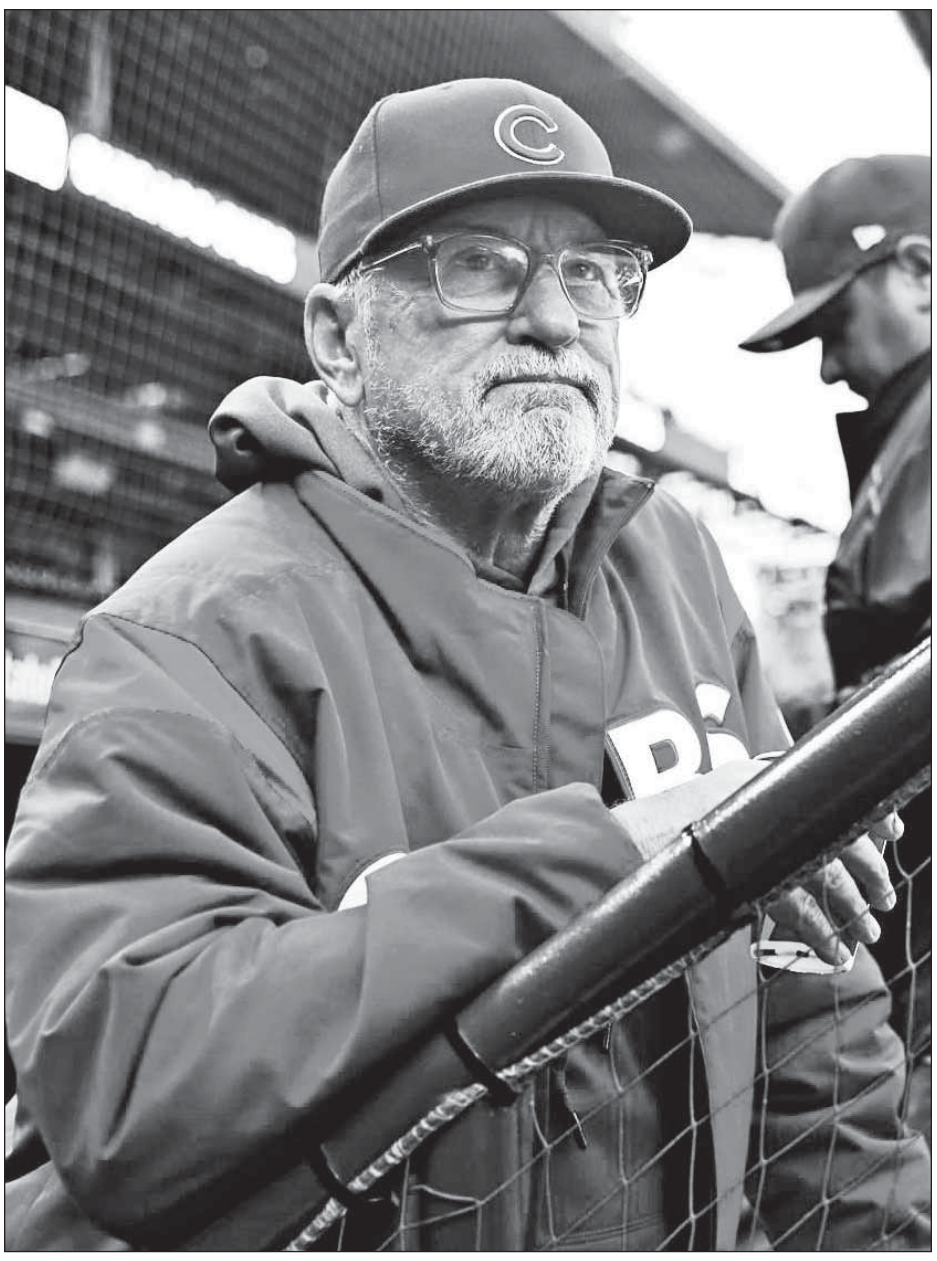


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CUBS



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Manager Joe Maddon is in the final year of his five-year contract with the Cubs.

Few things to fix down the stretch

With Maddon's status up in the air, Cubs must figure out how to pull away from pack

By Mark Gonzales

The Cubs face their stiffest challenge yet in the National League Central with all five teams within 4 ½ games of first place.

Here are five questions the Cubs face entering the second half.

1. Will they trade another top prospect to address a need?

General manager Jed Hoyer said July 1 that the Cubs have received a lot of interest in their prospects, but there are three reminders about the cost of acquiring deadline talent.

First, Eloy Jimenez, whom the Cubs traded two years ago as part of a deal to acquire Jose Quintana, has hit two game-winning home runs against the Cubs this season and is quickly living up to his billing as a potential All-Star for the White Sox.

Second, infielder Gleyber Torres, whom the Cubs dealt to the Yankees in the Aroldis Chapman trade three years ago, is now a two-time All-Star who finished third in American League Rookie of the Year voting last season.

Third, Dylan Cease, who was included in the Quintana trade, made his major-league debut for the Sox last week and otherwise likely would have been part of the Cubs pitching staff this season.

The Cubs feel good about their pitching depth at the lower-minor-league levels, but trading top pitching prospects Brailyn Marquez or Paul Richan would put another big dent in a farm system trying to rebound.

2. Is this the last hurrah for manager Joe Maddon?

Even an NL Central title wouldn't guarantee Maddon returning for a sixth season.

Maddon has answered the front office's call to be more hands-on. He was increasingly involved with situational hitting in spring training with several drills, and he has given his players the lineups in advance for each series.

But Maddon doesn't stand in the batter's box, where Cubs hitters have failed frequently with runners in scoring position. The organization decided to stick with the same group that failed Maddon in the second half of 2018. The loss of veteran switch hitter Ben Zobrist, who has been on the restricted list since early May, has hurt the offense.

The manner in which the players respond to a tightly contested division race could dictate whether Maddon has any chance of returning. To Maddon's credit, he has shown no signs of cracking despite his uncertain future.

3. Can they hit in the clutch?

The Cubs batted .356 (21-for-59) during their six-game winning streak in late April and early May, so they're capable of producing in the clutch.

But too many times an early-inning rally has stalled, putting pressure on the starting pitcher with no margin for error.

The top of the lineup has remained firm with Kyle Schwarber, Kris Bryant, Anthony Rizzo, Javier Baez and Willson Contreras. But Bryant is batting only .236 with runners in scoring position and .241 with runners in scoring position and two outs, and Schwarber's averages in those situations are .200 and .174.



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Cubs slugger Kyle Schwarber is hitting .200 with runners in scoring position.



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The Cubs need to figure out how to win on the road, where they are 18-27 this season.

4. Can they clean up their mistakes?

Not holding runners closely, missing cutoff men and trying to take an extra base despite trailing. The Cubs' repeated mistakes have loomed large in losses over the last month. They haven't taxed Maddon's patience — yet.

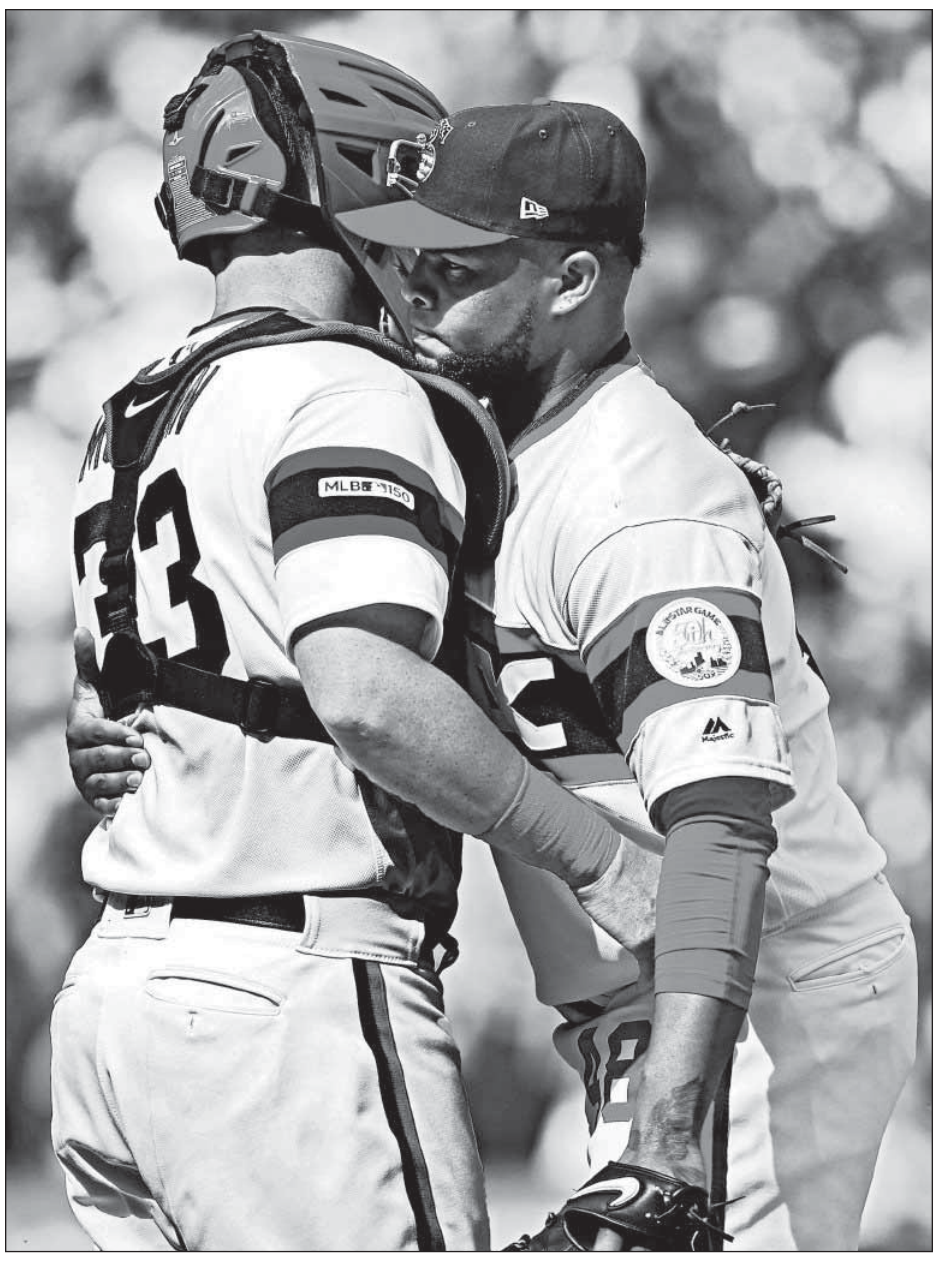
Many of the same mistakes surfaced in 2017, when the Cubs coped with their World Series hangover before turning it around and winning the division. But the energy spent just to repeat as division champion took its toll and deprived them of a chance for home-field advantage in a playoff series.

5. Can they get right on the road?

The Cubs are 18-27 (.400) away from Wrigley Field, the worst road winning percentage in the division. They finish the season with three games in Pittsburgh and three in St. Louis, so it's imperative for them to turn it around on the road before then.

The good news is their next trip isn't until July 22 against the NL West cellar-dwelling Giants. Then they'll benefit from days off before critical series in Milwaukee and St. Louis that could dictate the course of the franchise.

WHITE SOX



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Catcher James McCann, left, was an All-Star while closer Alex Colome could be traded.

Out to continue upward trend

Sox hope young players keep developing while exploring more ways to improve future

By LaMond Pope

Shortstop Tim Anderson set the tone for the White Sox with his hitting and passion, earning AL Player of the Month honors in March/April.

Lucas Giolito then became the focal point, receiving AL Pitcher of the Month after a dominating May.

Catcher James McCann has been a force at the plate while fellow All-Star Jose Abreu continues to drive in runs.

Yoan Moncada has shown the potential that he brought as the prize of the Chris Sale trade. And Eloy Jimenez and Dylan Cease have created buzz as rookies.

Those were just some of the factors in a surprising first half for the Sox. Here are five questions entering the second half, which begins Friday against the A's in Oakland, Calif.

1. What will they do at the trade deadline?

Alex Colome has been nearly automatic at the end of games, converting 20 of 21 saves chances.

The Sox are likely to receive calls for Colome, who is under club control for one more season. But effective closers are not easy to find.

General manager Rick Hahn answered a trade question in general terms Saturday.

"We're in a little different spot right now than we've been in the past," Hahn said. "First, because we're arguably closer to where we're in a position to make some noise and maybe win something next year. Second, because we have fewer expiring guys, meaning guys who are in their walk year of free agency.

"There's no (Joakim) Soria or (Anthony) Swarzak or someone like that who's hitting their free-agent year. But it's going to come down to market value and balancing it against their potential value going forward."

2. Will Anderson, Giolito and Moncada keep ascending?

Anderson, who is recovering from a sprained right ankle, is fourth in the American League with a .317 average. Giolito, an All-Star, is tied for first in the AL with 11 wins.

And Moncada has the longest active hitting streak in the majors at 13 games.

All are great signs for the future.

"As you look at some of the more important elements of what we're trying to do in Year 3 of the rebuild, we're very pleased with the development of some of our young core players," Hahn said. "Tim Anderson, Yoan Moncada, and the way Eloy has adapted to the big leagues and Lucas Giolito. Guys that we view over the years as potentially important parts of a championship core have stepped forward and reinforced our beliefs."

The key is to build on their first-half success.

3. What's next for Jimenez?

Jimenez's eventful first half included three multi-homer games, a stint on the injured list with a high right ankle sprain and two crucial home runs against his former organization, the Cubs.

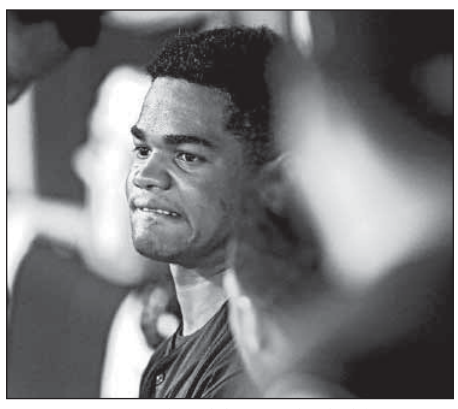
Jimenez is batting .264 with 10 homers and 24 RBIs in his last 24 games.

"Over the last several weeks, now that he's been healthy, I think he's had a very solid approach," Hahn said. "Obviously (he) put up big numbers in June. Hopefully see more of that in the coming months."



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Yoan Moncada has a 13-game hitting streak heading into the second half.



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Reynaldo Lopez looks to bounce back after posting a 6.34 ERA in the first half.

4. Can Reynaldo Lopez bounce back?

Lopez's 6.34 ERA is the highest in the majors among qualifying pitchers. He said better times are ahead.

"We've seen games where he's dominated with his four-seamer," Hahn said. "We've seen where he has mixed in more breaking balls and dominated that way. So the ingredients are still there. What we need to see is much more consistency."

Lopez will be part of the rotation when the second half begins.

"I wouldn't go so far as to say anyone has a scholarship indefinitely up here, that they are never going to get optioned if struggles continue or for something we feel is better addressed in a lower-stress environment or with a little bit of a change in their approach," Hahn said. "But for now he's going to remain part of our rotation heading into the second half."

5. What can they expect out of Cease?

Cease earned the win in his much-anticipated big-league debut July 3 against the Tigers.

He threw a bullpen session Saturday and said he had another lined up Wednesday. Cease is scheduled to make his second big-league start Tuesday against the Royals in Kansas City, Mo.

He is ready for the next challenge.

"I'm not really looking at that big of a picture right now," Cease said Sunday. "It's just day by day. Execute my pitches and if I'm not executing, still need figure out what I need to do to execute better. Hopefully I have a great second half."

BASEBALL

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	57	31	.648	—	—	7-3	L-2	31-14	26-17
Tampa Bay	52	39	.571	6½	—	6-4	W-2	26-22	26-17
Boston	49	41	.544	9	2	6-4	W-4	20-22	29-19
Toronto	34	57	.374	24½	17½	5-5	W-1	18-30	16-27
Baltimore	27	62	.303	30½	23½	5-5	L-1	11-31	16-31
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Minnesota	56	33	.629	—	—	4-6	L-1	28-15	28-18
Cleveland	50	38	.568	5½	—	7-3	W-6	25-18	25-20
Chicago	42	44	.488	12½	7	6-4	W-1	25-20	17-24
Kansas City	30	61	.330	27	21½	2-8	L-2	16-28	14-33
Detroit	28	57	.329	26	20½	2-8	L-3	12-32	16-25
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Houston	57	34	.626	—	—	7-3	L-1	33-14	24-20
Oakland	50	41	.549	7	1½	7-3	W-1	26-20	24-21
Texas	49	42	.538	8	2½	4-6	W-2	30-17	19-25
Los Angeles	45	46	.495	12	6½	4-6	L-2	22-21	23-25
Seattle	39	55	.415	19½	14	2-8	L-1	19-29	20-26

Late games noted below

National League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Atlanta	54	37	.593	—	—	6-4	W-1	28-19	26-18
Washington	47	42	.528	6	—	8-2	W-2	26-20	21-22
Philadelphia	47	43	.522	6½	—	5-5	W-1	27-17	20-26
New York	40	50	.444	13½	7	3-7	L-1	23-19	17-31
Miami	33	55	.375	19½	13	3-7	L-1	15-29	18-26
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Chicago	47	43	.522	—	—	4-6	L-1	29-16	18-27
Milwaukee	47	44	.516	½	½	4-6	L-2	27-18	20-26
St. Louis	44	44	.500	2	2	4-6	L-2	24-18	20-26
Pittsburgh	44	45	.494	2½	2½	6-4	W-2	22-21	22-24
Cincinnati	41	46	.471	4½	4½	5-5	L-2	24-21	17-25
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Los Angeles	60	32	.652	—	—	5-5	L-3	37-12	23-20
Arizona	46	45	.505	13½	1½	6-4	W-3	20-22	26-23
San Diego	45	45	.500	14	2	5-5	W-3	23-24	22-21
Colorado	44	45	.494	14½	2½	3-7	L-6	24-19	20-26
San Francisco	41	48	.461	17½	5½	7-3	W-2	20-26	21-22

FRIDAY'S PROBABLE PITCHERS

NATIONAL LEAGUE TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	2019 W-L	2019 ERA	2019 TR	2019 VS. OPP. W-L	2019 VS. OPP. IP	2019 VS. OPP. ERA	LAST 3 STARTS W-L	LAST 3 STARTS IP	LAST 3 STARTS ERA
Pit	Archer (R)		3-6	5.49	7-8	0-0	5.0	5.40	0-0	14.0	3.86
ChC	Darvish (R)	1:20p	2-4	5.01	7-11	0-1	12.0	6.00	0-1	17.2	6.62
Was	Strasburg (R)		10-4	3.64	11-7	0-0	4.0	13.50	3-0	20.1	3.10
Phi	Pivetta (R)	5:05p	4-3	5.84	6-5	0-2	9.0	13.00	0-2	16.2	8.10
NYM	Vargas (L)		3-4	3.77	7-7	1-0	5.0	3.60	0-1	16.1	3.86
Mia	Smith (L)	6:10p	4-4	3.50	6-7	0-0	5.0	3.60	1-2	16.0	5.06
SF	Anderson (R)		3-2	4.23	6-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	15.2	4.60
Mil	Anderson (R)	7:10p	4-2	4.32	6-6	0-0	4.0	6.75	1-0	15.0	3.00
Ari	Ray (L)		6-6	3.96	9-10	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	16.1	4.41
StL	Wainwright (R)	7:15p	5-7	4.31	7-9	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	17.0	3.71
Cin	Gray (R)		5-5	3.59	10-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	18.2	2.89
Col	Gray (R)	7:40p	9-6	3.92	11-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	17.2	2.55
Atl	Keuchel (L)		2-2	3.60	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	20.0	3.15
SD	Lamet (R)	9:10p	0-1	5.40	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	5.0	5.40
AMERICAN LEAGUE TEAM	**PITCHER**	**TIME**	**2019 W-L**	**2019 ERA**	**2019 TR**	**2019 VS. OPP. W-L**	**2019 VS. OPP. IP**	**2019 VS. OPP. ERA**	**LAST 3 STARTS W-L**	**LAST 3 STARTS IP**	**LAST 3 STARTS ERA**
Tor	Sanchez (R)		3-12	6.16	5-14	0-1	5.1	11.81	0-3	13.1	10.13
NYY	German (R)	6:05p	10-2	3.67	10-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	15.2	4.60
TB	Chirinos (R)		7-4	3.15	5-7	1-1	12.1	2.19	0-1	19.0	3.79
Bal	Bundy (R)	6:05p	4-10	4.65	5-12	1-1	12.1	2.19	1-2	16.0	5.63
Min	Gibson (R)		8-4	4.09	11-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	14.0	3.86
Cle	Clevinger (R)	6:10p	2-2	4.44	3-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	12.1	8.76
Hou	Cole (R)		9-5	3.09	13-6	1-2	16.1	6.61	3-0	20.0	0.90
Tex	Chavez (R)	7:05p	3-4	3.30	4-3	0-0	5.0	7.20	1-2	17.1	3.63
Det	TBD		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
KC	Duffy (L)	7:15p	3-5	4.28	5-8	0-0	7.0	2.57	0-2	21.1	3.38
ChW	Nova (R)		4-7	5.58	8-10	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	17.2	3.57
Oak	Fiers (R)	9:07p	8-3	3.87	11-8	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	18.2	1.45
Sea	Leake (R)		7-7	4.32	8-10	1-1	13.0	4.15	1-1	19.0	5.21
LAA	Cole (R)	9:07p	0-1	4.58	0-1	0-0	2.0	0.00	0-0	1.0	0.00
INTERLEAGUE TEAM	**PITCHER**	**TIME**	**2019 W-L**	**2019 ERA**	**2019 TR**	**2019 VS. OPP. W-L**	**2019 VS. OPP. IP**	**2019 VS. OPP. ERA**	**LAST 3 STARTS W-L**	**LAST 3 STARTS IP**	**LAST 3 STARTS ERA**
LAD	Maeda (R)		7-5	3.76	9-8	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	19.0	3.32
Bos	Rodriguez (L)	6:10p	9-4	4.65	13-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	16.2	4.32

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

THURSDAY'S RESULT
Texas 5, Houston 0

SATURDAY'S GAMES
G1: Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 12:05
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 12:05
Chi White Sox at Oakland, 3:07
G2: Tampa Bay at Baltimore, 6:05
Minnesota at Cleveland, 6:10
Detroit at Kansas City, 6:15
L.A. Dodgers at Boston, 6:15
Houston at Texas, 7:05
Seattle at L.A. Angels, 8:07

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Detroit at Kansas City, 1:15
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Seattle at L.A. Angels, 3:07

NATIONAL LEAGUE

SATURDAY'S GAMES
Pittsburgh at Chi Cubs, 1:20
N.Y. Mets at Miami, 5:10
Arizona at St. Louis, 6:15
L.A. Dodgers at Boston, 6:15
San Francisco at Milwaukee, 6:15
Washington at Philadelphia, 6:15
Cincinnati at Colorado, 7:10
Atlanta at San Diego, 7:40

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BOX SCORES

RANGERS 5, ASTROS 0

HOUSTON	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Springer cf	4	0	2	0	1	.306
Altuve 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.257
Bregman ss	1	0	1	0	0	.267
Straw ss	2	0	1	0	1	.296
Brantley lf	4	0	1	0	1	.323
Alvarez dh	4	0	1	0	2	.338
Gurriel 3b	4	0	0	0	0	.274
Reddick rf	3	0	1	0	1	.292
White 1b	3	0	0	0	3	.223
a-Kemp ph	1	0	0	0	0	.233
Chirinos c	3	0	0	0	2	.222
TOTALS	**33**	**0**	**7**	**0**	**12**	

TEXAS	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Choo dh	4	1	2	0	0	.291
DeShields cf	5	1	1	0	1	.254
Andrus ss	4	0	1	1	1	.302
Mazara rf	4	0	1	0	1	.261
Gallo lf	4	1	1	1	2	.275
Santana 1b	4	1	1	0	1	.299
Guzman 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.207
Odor 2b	3	1	2	2	1	.198
Cabrera 3b	3	0	1	0	0	.228
Mathis c	3	0	1	1	1	.159
TOTALS	**34**	**5**	**11**	**5**	**8**	

Houston	000	000	000	—	0	7	0
Texas	401	000	00x	—	5	11	0

a-grounded out for White in the 9th. **LOB:** Houston 8, Texas 9. **2B:** Springer (11), DeShields (9), Gallo (15), Odor 2 (16). **RBIs:** Andrus (46), Gallo (47), Odor 2 (49), Mathis (9). **Runners left in scoring position:** Houston 4 (Altuve, Alvarez, Chirinos 2); Texas 4 (Choo 2, Andrus 2). **RISP:** Houston 0 for 4; Texas 6 for 11. **Runners moved up:** Andrus. **LIDP:** Cabrera. **GIDP:** Alvarez. **DP:** Houston 1 (Straw, White); Texas 1 (Guzman, Andrus).

HOUSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
F.Valdez, **L**, 3-5	⅔	4	4	4	3	0	5.28
Devenski	1⅓	1	0	0	0	0	4.54
Sneed	5	6	1	1	1	7	4.09
James	1	0	0	0	0	1	5.12

TEXAS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lynn, **W**, 12-4	7	6	0	0	2	11	3.69
Leclerc	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.54
C.Martin	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.06

Pitches-strikes: Valdez 28-12, Devenski 16-13, Sneed 83-58, James 7-5, Lynn 110-75, Leclerc 14-9, C. Martin 15-10.
Inherited runners-scored: Devenski 3-0. **PB:** Mathis (4). **Umpires:** H, Mike Winters; 1B, Rob Drake; 2B, Mike Muchlinski; 3B, Tim Timmons. **Time:** 3:02. **A:** 37,964 (49,115).

SEASON ATTENDANCE

TEAM	GP	TOTAL	AVG
LA Dodgers	49	2,356,963	48,101
St. Louis	42	1,790,094	42,621
NY Yankees	44	1,789,422	40,668
Chi Cubs	45	1,687,676	37,503
LA Angels	43	1,599,139	37,189
Colorado	43	1,583,657	36,829
Boston	42	1,514,614	36,062
Philadelphia	44	1,549,757	35,221
Milwaukee	45	1,547,257	34,383
Houston	47	1,609,247	34,239
San Francisco	46	1,506,996	32,760
Atlanta	47	1,504,983	32,020
NY Mets	42	1,268,895	30,211
San Diego	47	1,347,366	28,667
Washington	46	1,285,471	27,945
Arizona	42	1,117,626	26,610
Texas	46	1,223,189	26,591
Minnesota	43	1,107,152	25,747
Chi White Sox	43	950,312	22,100
Cincinnati	45	986,318	21,918
Seattle	48	1,049,146	21,857
Toronto	48	993,252	20,692
Cleveland	42	829,004	19,738
Detroit	44	838,181	19,049
Oakland	46	875,183	19,025
Pittsburgh	43	809,869	18,834
Kansas City	43	798,696	18,574
Baltimore	41	706,664	17,235
Tampa Bay	48	743,219	15,483
Miami	44	413,711	9,402

LEAGUE ATTENDANCE BY YEAR

YEAR	TIME	TM/9I	R/G	ATT	ATT/G
2019	3:08	3:03	9.60	37,416,137	27,818
2018	3:04	3:00	8.90	69,671,272	28,659
2017	3:08	3:05	9.29	72,678,797	29,908
2016	3:04	3:00	8.96	73,159,044	30,131
2015	3:00	2:56	8.50	73,719,340	30,349
2014	3:07	3:02	8.13	73,739,622	30,345
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2007	2:55	2:51	9.59	79,484,718	32,696
2006	2:51	2:48	9.72	76,043,902	31,306
2005	2:49	2:46	9.18	74,915,268	30,816
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2002	2:56	2:52	9.24	67,944,389	28,006
2001	2:58	2:54	9.55	72,581,101	29,881
2000	3:01	2:57	10.28	71,358,907	29,377

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AL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
LeMahieu, NY	81	336	65	113	.336
Devers, BOS	87	346	69	112	.324
Brantley, HOU	85	337	48	109	.323
Anderson, CHI	70	271	39	86	.317
Polanco, MIN	85	356	57	111	.312
Alberto, BAL	73	272	22	84	.309
Moncada, CHI	79	305	49	94	.308
Merrifield, KC	91	382	62	117	.306
Cabrera, DET	80	283	22	86	.304
Martinez, BOS	79	316	52	96	.304

HOME RUNS
Trout, Los Angeles 28; Encarnacion, New York 25; Sanchez, New York 24; Bregman, Houston 23; Soler, Kansas City 23; Abreu, Chicago 21; Chapman, Oakland 21; Kepler, Minnesota 21; Vogelbach, Seattle 21; Gallo, Texas 20; Nunez, Baltimore 20; Rosario, Minnesota 20.
RBI
Trout, Los Angeles 67; Abreu, Chicago 66; Bogaerts, Boston 65; LeMahieu, New York 63; Santana, Seattle 63; Devers, Boston 62; Rosario, Minnesota 60; Soler, Kansas City 59; Sanchez, New York 57; Bregman, Houston 56; Encarnacion, New York 56.
STOLEN BASES
Mondesi, Kansas City 28; Smith, Seattle 23.
RUNS
Betts, Boston 77; Trout, Los Angeles 71.
HITS
Merrifield, Kansas City 117; LeMahieu, New York 113; Devers, Boston 112.
DOUBLES
Bogaerts, Boston 29; Castellanos, Detroit 29.
TRIPLES
Mondesi, Kan. City 9; Merrifield, Kan. City 7.
ERA
Morton, Tampa Bay 2.32; Minor, Texas 2.54; Verlander, Houston 2.98; Berrios, Minnesota 3.00; Cole, Houston 3.09; Chirinos, Tampa Bay 3.15; Giolito, Chicago 3.15; Stroman, Toronto 3.18; Miley, Houston 3.28; Turnbull, Detroit 3.31.
PITCHING
Lynn, Texas 12-4; Giolito, Chicago 11-3; German, New York 10-2; Morton, Tampa Bay 10-2; Odorizzi, Minnesota 10-4; Verlander, Houston 10-4; Gonzales, Seattle 10-7; Cashner, Baltimore 9-3; Rodriguez, Boston 9-4; Anderson, Oakland 9-5; Cole, Houston 9-5.
SAVES
Chapman, New York 24; Hand, Cleveland 23.
STRIKEOUTS
Cole, Houston 170; Sale, Boston 153; Verlander, Houston 153; Bauer, Cleveland 149; Boyd, Detroit 142; Morton, Tampa Bay 142; Bieber, Cleveland 141.

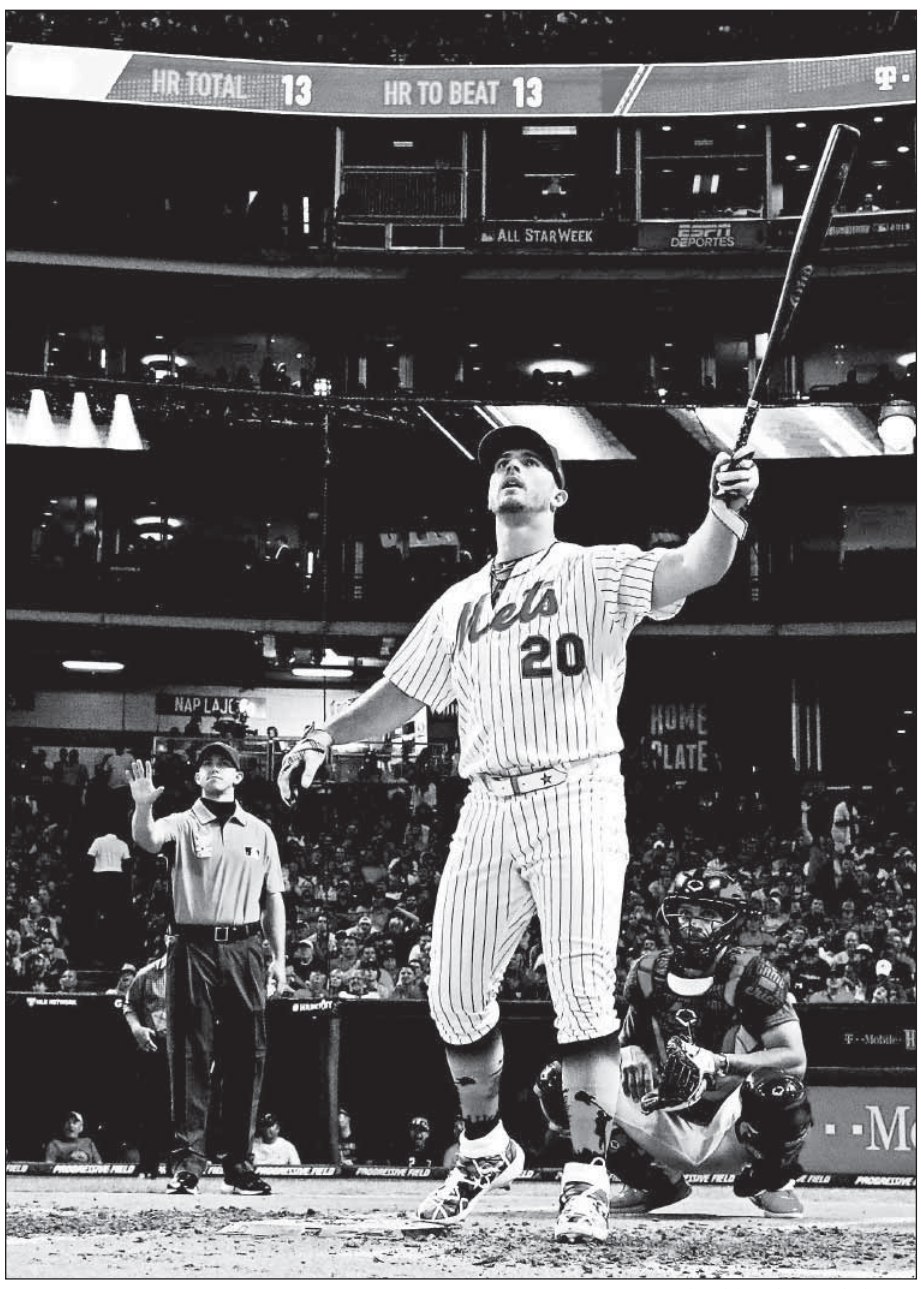
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NL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
McNeil, NY	76	289	41	101	.349
Bellinger, LA	88	318	70	107	.336
Blackmon, COL	73	315	67	104	.330
Yelich, MIL	82	304	66	100	.329
Arenado, COL	88	340	61	106	.312
Marte, ARI	87	354	58	110	.311
Freeman, ATL	90	356	69	110	.309
Dahl, COL	80	302	55	93	.308
Rendon, WAS	75	280	65	85	.304
Verdugo, LA	86	274	34	83	.303

HOME RUNS
Yelich, Milwaukee 31; Alonso, New York 30; Bellinger, Los Angeles 30; Bell, Pittsburgh 27; Renfroe, San Diego 27; Moustakas, Milwaukee 25; Reyes, San Diego 25; Freeman, Atlanta 23; Baez, Chicago 22; Muncy, Los Angeles 22.
RBI
Bell, Pittsburgh 84; Bellinger, Los Angeles 71; Alonso, New York 68; Freeman, Atlanta 68; Arenado, Colorado 67; Escobar, Arizona 67; Yelich, Milwaukee 67; Baez, Chicago 62; Harper, Philadelphia 62; Hosmer, San Diego 62; Ozuna, St. Louis 62; Rendon, Washington 62.
STOLEN BASES
Dyson, Arizona 20; Yelich, Milwaukee 19.
RUNS
Bellinger, Los Angeles 70; Bell, Pittsburgh 69; Freeman, Atlanta 69.
HITS
Freeman, Atlanta 110; Marte, Arizona 110.
DOUBLES
Bell, Pittsburgh 30; Bryant, Chicago 28.
TRIPLES
Blackmon, Colorado 7; Escobar, Arizona 6.
ERA
Ryu, Los Angeles 1.73; Castillo, Cincinnati 2.29; Scherzer, Washington 2.30; Greinke, Arizona 2.73; Hamels, Chicago 2.98; Davies, Milwaukee 3.07; Kershaw, Los Angeles 3.09; deGrom, New York 3.27; Corbin, Washington 3.34; Buehler, Los Angeles 3.46.
PITCHING
Ryu, Los Angeles 10-2; Greinke, Arizona 10-3; Woodruff, Milwaukee 10-3; Strasburg, Was 10-4; Soroka, Atlanta 9-1; Fried, Atlanta 9-4; Scherzer, Was 9-5; Gray, Colorado 9-6.
SAVES
Yates, San Diego 30; Jansen, Los Angeles 23; Smith, San Francisco 23.
STRIKEOUTS
Scherzer, Washington 181; Strasburg, Washington 138; deGrom, New York 138; Ray, Arizona 137; Wheeler, New York 130; Corbin, Washington 129; Woodruff, Milwaukee 126; Marquez, Colorado 125; Castillo, Cincinnati 124; Nola, Philadelphia 124.

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Rookie Pete Alonso has hit a lot of homers this season. So has the rest of the league.

COMMENTARY

Juiced ball not game's only issue

By Tim Dahlberg
AP Sports Columnist

First the players, now the ball. Home runs are skyrocketing, and once again Major League Baseball officials claim they don't know the reason why.

Then again, it might be that they're just not looking hard enough.

Unlike the players, the ball still looks the same. Commissioner Rob Manfred said it tests much the same as before, too, though he conceded there might be less drag on the ball than there was in the past.

So why are batters teeing off at a rate nearing three home runs a game, a 19 percent increase from a year before? Why are hitters on a pace to hit 1,000 more home runs than the Steroids Era high mark of 5,693 in 2000?

Good question, Manfred says, but it's not because anyone juiced the ball.

"Manipulation of the baseball is a great conspiracy theory," Manfred said Tuesday at the All-Star Game in Cleveland. "How you manipulate a human-dominated handmade manufacturing process in any consistent way, it's a smarter human being than I."

Don't tell that to pitchers like Justin Verlander, who say they can tell something is different just by how the ball feels in their hands. He and a few other outspoken pitchers believe the ball has been changed, no matter how much MLB protests otherwise.

And in a game defined by numbers, the home run numbers certainly suggest the same thing.

If you enjoyed the Home Run Derby the other night, you'll enjoy this MLB season. Every night is Home Run Derby, it seems, as balls fly out of stadiums like they were propelled by rocket fuel.

And the suspicion, after years of being on the players, has now fallen on the ball.

It's an easy target, even if other factors are also contributing to the surge in long balls. Put together they're giving baseball a problem in the way the game itself is played.

Batters no longer fear strike outs or low averages. They're concerned with uppercut swings and launch angles, and don't worry about protecting the plate with two strikes.

Pitchers, meanwhile, throw harder than ever, and are rewarded with more strikeouts than ever. The flip side is the balls that batters do make contact with tend to fly further than they have before.

Almost everyone tries to hit it deep, no matter the situation. There are no hit-and-runs, no hitting behind the runner, and the bunt is on the disappearing list.

And, let's face it, there are still juiced players in Major League Baseball. If anyone doubts that steroids are still not an issue in baseball, look no further than the starting shortstop for the American League All-Star team, Jorge Polanco, who sat out half of last season after being caught taking the steroid Stanozolol.

So it's not just the ball, which Manfred says has been studied extensively by experts who find no difference other than a decrease in the amount of drag in flight. A lot has to do with the way the game is being played in the analytics era, and the players themselves who seem to get stronger every year.

Still changing the ball might be the easiest way to change the perception, at least, that home runs are killing baseball.

"We just haven't made a decision on that," Manfred said. "Changing the baseball is a mechanism by which you could manage the way the game is being played. We haven't missed that idea. But if we were going to do it, we would do it in a way that was transparent to the media and the fans in advance."

Manfred has a difficult balancing act in a sport that over the years has proven resistant to change. And we're just getting to the point where it's obvious to any casual fan that the game is different in its current form — and not in a good way.

Baseball resumes in earnest Friday with a lot of issues. Attendance is down for the second straight year, dropping nearly 500 fans a game after being down 4 percent the year before, while the All-Star Game drew its lowest rating ever on TV.

Meanwhile, only one division has a heated race, games seem to take forever, and the cost of taking a family of four to the ballpark is prohibitive.

Yes, the ball is part of the problem. So many more of them are going over fences than before that it has to be.

But fixing the ball won't fix everything that ails the game.

AROUND THE HORN

■ **Red Sox:** Former Red Sox slugger David Ortiz is recovering from a third surgery after experiencing complications resulting from his gunshot wound. Ortiz's wife, Tiffany, said in a statement Thursday that he's "recovering well and in good spirits." He had the surgery earlier this week at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. Ortiz was shot in the back at a bar in the Dominican Republic last month.

■ **Astros:** MLB suspended OF Jake Marisnick two games for his violent home plate collision with Angels C Jonathan Lucroy. Marisnick, who also was fined, appealed the suspension. Lucroy was carted off the field Sunday after the collision at the end of the eighth inning of the Astros' victory in Houston. Lucroy sustained a concussion and broken nose. Marisnick was called out for colliding with Lucroy, and the call was upheld after a crew chief review. Marisnick said afterward that it was a "bad play" and that he hoped Lucroy was OK. He also posted on Twitter later that he "made a split second decision at full speed" and he felt awful.

■ **All-Star Game:** The AL's 4-3 victory over the NL on Tuesday night in Cleveland had a 5.0 rating and 11 share on Fox, according to Nielsen Media Research. The game was seen by an average of 5.93 million households and 8.14 million viewers. That is down from the previous record low rating of 5.2 and 8.69 million viewers for the AL's 8-6, 10-inning victory last year. This game averaged 8,302,000 viewers on Fox, Fox Deportes and Fox streaming services, peaking at 8,592,000 viewers from 9:15-9:30 p.m. EDT. The Home Run Derby on Monday drew a combined 6.2 million viewers and a 4.54 rating in metered markets on ESPN and ESPN2 on Monday night, up from 5.97 million viewers and a 4.39 rating last year.

■ **Rangers:** Lance Lynn matched his season high with 11 strikeouts in seven scoreless innings for his MLB-best 12th victory and the host Rangers beat the AL West-leading Astros 5-0 in the only game Thursday when MLB resumed after the All-Star break. Lynn (12-4) won his fifth consecutive start, and is 8-1 over his last 10 starts. He scattered six hits and walked two while throwing 75 of 110 pitches for strikes. Rougned Odor had a two-run double as part of a four-run first and then scored a run after another double in the third. Astros All-Star SS Alex Bregman left after a groundball bounced up and hit him on the chin in the third. The team said he had a lacerated chin.

■ **Extra innings:** The Cardinals placed nine-time All-Star C Yadier Molina on the IL with a strained right thumb. He's expected to be out about three weeks. Molina, 36, missed 12 games in May and June with a similar injury, pinch hit Saturday but hasn't started a game since June 3. ... Former All-Star RHP Shelby Miller signed a minor-league deal with the Brewers, The Athletic reported. Miller, 28, was 1-3 with an 8.59 ERA in 19 appearances, including eight starts, for the Rangers before the club released him July 4.

Darvish lining it up

Set to open 2nd half, starter still looking for his 1st win at Wrigley

By Mark Gonzales

The Cubs had Yu Darvish's best interests in mind when they gave him two extra days of rest before his last start ahead of the All-Star break. That lined him up to start the second half Friday against the Pirates at Wrigley Field.

"We just thought Yu was the right guy," manager Joe Maddon said.

Darvish realizes the Cubs are counting on him to provide a spark in the second half — especially with Cole Hamels likely sidelined for another month.

Breaking through with a victory at home would be a good start. Darvish is winless in 12 starts at Wrigley Field as a Cub. He is 0-5 with a 6.03 ERA in those starts, compared with a 3-2 record and 4.12 ERA in 14 road starts with the Cubs.

This season, Darvish is 0-3 with a 6.23 ERA at home and 2-1 with a 3.83 ERA on the road.

He has allowed 12 home runs in nine home starts this season, four more than on the road.

"I don't know why every time I pitch there I give up a home run," Darvish said. "That's weird. When I go on the road, I don't feel that. But when I pitch at Wrigley, it happens a lot."

Besides pitching better at home, Darvish has another goal in mind.

"I'm still not winning," Darvish said. "My job is to win the game. I want to win more."

Darvish didn't walk a batter in 6⅔ innings against the Pirates in his last start July 3, but he allowed home runs to Melky Cabrera and Josh Bell, both switch hitters batting left-handed, and he later pinpointed his problem.

"Every time a lefty hits for extra bases, I'm not changing speeds," Darvish said. "I'm throwing fastball, cutter, cutter, cutter, cutter. If I can mix the pitches, they're not going to hurt me. In the second half I want to try that."

It couldn't hurt. Left-handed batters are hitting .262 with a .535 slugging percentage against him, compared with right-handers' .185 batting average and .324 slugging percentage.

"In my last game my velocity was up to 99 mph, and my breaking ball was there," Darvish said. "Now I'm feeling good physically, mentally and mechanically. So I'm still looking for that (strong) second half."



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Cubs pitcher Yu Darvish has allowed 12 home runs in nine home starts this season, four more than he's given up on the road.



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Kris Bryant signs 7-year-old Yker Chacon's shirt during a promotional event for Red Bull on Thursday in which Bryant batted balls into the Chicago River. Kayakers with nets were stationed on the water to retrieve the souvenirs. "I like to do things that are fun and different," Bryant said. "This is definitely one of those." For more from Bryant in Phil Thompson's story, go to **chicagotribune.com/sports**

Cubs looking to get back to basics

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their last seven against the Cubs and the defending division champion Brewers to close their deficit to 2 ½ games.

Relying solely on a dazzling defensive play by Javier Baez, a clutch home run by Anthony Rizzo or a late-inning strikeout by Pedro Strop no longer guarantees victory.

The Cubs beat themselves in many of their 43 losses in the first half, thanks to 65 errors, breakdowns in judgment on the basepaths and in the field and a failure to adjust to specific hitting situations.

"As a whole, it's getting back to the baseball we play," pitcher Kyle Hendricks said. "It's jumping out and being aggressive. It's getting the lead early, making good pitches, getting quick outs — the staples of winning. Keeping it simple.

"We're really close. We feel good about it."

The Cubs displayed snippets of those ingredients during a 23-7 stretch that vaulted them from a 2-7 start to first place, where they remained from May 7-31.

Manager Joe Maddon believes that recipe will resurface, despite the Cubs going 23-29 in their final 52 games before the break.

"I think our best baseball for 2019 is absolutely ahead of us, and I'm looking forward to that," Maddon said. "We'll have to earn it. Nothing is given. We talked about how the division has gotten so much better. We've got to earn it, which is the right way to go about anything."

The Cubs are seeking stability in the rotation, with Cole Hamels possibly out until mid-August because of a left oblique strain, and in the bullpen, which should improve with the return of Carl Edwards Jr.

President Theo Epstein might have to trade one of his homegrown players for a pitcher who can provide a significant upgrade for the stretch drive.



JUSTIN BERL/TNS

Kyle Schwarber is tagged out at home plate by Pirates catcher Elias Diaz on July 4 in Pittsburgh.

As for the offense, "we're still looking for that consistent at-bat where we force the pitcher to throw the ball over the plate," Maddon said. "That's what we need to become the elite team we're capable of being.

"Part of it is the league has caught up. Part of it is we haven't necessarily played our best ball. But we shall, and that's why we're in this particular position. It's up to us, and in spite of conceding that everyone else has gotten better, it's still up to us to make it all happen."

The Cubs can control their future with 45 of their remaining 72 games against the NL Central. That starts with six consecutive home games against the Pirates and Reds and continues at the end of the month with three-game series in Milwaukee and St. Louis.

"It's good, especially with the intensity of those games," Strop said. "I'm pretty much sure I'll be throwing a lot. Even the days I don't pitch, I'll be involved.

"We should be ready for this challenge."

Unlike last season, the Cubs cannot rely exclusively on Baez, who carried the offense for most of the year but wore down in the final 2 ½ weeks. Baez has played the last 7 ½ weeks with a bruised right heel, and he didn't get an extended break because he was selected for his second consecutive All-Star Game.

"I'm not hurt," Baez said Sunday before departing for Cleveland. "I'm not 100 percent. I don't like to be out. We'll see when I come back from the break and see how I feel."

The Cubs realize the importance of playing at full strength after Bryant played the final month of 2018 with a badly bruised left shoulder that affected his ability to drive the ball. He rebounded this year to earn his third All-Star selection.

"Hopefully the talent comes together, and if we're playing together, we'll be fine," Kintzler said.

"We haven't played many games against the Brewers and Cardinals. Our division is extremely tight right now. We have to figure out something to do with the lower half of our division. Everyone is coming after us hard, and we have to be able to match it."

Sox hope they can keep up the buzz

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Others blamed surly manager Terry Bevington, who was once compared to Bozo the Clown. Many pointed the finger at the players for going on strike in 1994, and some blamed Reinsdorf, one of the main hawks among owners.

Though Reinsdorf never released the results, he signed surly free agent Albert Belle after the season and said the survey told him the two main reasons the Sox didn't draw were the '94 strike and the lack of player-fan interaction.

"They didn't show (the fans) they cared about them," he said. "I've already talked to some of the players. This is not an unfriendly team. We just have a lot of laid-back guys on this team. They have to be somewhat more expressive. Those two reasons overwhelmed all the other reasons. The upper deck was insignificant. The ownership was insignificant.

"Most people said, 'We don't come to watch the owners.' There was a few percent that said ownership prevented them from coming to the games, but I'm happy to say more than half of (those polled) thought I was doing a good job."

The Sox eventually admitted the upper deck was an issue. They wound up lopping off the top eight rows in 2004 and added a canopy, making it more palatable, though still very high.

By the time they won the World Series in 2005, the ballpark was hopping again and no one seemed to mind the upper deck. The Sox set a franchise attendance record in 2006, averaging 36,511 per game and finishing ninth in overall attendance.

But they started dropping off thereafter and have been lucky to have the bowl area filled the last several years.

Are times changing for good, or is this a mere blip?

We won't know until next year if the Sox can capitalize on the buzz and increase season ticket sales. With Michael Kopech returning from elbow surgery and Luis Robert up from the minors by then, there's no reason to think they can't.

It's a beautiful place to be on a warm summer night, though it's still a tough sell in April and May when the weather is cold and wet. The Sox have had terrible luck with the rain this season, which is why head groundskeeper Roger "The Sodfather" Bossard might be the most valuable employee of the first half.

The Sox begin the second half with a 10-game road trip to Oakland, Kansas City and Tampa Bay, returning to the South Side on July 22 against the Marlins. They've already had their prime home dates — against the Red Sox, Yankees and Cubs — when the opponent's fans helped fill the park.

Now it's up to Sox fans to do it themselves the rest of the summer and support a young, growing team that's still learning how to win together.

The Sox promised three years ago they would rebuild with talented, likable prospects. So far, so good.

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FIRE



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The Fire will still train at SeatGeek Stadium in Bridgeview even if they are playing home games elsewhere.

What's next for Fire?

Agreement to leave SeatGeek Stadium has some caveats

By Jeremy Mikula

The Chicago Fire's long-rumored, much-reported exodus from Bridgeview is now official after the team and village on Tuesday announced an agreement to amend their SeatGeek Stadium lease.

The Fire will pay $65.5 million to amend the lease originally set to run through 2036. The amended lease likely will be formally signed by the end of July.

The Tribune acquired the memorandum of understanding between all three relevant parties — Bridgeview, the Fire and Major League Soccer — through a Freedom of Information Act request.

The memo — an agreement in principle — outlines what the amended lease will say. Here are three things we learned from the document.

1. The Fire can build a new stadium whenever they want — with a caveat.

The previous lease prevented the Fire — or any MLS team — from playing home matches at any other stadium within a 75-mile radius of 71st Street and Harlem Avenue, unless the attendance would exceed the 20,000-seat capacity at SeatGeek, such as the 2011 friendly against Manchester United at Soldier Field.

That provision is gone, and the Fire conceivably could build a new stadium tomorrow. The kicker comes with what happens at the new stadium if it's within a 35-mile radius of Bridgeview.

According to the document, any programming that is not MLS- or Fire-related — such as concerts — will require the club to pay the village hefty sums. The Fire could pay as much as $25 million if that occurs within one year of the amended lease date, with shrinking totals depending on the year of the violation: $15 million after the first anniversary but before the second, $8 million after second anniversary but before the third, and so on.

2. The Fire will be on the hook if SeatGeek ends its naming-rights deal.

The memo states the club and village will try to "cooperate and use diligent, good-faith efforts" either to prevent the end of SeatGeek's naming-rights deal or mitigate revenue losses if the ticket vendor reduces payments to Bridgeview.

According to the document, the Fire would owe 50% of the net amount owed to the village on dates payments are due. No payment would exceed $3.7 million, according to the document.

SeatGeek struck a deal with Bridgeview in 2018 with the stadium's new name and branding being employed this year.

3. The Fire can come back to SeatGeek Stadium for the 2020 season.

It seems unlikely given the team's reported interest in Soldier Field, but it is possible for the Fire to find themselves back in Bridgeview next season for more than just training sessions.

Bridgeview will allow the Fire to play the 2020 season at SeatGeek with no additional rent due from the club, according to the memo. The club and village will follow the same model to share concession revenues and sponsorship deals, as they do this season.

The biggest difference is priority: Instead of Bridgeview working around Fire matches to book events, the Fire and MLS would have to work around preexisting events to schedule matches. Also, Bridgeview has the right to book non-MLS matches without the Fire's or league's consent.

CHICAGO MARATHON

National champions lead marathon field

Strong contingent of Americans 'coming to Chicago to run fast'

By Shannon Ryan



NANCY STONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Jordan Hasay of the U.S. is happy to place third with a personal best in the 2017 Chicago Marathon.

A strong group of American runners will try to upset Chicago Marathon stars Galen Rupp and Jordan Hasay in this year's race, organizers announced Thursday.

The additional elite U.S. runners include five women who have run faster than 2 hours, 30 minutes and the reigning men's and women's national champions.

"This year's elite field highlights an exciting resurgence we are seeing in American distance running," race director Carey Pinkowski said in a statement. "We have a deep pool of American runners who are coming to Chicago to run fast. ... We could see new American records and a lot of personal bests in October."

The race is Oct. 13.

Hasay finished third in the 2017 Chicago Marathon in 2:20:57, a personal best and the fastest finish for an American woman. She will attempt to break Deena Kastor's U.S. record of 2:19:36.

Hasay's stiffest competition will come from Amy Cragg, Emma Bates, Stephanie Bruce, Lindsay Flanagan and Taylor Ward.

The Chicago race hasn't had three American women finish in the top five since 1994, and U.S. women haven't finished 1-2 since 1992.

Cragg's personal best of 2:21:42 is the fifth-fastest all time among U.S. women.

"Women's distance running is so strong in this country, and it's going to be tough to make the (U.S. Olympic) team in 2020, but I'm going to be ready," Cragg said in a statement.

Bates won her marathon debut in December, finishing in 2:28:29 for the national championship at the USATF race in Sacramento, Calif.

Bruce finished 10th in the 2018 London Marathon and followed with a personal-best 2:29:20 to finish second to Bates at nationals. She also won a second national title in the half-marathon in April, finishing in 1:10:44.

Flanagan, a Roselle native, finished ninth in April's Boston Marathon in 2:30:07. She finished in the top 10 in Chicago in 2017 (ninth) and 2018 (seventh).

Rupp, a two-time Olympic medalist with a personal best of 2:06:07, holds four U.S. records and won the 2017 Chicago race.

Brogan Austin, Chris Derrick, Scott Smith, Diego Estrada, Dathan Ritzenhein, Noah Droddy and Brendan Gregg will attempt to unseat him. Britain's Mo Farah, the defending champion and a four-time Olympic gold medalist, also will return.

Austin won the 2018 national title and brings a personal best of 2:12:38.

Derrick, a Naperville native and Neuqua Valley High School graduate, finished ninth in 2:12:50 in his marathon debut in 2017 in Chicago. He also finished ninth in the 2018 New York City Marathon in 2:13:08.

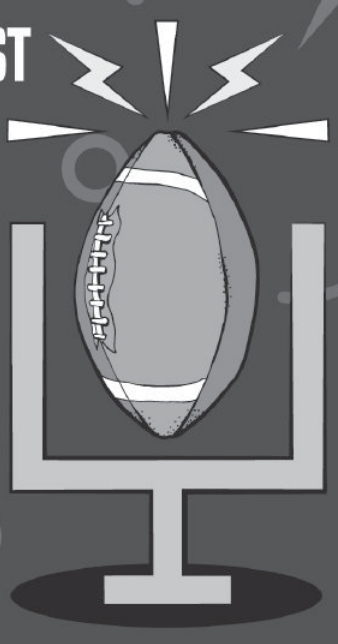
Smith finished sixth in the 2018 Boston Marathon.

Estrada finished 16th in the 2017 Chicago race and did not run in a marathon in 2018, but his half-marathon best of 1:00:51 and marathon-best 2:13:56 make him a contender.

Ritzenhein is a three-time Olympian and fourth-fastest American in history. His marathon-best 2:07:47 came in Chicago in 2012.

Droddy ran his personal best of 2:16:26 in the 2017 Chicago Marathon. Gregg's 2018 California International Marathon time of 2:13:27 was a personal best.

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N.Y. City FC	7	1	8	29	30	19
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Toronto FC	6	8	5	23	30	33
New England	6	8	5	23	22	36
Chicago	5	8	7	22	31	29
Orlando City	6	9	3	21	25	25
Columbus	5	13	2	17	17	30
Cincinnati	4	13	2	14	18	44
WESTERN	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PT**	**GF**	**GA**
Los Angeles FC	13	2	4	43	50	16
LA Galaxy	11	7	1	34	26	22
Seattle	9	5	5	32	29	25
Minnesota	9	7	3	30	36	29
FC Dallas	8	7	5	29	29	25
San Jose	8	7	4	28	30	30
Houston	8	7	3	27	28	25
Real Salt Lake	8	9	2	26	25	29
Sporting KC	5	7	7	22	29	34
Portland	6	8	2	20	25	28
Vancouver	4	8	8	20	22	31
Colorado	5	10	4	19	29	38

FRIDAY'S MATCHES
New England at D.C. United, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Houston, 8 p.m.
San Jose at LA Galaxy, 10 p.m.
SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Columbus at Orlando City, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto FC at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
Cincinnati at Chicago, 7 p.m.
FC Dallas at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.
Sporting KC at Vancouver, 9 p.m.
Colorado at Portland, 10 p.m.
SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Atlanta at Seattle, 3 p.m.
N.Y. City FC at N.Y. Red Bulls, 5:30 p.m.

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Reign FC	5	1	5	20	12	9
North Carolina	5	2	4	19	24	12
Portland	5	2	4	19	19	13
Washington	5	3	3	18	17	11
Utah	5	3	2	17	8	7
Chicago	4	5	2	14	17	18
Houston	3	4	4	13	13	18
Orlando	2	8	2	8	12	27
Sky Blue FC	1	7	2	5	8	15

FRIDAY'S MATCH
Utah at Sky Blue FC, 6:30 p.m.
SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Reign FC at North Carolina, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
SUNDAY'S MATCH
Orlando at Portland, 2 p.m.

WNBA

EASTERN	W	L	PCT	GB
Washington	9	5	.643	—
Connecticut	9	6	.600	½
Chicago	7	8	.467	2½
New York	7	8	.467	2½
Indiana	6	10	.375	4
Atlanta	4	10	.286	5
WESTERN	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**
Las Vegas	10	5	.667	—
Minnesota	9	6	.600	1
Phoenix	7	6	.538	2
Los Angeles	7	7	.500	2½
Seattle	8	8	.500	2½
Dallas	5	9	.357	4½

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Los Angeles at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Connecticut, 7 p.m.
New York at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Seattle, 9 p.m.

ALL STAR STARTERS

GAME: July 27, Las Vegas, Mandalay Bay Events Center, 3:30 p.m.

GUARD VOTING	FN	M	PL	WT
s-Kayla McBride, LV	2	2	2	2.0
s-Jewell Loyd, Sea	1	6	1	2.25
s-Chelsea Gray, LA	3	1	5	3.0
s-Kia Nurse, NY	4	6	3	4.25
Odyssey Sims, Min	7	3	3	5.0
Kristi Toliver, Was	5	5	12	6.75
Courtney Vandersloot, Chi	8	4	15	8.75
Diamond DeShields, Chi	9	9	8	8.75
Kelsey Plum, LV	6	13	12	9.25
Diana Taurasi, Phx	10	13	7	10.0

FRONTCOURT VOTING	FN	M	PL	WT
sc-Elena Delle Donne, Was	1	1	5	2.0
sc-A'ja Wilson, LV	2	4	1	2.25
s-Natasha Howard, Sea	6	3	1	4.0
s-Jonquel Jones, Con	7	2	3	4.75
s-Liz Cambage, LV	3	9	11	6.5
st-Brittney Griner, Phx	9	5	6	7.25
s-DeWanna Bonner, Phx	10	6	3	7.25
Candace Parker, LA	5	12	9	7.75
Napheesa Collier, Min	4	12	13	8.25
Sylvia Fowles, Min	8	8	10	8.5

FN-fan voting rank; M-media rank; PL-player rank; WT-weighted score; c-named captain; s–Voted to start; t–tiebreaker for starting spot is highest fan vote; reserves to be named Monday.

GOLF

PGA CHAMPIONS BRIDGESTONE SENIOR PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP

Partial 1st of 4 rds; Firestone CC; Akron, Ohio; 7,400 yds, p70; 63 did not finish R1

69 (-1)	
Ken Duke	34-35
70 (even)	
Tommy Tolles	35-35
David McKenzie	35-35
71 (+1)	
Bob Estes	35-36
Woody Austin	35-36
72 (+2)	
Doug Garwood	32-40
73 (+3)	
Scott Dunlap	36-37
John Huston	34-39
74 (+4)	
Tom Gillis	36-38
Tommy Armour III	37-37
75 (+5)	
Jerry Smith	38-37
76 (+6)	
Rocco Mediate	36-40
Stephen Ames	35-41

LEADERBOARD	SC	H
Steve Stricker	-5	17
Paul Goydos	-1	5
Ken Duke	-1	F
Jay Haas	-1	15
Duffy Waldorf	-1	12
Wes Short, Jr.	-1	10
John Daly	-1	8
Miguel Angel Jimenez	-1	8
Lee Janzen	-1	5
Corey Pavin	-1	5
Bart Bryant	-1	3

PGA JOHN DEERE CLASSIC

1st of 4 rounds; TPC Deere Run; Silvis, Ill. 7,268 yards; par 71

62 (-9)	
Roberto Diaz	31-31
64 (-7)	
Adam Long	31-33
Russell Henley	32-32
65 (-6)	
Martin Laird	33-32
Andrew Landry	32-33
Vaughn Taylor	34-31
Ryan Palmer	33-32
Zack Sucher	34-31
Ryan Blaum	33-32
66 (-5)	
Denny McCarthy	33-33
Austin Cook	34-32
Ted Potter	33-33
Daniel Berger	33-33
Joaquin Niemann	31-35
Cameron Tringale	32-34
Dylan Frittelli	33-33
Bill Haas	33-33
Brendon Todd	31-35
Cameron Davis	33-33
67 (-4)	
Nick Taylor	33-34
Ollie Schniederjans	34-33
Brandon Harkins	35-32
Sam Ryder	33-34
Ryan Moore	36-31
Matthew Wolff	31-36
Lucas Glover	34-33
Chad Campbell	33-34
John Senden	32-35
Beau Hossler	35-32
Adam Schenk	34-33
Harold Varner III	35-32
George McNeill	33-34
Brice Garnett	34-33
Nate Lashley	36-31
Jhonattan Vegas	34-33
Brian Harman	33-34
Bud Cauley	33-34
Peter Malnati	32-35
Andres Romero	31-36
Sangmoon Bae	31-36
Freddie Jacobson	32-35
68 (-3)	
Sam Saunders	36-32
Kyle Stanley	33-35
Stewart Cink	34-34
Chris Stroud	36-32
Nick Watney	32-36
Charles Howell III	35-33
Sungjae Im	34-34
Roberto Castro	32-36
Nicholas Lindheim	32-36
Wyndham Clark	34-34
Luke Donald	33-35
Whee Kim	35-33
Roger Sloan	33-35
Johnson Wagner	35-33
69 (-2)	
Alex Prugh	33-36
Richy Werenski	34-35
Arjun Atwal	34-35
Matt Every	34-35
Seamus Power	37-32
Hunter Mahan	31-38
Bronson Burgoon	35-34
Scott Stallings	35-34
Carlos Ortiz	35-34
Doc Redman	34-35
Viktor Hovland	35-34
Steve Allan	33-36
David Hearn	35-34
Dominic Bozzelli	35-34
Talor Gooch	34-35
Alex Cejka	35-34
Chad Collins	34-35
Pat Perez	35-34
J.J. Henry	36-33
Tyler Duncan	34-35
Wes Roach	34-35
Joey Garber	33-36

LPGA MARATHON CLASSIC

1st of 4 rounds; Highland Meadows GC; Sylvania, Ohio; 6,561 yds, par 71

64 (-7)	
Alena Sharp	31-33
Youngin Chun	30-34
65 (-6)	
Azahara Munoz	33-32
Stacy Lewis	30-35
Caroline Masson	32-33
Jenny Haglund	31-34
66 (-5)	
Lexi Thompson	31-35
Carlota Ciganda	30-36
Clariss Guce	33-33
Jeongeun Lee6	33-33
67 (-4)	
Ashleigh Buhai	31-36
Cheyenne Knight	31-36
Brooke M. Henderson	32-35
Sei Young Kim	34-33
Linnea Strom	35-32
Aditi Ashok	31-36
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	34-33
Jennifer Kupcho	33-34
Alana Uriell	33-34

SCOTTISH OPEN

1st of 4 rounds; The Renaissance Club; N. Berwick, Scotland; 7,136 yds, par 71

63 (-8)	
Romain Wattel	29-34
Matt Kuchar	32-31
Nino Bertasio	32-31
Edoardo Molinari	31-32
64 (-7)	
Lee Slattery	32-32
Erik Van Rooyen	31-33
Thomas Pieters	32-32
Andy Sullivan	32-32
Jamie Donaldson	32-32
Kalle Samooja	34-30
Thomas Aiken	33-31
ALSO: 67 (-4)	
Matthew Fitzpatrick	34-33
Rory McIlroy	32-35
Justin Thomas	32-35
71 (even)	
Rickie Fowler	37-34

TENNIS

WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIPS

133rd event at The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club; London; outdoors-grass:

WOMEN'S SEMIFINAL SINGLES
#7 Simona Halep d. #8 Elina Svitolina, 6-1, 6-3.

Time: 1:13	ES	SH
Aces	1	1
Double faults	0	3
1st serve pct. in	67%	70%
1st serve win %	47%	74%
2nd serve win %	44%	44%
net points won	4/13	8/10
Break points won	1/5	5/8
Receiving pts won%	35%	54%
Winners	10	26
Unforced errors	16	16
Total points won	46	68

#11 Serena Williams d. Barbora Strycova, 6-1, 6-2.

Time: 1:33	SW	BS
Aces	4	1
Double faults	1	1
1st serve % in	61%	61%
1st serve win %	89%	52%
2nd serve win %	53%	44%
Net points won	13/16	4/11
Break points won	4/5	0/3
Receiving pts won %	51%	25%
Winners	28	8
Unforced errors	10	10
Total points won	54	31

ROAD TO WOMEN'S FINALS

#7 SIMONA HALEP
R1: Aliaksandra Sashovich, 6-4, 7-5
R2: Mihaela Buzarnescu, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2
R3: Victoria Azarenka, 6-3, 6-1
R4: Cori Gauff, 6-3, 6-3
QF: Shuai Zhang, 7-6 (4), 6-1
SF: #8 Elina Svitolina, 6-1, 6-3.
#11 SERENA WILLIAMS
R1: Giulia Gattio-Monticone, 6-2, 7-5
R2: Kaia Juvan, 2-6, 6-2, 6-4
R3: #18 Julia Goerges, 6-3, 6-4
R4: #30 Carla Suarez Navarro, 6-2, 6-2
QF: Alison Riske, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3
SF: Barbora Strycova, 6-1, 6-2.

FRIDAY'S FEATURED MATCHES

#1 Novak Djokovic vs. #23 Roberto Bautista-Agut
#2 Roger Federer vs. #3 Rafael Nadal

CYCLING

106TH TOUR DE FRANCE

Sixth Stage; a 99.7-mile ride from Mulhouse to La Planche des Belles Filles in the Vosges mountains, with seven categorized climbs, including 3 Category 1s, the last a summit finish:

1. Dylan Teuns, Belgium	4:29:03
2. Giulio Ciccone, Italy	:11*
3. Xandro Meurisse, Belgium	1:05*
4. Geraint Thomas, Britain	1:44*
5. Thibaut Pinot, France	1:46*
6. Julian Alaphilippe, France,	1:46*
7. Nairo Quintana, Colombia	1:51*
39. Tejay van Garderen, U.S.	8:00*
82. Ben King, U.S.	17:46*
115. Joey Rosskopf, U.S.	20:02*
132. Chad Haga, U.S.	20:38*
OVERALL STANDINGS (*-time behind)	
1. Giulio Ciccone, Italy	23:14:55.
2. Julian Alaphilippe, France	:06*
3. Dylan Teuns, Belgium	:32*
4. George Bennett, New Zealand	:47*
5. Geraint Thomas, Britain	49*
6. Egan Bernal, Colombia	:53*
7. Thibaut Pinot, France	:58*
8. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands	1:04*
9. Michael Woods, Canada	1:13*
10. Rigoberto Uran, Colombia	1:15*
33. Tejay van Garderen, U.S.	7:13*
73. Joey Rosskopf, U.S.	24:14*
104. Ben King, U.S.	39:41*
167. Chad Haga, U.S.,	58:49*

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE	FRIDAY		
at NY Yankees	-253	Toronto	+223
Tampa Bay	-143	at Baltimore	+133
at Cleveland	-122	Minnesota	+112
Houston	-183	at Texas	+168
at Kansas City	Off	Detroit	Off
at LA Angels	Off	Seattle	Off
at Oakland	-178	Chi White Sox	+166
NATIONAL LEAGUE	*pregame.com*		
at Chi Cubs	-156	Pittsburgh	+146
Washington	-141	at Philadelphia	+131
at Miami	-107	NY Mets	-103
at Milwaukee	-174	San Fran.	+162
at St. Louis	-122	Arizona	+112
at Colorado	-116	Cincinnati	+106
Atlanta	-108	at San Diego	-102
INTERLEAGUE			
LA Dodgers	-111	at Boston	+101

NBA

Westbrook dealt

'17 MVP sent to Rockets, reunites with Harden; Thunder acquire Paul

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Russell Westbrook and James Harden are together again, and Chris Paul is leaving Houston to make that reunion happen.

A person with knowledge of the situation says the Thunder have traded Westbrook to the Rockets for Paul in a swapping of top point guards. The Thunder also are getting first-round picks in 2024 and 2026, plus the right to swap first-rounders in two other seasons, according to the person who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity Thursday.

ESPN first reported the agreement.

Paul is a nine-time All-Star, Westbrook an eight-time selection. Paul has 9,181 career assists, the most among active players. Westbrook has 138 triple-doubles, tied with Magic Johnson for second-most in NBA history behind only Oscar Robertson's 181. Both members of the Rockets' new glitzy backcourt are recent MVPs: Westbrook won it in 2017, Harden won it in 2018. And the trade means that the NBA's two highest scorers over the last five seasons — Harden with 11,958 points, Westbrook with 10,025 — are now teammates.

Westbrook and Harden were Thunder teammates for three seasons, the last of those being the 2011-12 campaign when that duo and Kevin Durant took the team to the NBA Finals. They lost in five games to LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and the Heat, and Harden departed that summer for Houston — where he's been an All-Star ever since.

But when the Thunder agreed last week to trade Paul George to the Clippers — in a move that essentially sealed 2019 NBA Finals MVP Kawhi Leonard's decision to leave the Raptors for the Clippers — it became clear quickly that Westbrook would be on the move as well. And this trade, when completed, will mean that Thunder general manager Sam Presti has added eight first-round picks to the team's stockpile in the last week or so.

The Thunder got five first-round future selections as part of the George trade. The Thunder are getting two more in this trade, and got a 2020 first-round pick in the deal completed earlier this week that sent Jerami Grant to the Nuggets.

It's the latest bold transaction in a wild offseason of movement that already saw Leonard become the first reigning Finals MVP change teams in the offseason after winning that award, Anthony Davis get traded from the Pelicans to the Lakers, All-Star point guards like Kyrie Irving (Celtics to Nets), Kemba Walker (Hornets to Celtics) and D'Angelo Russell (Nets to Warriors) change teams, Durant leave the Warriors for the Nets, Jimmy Butler go from the 76ers to the Heat in a sign-and-trade, Al Horford move from the Celtics to the 76ers.

"Craziest NBA summer by far," longtime NBA guard Jamal Crawford tweeted.



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Serena Williams needed just 59 minutes to beat Barbora Strycova 6-1, 6-2.

WIMBLEDON

Serena 1 victory from Slam mark

After easy semi, she can match Court at 24 titles with final win vs. Halep

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

WIMBLEDON, England — Hours before her Wimbledon semifinal, Serena Williams spent some time deep in thought and arrived at a couple of conclusions.

For one thing, she shouldn't focus too much on trying to raise her Grand Slam title total to 24, a number achieved by just one other player in tennis history. And for another, she needs to stay calm on the court.

With that in mind, Williams went out Thursday and made it all look so easy, overwhelming Barbora Strycova of the Czech Republic 6-1, 6-2 in 59 minutes to once again put herself on the verge of an eighth championship at the All England Club and major No. 24 overall.

"It's really not about 24 or 23 or 25. It's really just about going out there and giving my best effort, no matter what. No matter what I do, I will always have a great career," said Williams, who at 37 is the oldest woman to reach a Grand Slam final in the professional era. "Like, I just kind of let it go this morning."

On Saturday, she will take on No. 7-seeded Simona Halep of Romania, a 6-1, 6-3 winner over No. 8 Elina Svitolina of Ukraine under a cloudy sky at Centre Court.

It's the 11th final at the All England Club for Williams, the first for Halep, whose only major trophy came at the French Open last year.

They've played each other 10 previous times, with Williams winning nine, including a three-setter at the Australian Open in January.

"I respect a lot what she has done and what she's doing," said Halep, who, like Williams, used to be ranked No. 1. "But now I feel stronger, mentally, facing her. We will see what is going to happen. It's just a big challenge for me."

For anyone, really, when Williams is at her best.

And after an up-and-down first half of the year, due in part to injury and illness, she sure does appear to have lifted her level considerably.

Williams was limited to 12 matches in 2019 until last week. After a third-round loss at Roland Garros on June 1, she stayed in France for medical treatment.



CLIVE BRUNSKILL/GETTY

If Williams tops Simona Halep in Saturday's final, she will secure her record-tying 24th Grand Slam title.

"Well, if she will play like this in the final," said Strycova, 33, the oldest first-time Grand Slam semifinalist in the modern era, "it's going to be very hard for Simona."

After a three-set struggle against Alison Riske in the quarterfinals Tuesday, Williams was dominant against Strycova, who was limited by a leg muscle problem that cropped up in the very first game.

Williams has been this close to adding to her title total before: In 2018, her first season back on tour after the birth of her daughter, Olympia, Williams reached the finals at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open but lost each time.

That has left her Grand Slam total at 23, a record for the professional era that she established when she won the 2017 Australian Open while pregnant — but one fewer than Margaret Court accumulated while playing part of her career against amateurs.

Halep seemed headed for a long day when her semifinal began with a pair of games encompassing 32 points. Soon enough, though, Halep was in control. Now comes a tougher task.

IN BRIEF

College football: An appeals court in Dallas overturned for a second time the sexual assault conviction of former Baylor player Sam Ukwuachu, whose case ignited a scandal that rocked the nation's largest Baptist school. The 10th Court of Appeals ordered a new trial, saying that prosecutors improperly used phone records in cross-examination interviews that hadn't been submitted into evidence. The court said that created a "false impression" for the jury about witness testimony and violated Ukwuachu's rights. McClennan County prosecutors said they will appeal.

Cycling: Dylan Teuns of Belgium won Stage 6 of the Tour de France, and Giulio Ciccone of Italy claimed the race leader's yellow jersey. Teuns and Ciccone were rewarded for a daring breakaway early in the race's first mountain stage that they pursued all the way to the end in La Planche des Belles Filles, France. Teuns finished 11 seconds ahead of Ciccone, who holds a six-second overall advantage over previous race leader Julian Alaphilippe of France.

Golf: Roberto Diaz shot an opening-round 9-under 62 to take a two-stroke lead at the John Deere Classic in Silvis, Ill. Diaz, 32, who's winless on the PGA Tour, eagled the par-5 10th and birdied three of his final five holes. Adam Long and Russell Henley were tied for second. ... Matt Kuchar shot an opening-round 8-under 63 to share a one-stroke lead at the Scottish Open in North Berwick, Scotland. Romain Wattel of France and Nino Bertasio and Edoardo Molinari of Italy also shot 63. ... U.S. Senior Open and Tradition champ Steve Stricker reached 5 under through 17 holes and held a three-stroke lead when play was suspended in the first round at the Senior Players Championship in Akron, Ohio because of lightning and rain. The 52-year-old U.S. Ryder captain recorded a hole-in-one on the 184-yard, par-3 seventh hole at Firestone Country Club. The Senior Players is the fourth major of the Champions season. ... Alena Sharp of Canada and Youngin Chin of South Korea each shot an opening-round 7-under 64 to share a one-stroke lead at the LPGA Marathon Classic in Sylvania, Ohio.

NFL: Two-time Pro Bowl RB Melvin Gordon told the Chargers he will not report to training camp and will demand a trade unless he receives a new contract, ESPN reported. Gordon, 26, is heading into the last year of his contract, a fifth-year option worth $5.6 million. He ran for 885 yards and 10 TDs and caught 50 passes for 490 yards with four TDs in 12 games last season. ... Former Super Bowl MVP Mark Rypien pleaded not guilty to a charge of domestic violence. The 56-year-old Redskins QB had acknowledged to a Washington state police officer that he struck his wife during a domestic dispute June 30, but his attorney later contended it was in self-defense. Rypien announced last year that he believes he suffered brain damage from his time in the NFL that has caused him to behave violently at times. ... Former Jets coach Walt Michaels died Wednesday at a nursing home in Plains, Pa. He was 89. Michaels coached the Jets from 1977-82, leading his final team to the AFC title game. He also was defensive coordinator on the Jets' only Super Bowl champion in the 1968 season.

— News services

RANKING THE **BEST BEARS** PLAYERS EVER

#56 Jim McMahon

‘Punky QB’ simply a winner during one of Bears’ best eras

By Will Larkin



When he wasn’t restricted by injuries, quarterback Jim McMahon was a driving force behind the Bears success in the 1980s.

PHIL MASCIONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

He was kicked off his Little League baseball team for smoking. He was suspended from high school for insubordination. Depending on whom you believe, he either was expelled from or left his college immediately after declaring for the NFL draft.

He showed up for his first day as a Bear exiting a black limousine with an open can of beer in one hand, a wad of tobacco behind his lower lip and the remainder of a six-pack under his arm.

He mooned a TV news helicopter. He flipped off an opposing coach. He caused a stir by insisting his acupuncturist travel with the team. One year, at Bob Hope’s celebrity golf tournament, the moneyed elite was pleased by Lawrence Taylor’s pleated slacks, tasteful visor and understated countenance; they were shocked by the event’s other NFL invitee, who arrived in bare feet, shorts, mirrored sunglasses and, again, with an open can of beer.

When NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle ruled he couldn’t wear a shoe company’s name on his headband, he played the next week with one that read “Rozelle” instead of “Adidas.”

After Mike Ditka implored him to study his playbook ahead of a particularly big game, the Bears coach found him instead studying the contents of a Hustler magazine.

He ripped Ditka — nicknaming him “Sybil” after a TV character with 16 personalities — and team Chairman Mike McCaskey every chance he got. In his autobiography, he declared that McCaskey would prefer a team of robots: “Then everything would go along peacefully. You might not win many games, but at least there would be no headbands.”

He also was a winner. The Bears won 46 of the 61 games he started at quarterback, and he led them to their only Super Bowl win, 46-10 over the Patriots on Jan. 26, 1986.

Jim McMahon ranks No. 56 on our list of the best Bears ever, but he would be in the running for No. 1 on a list of the most popular. “The Punky QB” captured the imagination of Bears fans like few others in the first 99 years of the franchise.

He played on a team that included superstars Walter Payton, Dan Hampton, Richard Dent, Mike Singletary, Jimbo Covert and more — but for a sizable portion of the fan base, they all took a back seat to McMahon.

Bestselling author Rich Cohen, who grew up in Glencoe, summed it up in his 2013 book “Monsters: The 1985 Bears and the Wild Heart of Football.”

“Jim McMahon served as a kind of avatar,” Cohen wrote. “In those days my room was filled with pictures of McMahon. He’s the reason I chewed tobacco. He’s the reason I wore a headband at the gym. I wanted to carry myself with the confidence of the QB. ... The way he responded in crucial moments, how he seemed to get even better after he’d been hurt, the way, in the midst of the crowd, he always seemed to be in some fundamental sense to be all alone — it was everything I wanted to be.”

The Bears drafted McMahon fifth overall in 1982 out of Brigham Young. It was the first time they had selected a quarterback in the first round since they took Notre Dame’s Bob Williams at No. 2 in 1951.

Ditka imagined McMahon as a leader in the vein of Terry Bradshaw of the 1970s Steelers — a quarterback with a quirky personality who could rally a group of headstrong stars to multiple championships.

McMahon gave the 87-year-old George Halas his final difficult contract negotiation before signing his rookie deal. The quarterback was called to the venerable owner’s office to iron out some details before training camp.

“I’d been sitting outside the office for an hour,” McMahon told Cohen. “I finally asked the secretary, ‘What am I waiting for?’ And she said, ‘Mr. Halas is taking a nap.’ I said, ‘Well, wake him up, I got things to do.’ ”

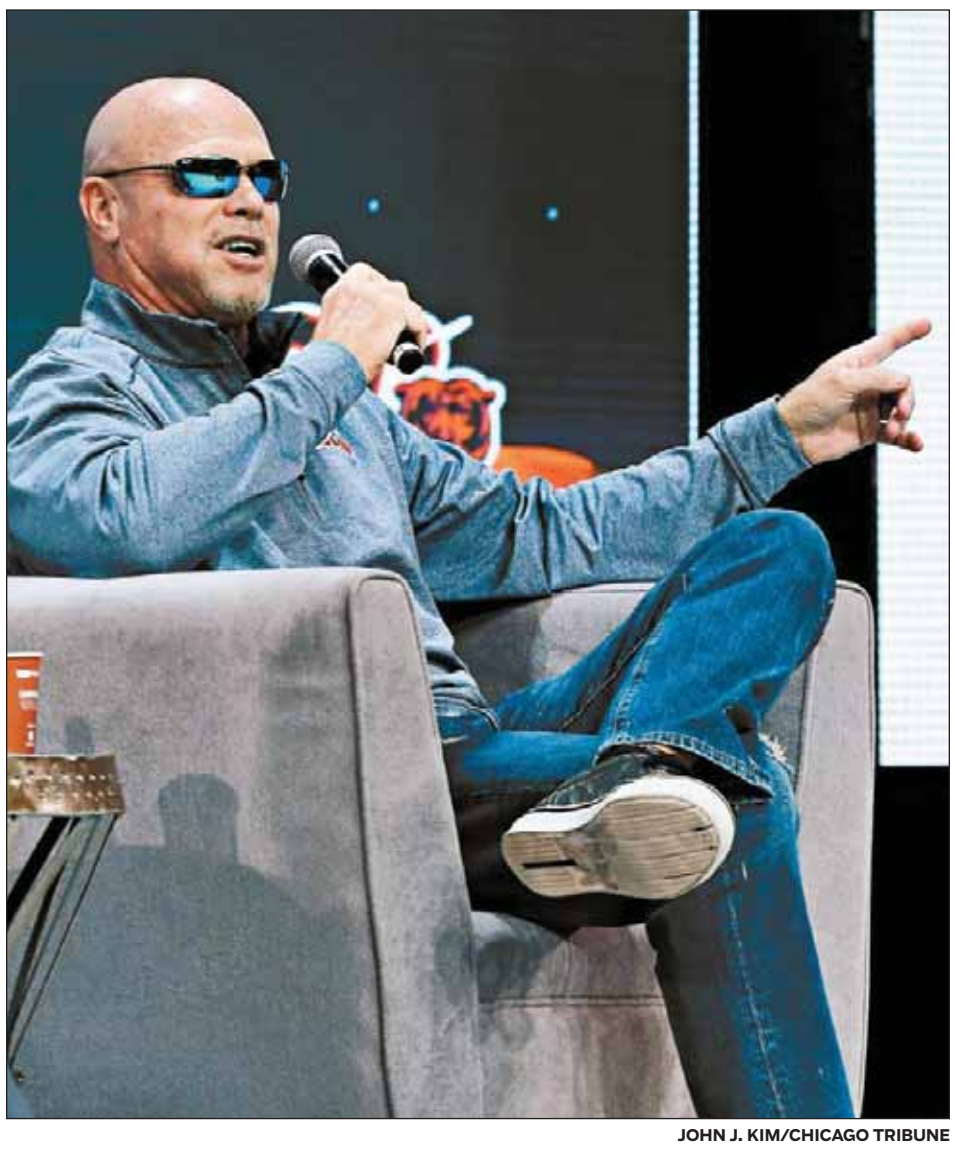
McMahon reported to camp woefully out of shape, finishing ahead of only hefty guard Noah Jackson in the annual Bears Mile. He assumed the starting job in Game 3 of his rookie season, though, replacing Bob Avellini, the first of many quarterbacks who became whipping boys for Ditka. That list included Rusty Lisch before McMahon and Mike Tomczak and Jim Harbaugh after him.

The devil-may-care McMahon proved to be the only signal-caller who could handle Ditka’s intensity, name-calling and temper tantrums. Tomczak started going to a therapist to help cope with the verbal assaults.

McMahon told his backup there was only one way to deal with Ditka: “You just look him in the eye and say, ‘Go (expletive) yourself,’ ” McMahon said to Cohen. “If you did that, he’d leave you alone.”

“He was the perfect quarterback for that team” Cowboys quarterback Danny White told Cohen. “He could throw the ball down the field and had a hell-bent-for-leather approach that matched the team. But it was his temperament that was crucial. McMahon was the only quarterback who could put up with Mike Ditka. He would not let it get to him. Because McMahon was just as crazy as his coach.”

Ditka had a grudging respect for McMahon and once called him “a quarterback who thinks he’s a linebacker.” McMahon sought out contact instead of avoiding it like almost every other quarterback. After big plays, McMahon often would rush downfield and head-butt an offensive lineman.



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Jim McMahon remains one of the most popular players to ever play for the Bears.

“No question that he shortened his career because of the way he played,” Ditka told Cohen. “He ran, dove, hung on to the ball way too long. ... He had no regard for his body. But I couldn’t change him. I would have ruined him.”

McMahon’s style of play ended up ruining things on its own. He never played in all 16 games as a Bear and played in more than nine only twice: 14 in 1983 and 13 in 1985. His lack of health perhaps was the biggest reason the Bears never developed into a dynasty and instead watched as the rival 49ers, Redskins and Giants won multiple titles.

McMahon played in six games in 1986, seven in 1987 and nine in 1988. The Bears went 14-2, 12-4 and 12-4 in those years but never made it back to the Super Bowl. They drafted Harbaugh as the heir apparent in 1987, and after the ’88 season they traded McMahon to the Chargers.

Cohen wrote: “It was not just McMahon at quarterback the Bears missed. It was McMahon as a leader. When he was in the huddle, the players always believed they had a chance. As a result, everyone performed. It was a different team with him on the bench.”

Defensive tackle Steve McMichael told Cohen: “We could have been the team of the decade if McMahon stayed healthy.”

Wide receiver Brian Baschnagel added: “I think Jim alone, because of his injuries, was the reason the team didn’t win multiple Super Bowls.”

McMahon won a second Super Bowl title in 1996, backing up Brett Favre for the Packers. Favre was similar to McMahon in his freewheeling ways but had incredible durability, eventually starting an NFL-record 297 consecutive games. McMahon’s longest streak was 14 in 1982-83.

His statistics of 11,203 yards, a 57.8 completion percentage, 67 touchdowns, 56 interceptions and an 80.4 passer rating with the Bears hardly were remarkable. According to his teammates, though, his impact went far beyond his numbers.

“I’ve never been around another quarterback that had that kind of effect,” safety Doug Plank told Cohen. “He made everybody better, not just the receivers and tight ends, but the linebackers and safeties.”

McMichael added: “When I talk about the difference between Jim McMahon and (other quarterbacks), I’m not talking about athletic ability, I’m talking about presence — the kind of person who everybody knows is around. It’s like when you’re at the high school dance and the most popular girl walks in the gym, all eyes turn to her.”

Now 59 and living in Scottsdale, Ariz., while dealing with a number of physical and mental maladies brought on by his many football injuries and his less-than-healthy lifestyle, McMahon still is a favorite among Bears fans.

Last month he was one of the biggest attractions at the Bears100 Celebration Weekend, where he spoke on a panel with current Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky. The 1985 Pro Bowl QB gave the 2018 Pro Bowl QB some sunglasses and a headband, which Trubisky proudly wore throughout the segment.

“This is a hard-working town,” McMahon said. “These fans ... know who plays hard and who doesn’t. If you play hard for Chicago, they’ll love you. And if you play hard and win, they’ll love you forever.”

MCMAHON AS A BEAR

1982-88 | 7 seasons | 66 games

Bears record: 73-31 (.702).

Playoff appearances: 5. Super Bowl champion in 1985.

Acquired: First round (5th overall pick), 1982 draft from BYU.

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All those Dodgers stars fans cheer for? Yeah, *Marty Lamb* saw 'em first

By Bill Plaschke
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles Dodgers' hottest hitter is being interviewed by phone while driving his Ford pickup south through the Kentucky hills and into Tennessee.

There is country music on his radio. There is a cowboy hat in the back. In the console is a cup into which he collects the juice from the snuff that rarely leaves his lower lip.

"My wife says she can hear it when I spit," Marty Lamb says. "She said, 'Don't you get on that phone with me and spit.' "

He laughs, because he's doing what he loves, driving four hours to places such as Kingsport, Tenn., where he will sit in a minor league ballpark watching teenage kids throw curves and take hacks.

"Every night there's the excitement of watching somebody new," he says. "You look forward to going to a game and saying, 'Is this going to be the guy?' "

Right now, Marty Lamb is that guy, the guy he has spent his life searching for, a Hollywood hero from the middle of tobacco country, the unlikeliest of stars.

Lamb is a Dodgers area scout covering Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. His job is to identify prospects. He is the organization's first set of eyes. Sometimes he hits on a future major leaguer. Many times he does not.

This summer, his finds are knocking them out of the park. In one recent weekend, his vision filled Dodger Stadium with three glorious moments undimmed by the fact that he could not witness them.

"I didn't see any of it," Lamb says. "But I heard it was pretty fun."

On a late June Friday night against the Colorado Rockies, a Dodgers pitcher struck out 16 and walked none in his first complete game. His name is Walker Buehler, and in 2015 Lamb was the person who signed him.

"Marty is the man!" says Buehler.

On that same Friday night, the game was won with a walk-off homer in the bottom of the ninth by a rookie who had showed up less than two months earlier. His name is Matt Beaty, and in 2015 Lamb also signed him.

"I'll never forget him in those Wrangler jeans and button-down short-sleeve shirts," says Beaty. "He's a really good guy who truly wanted what was best for us."

Two days later, on Sunday afternoon, the Dodgers won on a third-straight walk-off homer, this one by a rookie catcher also getting his first taste of the big leagues. His name is Will Smith, and the scout who signed him in 2016 was — you guessed it — Marty Lamb.

It was all happening across the country from the scout, who spent the weekend sitting in tiny New England ballparks scouting the summer Cape Cod League — where he goes to follow the top college players from his area.

"Lots of people texting me, sending me Twitter type stuff, I figured it out," he says. "I didn't need to be there. I was just proud to see them do well."

Buehler and Smith were first-round picks — Buehler going 24th overall and Smith going 32nd — but Beaty was a 12th-rounder, and the evaluation of all three was considered a great success for a scout who has signed nine major leaguers, including Dodgers reliever Caleb Ferguson and former Dodgers A.J. Ellis, Eric Stults and Cory Wade.

"Marty is the foundation of where we're going," says Billy Gasparino, the Dodgers' director of amateur scouting. "He's such a good guy, and it correlates to the kids he signs. When you have that kind of scout, you find that kind of player."

Lamb, 53, will go anywhere to find them. He once jumped a fence to scout a college batting practice. He has sat in a concession stand and pointed a radar gun through the popcorn. He filed a report on a starting pitcher who warmed up with the baseball still wrapped in plastic because the kid didn't want to scuff one of his downtrodden team's only good ones.

He has sat through rain and snow without benefit of a straw hat or much sunscreen — "I probably need to use that more, huh?" he says. He sat in the stands while another Dodgers scout hid in the car so nobody knew they were putting on the full-court press. He puts 40,000 miles a year on his trucks. He has never eaten a ballpark hot dog. Or so he claims.

"I'm just trying to dig 'em up," he says of the ballplayers he discovers. "That's super hard to do."

He's been digging them up for the Dodgers since 1999, an amazing run in the transient world of scouting. He has survived three owners, five general managers and one promotion



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MARK J. TERRILL/AP

Walker Buehler, top, and Will Smith, above, were first-round draft picks — Buehler going 24th overall and Smith going 32nd — by the Dodgers. Evaluations of both players by Marty Lamb was considered a boon for a scout who has signed nine major leaguers, including Dodgers reliever Caleb Ferguson and former Dodgers A.J. Ellis, Eric Stults and Cory Wade.

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—Billy Gasparino, Dodgers director of amateur scouting on scout Marty Lamb

About 11 years ago, he became a scouting supervisor for one year, but it meant he couldn't work out of his home and be near his three young children. So, after a season, he returned to his grass-roots job and has been in it ever since.

"Haven't got fired yet," he says, chuckling. "I've been tricking them for 21 years."

It's no trick. He mixes analytics with a homespun demeanor to delve inside a player's game and his personality.

"The scouting landscape changed so much last five, 10 years, but Marty really is a learner of the game; he is open to all new ideas," Gasparino says. "And when you walk into the park, everyone knows him. Parents know him, coaches know him, vendors know him."

Lamb watches for the little things. He had seen Buehler enough to know he was hiding some sort of injury in his junior year at Vanderbilt. He warned the Dodgers, but also told them the kid was still worth taking in the first round. Buehler underwent elbow surgery shortly after the 2015 draft, and has been overpowering ever since.

Lamb notices the intangible things. He was sold on Beaty when he saw the kid show up at a predraft camp in Atlanta at 9 a.m., shortly after Beaty's Belmont team was eliminated from a conference tournament in a late-night game in Jackson, Tenn.

"He drove all night to get to the camp," Lamb recalls. "That showed passion and dedication. That showed what was inside him."

Many scouts were on Smith, but not everyone had him so high. The Dodgers made him a late first-round choice after collecting information that included a conversation between Lamb and Smith's Cape Cod League coach.

"I was told he had a quiet confidence, very mature, had a routine, knew what he wanted to do, a super nice kid, and all that was what we were looking for," Lamb says.

A former high school pitcher from Colorado, Lamb was never drafted himself. He initially wanted to be a coach, and once guided an undermanned team from tiny Bay Springs (Miss.) High, in a town of about 2,000.

The team traveled in his pickup truck. At its home field, second and third base were a foot below home plate. Lamb had so much trouble finding players, his first varsity team contained four ninth-graders, two eighth-graders and a seventh-grader.

"I'll never forget those kids," he says. "They taught me a lot about toughness."

He turned to college coaching, with stops as an assistant at Southern Mississippi and Texas Tech before joining the Dodgers, where his humble background has served him well.

"It's a tough field, you're going to be wrong a lot of times, you'll make a lot of mistakes," he says, "But you can't be scared to make those mistakes."

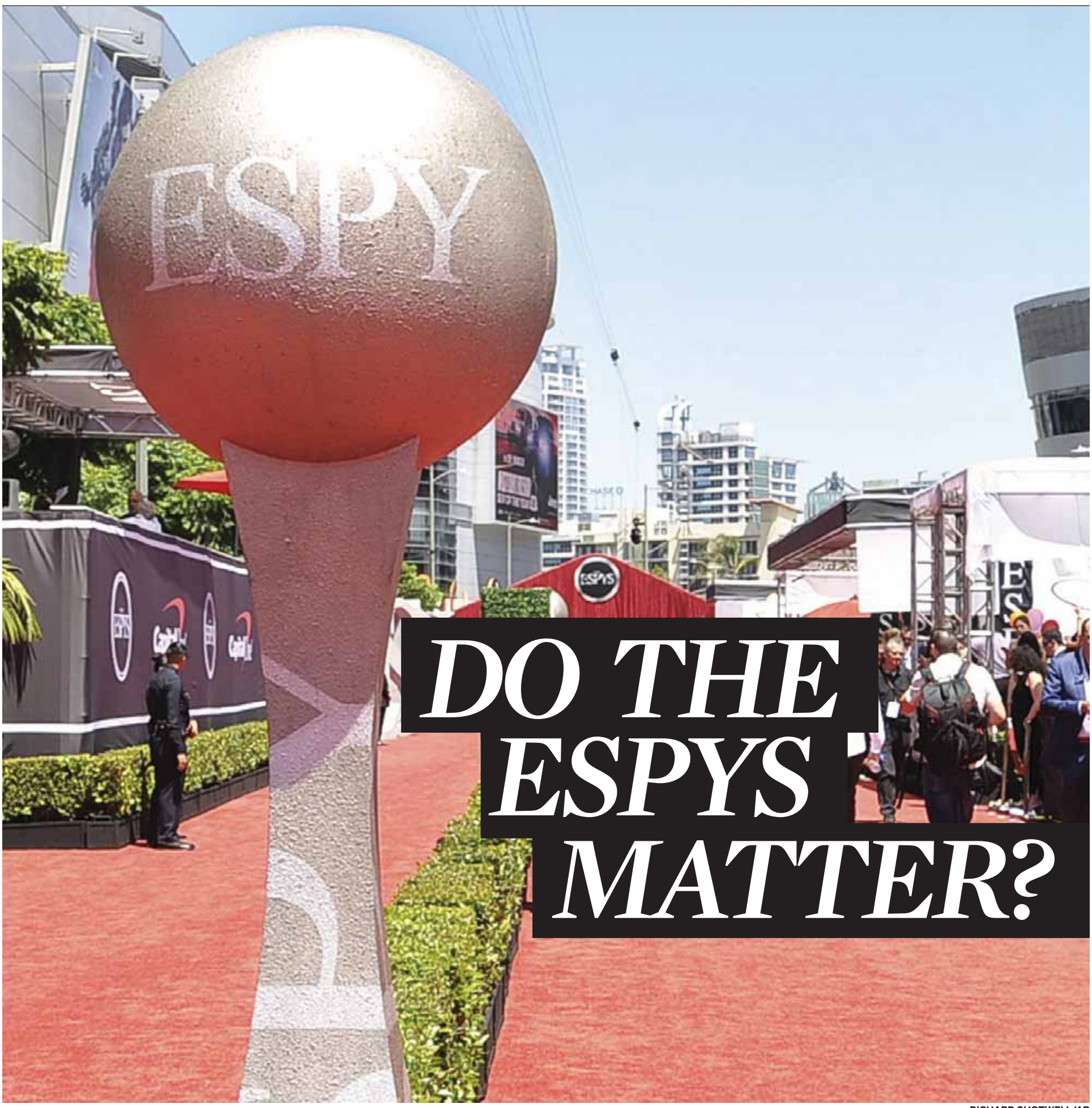
When he hits, like that wondrous weekend in June, it lasts forever. Just the other day, Beaty and Buehler were passing around a photo of their heroics from that weekend. They were going to sign it and send it to Lamb.

That can be as close as he comes to seeing his players star on the game's biggest stage. Lamb joins the other scouts on annual postseason trips to Dodger Stadium, but when the team offers to fly him out to see one of his players make their first major league appearance, he usually politely declines.

"We're like, 'Come watch this debut!' " Gasparino says. "But he's like, 'Nah, I need to watch out for the next guy.'

"He always wants to go find the next guy."

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DO THE ESPYS MATTER?

RICHARD SHOTWELL/AP

The ESPYs took place Wednesday in Los Angeles. It's become the most-watched sports awards show on TV, but has experienced steep ratings decline the previous three years.

Nearly 30 years on, it's what happens off the field that defines their legacy

By Michael Ordona
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Since 1993, ESPN has handed out the fan-voted ESPY Awards for excellence in athletic performance, becoming the most-watched sports awards show on television. (This despite three consecutive years of steep ratings declines.) But the ESPYs' influence lie more in their non-competitive interludes than the awards proper: Do you remember who won last year's ESPY for best game? By contrast, even casual fans discuss the broadcast's viral moments at the water cooler — from last year's appearance by more than 140 survivors of sexual abuse by former gymnastics doctor Larry Nassar to the one that started it all, coaching legend Jim Valvano's speech in the first ESPYs telecast.

When the ailing Valvano ("Jimmy V") used his receipt of the first Arthur Ashe Courage Award to announce the launch of his and ESPN's V Foundation for cancer research, he began a trend of social relevance that has been central to the ESPYs' identity throughout their 27-year run.

Actor and comedian Tracy Morgan, this year's host, said Valvano's cause, rather than the chance to meet his sports idols, attracted him: "The athletes get honored for all the magical things that they do. But for me, it's about fighting cancer. I get an opportunity to do my part. Help people that need help. So it's bigger than sports for me ... I've got family members and people close to me who've died of cancer. I don't want anyone to forget Jimmy Valvano, when he made that speech."

It would be hard to do. The recipient of the Ashe Award often delivers the night's most memorable, and moving, speech. See Stuart Scott, longtime anchor of ESPN's flagship sports news broadcast, "Sportscenter," who referred to Valvano's speech and the V Foundation when he accepted the award shortly before he died in 2014. Or former ESPN sportscaster and now "Good Morning America" host Robin Roberts, who received the Ashe Award in 2013 after winning a Peabody Award for covering her own bone marrow disease.

"Still can't believe I was standing backstage when Jim Valvano accepted the first Arthur Ashe Award for Courage," Roberts said, noting that ESPN has raised nearly $100 million for cancer research through the ESPYs. "I was in awe watching him give an inspiring speech that touched so many, and still does . the night I accepted my award, I was emotional knowing that I was standing on that stage 20 years after Jimmy V.

"I felt so blessed to accept the award, and felt that it was in part due to everyone who responded to his challenge, because of all the support and research provided by many donations, that mine was one of the lives that has been saved."

In a similar vein, the ESPYs have long displayed a sense of social consciousness. They've honored Muhammad Ali not for his championships, but for his activism; Michael Sam, the first openly gay player to be drafted by the NFL; and Caitlyn Jenner, for her very public gender transition.

The 2016 ceremony opened with a somber speech from four of the NBA's most prominent players (Dwyane Wade, Chris Paul, Carmelo Anthony and LeBron James) calling for athletes to increase their activism, especially concerning police brutality against blacks.

And the 2018 show featured one of the most stirring moments in the awards' history, when survivors of sexual abuse by former Michigan State and U.S. Olympics doctor Larry Nassar took the stage en masse to accept the Ashe Award.

Multiple Olympic gold medal-winning gymnast Aly Raisman delivered one of the group's speeches that night.



CHRIS PIZZELLO/CHRIS PIZZELLO/INVISION/AP

Seahawks QB Russell Wilson, center, and wife, singer Ciara, right, present the Jimmy V award for perseverance to Rob Mendez, head coach of a JV football team in California, during the ESPYs on Wednesday.

"I was on a bit of a roller coaster the whole evening trying to keep my thoughts and feelings in balance, because I was really nervous to speak," she said. "When you consider the statistics of how common sexual abuse is, I realized that the Army of Survivors were probably not the only ones in the room who have dealt with abuse, plus the number of people watching on TV, so I wanted people to know that they are not alone."

"It is hard to be so vulnerable in front of so many people, but I also find strength in that vulnerability," Raisman continued. "I think people forget how hard it is to get up in front of a huge audience and many people watching back home on TV and talk about the hardest thing to ever happen to you. ... What happened was a nightmare. But what kept me going was thinking about the possibility of someone else out there watching, and possibly gaining strength to speak out against their own abuser."

Those moments are indelible, but a 2015 Consumer Insights survey for ESPN demonstrated that highlight reels remain the biggest draw for fans by a wide margin. Respondents apparently had a low view of "the impact of ESPY awards on an athlete's legacy." As one said, "Sports awards are won on the playing field, not in inane ceremonies." Nor do you hear of athletes receiving bonuses for winning ESPYs.

But that doesn't mean the awards are meaningless to the players. The Denver Broncos' Von Miller, a Super Bowl MVP and previous ESPY nominee for best championship performance, said, "The ESPYs have always been special. Athletes across every sport come together to celebrate one another's achievements and I think that's what sport is about — (to) be part of something bigger than ourselves and uplift each other."

Reigning NFL MVP Patrick Mahomes, a nominee this year for both best NFL player and best male athlete, grew up with the awards: "To watch the ESPYs pretty much my whole entire life . to get to go to my first ESPYs award show and actually be nominated is an amazing feeling."

Skier Lindsey Vonn, who has won ESPYs for best female athlete and best female Olympian, takes the long view of the prizes' impact on her career.

"They were definitely a big part of my success and how I viewed my success," she said. "Skiing isn't exactly the most popular sport in the United States, so I didn't really feel like people knew who I was or what I was doing. Once I won the Olympics in 2010, I won my first ESPY — I feel like there was just a wave of change."

Vonn couldn't quantify whether the ESPY wins translated to financial benefits.

"I think my endorsement deals increased based on my performance on the hill; I don't know if the ESPYs had anything to do with that. There's a certain level of prestige in winning that, but I think it translated into word of mouth and people knowing you. That sometimes has a greater value than any price tag you can put on an endorsement deal."

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TASTE TIME

We tried every booth at the Taste of Chicago to recommend our favorites

Compiled By Louisa Chu, Grace Wong, Nick Kindelsperger, Adam Lukach, Josh Noel, Phil Vettel, Natalie Wade

Alligator was spotted at Taste of Chicago on Wednesday, but in the form of sausage, not the mysterious reptile reportedly making a home in Humboldt Park.

Amid heat index warnings and reminders to hydrate, Chicago Tribune Food & Dining reporters descended on Millennium Park on Wednesday morning for our annual attack on Taste.

Choosing what to buy with your precious tickets (14 for 10 bucks) at the annual festival celebrating Chicago restaurants can be tough — there are 46 booths this year. So we do it for you — including that alligator sausage, featured at Chicago's Dog House.

Reporters tried food at all the booths (except the pop-ups, which change each day; Seafood City, which returns Thursday; and Caffe Gelato Soiree, which still was not open by mid-afternoon) and picked their favorites. Check out our recommendations below and make your must-try list — including a Malort cocktail to round out the day.

The festival runs through Sunday. For information on everything you need to know about navigating Taste of Chicago, see the guide here.

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Clockwise from top left: Chicken tamales at Yvolina's Tamales; Taste of vada pav, an Indian fried potato dumpling sandwich at Hakka Bakka Indian Kati Rolls; potstickers at Star of Siam; spicy pickle fries at Doom Street Eats; kimchi cheese fries at Yum Dum; Nutella and brioche gelato sandwich at Franco's Ristorante; the original rainbow cone at The Original Rainbow Cone; the Nashville hot chicken at BJ's Market & Bakery booth; and Szechuan cold noodle salad at Lao Sze Chuan.

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'THE JUNIPER TREE' ★★★ 1/2

When the Brothers Grimm traveled to Iceland, with Bjork

By Michael Phillips

A hushed and enveloping 1990 fairy tale, "The Juniper Tree" marked the feature film debut of the American writer-director Nietzchka Keene, who died in 2004 at the age of 52.

That debut premiered at the Sundance Film Festival, and played the festival circuit for a while. Then it faded from view. Now it has returned, in a digital restoration conducted by the Wisconsin Center for Film and Theater Research.

Keene taught at University of Wisconsin-Madison for much of her career; as this restored edition of "The Juniper Tree" proves, she knew how to put theory into practice, and how to shape dark, foreboding fantasy on a tiny budget for an even tinier cast.

Her Icelandic actors, speaking English, included the soon-to-be global pop phenomenon Bjork in her first screen appearance. She's excellent. Twenty-two at the time of filming in 1987, billed by her full name of Bjork Guomundsdottir, the performer is a natural fit for this evocative world of medieval fantasy adapted by Keene from a tale popularized by the Brothers Grimm.

It's a story of motherless children and, to say the least, the challenges faced by blended families. On a craggy heath, young Margit (Bjork) and her older sister Katla (Bryndis Petra Bragadottir) first appear in conversation about their mother, a suspected witch who was stoned, burned to death and then "left for the ravens."

In this imagining of the story, sorcery, magic spells and dangerous potions share everyday life with household tasks, stitching, making stew, tending the cows. Katla soon finds a suitable husband (Valdimar Orn Flygenring, a bit wooden and hardly up to the

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Billed by her full name, Bjork Guomundsdottir made her film debut in "The Juniper Tree."



KARTEMQUIN FILMS

Filmmaker Judith Helfand interviews Brigadier General (Retired) John W. Heltzel about disaster preparedness and the art of politicizing deadly weather in her documentary "Cooked: Survival by ZIP Code."

'COOKED: SURVIVAL BY ZIP CODE' ★★★

A withering look at the 1995 Chicago heat wave

By Michael Phillips

If handled by our elected officials with some urgency, money and political sense, the monumental natural disasters that afflict us every year should be an easy, nonpartisan win inside a hard set of circumstances.

But things so rarely work out that way. In Chicago, a traffic-stranding blizzard can get a mayor un-elected. And a fateful 1995 heat wave can lead to a death toll more than twice as high as the one tallied by the 1871 Chicago fire.

"Cooked: Survival by ZIP Code" indicts a series of unfortunate, human-made events behind that disastrous Chicago summer of '95. Filmmaker Judith Helfand based her documentary, opening a two-week run Friday at the Gene Siskel Film Center, on author Eric Klinenberg's "Heat Wave: A Social Autopsy of Disaster in Chicago." Her focus is very wide for an 82-minute account, covering socioeconomic history, housing and lending practices, inequitable resource distribution and so many other factors that ended up killing so many older African-Americans on the city's South and West sides.

While Helfand's an engaging on-screen presence, there are

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Kumail Nanjiani, right, attends the premiere of "Stuber" on Wednesday with co-star Dave Bautista.

40-ish Nanjiani riffs on his body image

Kumail Nanjiani is bulking up.

The funnyman has been getting into the shape with the help of a trainer — so much so that a story appears in the latest issue of Men's Health magazine about Nanjiani and his gym routine.

"When I was a kid, I assumed at some point in my life I would be in perfect (shape), I would be the perfect male form, right?" he said on this week's episode of "The Big Ticket," Variety and iHeart's movie podcast. "I just assumed it would happen. I would have crazy abs."

He continued, "It just never happened, and I'm 41 now. I was like, 'If it doesn't happen this year, it's just never going to happen.' It's been really, really intense."

But could he also be getting into shape to play a superhero? Nanjiani is rumored to be starring in the upcoming Marvel film "The Eternals" opposite Angelina Jolie and Richard Madden.

"I cannot comment on that," he said, adding, "It would be so great to be part of a superhero film. I would love it so much."

What he can talk about is his new buddy comedy "Stuber" with "Guardians of the Galaxy" actor Dave Bautista.

Nanjiani admits he was worried how Fox's R-rated comedy would be supported after Disney acquired the Murdoch film empire.

"Honestly, we were nervous about the merger, but it's been great," he said. "They've been very, very supportive."

"Stuber" is now one of the rare Disney movies to include full-frontal nudity. At one point, Nanjiani is FaceTiming with his love interest ("Glow's" Betty Gilpin) in a male strip club when she notices a very well-endowed man walking behind him.

"I never felt worse about myself," he cracked.

— Variety



EVAN AGOSTINI/INVISION

Shaking it off: In her first public appearance since discovering her masters were in the hands of someone she's not a fan of, Taylor Swift didn't directly address the issue, but she did play music from that rich catalog. There was one moment Swift may have called out Big Machine Records' Scooter Braun and Scott Borchetta on Wednesday night when she headlined Amazon Music's Prime Day Concert in New York City. When singing "Shake It Off," she was extra loud as she uttered the words: "Liars and the dirty, dirty cheats of the world." Swift also sang "You Need to Calm Down" live for the first time at the event, which featured performances by SZA, Dua Lipa and Becky G.

What is a rematch? James Holzhauer, the professional gambler who became the fourth-highest earning "Jeopardy!" contestant, is set to return to the long-running game show. For "Jeopardy!'s 2019 Tournament of Champions," the 35-year-old will appear alongside librarian Emma Boettcher, who ended his 32-game winning streak in June. The tournament will feature 15 winners from seasons 34 and 35 of the show, competing over a 10-day period beginning Nov. 4.

July 12 birthdays: Bill Cosby is 82. Singer Christine McVie is 76. Fitness guru Richard Simmons is 71. Actress Lisa Nicole Carson is 50. Actress Alison Wright is 43. Actor Topher Grace is 41. Actress Michelle Rodriguez is 41. Actress Natalie Martinez is 35. Actress Ta'Rhonda Jones is 31. Actress Rachel Brosnahan is 29. Actor Erik Per Sullivan is 28.



ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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Grandpa stymied asking for Paris pics

Dear Amy: I recently took my two granddaughters (ages 13 and 15) to Paris for their first trip overseas. I did not bring a phone or camera, knowing they would bring theirs.

Many pictures were taken, and I asked the older granddaughter to send me those in which I appear. It's the only thing I asked for. Three times.

When we returned to the States, two weeks later, the girls called me for Father's Day. As we chatted, I again asked for the pictures. She replied with a huff that, "I've got hundreds of pictures to look through to find yours."

I don't know whether it's generational, or her age, but I am uncertain about how to handle this. I could just put this onto her mother, but I prefer to correct this issue between the two of us. Do you have any suggestions?

— Picture Poor

Dear Poor: You've scored a twofer: This situation is generational; the reaction is age-related.

I don't have the space here to describe the loaded and layered relationship between teen girls and the photos they take, but picture this: Narcissus is transfixed by his own beauty. Now imagine possessing the technology to try and capture all that amazes you (and much that doesn't), over and over, forever.

I think it's possible that there isn't one photo of the Eiffel Tower that doesn't also feature one or more of the girls. They likely selfied their way through the City of Light. Are you sure they even got any photos with you in them?

You've asked for this three times. Your granddaughter's rude response is the aggressive way many immature people respond when they get caught and feel guilty about it. It's not right, it's not nice, and I hope you will forgive her. She already knows that she has blown it.

So now you should be patient and give her some time to dig herself out. Create a Dropbox or iCloud account online and email her an invite. But don't mention it again.

Dear Amy: My sister found out she has cancer and is refusing treatment. She is 74.

My 48-year-old niece lives with her and always has. She has never worked. She has a lot of issues, mostly because my sister would not let her grow up.

Now my niece is hinting at living with me down the road (after her mother dies). There is no way I'd ever agree to that (for many reasons), but I can't figure out how I can make this clear to her without being totally rude.

She will latch onto whoever is available, I'm sure. My sister has not asked me, but I'm afraid it's coming. Can you help?

— Not Interested

Dear Not Interested: It is not rude to tell the truth. Clarity is not rude, if it is accompanied by compassion. You should be frank and also kind. Say to your niece: "I think it's most important for all of us to help your mom through her illness. That's what we need to do first. I want you to know that I won't provide housing for you down the road, but I WILL help you in other ways. If you want some ideas for how to handle a housing issue, I'll work with you on that."

It's important that you emphasize that you will not abandon her, although she and her mother might interpret your statement that way. Your tone should be frank, friendly and steadfast. Repeat "You can do it, and I'll help" as many times as necessary.

Your niece might be eligible for social services, and a social worker could help her to connect with them. She will need to be assessed regarding her life skills, medical issues, etc. Her mother might be able to provide for her financially, and you would be doing them both a great service to assist them with coming up with a plan for how that might happen.

If your niece has been completely reliant on her mother her whole life, her mother's death will be a major loss for her. I hope you'll take this into account and be very patient.

Dear Amy: "Gimme a Break" was upset that her son's friend constantly begged for snacks and toys.

In your answer, you suggested that the friend should bring an extra snack for the kid. That's just giving in to the bullying!

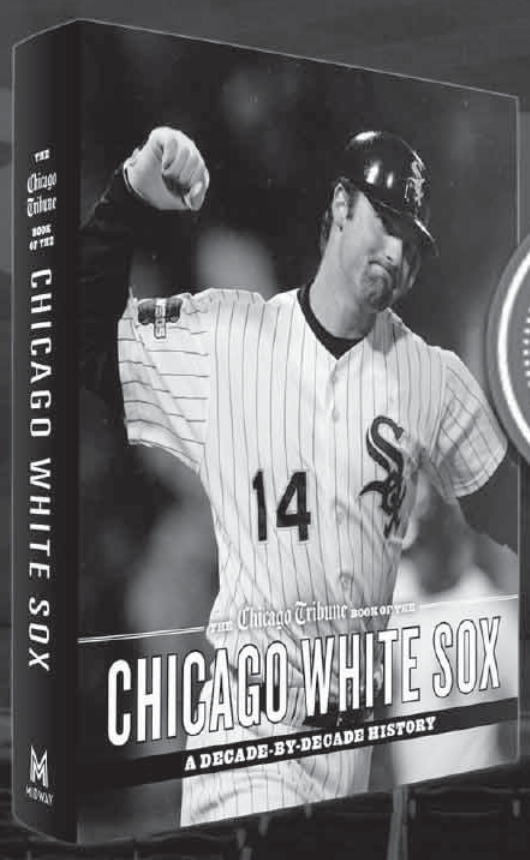
— Upset

Dear Upset: I was suggesting a strategy for how this friend might be generous but also create parameters around the begging.

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Taste

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Maxwell Street Polish sausage at Vienna Beef (Booth 1) Stopping by the Vienna Beef booth for a Chicago-style hot dog (also available plain — as if) seems pointless; you can get a Vienna Beef hot dog anywhere in town.

But the Maxwell Street Polish Sausage is worth your attention. The sausage skin has a satisfying bite, the flavors are superb and the toppings — mustard, griddled onions and sport peppers, wrapped in a steamed sesame bun — are the perfect Chicago-resonant toppings. 12 tickets. — *Phil Vettel*

Jerk-chicken tacos at Garifuna Flava (Booth 3) I've praised this Caribbean restaurant in years past for its fine jerk chicken and its panades (basically, crisp-fried, chicken-stuffed empanadas), both of which return to this year's menu.

A new addition is the jerk-chicken taco, two to a portion, with chopped chicken, onions, cilantro and (optional) hot sauce. You get jerk-chicken flavors in a format that's much more sharable — and much less messy. 9 tickets. — *P.V.*

Chicken gyoza at Ukai Japanese Restaurant (Booth 4) Ukai is becoming one of my must-stop destinations at Taste.

The menu is the same as last year (don't overlook the soba noodles with chicken), which means the excellent, pan-fried gyoza dumplings are back. The dumpling exteriors deliver a good crunch, and the chicken filling has a nice hint of ginger. Available in 12-ticket full portion and 6-ticket taste portion (pictured). — *P.V.*

Taste of vada pav at Hakka Bakka Indian Kati Rolls (Booth 8) The Indian deep-fried potato dumpling sandwich was born to be fast street food, so it works perfectly at Taste.

One bite into the golden orb reveals warmly spiced fluffiness that happens to be vegetarian. One sandwich for 6 tickets. — *Louisa Chu*

Beef and sausage combo sandwich and fries at Frannie's Cafe (Booth 9) If you've been to Frannie's out in Schiller Park or had their catering, you'll recognize the distinctive house-made, thinly sliced giardiniera. It's so good on its own, the grilled sausage, juicy beef and fresh-cut fries almost seem extraneous. Half combo sandwich and fresh-cut fries, 6 tickets each. — *L.C.*

Gator bites at Chicago's Dog House (Booth 12) When I asked if people have been especially excited to try the alligator sausage, they had no idea about the Humboldt Park reptile spotted in the park's lagoon. No matter, since Chicago's Dog House is so busy anyway. You could get a whole sausage (18 tickets), but three thick slices of gator bites in a sweet-and-sour sauce with sauteed onions seems just about right. Three gator bites for 6 tickets. — *L.C.*

Chicken tamales at Yvolina's Tamales (Booth 14) This Pilsen shop is one of the most exciting newcomers to Taste. The banana-leaf-wrapped tamales are as soft and smooth as bread pudding. Fillings range from vegetarian-friendly options (poblano chiles with cheese and quinoa with lentils) to heartier options (chicken in green or red mole). I highly recommend the chicken in green mole, which isn't shy with the heat. One tamale for 6 tickets. — *Nick Kindelsperger*

Kimchi cheese fries at Yum Dum (Booth 15) This is perfect festival food. The kimchi is cool and spicy, while the cheese sauce is gooey and salty. It all rests on skinny fries that stay miraculously crisp under all the toppings.

Just know that they give you a fork on purpose. This is impossible to eat with your hands without making a mess. Small tasting for 6 tickets. — *N.K.*

Cookie cheesecake smoosh at Eli's Cheesecake Co. (Booth 20) This Chicago classic is a Taste staple, and for good reason — it consistently delivers the creamiest and cheesiest of cheesecakes (On a stick! With berries!). The most decadent item on the menu will cost you 14 tickets, but if you're going all out on something sweet, this is worth every penny. The cookie cheesecake smoosh is a generous slice of chocolate chip cheesecake topped with Oreos and chocolate sauce, and paired with a giant scoop of vanilla ice cream, plus more chocolate sauce. Rich, filling and very, very sweet, guard this one from the toddlers who may wander up to you with wide eyes. — *Grace Wong*

Nashville hot chicken sandwich at BJ's Market & Bakery (Booth 22) Forget hot girl summer; have a hot chicken summer instead. At BJ's Market & Bakery, a juicy piece of chicken is fried and coated in a tongue-tingling medley of spices before it's topped with crunchy cabbage slaw and sweetly sour pickles.

Paired with a fluffy brioche bun, this is a behemoth of a sandwich that's very much worth the price. 14 tickets. — *G.W.*

Nutella and brioche gelato sandwich at Franco's Ristorante (Booth 23) Skip the Italian ice and go straight for the Instagram-worthy Nutella and brioche gelato sandwich. Sea salt and caramel gelato is sandwiched on brioche slathered with Nutella.

Surprisingly, this doesn't taste like a major sugar bomb in your mouth, but a balanced, portable dessert. Just be sure to enjoy this in the shade because it melts very quickly. 11 tickets. — *G.W.*

Potstickers at Star of Siam (Booth 24) While you're walking around Grant Park, chances are you'll hear someone asking, "Where did you get those potstickers?" You'll find them at Star of Siam, where you can get a taste of four potstickers for only 6 tickets.

Each one is stuffed with chicken and vegetables, deep fried, then coated with a spicy, sweet-and-sour sauce. Just be warned that people may approach you about where to find them. 6 tickets. — *G.W.*

Spicy pickle fries at Doom Street Eats (Booth 33) Spicy pickle fries are basically fried pickles, but sliced in extra-thin spears before they're fried, resulting in a slim, crunchy, crusty creation that eats like a french fry.

The pickles' fresh, crisp bite added another textural element, and the fries get topped with just the right amount of a spicy ranch sauce. Dish of fries for 6 tickets. — *Adam Lukach*

Southern style pulled turkey slider at Premier Rollin BBQ (Booth 37) Hot and heavy foods like barbecue can be difficult to fully enjoy depending on the heat levels in Grant Park. This pulled turkey slider offers a compromise: a lighter white meat that has a texture similar to pulled pork, and, in this case, plenty of flavor to boot. It's a nice way to split the difference between being hungry and simultaneously put off by the thought of a hot sandwich of red meat on a 90-degree day. One slider for 6 tickets; two sliders with coleslaw for 16 tickets. — *A.L.*

Mangonada at Esperanza (Booth 34) I'll be frank: The mangonada was the best thing I ate all day, which probably had a lot to do with the 90-plus-degree temperature, but also because it was delicious.

Diced mango gets laid on top of a slushie-like mango puree, then chile seasoning provides the finishing topping. It's sweet, refreshing and slightly spicy, and the juxtaposition of the mango's slight density with the icy mixture was also lovely. One 16-ounce mangonada for 10 tickets. — *A.L.*

Plantains and greens at Iyanze (Booth 36) While the oxtail, goat and jerk chicken at Iyanze were all stellar, I was more partial to their plantains and greens.

The greens were cooked well and loaded with savory flavor, a slight tang and slightly spicy finishing notes that were just right. The plantains were juicy and well seasoned, providing an ideally sweet complement to the greens. One serving of each for 6 tickets. — A.L.

Original rainbow cone at Original Rainbow Cone (Booth 38) "How's the rainbow cone?" A fellow Taste-goer called out to me as I failed to not drip any ice cream on my white shirt. "So good!" I called back to her, trying to eat the cone as quickly as I could before it became a rainbow puddle. If you're from Chicago and haven't tried the original rainbow cone, you're missing out.

This ice cream combo tastes as wonderful as it looks, sporting a variety of colorful flavors: orange sherbet, pistachio, Palmer House (vanilla with walnuts and cherries), strawberry and chocolate. You might think they wouldn't all work together, but they do. Just eat quickly — you'll still get plenty of envious looks that make it worth the extra work. 12 tickets. — *Natalie Wade*

Szechuan cold noodle salad at Lao Sze Chuan (Booth 40) You can only handle so much hot and crunchy on Taste's steamy July asphalt. Enter this cool, refreshing pile of egg noodles topped with spicy, oil-based chili sauce on a smattering of bamboo shoots for texture.

It's a summer-ready dish that pulls no flavor punches. Bonus: It's a fairly generous portion for 6 tickets. — *Josh Noel*

Jerk chicken at Aunty Joy's Jamaican Kitchen (Booth 42) One bite of Aunty Joy's jerk chicken puts most other jerks to shame. It helps, of course, that the chicken itself is a tender and moist canvas, but the jerk flavor is the star, at once smoky, earthy and lightly fruity. One piece of chicken with festival (essentially a Jamaican donut) for 6 tickets or a full plate for 20 tickets. — *J.N.*

Churritos at Churro Factory-Xurro (Booth 44) I'm a big fan of the plain churro. The strawberry, chocolate and vanilla fillings can be nice, but if not done right, overwhelming. I prefer to have my chocolate drizzled on top.

These thin, crispy, sugary bites come in a churrito form and you get four mini churros with your order. If you're there with friends or family and want to taste as many things as possible without breaking the bank or pants buttons, I'd opt for these mini bites. 5 tickets. — *N.W.*

Sample pack at The Cookie Crate (Booth 46) The Cookie Crate keeps things simple, offering these little cookies in different packs, from a small sample pack to a summertime pail — essentially a beach bucket filled with these chocolaty goodies.

They are soft and chewy with a pinch of salt that gives them a homemade taste. But on a hot day, you might want to stop somewhere for vanilla ice cream and make your own little ice cream sandwiches. 4 tickets sample size, 12 tickets regular bag, 48 tickets summertime pail. — *N.W.*

Chicago Mule at CH Distillery Cocktail Lounge There's beer aplenty at Taste, but the vote here is for one of CH Distillery's five premade cocktails.

Although they all sounded refreshing on a 90-plus-degree afternoon, the order had to be the Chicago Mule, an amalgamation of vodka, ginger beer, grapefruit and orange juices, simple syrup, and that spirit we love to hate (and love to love), Jeppson's Malort. This local update to the Moscow Mule is fruity and refreshing, but the bitter Malort cuts right through — just as it should. Find it at the CH Distillery cocktail lounge. 14 tickets or $10. — *J.N.*



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Churritos at Churro Factory-Xurro.



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Mangonada at Esperanza.



LOUISA CHU/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Gator bites, alligator sausage, by Chicago's Dog House



JOSH NOEL/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Jerk chicken at Aunty Joy's Jamaican Kitchen.

Heat

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times in "Cooked" when the first-person essay tactics distract from the seriousness of the issues. The film is nonetheless worth seeing; it's full of good interview subjects, guided by reasonable but barely hidden disgust and contempt for the magnitude, and racial implications, of the '95 heat wave and the estimated 739 lives lost.

In some ways the heat wave remains a painful part of recent Chicago infamy. In other ways, we've already moved on, and in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and so much else, the so-called "non-violent deaths" (in the carefully chosen, utterly false words of then-mayor Richard M. Daley) have receded into a blur.

At its best "Cooked" locks in the details, vividly. Archival footage of refrigerated meat-packing trucks bearing decomposing corpses, parked outside the Cook County Medical Examiner'soffice; news footage of SRO hotels whose windows had been nailed shut by the landlords; the images make for enraging viewing, all these years later.

Two of Helfand's interview subjects prove especially eloquent. Steve Whitman, the onetime City of Chicago director of epidemiology, reflects on how the mayor's office undercut and in many instances sold out his own departments, minimizing the death toll and essentially blaming the families of the victims for not stepping up in time. (Whitman died in 2014.)

Elsewhere Linda Rae Murray, retired chief medical officer for the Cook County Department of Public Health, adds invaluable context and analysis. This was, in the words of emergency medical services director Robert Scates, "murder by public policy."

Helfand co-directed the global warming documentary "Everything's Cool" and a plastics scare-umentary, "Blue Vinyl" both with Daniel B. Gold. She has a weakness for easy outrage. Then again, the handling of the '95 heat wave led to hundreds of preventable human casualties. Reexamining that summer will always, always be worth the time and trouble. And the outrage.

In addition to the upcoming Film Center engagement, "Cooked: Survival by Zip Code" will be presented in August at the Wilmette Theatre. It will also air on the PBS series "Independent Lens" sometime in 2020.

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No MPAA rating

Running time: 1:22

Opens: Friday July 12 and continues through July 25 at the Gene Siskel Film Center, 164 N. State St.; siskelfilmcenter.org.

Bjork

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level of his co-stars), but his preteen son (Geirlaug Sunna Pormar) longs for his deceased birth mother and has no interest in his father's new love. Katla brings the tensions to a head, while Margit communes on the heath with the benevolent, wordless spirit of her dead mother.

In recent years we've seen the striking Icelandic landscape in all sorts of movies, from "The Tree of Life" to "Captain America" to "The Fate of the Furious." "The Juniper Tree" preceded them all, and in its own elemental, careful fashion, it's a strong piece of work. Keene complicates our feelings about the characters in subtle and useful ways, treating Katla in particular as something more intriguing than a garden-variety evil stepmother, even when she's serving up stew with a cannibalistic secret ingredient.

Keene made two more films after that. As a filmmaker she had a confident eye; as an adapter, she was even more impressive.

No MPAA rating (some violence and brief nudity)

Running time: 1:18

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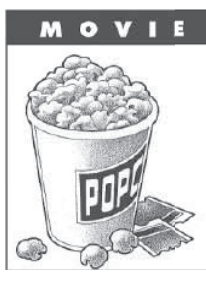
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IN PERFORMANCE Dance in the Parks ★★★

Chicago dancers create some good summer fun

By Lauren Warnecke



TOPHER ALEXANDER PHOTO

Dancers Stephanie Cihlar, Craig V. Miller, Irina Goldman and Jesse Hoisington perform "Like a Fish Pulled from Violet Water" by Paige Caldarella, part of Dance in the Parks' first performance for summer 2019 in South Lawndale.

When: Through July 27

Where: Various Chicago Park District locations (some venues have an indoor option in inclement weather)

Running time: 90 minutes

Tickets: Free; more information at www.danceintheparks.org

When an athlete is facing the sun, they have three choices to make a play: put on sunglasses, squint real hard or both.

When a dancer — also an athlete, but that's a topic for another day — is facing the sun during an outdoor performance, they have one choice, and squinting isn't one of them.

It's not a typical conundrum for a dancer, particularly when you combine a blinding sun with bugs, grass and a 100-degree heat index. But for the company called "Dance in the Parks," that's called Wednesday.

Season 11 kicked off this week for this group of professional dancers, who come together each summer to put on free performances in parks all over the city. They started with a show at La Villita Park on Tuesday, went to Pasteur Park on Wednesday and continue this Friday and Saturday at Athletic Field Park (3546 W. Addison St.) and Ada Park (11250 S. Ada St.), respectfully.

Dance in the Parks Season 11 runs through July 27.

A 10-minute walk from Midway, Pasteur Park has a huge playground, and when I arrived, kids were licking popsicles and splashing in a water feature near the swing set. Mature trees provide plenty of shade, but there was none to speak of around Dance in the Parks' pop-up stage near the baseball diamonds.

Turns out, blazing sun on an extra sweaty day only strengthens this mish-mosh of dancers, who spend the rest of the year scattered about in companies such as Trifecta Dance Collective, South Chicago Dance Theatre, Chicago Repertory Ballet and Aerial Dance Chicago.

The beauty of Dance in the Parks is that most audience members happen upon it. Bystanders hear music on another side of the park and wander over to check it out. So when, at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, dancers Marco Clemente and Jesse Hoisington stepped out of a pop-up tent beside the stage for the beginning of "Grassy," a piece by Rebecca Lemme, I was one of fewer than 10 people in the crowd.

But the way they performed their cute and sassy duel — trying to one-up each other with tumbles and tricks to the plunking sounds of Eric Weissberg and Steve Mandell's "Dueling Banjos" — you would have thought they were dancing for 500 people. And by the end of the evening, which closes with Joshua Blake Carter's classy but casual "Our Town," the shade had filled in and so had many of the chairs.

Every performance is the same, with the exception of Dance in the Parks youth partners — which are community groups, often from the neighborhood, who perform a couple of pieces and join in for the end of "Our Town" with the company. In Pasteur Park, the Exelon Strobel Dancers, a group affiliated with the Joffrey Ballet's community engagement program, performed dances choreographed by former Joffrey dancers Erica Lynette Edwards and Michael Smith.

As a general rule, I don't review pre-professionals, but this must be said: These developing performers have been expertly coached in stage presence and captivated my attention in surprising ways. And if you can actually look away from whichever youth partner is on stage, try to catch a glimpse of the pro dancers watching them from the side.

The whole thing is smile-inducing, all of it, from the youth performers to the kids side-eying the performance from the baseball fields to the excellent dancing taking place on that tiny stage. Most of the choreography is accessible and fun, with the more upbeat dances including "Grassy," which evolves into a sassy trio for Clemente, Hoisington and Natalie Tursi; "Love du Jour" by Todd Rhoads; and Craig V. Miller's Prince-inspired "Trixie," set to "I Would Die 4 U" and "Purple Rain." And though some more serious dances are scattered among these, you don't have to work hard at this dance show to "get it," or at least enjoy it.

In a way, this attribute is also Dance in the Parks' greatest weakness, since much of the choreography lacks finesse or evidence of a deep and thoughtful creative process. Yet almost all of the eight dances on this year's program are uncompromising on the cast and yield plenty of opportunities for them to stand out.

Tursi simply glows on this makeshift outdoor stage — she, Hoisington, and Irina Goldman have particularly mastered the aforementioned full-sun stage presence. New company members Clemente and Stephanie Cihlar seem unfazed in their first season of Hades-level temperatures, floor burns and bug bites.

Katy Fedrigon, who doubles as rehearsal director, is magical in Paige Fraser's "How Did I Get Here," particularly in her crisp, spot-on pas de trois with Hoisington and Miller. And performing apprentices Abby Morris and Sydney Foley blend seamlessly with the rest of the company, even as they take turns running the sound board when they're not dancing.

Of the eight dances, Jessica Miller Tomlinson's "Bells" stands out: a duet for the long and lanky Hoisington and equally leggy Cihlar. It's a rather dreamy partnership, beginning in silence and only occasionally deviating from unison dancing as they swirl in and out of Tomlinson's intricate patterns and lifts, oscillating between reckless abandon and gorgeous lines.

Ela Olarte, who choreographed a sextet called "Surface Area," has performed for Tomlinson in the past, and they both spent time in Thodos Dance Chicago. Tomlinson's influence on Olarte is clear, though "Surface Area" is less developed and fails to peak — and it really needs to. do so. Paige Caldarella's "Like a Fish Pulled Out of Violet Water," begins with an exciting punch of formalism, adding a new dancer to a diagonal line each time a phrase is repeated, but then literally trails off as if she ran out of time.

Had the choreographers given as full a commitment as these exceptional dancers, well, this show might have been perfect. By the time the sun dipped beyond the horizon and everyone took their final bows, this summer night in Chicago was certainly that.

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Dave Bautista (left) and Kumail Nanjiani star as a mismatched team in "Stuber."

'STUBER' ★

Skip this bumpy ride starring Kumail Nanjiani, Dave Bautista

By Katie Walsh
Tribune News Service

MPAA rating: R (for violence and language throughout, some sexual references and brief graphic nudity)

Running time: 1:33

There is absolutely no reason to catch a ride with the nasty, brutish and shrill "Stuber," a horror movie about our current American nightmare of late capitalist economics and unchecked law enforcement masquerading as an "action comedy." If that's not sobering enough, "Stuber," written by Tripper Clancy and directed by Michael Dowse, is also deeply unfunny. It centers on the odd-couple pairing of Kumail Nanjiani and Dave Bautista, who try to cover up their complete lack of chemistry with increasingly deafening screams.

You know what's just a laugh riot? Consider that the hero of our film, the titular "Stuber," Stu (Nanjiani), drives Uber on the side because he doesn't make enough at his low-wage gig at a big-box sporting goods store while also trying to open a business with his best friend/crush (Betty Gilpin). You know what's even funnier? When he's kidnapped by an off-duty LAPD officer, Vic (Bautista), who is on a vengeance mission and conscripts Stu into the torture and murder of civilians. Ha. Ha. Ha.

Those murderous off-duty LAPD officers sure are hilarious.

It's a busted, blatant, bumbling rip-off of Michael Mann's "Collateral," but rather than a smooth assassin and a panicked cabbie, it's a rogue cop with impaired vision due to LASIK surgery and a motormouth sweetie behind the wheel of a leased Nissan Leaf. One can see the appeal of the concept in theory. But it's lost in the loud and messy execution.

In throwing together sensitive beta Stu and the testosterone-fueled Vic, "Stuber" is trying to say something about the hot topic of toxic masculinity (aren't we all?), but it has its cake and eats it too. Stu might yell at Vic to talk about his feelings or being a better father, and yes, he does call out just how illegal everything Vic does that day is, repeatedly. But for every one of these moments, there's a scene where Stu learns to "man up" by becoming violent himself, shedding his compassion, empathy and respect for human life. At the end of the day, the two men have apparently learned new ways of being men from each other. Vic becomes more sensitive, while Stu embraces his own power. But the half-hearted cultural commentary gets lost in the violent melee. What we see doesn't match their words.

If a film is going to be action-packed and violent, it should have the decency to at least present it well. The cinematography and editing is completely incoherent and not compelling. Of all the offenses "Stuber" commits (we've barely scratched the surface), the one that burns worst is the casting of Indonesian martial artist Iko Uwais, a master of the brutal fighting style silat, as the bad guy, and then failing to shoot any of the fight scenes with a single shred of cogency or clarity. If you cast Uwais, we want to see him fight, but the action scenes are so atrociously muddled it's impossible to follow.

Stu shrieks every story point, so even watching this grating and pointless film, filled with bone-headed plot twists, is utterly unrewarding. Save the Uber fare and stay far, far away.

'MAIDEN' ★★★★

A feminist and human feat from land to the high seas

By Katie Walsh
Tribune News Service



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Tracy Edwards, left, and Mikaela Von Koskull in "Maiden," which documents the first all-woman Whitbread team.

MPAA rating: PG (for language, thematic elements, some suggestive content and brief smoking images)

Running time: 1:37

It doesn't get much more inspiring than the incredible story of Maiden, the first yacht crewed entirely by women to compete in the Whitbread Round the World Race. Depicted with meticulous detail and sensitivity in the documentary "Maiden," directed by Alex Holmes, the film chronicles the fight the women faced just to get onto the water. Compared with the sexism and obstacles they faced on land, the grueling challenges of the high seas were a walk in the park.

At the center of the story is Maiden's skipper, the fierce and determined Tracy Edwards, who first dreamed of competing in the race as a crew member and found herself a pioneering woman in the sport of sailing when she decided to place an all-female team in the 1989 race. Edwards, who struggled with problems at home, skipped out of her small town in Wales as a teenager in favor of tending bar in Greece. She made her way onto a yacht as a stewardess, crossing the globe, learning to sail and watching her aspirations come into focus, aided by none other than a friendly charter guest, King Hussein of Jordan.

Edwards begged her way onto a yacht in a Whitbread race as a cook, though she would have preferred to be on deck. In 1986 she came up with the grand plan to captain her own ship, with a crew of women (or "girls," as they're constantly referred to). The media treated her like a joke, while macho male skippers never took her seriously. But she scraped together the money and assembled an international crew of accomplished female sailors. When the boats took off from Southampton for Uruguay in 1989, the reporters took bets on how far they'd make it. None guessed they'd even complete the first leg of the race.

"Maiden" is a grand adventure, the likes of which we don't see too often anymore. The film is primarily about the women battling a patriarchal sport culture and bloodthirsty media to prove themselves equals in the intense and dangerous endeavor, but it's also a fantastic education in the world of yacht racing itself, a sport that requires tremendous skill, bravery and a bit of madness. As a young woman, Tracy has all that in spades, though her intensity in archival footage contrasts with her good-natured warmth in present-day interviews.

Holmes, who also directed "Stop at Nothing: The Lance Armstrong Story," seems drawn to tales about the kind of dogged determination that drives people to achieve their greatest, most unbelievable goals, thought impossible by everyone else. In the case of "Maiden," it's to triumphant, world-changing ends, rather than the depths of hubris in which the Armstrong story ended. But Holmes never shies away from addressing the dark parts of dream-chasing, with Edwards finding herself at odds with her own crew and her own demons while pushing Maiden as far as it could go.

One has to embrace despair and doubt while chasing the incredibly high highs that come from victory and achievement, just going out and doing the thing that people have said you can't do again and again and again. With stunning archival footage and interviews with the amazing Maiden crew, Holmes captures that high in this stirring documentary that recounts not just the feminist achievement, but triumph of the human spirit.

WATCH THIS: FRIDAY



Helen McCrory

"MotherFatherSon" (9 p.m., Starz): Episode 4 finds Caden (Billy Howle) consumed by despair at the thought that, because of his own behavior, he now has no hope of returning to the role he spent his life preparing for: his father's (Richard Gere) successor. Consumed by that realization, Caden spirals until things get so out of hand that he winds up making a suicide pact with his companion, Orla (Niamh Algar). Helen McCrory also stars.

"SpongeBob SquarePants" (6 p.m., 7 p.m., Nickeldeon): They've stayed behind the scenes since their show premiered in 1999, but now the actors in the voice cast of "SpongeBob SquarePants" step before the cameras as human versions of their animated characters in this new one-hour special, which mingles live-action and animation. The story finds Patrick and SpongeBob venturing to the surface world, where they encounter familiar faces at The Trusty Slab Restaurant.

"The Wrong Boy Next Door" (7 p.m., 11 p.m., LIFEMOV): Katie (Calli Taylor, "The Princess Switch") is a troubled teenager, as evidenced by her current sentence to house arrest. Bored by her confinement, she quickly becomes fascinated with John (Travis Burns), the hot young guy who just moved in next door. As they get to know each other, Katie and John drift into an affair, but in time, Katie can't shake the growing suspicion that John may be hiding some major secrets.

"Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Food): Grub infused by flavors from around the globe are on Guy Fieri's culinary itinerary in the new "International Infusion," starting at an eatery in Huntington, Del., noted for its Cuban sandwiches and Thai-inflected sausage. A traditional Tiki joint in Kauai is run by a kitchen crew who deliver an authentic Hawaiian flair.

"Shangri-LA" (8 p.m., 3 a.m., Showtime): Oscar and Emmy winner Morgan Neville ("Twenty Feet From Stardom," "Won't You Be My Neighbor?") teams up with music producer Rick Rubin and director Jeff Malmberg for this four-part docu-series filmed largely in Rubin's fabled studio in Malibu, Calif. The program zeroes in on Rubin's creative process and the emotional side of music-making.

"Bridezillas" (9 p.m., 11 p.m., 1 a.m., WE): In the Season 12 finale, the first featured bride, dubbed SecretZilla, goes perilously off the rails, crashing her groom's bachelor party and threatening the entire wedding. Her final surprise for her ceremony nevertheless still shocks everyone. In another segment, BratZilla battles MomZilla when her off-the-leash demands completely blow a hole in her budget, prompting her to go running to her father for help.

TALK SHOWS

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Gabrielle Union; record producer DJ Khaled; Vampire Weekend performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Wanda Sykes; actress Vanessa Bayer.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Tracy Morgan; professional football player Patrick Mahomes II; singer-songwriter Gwen Stefani; Megan Thee Stallion performs.*

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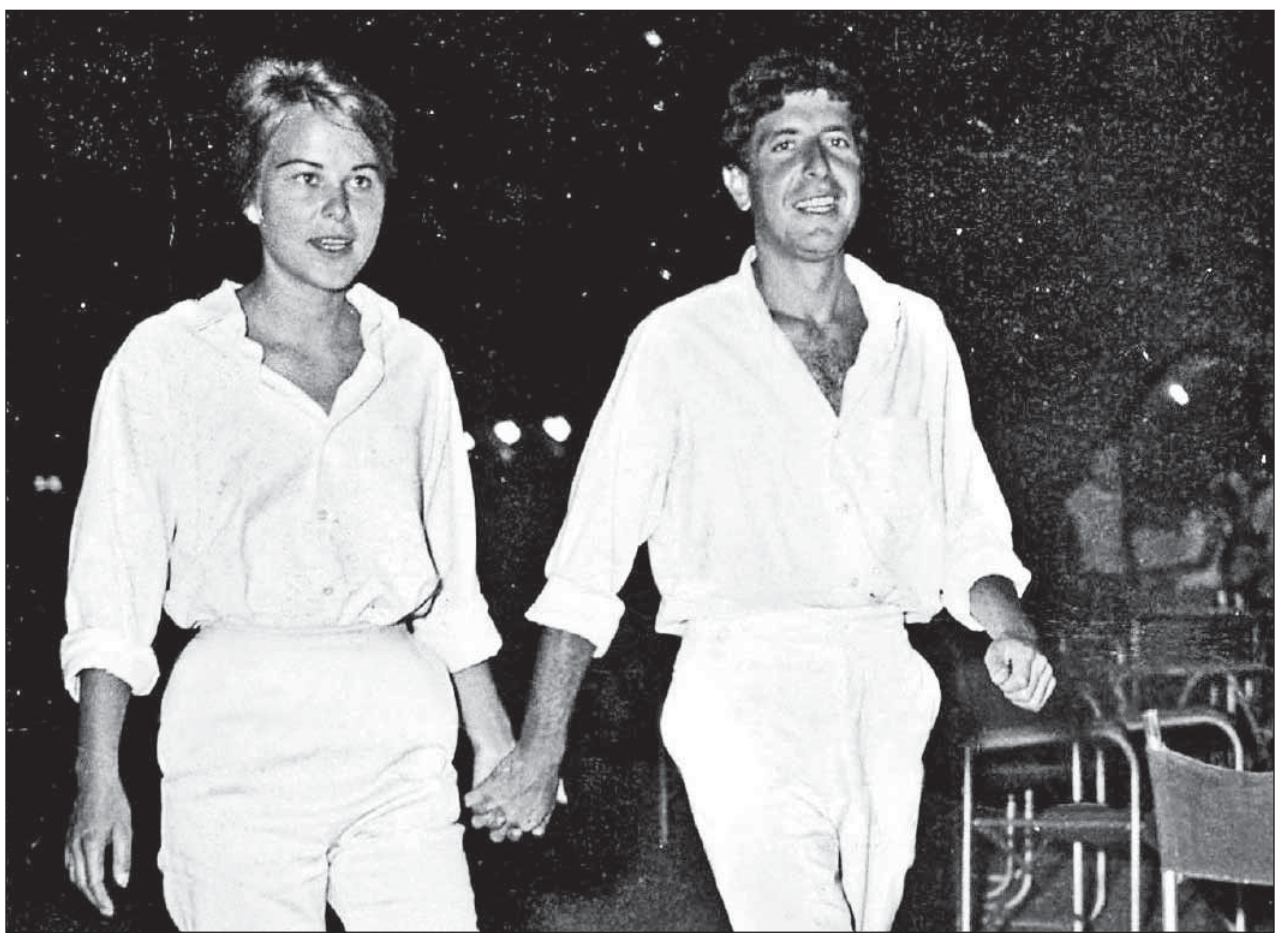
MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Love Island (N) © HD		Hawaii Five-0: "Ikiiki i ka la o Keawalua." © HD		Blue Bloods: "Blackout." © HD		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	American Ninja Warrior: "Cincinnati City Qualifiers." © HD				Dateline NBC (N) © HD		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D. (N) ©		The Last Days of John F. Kennedy Jr. © HD				News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	black-ish: "The Purge."	black-ish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) © HD		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	B. Miller	B. Miller	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3's Comp.
	This TV 9.3	Dirty Work (PG-13,'98) ★ Norm Macdonald. ©				Stripes (R,'81) ★★ Bill Murray. © ♦		
	PBS 11	Chi. Tonight: Review (N)	Washington Week (N)	Check, Please!	Mexico/Bay-less (N)	10 Homes That Changed America ©		800 Words (N) © ♦
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		The Game	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	Green Acres	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ♦
	Bounce 26.5	The Game	The Game	Saints & Sinners ©		A Thin Line Between Love and Hate ♦		
	FOX 32	First Responders Live: "Episode 104." © HD		MasterChef: "Joe Takes a Risk." © HD		Fox 32 News (N)	Flannery Fired Up	Modern Family
	Ion 38	NCIS: Los Angeles HD		NCIS: Los Angeles HD		NCIS: Los Angeles HD		NCIS: LA ♦
	TeleM 44	Un poquito tuyo (N) ©		Betty en NY (N) ©		La reina del sur (N) ©		Chicago (N)
	CW 50	The Outpost © HD		Big Stage	Big Stage	CSI: Miami: "Blood Sugar."		Chicago ♦
	UniMas 60	♦ (6) Vice (R,'15) ★ HD		Fútbol MLS (N) (Live) HD				Fútbol (N) ♦
	WJYS 62	Kenneth Cox Ministries		Joyce Meyer	Robison	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Monument
	Univ 66	La reina soy yo (N)		La Rosa de Guadalupe		Por amar sin ley (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©		Live PD: "Live PD -- 07.12.19." (N) © ♦				
	AMC	♦ (6) The Shawshank Redemption (R,'94) ★★★★				(9:05) The Taking of Pelham 123 ★★ ♦		
	ANIM	Solved (N)	Solved (N)	River Monsters ©		River Monsters: Legendary (N) ♦		
	BBCA	♦ (5) American Gangster (R,'07) ★★★		American Gangster (R,'07) ★★★ Denzel Washington. ♦				
	BET	black-ish	black-ish	Tales: "Slippery."		The Next Big Thing		Martin © ♦
	BIGTEN	♦ (5) College Wrestling ©		BTN Wrestling in 60 ©			Ten's Best	MSU ♦
	BRAVO	♦ (5:42) Something Borrowed ('11) ★ ©		(8:16) Something Borrowed (PG-13,'11) ★ © ♦				
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend	Politics
	CNBC	Secret Lives	Secret Lives	Secret (N)	Secret (N)	Secret (N)	Secret (N)	The Profit ♦
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Special Report ©		AC 360 ♦
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	DISN	Andi Mack	Raven	Sydney-Max	Roll With It	Amphibia	Big City	Andi Mack
	E!	National Treasure (PG,'04) ★★ Nicolas Cage, Diane Kruger. ©						Treasure ♦
	ESPN	♦ MLS Soccer (N)		2019 World Series of Poker: Main Event. (N) (Live)				SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	WNBA Basketball: Mercury at Sun (N)				SportsCenter ©		Poker (N) ♦
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners (N)	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive
	FREE	♦ Beauty	Ratatouille (G,'07) ★★★ Voices of Patton Oswalt, Ian Holm. ©					700 Club (N)
	FX	Ghostbusters (PG-13,'16) ★★ Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig. ©						Snowfall ♦
	HALL	Mingle All the Way (NR,'18) Jen Lilley. ©				A Royal Christmas (NR,'14) © ♦		
	HGTV	Dream	Dream	Dream	Dream	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters
	HIST	Ancient Aliens ©		(8:02) Ancient Aliens		(9:05) Ancient Aliens		Aliens ♦
	HLN	Lies, Crimes & Video ©		Lies, Crimes & Video ©		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
	LIFE	Tyler Perry's Madea's Big Happy Family (PG-13,'11) ★★ ©					(9:33) Twist of Faith ♦	
	MSNBC	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
	MTV	Ridic. (N)	Ridic. (N)	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.
	NBCSCH	World Poker Tour: Alpha8		White Sox	Pregame (N)	MLB Baseball (N) ♦		
	NICK	SpongeBob SquarePants		All That ©	Smarter	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ♦
	OVATION	♦ (6) Tango & Cash (R,'89) ★★ ©			Man on Fire (R,'04) ★★ Denzel Washington. ♦			
	OWN	20/20 on OWN		48 Hours: Hard Evidence		48 Hours: Hard Evidence		20/20 ♦
	OXY	♦ Dateline: Secrets (N)		Snapped ©		License to Kill ©		Dateline ♦
	PARMT	♦ (4) Django Unchained (R)		Bellator MMA Live (N) (Live) ©				Django ♦
	SYFY	♦ Blade 2	Blade: Trinity (R,'04) ★★ Wesley Snipes, Kris Kristofferson. ©					Futurama
	TBS	♦ (6:30) Beauty and the Beast (PG,'17) ★★★ ©				The Detour	The Detour	The Detour
	TCM	Dark Victory (NR,'39) ★★★ Bette Davis. ©				Gone With the Wind (G,'39) ★★★★ ♦		
	TLC	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (N) ©				90 Day: Other (N)		sMothered
	TLN	Answers Creation Hour		Z. Levitt	Let Think	Life Today	Dare	7th Street
	TNT	Mission: Impossible (PG-13,'96) ★★ Tom Cruise, Jon Voight. ©					Mission: Impossible II ♦	
	TOON	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Boondocks	Boondocks	Mike Tyson
	TRAV	Ghosts of Morgan City		Ghosts of Morgan City (N)		Haunted Towns (N) ©		Haunted ♦
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	USA	Fast Five (PG-13,'11) ★★ Vin Diesel, Paul Walker. ©						Mod Fam
	VH1	♦ (6) Pretty Woman (R,'90) ★★★ ©			The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13,'06) ★★★ © ♦			
	WE	Love After Lockup ©		Love After Lockup (N) ©		Bridezillas (Season Finale) (N) ©		Love- Loc. ♦
	WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man
PREMIUM	HBO	Geostorm (PG-13,'17) ★ Gerard Butler. ©				Euphoria ©		Espookys (N
	HBO2	Years and Years ©		Divorce ©	Ramy Youssef: Feelings		Bad-El Royale ♦	
	MAX	(7:05) Pacific Rim Uprising (PG-13,'18) ★★ ©				Jett: "Bennie." (N) ©		Jett © ♦
	SHO	♦ (6:25) Hotel Artemis ★★		Shangri-LA (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Boxing (N) ♦		
	STARZ	♦ (6:13) White Boy Rick ★★		(8:07) The Rook ©		MotherFatherSon (N) ©		Possession
	STZENC	♦ (5:56) Live and Let Die		Jaws (PG,'75) ★★★★ Roy Scheider. ©				Jaws 2 ★★ ♦

'MARIANNE & LEONARD: WORDS OF LOVE' ★★★

A perfect muse, a doomed romance for Cohen

By Kenneth Turan
Los Angeles Times



Marianne Ihlen, left, and Leonard Cohen are the subjects of the documentary "Marianne & Leonard: Words of Love."

No MPAA rating
Running time: 1:37
Opens: Friday

ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS

Love stories are like Tolstoy's unhappy families: no two of them are alike. But even given that, the relationship chronicled in "Marianne & Leonard: Words of Love" has a quality very much its own.

Though it lasted only eight years, and was a train wreck for the last few, the connection between singer-songwriter Leonard Cohen and his Norwegian muse Marianne Ihlen haunted everyone who knew them and proved to be so powerful it never totally went away.

In fact, as related by director Nick Broomfield in this affecting documentary, when Ihlen was days away from death in 2016, Cohen, who was himself to die just a few months later, sent her a note.

"I'm just a little behind you, close enough to take your hand," he wrote. "I've never forgotten your love and your beauty. But you know that. Safe travels, old friend, see you down the road. Your Leonard."

Though the British veteran Broomfield is an accomplished documentarian, telling this kind of poignant story is not business as usual for him.

Rather he's best known for hard-edged, scrappy films like "Biggie & Tupac," "Tales of the Grim Sleeper" and two documentaries on serial killer Aileen Wuornos. Re-creating the emotional texture of a volatile, passionate love affair, not so much.

But as it turns out, this film is personal for Broomfield as well. When he was a self-described "rather lost 20-year-old looking for adventure and excitement," he met Marianne on the Greek island of Hydra.

The affair the two of them had was brief but Marianne's impact was key to encouraging Broomfield to attempt documentary film-making and the two remained friends.

Because Ihlen was never the public figure that the often idolized Cohen was, "Words of Love" eventually becomes as much a documentary on him as a record of a relationship.

But that relationship does have pride of place, and as described by the participants in vintage audio and by people who knew him in contemporary interviews, it does fascinate.

The son of an elite Montreal family, Cohen was considered one of Canada's best young poets when he arrived at Hydra in 1960 and fell immediately for Ihlen, who was coming out of an unhappy marriage.

As photographs from the period (as well as newly discovered film shot by director D.A. Pennebaker) attest, both Cohen and Ihlen were gorgeous though apparently neither one of them believed it about themselves.

Living together in a way that the film regards as a lost paradise, the couple saw things change when Cohen wrote a lyric he felt was a song and played it for Judy Collins on a trip to the U.S.

The song was, of course, "Suzanne," and though he originally loathed the idea, Collins dragooned him into eventually singing his own version, changing everything. As Collins wryly reports, Ihlen later told her "you ruined my life."

For after Cohen blew up as a solo star, his obsessive chasing after women, and their parallel pursuit of him, effectively doomed his life with Marianne. "With so much freedom," someone says, "people went too far."

More than that, Cohen was apparently a self-tormenting individual who was, a friend says, "always needing to be more miserable." Says the man himself at one point, "People around me suffered, I was always trying to get away. It was a selfish life though it didn't seem so at the time."

"Marianne & Leonard" benefits from the comments of those who know the couple well, especially the acerbic Aviva Layton, widow of Cohen's great friend, the poet Irving Layton, whose philosophy of life, she reports, was "make sure you are doing the wrong thing."

Though Cohen's life after Marianne does not lack for interest — his time spent in the orbit of producer Phil Spector is especially chilling — it's the Marianne stuff that stays with you.

"Poets do not make good husbands," Aviva Layton says, and so it appears to be.



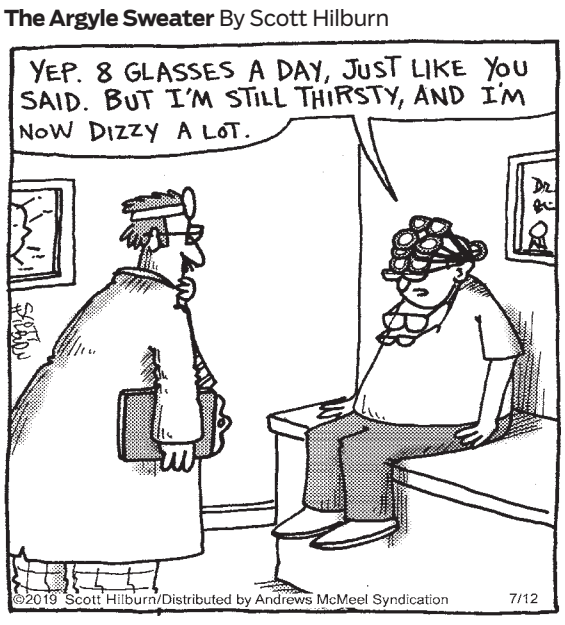
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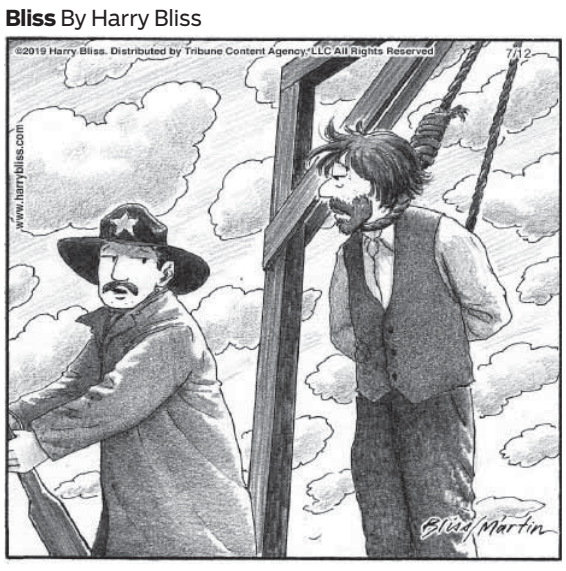
Today's birthday (July 12): Expand your physical capacities, work and health this year. Coordinated partnership produces brilliant victories. You're triumphant this summer, before you adapt to a romantic challenge. Your collaboration heats up next winter, illuminating a new personal path.
Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Educational opportunities move into focus. Planning mixed with luck opens new doors. Advance to realize the adventure you've been craving. Study your route carefully.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Join forces to generate the funding for a shared project. Keep your own scorecard and find ways to reduce costs. Share resources, time and talents.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. A collaborative project begins to pick up steam. Handle miscommunications or breakdowns immediately. Coordinate your actions for efficiency and ease.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Physical action gets results. Slow to navigate sharp corners or obstacles. Practice your moves for strength and endurance. Study secret tricks. Look sharp.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Make fun plans and dates. Get out and enjoy yourself. Strengthen bonds with someone you love. Listen and learn. Share thoughts and dreams.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Put some energy into home improvement. Domestic projects beautify your space. Solve a design problem, or make an overdue repair. Choose materials of long-lasting quality.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Get into a creative assignment. Use your intellect, talent and arts. Follow through on what you said. Connect and learn from social channels.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Keep communication channels open to facilitate cash flow. Focus on bringing in money and growing accounts. Grab a hidden opportunity.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. You're strong and creative. Make a bold move (after carefully checking your landing spot). Determine potential costs and benefits. Walk and talk with a respected friend.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 6. Rest and recharge. Meditate on what you really want. Imagine your vision realized. What did it take to get there? Make plans, and schedule actions.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. A shared venture has your attention. Use something you've been saving. Collaborative efforts accomplish more for less. Friends are a big help.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Prepare for a professional inspection. Schedule and plan carefully. Delegate and share tasks with your team. Study the details. Energize your actions for lasting benefit.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



"Let's just say we agree to disagree."

Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North
♠ J 7 6 4
♥ K Q 8 4
♦ J 9 4
♣ K 9

West
♠ 9
♥ 7 3 2
♦ Q 8 7 6
♣ A Q 10 5 3

East
♠ K Q 8 5 2
♥ J 10 9 5
♦ 10 3 2
♣ J

South
♠ A 10 3
♥ A 6
♦ A K 5
♣ 8 7 6 4 2

A bridge lesson from our father: "When both sides play on the same suit at no trump, one of them is wrong". Both sides played on clubs in today's deal, but neither side could be faulted. Sorry, Dad.

Dummy's king won the opening club lead and South continued with dummy's nine of clubs. Oddly, West was hoping to catch partner with the jack when he led a club, thinking that would set up his whole suit. A singleton jack, with declarer also having five clubs, wasn't what he had in mind. West won with his 10 as East discarded an encouraging spade. The nine of spades shift went to the queen and ace, and South lead a club to West's queen. West tried a heart this time — low, nine, ace.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: Three of ♣

Declarer was worried that a second heart by the defense would disrupt his timing, so he abandoned his attack on clubs for the moment to set up a spade trick. He led the 10 of spades to East's king. East shifted to a diamond, but South was in control now. He rose with his ace and led another club to knock out West's ace and South had his nine tricks — two spades, three hearts, two diamonds, and two hard-earned clubs. Well played!

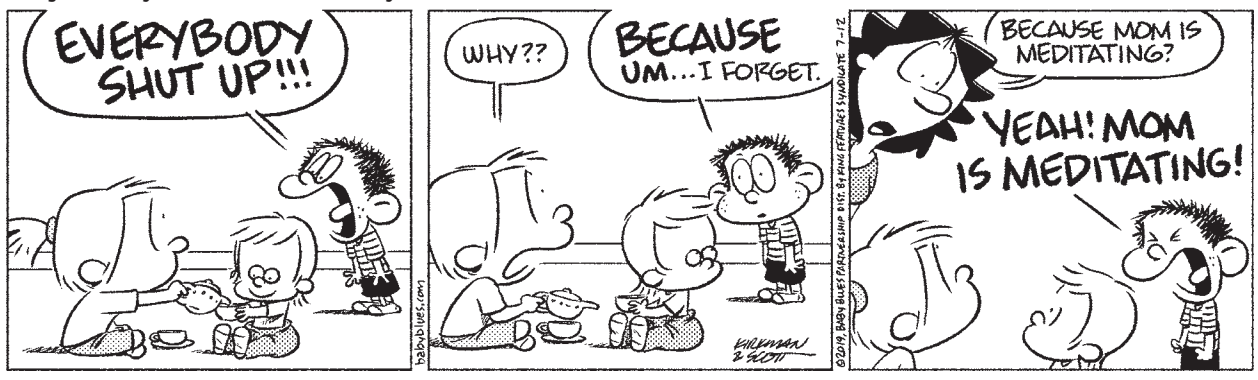
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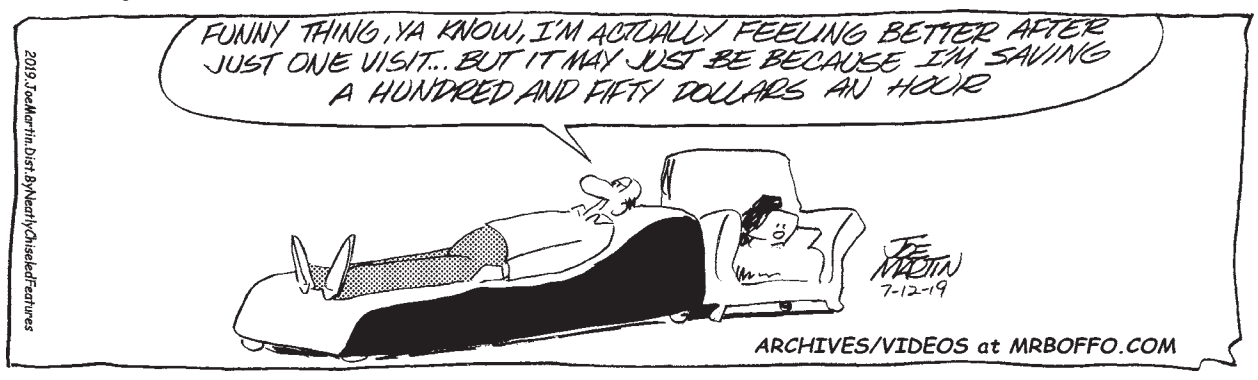
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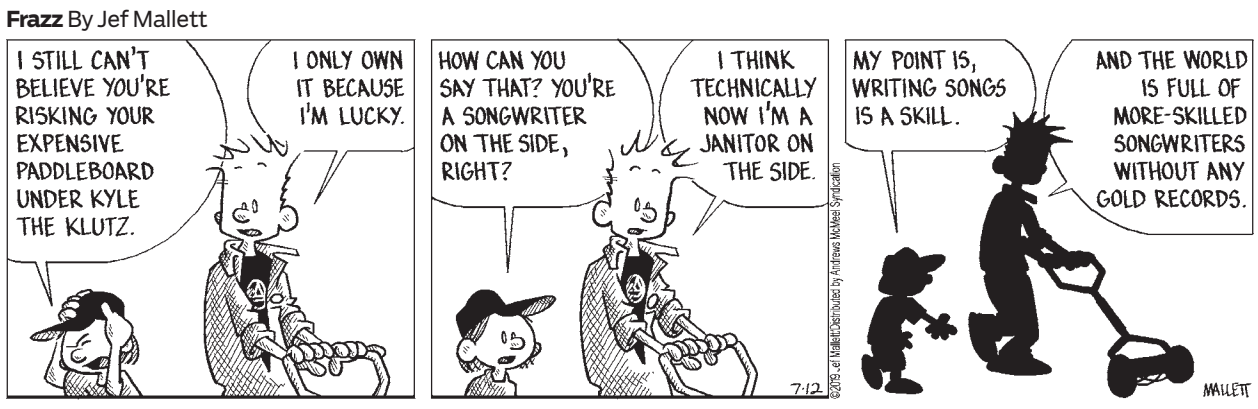
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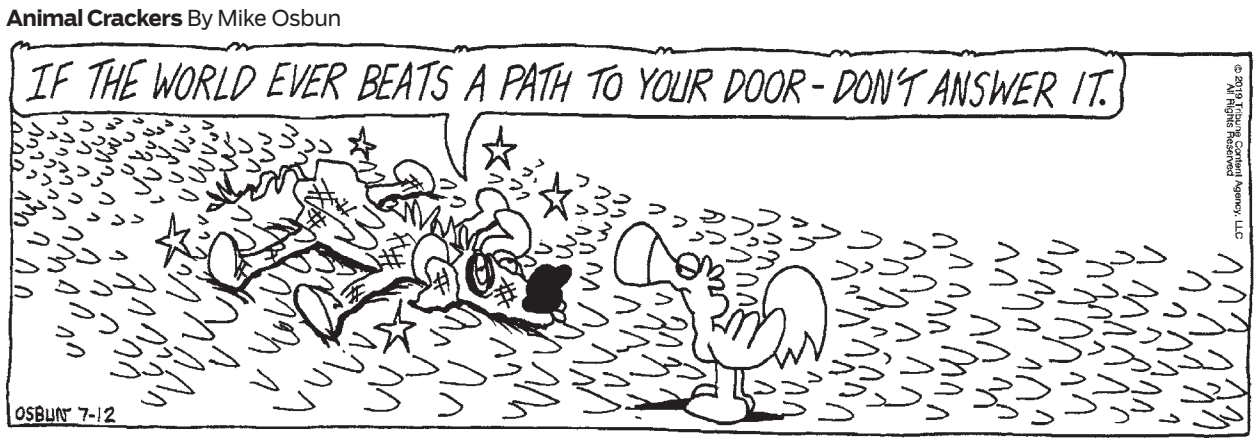
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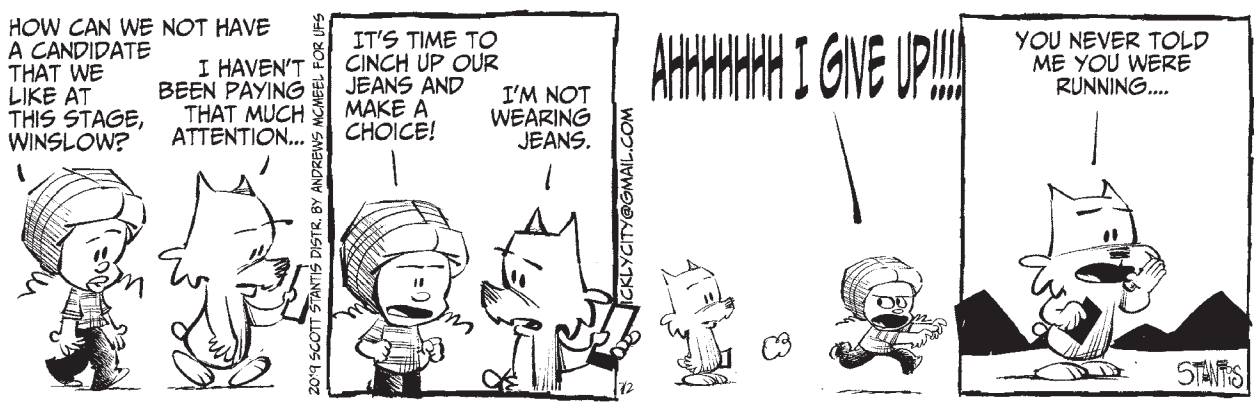
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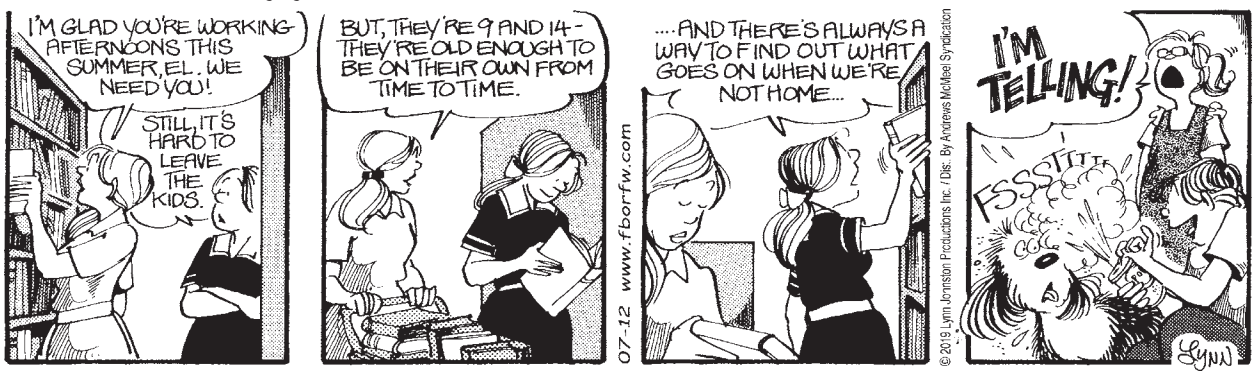
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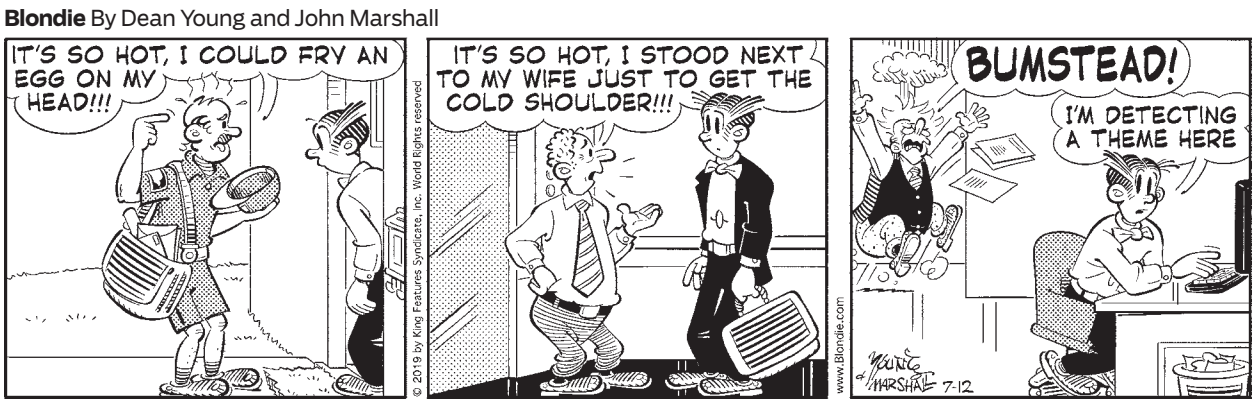
Dustin By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



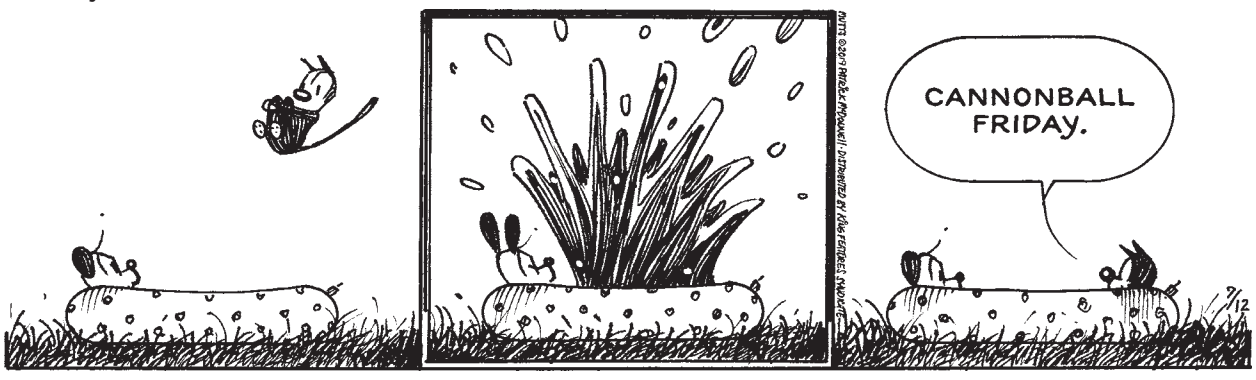
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Hägar the Horrible By Chris Browne



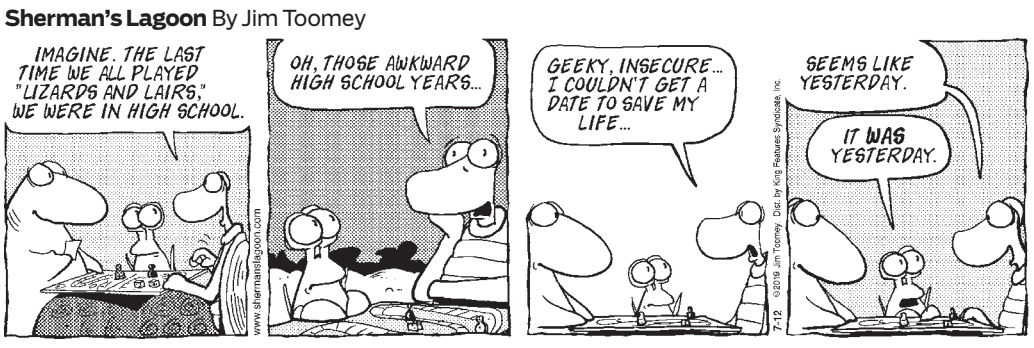
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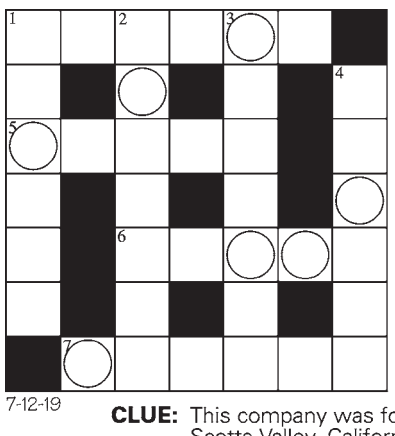
Lake Baikal, the world's deepest lake, is in what country?

A) Canada
B) China
C) Kenya
D) Russia

Thursday's answer: Bow Wow Wow hit the U.S. charts with "I Want Candy" in 1982.

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Jumble Crossword



7-12-19

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. High pitch	EBRELT
5. Instructor	TRUOT
6. Change	NEDEM
7. Sitcom Uncle	EREFTS

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Shred	ATRTET
2. Acute, severe	XMERTEE
3. Biggest	AEGLRST
4. Arachnid	EPSRID

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

CLUE: This company was founded in Scotts Valley, California, in 1997.

BONUS

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ANSWERS: 1A-Treble 5A-Tutor 6A-Emend 7A-Fester 1D-Tatter 2D-Extreme 3D-Largest 4D-Spider 5-Netflix

By David L. Hoyt.

Sudoku 1234

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		4				8		
7	9			8				3
					1	7		
		3			7			
1								5
			4	5		9		
		6	1					2
2		7		3			5	6

6	5	8	2	9	7	4	1	3
9	4	2	1	3	5	6	8	7
3	1	7	6	8	4	9	5	2
7	8	1	4	5	9	2	3	6
2	9	6	7	1	3	8	4	5
4	3	5	8	2	6	7	9	1
5	7	9	3	4	2	1	6	8
1	6	3	9	7	8	5	2	4
8	2	4	5	6	1	3	7	9

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Thursday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

OHRNO

INYUT

DRIMEA

CUCEAR



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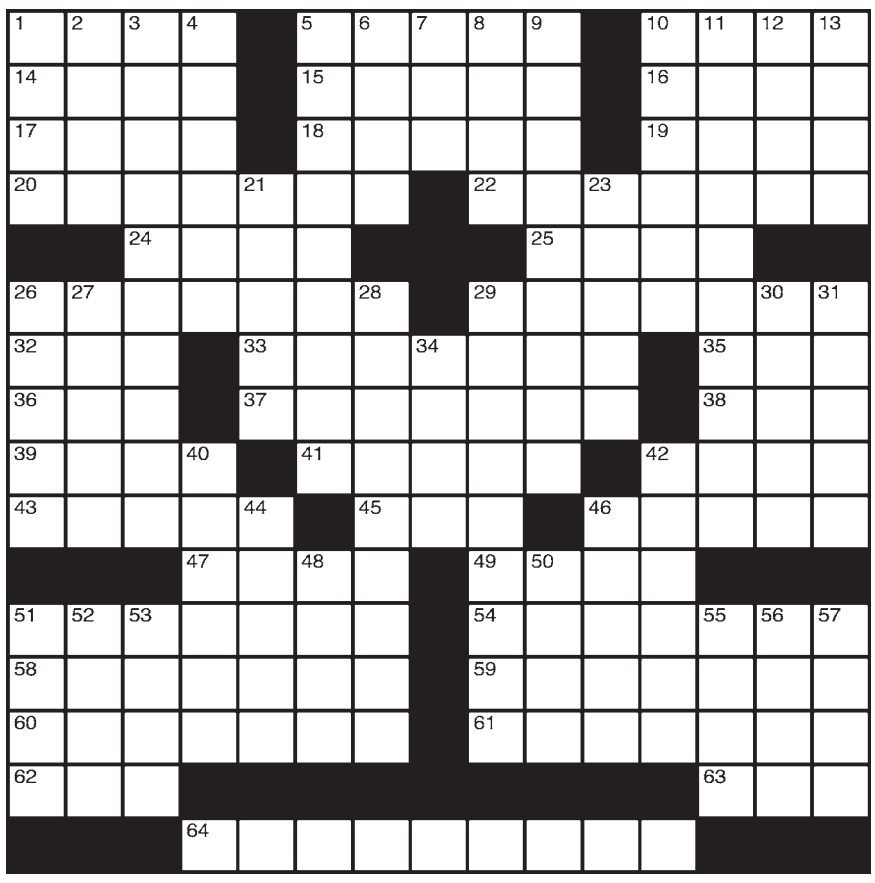
Thursday's answers

Jumbles: GROUT PRINT DOCKET OUTFIT
Answer: The Major League Soccer scout's effect on the team was — "PRO-FOUND"

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Crossword

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Across

1 Getaway spots
5 Prefix with phobia
10 2012 Best Picture
14 Subside
15 Place to start an IV
16 Accessories
17 Yeats' birthplace
18 Dissect in class, in a way
19 "To share, or not to share?" food brand
20 Butters up, maybe
22 Long-haired cats
24 Prefix with -gon
25 Zip
26 Fill in
29 Wintergreen family herb
32 Once called
33 Assigning to, as blame, with "on"
35 Multitude
36 Hoppy brew, briefly
37 Search tools
38 Apple platform
39 Formal addressees
41 Factions in "West Side Story"
42 Word in family business names
43 Former CNN journalist David
45 Misunderstanding metaphor
46 Pick up
47 Bird seen in only one state
49 Letters near zero
51 Germane
54 Like some doubts and injuries
58 Polish for "dumplings"
59 Less experienced
60 Football's "Boomer"
61 Inflation-indexed U.S. savings bond
62 __ Marino
63 W-2 info
64 Country spelled with the only nine letters used in this puzzle's answers

Thursday's solution



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Down

1 Trickle
2 Last of three Catherines
3 Far East fruit
4 Ranking
5 Settling down
6 French fat
7 Anthem word with an apostrophe
8 Parks in American history
9 Corno Grande's range
10 Early personal milestone
11 Word in medicine that sounds bad but is often good
12 Infatuated
13 Spanish medals or metals
21 Take potshots
23 Loud ringers
26 Biscotti flavoring
27 Jacques of PBS' "Julia and Jacques Cooking at Home"
28 Does
29 Goes back and forth
30 Long periods
31 So yesterday
34 1493 Lisbon arrival
40 Only Mexican state that borders Baja
42 Composer Rachmaninoff
44 They get carried away
46 "Night Moves" singer
48 Scrubbed, as a launch
50 Cut back
51 Parrots
52 City on the Arno
53 Hold back
55 Supermodel Sastre
56 Loch of note
57 Silly look?

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CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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FRIDAY, JULY 12 NORMAL HIGH: **85°** NORMAL LOW: **64°** RECORD HIGH: **97° (1995)** RECORD LOW: **53° (1999)**

Heat increasing today — humidity to follow

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH	LOW
89	68

■ **Mostly sunny and much warmer with a high approaching 90 but much closer to 80 near the lake.**

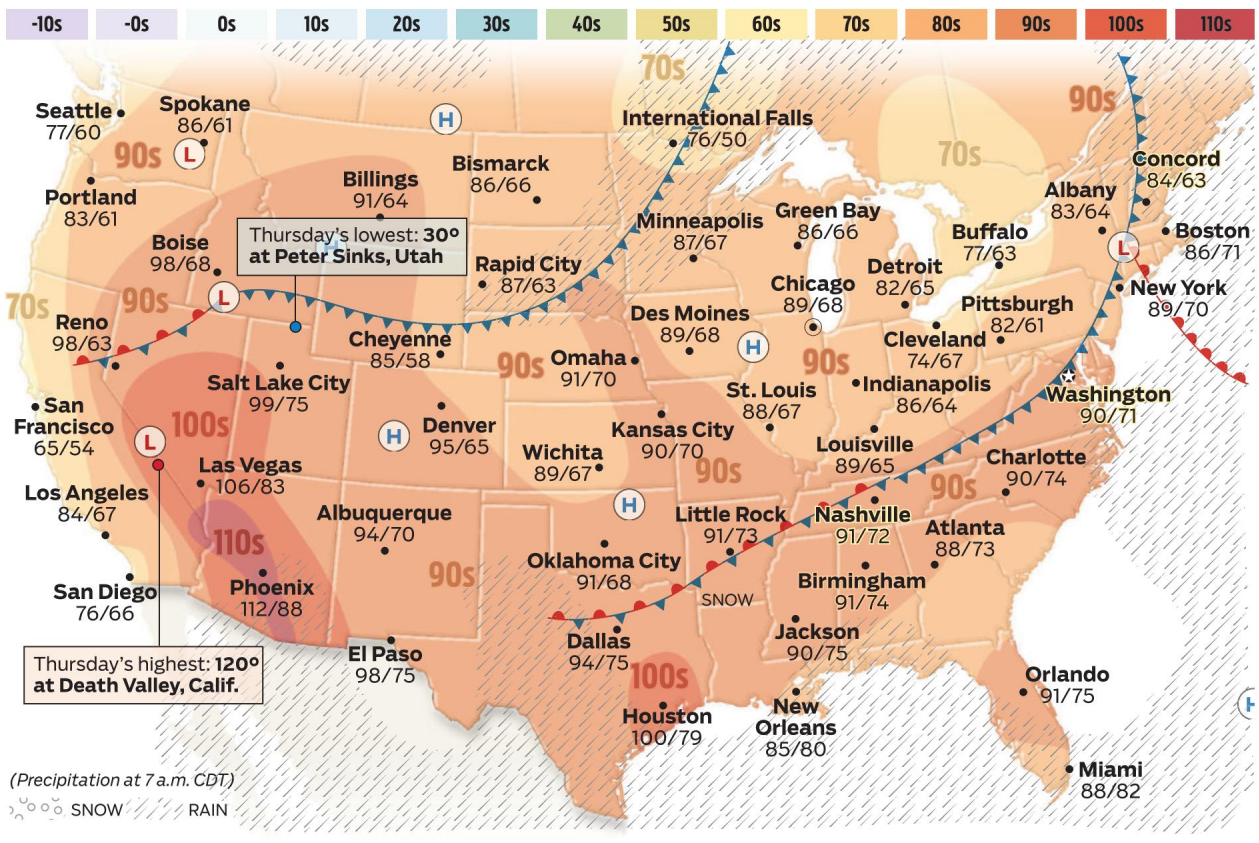
■ Dew points stay in the 50's keeping humidity lower until beginning to rise to the 60's during the late afternoon/evening.

■ NNE winds turn SSW 5-12 mph.

■ A few clouds develop overnight as the humidity rises.

■ Low in the upper 60's which may be the last time we have a nighttime temperature in the 60's for several days. SSW winds become WSW and increase to 10-18 mph.

NATIONAL FORECAST



After a beautiful Thursday, temperatures will warm significantly today. The high will be near 90 and will likely exceed 90 through the remainder of the forecast period. Long range forecasts have 90-degree temperatures continuing from this weekend through next weekend. The humidity will be somewhat comfortable today, but it will increase as the weekend arrives. Triple-digit heat index values may be common next week.

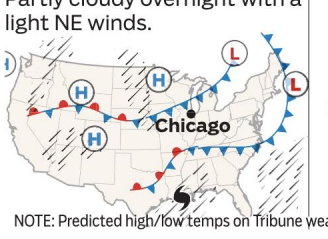
July sunshine has been abundant. Through Thursday, we have had 82% of the possible sunshine for the month. Through July 11th the normal sunshine percentage is 68%.

Tropical storm Barry in the Gulf of Mexico may produce life threatening storm surge and long duration heavy rainfall for Louisiana and may produce more than 15 inches of rain for New Orleans.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

HIGH	LOW
92	72

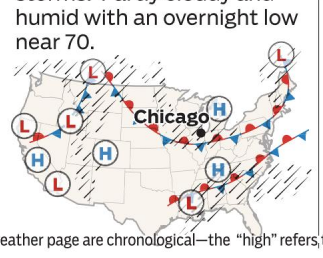
A mix of sun and clouds. Hot with higher humidity. An isolated afternoon t-storm possible. High in the low 90s but low 80s lakeside. WSW winds turn NE late afternoon. Partly cloudy overnight with a light NE winds.



SUNDAY, JULY 14

HIGH	LOW
92	71

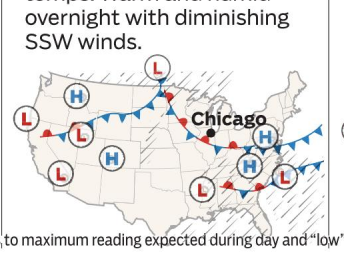
Partly cloudy, hot and muggy. High in the low 90s but cooler at the beaches with light east winds. Slight chance for scattered afternoon thunderstorms. Partly cloudy and humid with an overnight low near 70.



MONDAY, JULY 15

HIGH	LOW
95	73

Added heat and humidity with a heat index likely exceeding 100. High in the mid 90s as SW winds 8-12 mph help usher in warmer temps. Warm and humid overnight with diminishing SSW winds.



TUESDAY, JULY 16

HIGH	LOW
94	75

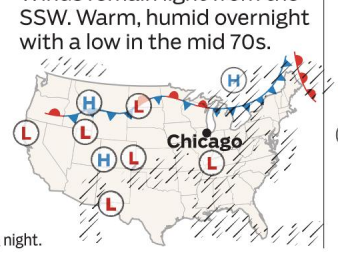
High in the mid 90s. Hot and humid. A chance for isolated afternoon t-storms. Light SSW winds. Uncomfortable sleeping weather as humidity remains high overnight. Low in the mid 70s, roughly 10° above normal.



WEDNESDAY, JULY 17

HIGH	LOW
94	76

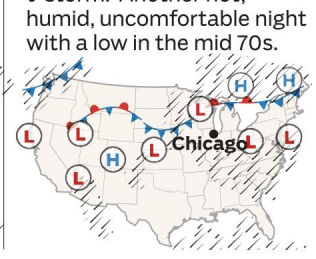
Mostly sunny, hot and humid. High in the mid 90s with the heat index likely reaching at least 100. Slight chance of an isolated afternoon t-storm. Winds remain light from the SSW. Warm, humid overnight with a low in the mid 70s.



THURSDAY, JULY 18

HIGH	LOW
94	76

Hazy, hot and humid with partly cloudy skies. Highs in the mid 90s with the heat index in triple-digits. A slight chance for an isolated t-storm. Another hot, humid, uncomfortable night with a low in the mid 70s.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,

When was the last time Chicago recorded a 100-degree temperature?

Thanks.

Larry Silver

Dear Larry,

It's been seven years since the city reached an official triple-digit temperature, when a high of 103 was recorded on July 6, 2012. It was the last of four that summer, that started with a high of 100 on June 28, followed by highs of 102 and pair of 103s on July 4-6. The city's only other 100-degree high this century was 102 on July 24, 2005. Dating to 1871, Chicago has logged just 65 triple-digit days, with the 1988 drought summer logging the most with seven. The city's earliest 100 was a high of 102 on June 1, 1934, and the latest, 100 degrees on Sept. 7, 1960. Chicago's all-time official highest temperature was 105 on July 24, 1934, but, though not official, Midway recorded 109 degrees the day before.

Write to: ASK TOM
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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Heat in Chicago as 'Barry' churns in the Gulf

JULY 2019 HEAT

First 10 days of July tied for 13th-warmest average temperature

Mean average temp over the past 148 years

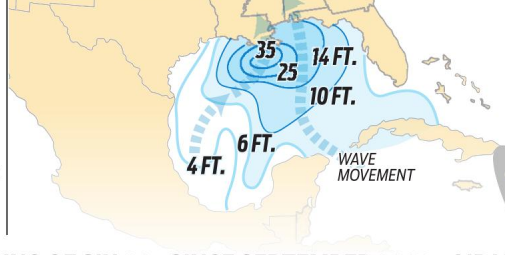
77.8°

■ Last year (2018) July 1-10 was tied for the 11th- warmest first 10 days of July (77.9°)

TROPICAL STORM BARRY'S WAVES TO FAN OVER MOST OF THE GULF OF MEXICO

Saturday 7 a.m. maximum wave forecast

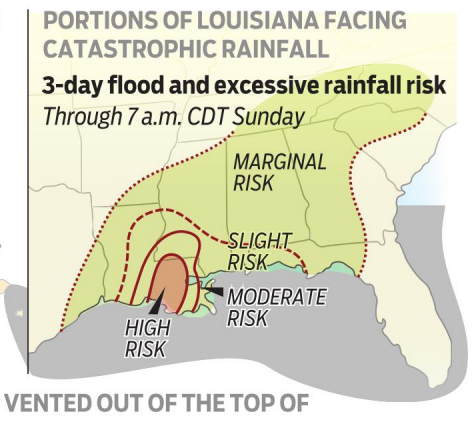
(Wave height in feet)



PORTIONS OF LOUISIANA FACING CATASTROPHIC RAINFALL

3-day flood and excessive rainfall risk

Through 7 a.m. CDT Sunday



FIRST TIME WE HAVE STRING OF SIX 90s SINCE SEPTEMBER 2017

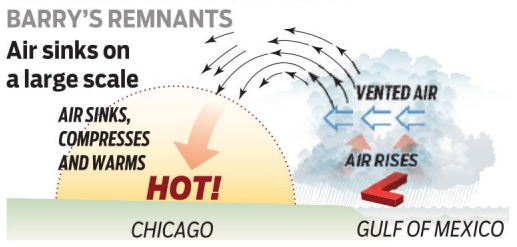
Nearly 2 years since Chicago has experienced 6 consecutive 90s

The 7 day forecast has 90 degree or higher temperatures from Saturday through Thursday. The last time we had at least 6 consecutive 90 degree days was on Sept. 20-26, 2017.



AIR VENTED OUT OF THE TOP OF BARRY'S REMNANTS

Air sinks on a large scale



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

TOM SKILLING, MARK CARROLL, BILL SNYDER, KASEY REGNER, THOMAS VALLE / WGN-TV

CHICAGO DIGEST

THURSDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	85	64	Midway	82	71
Gary	77	66	O'Hare	82	70
Kankakee	84	68	Romeoville	83	68
Lakefront	77	68	Valparaiso	81	70
Lansing	79	67	Waukegan	77	64

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Thu. (through 4 p.m.)	0.00"	0.12"
July to date	0.90"	4.64"
Year to date	25.08"	17.72"

FRIDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS	
7 a.m.	1 hours, 55 minutes
1 p.m.*	17 minutes
4 p.m.	43 minutes

SOURCE: Clear Skin Dermatology; Dr. Bryan Schultz
*Peak intensity

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Wind	NE/SE 5-14 kts.	W/NE 6-16 kts.
Waves	1-3 feet	1-3 feet
Thu. shore/crib water temps	77°/66°	

THURSDAY PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	0
Grass	Moderate
Mold	High
Ragweed	0
Weed	Moderate

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Count, Dr. Rachna Shah

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Thursday's reading	Good
Friday's forecast	Moderate
Critical pollutant	Ozone

FRIDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	5:26 a.m.	8:26 p.m.
Moon	4:43 p.m.	2:48 a.m.

FULL	3RD Q	NEW	1ST Q
July 16	July 24	July 31	Aug. 7

THURSDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	6:49 a.m.	8:48 p.m.
Venus	4:43 a.m.	7:52 p.m.
Mars	6:49 a.m.	9:25 p.m.
Jupiter	5:49 p.m.	3:07 a.m.
Saturn	8:03 p.m.	5:22 a.m.

BEST VIEWING	TIME	DIRECTION
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	Not visible	
Mars	Not visible	
Jupiter	10:30 p.m.	26° S
Saturn	12:45 a.m.	26° S

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

MIDWEST CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois						
Carbondale	pc	88	61	su	91	70
Champaign	su	85	63	pc	91	67
Decatur	su	85	64	su	89	68
Moline	su	88	70	pc	90	72
Peoria	su	87	66	pc	91	70
Quincy	su	88	67	su	91	70
Rockford	su	86	69	ts	88	67
Springfield	su	86	64	su	90	68
Sterling	su	86	67	pc	87	68
Indiana						
Bloomington	su	85	61	su	91	67
Evansville	su	88	63	su	91	70
Fort Wayne	su	84	63	pc	91	66
Indianapolis	su	86	64	su	91	69
Lafayette	su	84	60	pc	90	67
South Bend	su	80	65	pc	86	64
Wisconsin						
Green Bay	pc	86	66	su	83	60
Kenosha	su	81	69	ts	82	64
La Crosse	pc	88	69	pc	85	67
Madison	su	86	69	pc	86	64
Milwaukee	su	86	70	pc	83	63
Wausau	pc	84	61	su	81	58
Michigan						
Detroit	pc	82	65	ts	87	63
Grand Rapids	su	83	67	pc	87	60
Marquette	ts	84	59	su	71	56
St. Ste. Marie	pc	80	57	pc	69	50
Traverse City	pc	83	65	pc	76	55
Iowa						
Ames	su	88	67	pc	89	69
Cedar Rapids	su	86	68	pc	88	69
Des Moines	su	89	68	pc	92	71
Dubuque	su	87	69	pc	86	68

OTHER U.S. CITIES

FRI./SAT.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	pc	93	67	pc	92	70
Albany	pc	83	64	su	90	66
Albuquerque	pc	94	70	pc	94	69
Amarillo	pc	94	63	su	92	63
Anchorage	pc	68	56	pc	68	56
Asheville	ts	82	66	ts	83	65
Aspen	ts	81	51	ts	80	51
Atlanta	ts	88	73	ts	86	72
Atlantic City	pc	89	70	su	86	72
Austin	pc	97	75	pc	95	77
Baltimore	su	91	71	su	91	75
Billings	pc	91	64	pc	93	64
Birmingham	ts	91	74	ts	85	73
Bismarck	pc	86	66	pc	91	70
Boise	su	98	68	su	97	64
Boston	ts	86	71	su	88	74
Brownsville	pc	98	80	pc	99	81
Buffalo	pc	77	63	pc	81	60
Burlington	sh	82	62	pc	88	64
Charlotte	ts	90	74	ts	93	73
Charlstn SC	pc	87	76	ts	87	75
Charlstn WV	ts	87	65	su	89	66
Chattanooga	ts	88	73	ts	87	72
Cheyenne	ts	85	58	pc	86	61
Cincinnati	su	87	64	su	90	68
Cleveland	pc	74	67	pc	84	69
Colo. Spgs	pc	90	61	pc	91	61
Columbia MO	pc	88	66	su	91	70
Columbia SC	ts	92	75	ts	92	74
Columbus	pc	84	63	su	90	70
Concord	ts	84	63	su	89	64
Crps Christi	pc	97	79	pc	97	80
Dallas	su	94	75	pc	95	76
Daytona Bch.	ts	89	73	ts	89	75
Denver	pc	95	65	pc	94	66
Duluth	ts	84	60	pc	77	62
El Paso	pc	98	75	pc	99	77
Fairbanks	sh	67	57	rn	73	56
Fargo	su	84	63	pc	86	68
Flagstaff	cl	82	53	pc	81	52
Fort Myers	ts	88	75	ts	92	74
Fort Smith	pc	89	71	pc	92	74
Fresno	su	103	72	su	105	72
Grand Junc.	pc	99	67	pc	96	66
Great Falls	pc	87	61	ts	90	60
Harrisburg	su	87	65	su	91	71
Hartford	ts	86	66	su	90	70
Helena	pc	88	60	ts	88	59
Honolulu	pc	88	76	su	89	76
Houston	pc	100	79	pc	95	79
Int'l Falls	pc	76	50	pc	82	60
Jackson	ts	90	75	ts	83	72
Jacksonville	ts	91	76	ts	91	78
Juneau	sh	61	53	sh	64	54
Kansas City	su	90	70	su	93	72
Las Vegas	pc	106	83	pc	107	82
Lexington	pc	88	65	su	91	69
Lincoln	pc	93	68	pc	94	70
Little Rock	su	91	73	ts	91	72
Los Angeles	su	84	67	su	87	67
Louisville	su	89	65	su	92	70
Macon	ts	91	74	ts	85	73
Memphis	pc	90	75	ts	90	74
Miami	ts	88	82	pc	89	82
Minneapolis	pc	87	67	pc	86	69
Mobile	ts	86	79	ts	84	79
Montgomery	ts	89	74	ts	84	73
Nashville	pc	91	72	ts	90	73
New Orleans	ts	85	80	ts	82	77
New York	pc	89	70	su	90	75
Norfolk	ts	92	74	pc	90	74
Okla. City	su	91	68	su	93	72
Omaha	pc	91	70	pc	93	73
Orlando	ts	91	75	ts	92	77
Palm Beach	ts	89	80	ts	90	80
Palm Springs	su	115	85	pc	115	82
Philadelphia	pc	89	70	su	89	73
Phoenix	pc	112	88	pc	111	89
Pittsburgh	pc	82	61	su	86	68
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Providence	ts	87	68	su	90	70
Raleigh	ts	91	73	pc	94	73
Rapid City	pc	87	63	pc	88	66
Reno	su	98	63	su	96	60
Richmond	pc	92	72	su	93	72
Rochester	pc	76	62	pc	86	60
Sacramento	su	97	61	su	98	60
Salem, Ore.	pc	83	59	pc	79	57
Salt Lake City	pc	99	75	pc	98	74
San Antonio	pc	98	76	pc	98	79
San Diego	pc	76	66	pc	77	65
San Francisco	pc	65	54	pc	67	55
San Juan	pc	88	79	pc	88	79
Santa Fe	pc	86	62	ts	83	59
Savannah	ts	92	74	ts	91	74
Seattle	pc	77	60	cl	74	60
Shreveport	pc	94	78	ts	88	75
Sioux Falls	pc	90	71	pc	89	72
Spokane	pc	86	61	pc	88	60
St. Louis	su	88	67	su	92	70
Syracuse	sh	77	61	pc	87	61
Tallahassee	ts	86	75	ts	90	75
Tampa	ts	86	77	sh	93	78
Topeka	su	89	66	su	92	69
Tucson	pc	105	80	pc	105	78
Tulsa	su	89	70	su	92	73
Washington	pc	90	71	su	92	75
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Yuma	pc	114	85	su	111	83

WORLD CITIES

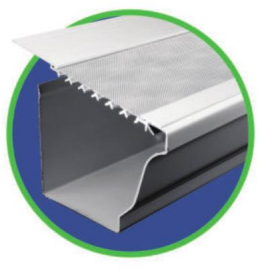
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Acapulco	pc	87	76
Algiers	su	100	74
Amsterdam	sh	67	59
Ankara	pc	77	51
Athens	su	86	70
Auckland	pc	60	55
Baghdad	su	113	82
Bangkok	pc	93	79
Barbados	sh	84	79
Barcelona	su	83	71
Beijing	pc	95	73
Beirut	pc	88	77
Berlin	rn	69	56
Bermuda	pc	82	77
Bogota	cl	65	49
Brussels	ts	69	55
Bucharest	pc	77	57
Budapest	sh	72	55
Buenos Aires	pc	61	38
Cairo	su	105	76
Cancun	cl	90	80
Caracas	ts	75	64
Casablanca	pc	78	66
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Edmonton	pc	76	56
Frankfurt	rn	69	56
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Angelica Grace, second right, leads other performers in rehearsal for About Face Youth Theatre's upcoming production, "20/20."

AN ART UNTO ITSELF

About Face Youth Theatre's '20/20' presents a living, breathing queer retrospective

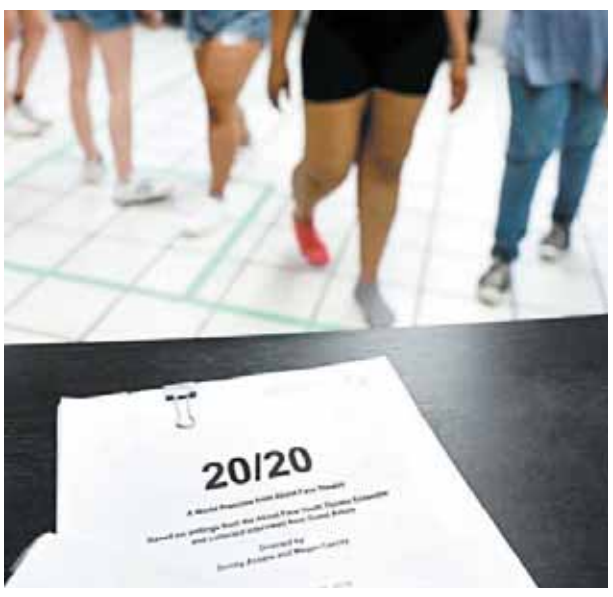
By Nicole Blackwood

In the About Face Youth Theatre rehearsal space, a group of 12 actors, age 13 to 24, stand in a circle. They're in the preliminary stages of choreography, and the evening has been a staccato start-stop of music and intermittent movement. As the ensemble moves forward and backward, maintaining a careful ring formation, someone jokes, "This is the '80s; we should do the Macarena." An anachronism, but laughter follows at the mention of the short-lived 1993 dance craze. Megan Carney, artistic director of About Face, looks up from a script.

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Megan Carney, center, looks on as Lucian Sheldon-Wesley, left, and Lily Rubin rehearse. Carney is the theater's artistic director and the co-director of the production.



Members of About Face Youth Theatre rehearse.



Micah Manternach, left, and Sharon Pasia practice for the show on July 3.

Take 5

By Adam Lukach

1. Green street fest: Fans of foliage might enjoy this weekend's Bucktown Garden Walk, which features self-guided tours of gardens in the Bucktown area. For the foliage-neutral, the event is also a block party with plenty of food, drink and live music. *10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Churchill Park, 1825 N. Damen Ave., free; bucktown.org/gardenwalk*

2. 80 years of candles: Celebrate a special 80th birthday for the Hyde Park Art Center this weekend. The daylong celebration will feature free artmaking opportunities and demos, new exhibitions, music and more; plus, there's free parking. *9 a.m.-7 p.m. Saturday, Hyde Park Art Center, 5020 S. Cornell Ave., free; hydeparkart.org*

3. Phishing trips: Trey Anastasio and Phish will be in nearby Wisconsin for three nights this weekend, and although it's a three-hour-plus round-trip, at least you know the group will make it worth your time. *7 p.m. Friday through Sunday, Alpine Valley Music Theatre, 2699 County Road D, East Troy, Wis., $45-$251; livenation.com*

4. Summertime soundtrack: The V103 Summer Block Party returns for its fourth annual edition this year, touting a lineup that includes Jill Scott, Anthony Hamilton, Mase, Carl Thomas and more. *6 p.m. Saturday, Huntington Bank Pavilion at Northerly Island, 1300 S. Linn White Drive, $101-$256; concerts1.livenation.com*

5. 'West Side' by northeast side: If you missed "West Side Story" at Lyric Opera, or just really love it, the Chicago Symphony Orchestra will perform the works at Ravinia Festival this weekend. *8 p.m. Friday, Ravinia, 200 Ravinia Park Road, Highland Park, $25-$90; ravinia.org*

Fest planner

By Natalie Wade

Taste of Chicago: Why settle for just one restaurant when you can try them all? This week you don't have to because Taste of Chicago is back. Every year Grant Park hosts the world's largest food festival, where you can experience the smells and flavors of a dining community as diverse as the city itself. Don't worry, there's drink and entertainment too. Entertainment includes two music stages — one showcasing headliners like De La Soul (July 12) and Joywave (July 13) and another featuring local artists — dance lessons, cooking demos, a silent disco and a theater garden that offers performances by Second City and Porchlight Music Theater. *July 10-14, Loop, free (but must pay for food tickets)*

Irish American Heritage Festival: They may not be dyeing the river green, but this is the real deal. Enjoy Irish music, dance and family activities. Main stage headliners include The Prodigals (July 13-14) and Tupelo (July 13-14) and there are many more folk bands, dance troupes, comedy showcases and cultural demonstrations to explore. Learn how to dance the Siege of Ennis or participate in the Young Irish Fellowship Bags Tournament. *July 12-14, Irving Park, $10, $15 day-of*

Windy City Smokeout: Bands, beer and barbecue go hand in hand in the summer. Twenty different pitmasters from across the country converge at the Windy City Smokeout, which is in a new location this year: the parking lot at the United Center. Get your hands on different meats and sauces and wash it down with a beer, tapped from your choice of various national and local breweries, all while listening to different country artists. Performers include Jimmie Allen (July 12), Lanco (July 13) and Ashley McBryde (July 14). *July 12-14, Near West Side, ticket prices vary: single day $40-$50; single day VIP $160-$225; three-day $115; three-day VIP $600.*

Outside Experience: This indoor festival will showcase new products and interactive demos for all types of outdoor activities, with 12 different zones where you can try climbing, mountain biking, camping or even paddling Lake Michigan in one of their kayaks. The fest will also feature craft distilleries and breweries, whiskey sampling, live musical performances and an adventure film festival. *July 13-14, Near South Side, $20 for adults; $10 for kids*

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TURN IT UP

Playing with the contrast of darkness, light

Andrew Bird still whistling while he works, even when the tunes get heavy

By Allison Stewart

After the 2016 election, singer-songwriter-violinist Andrew Bird began mulling over what would eventually become "My Finest Work Yet," his uncharacteristically political new album.

"Finest" applies most of the standard features of Bird's work — elegance, whimsy, whistling — to a grouping of songs about political division and climate change.

In a phone interview ahead of his Tuesday Chicago Theatre show, Bird, a Lake Forest native who graduated from Northwestern and Squirrel Nut Zippers before launching his solo career (he now lives in Los Angeles), talked about the dangers of getting political, the perils of earnestness and why he wouldn't have lasted long in Fleetwood Mac.

The following is an edited version of that conversation:

Q: You started putting this album together after the election, right?

A: In the fall of 2016 I started thinking about it, but it was really when the whole Charlottesville thing happened. After the election it was more like hysteria in the streets among friends. I had an old friend come up to me and say, "You have to do something. You have a voice, you have a duty." And I was like, "Hold on, take a deep breath."

You hear that a lot: Artists have a duty to do this and that. Truth is, we don't. It would be so conspicuous to not address it if it's so prevalent in your environment. If you're paying any attention, it's going to come out in your art, but the art comes first. Feeling like you have a job to do, it's not necessarily how the creative process works.

Q: How do you balance wanting to make something that's timeless but also speaks to the moment?

A: I've learned that current events don't play so well lyrically. Naming names and dates, you lose people right away. But if you find different allegorical ways of saying things — throughout history there's fables and parables that help us understand why things are happening. I tend to look to moments of more recent history, like the Spanish Civil War, looking for parallels to help us understand why this is happening, and how to fix it.



AMANDA DEMME

Lake Forest-raised singer and violinist Andrew Bird gets topical on his new album.

But if you address it head-on in an earnest way, you really are going to lose people. The music has to be as appealing as possible. It has to be universal, but not dumbed down. Essentially, you just know it when you hear it. You get a sense if you're going to make people's eyes glaze over.

Q: Are there a lot of MAGA people in your fan base?

A: No, but I don't assume that there aren't those people that don't agree with me or don't share my views. I don't assume that I've just got my choir, and I'm going to tell them what they want to hear. We've got enough of that feedback loop going on as it is. So the real hope with this record is that I'll get beyond the choir and at least change the conversation we're having.

Q: Do you get people coming up to you after shows and saying the nice equivalent of "Shut up and sing"?

A: No, no one's said that to my face. They say stuff like that online; I've heard that in online forums. My fans are incredibly nice.

Even the ones that don't agree with me, they'll say, "I don't agree with you, Andrew, but I sure do love your music." That's the most contentious thing I've heard.

Q: This album seems funny and open and optimistic. You'd think it would be more depressing.

A: I think if you recited the lyrics they would sound pretty serious and heavy, but the music is pretty optimistic and uplifting. I don't tend to underscore my lyrics with the appropriate mood music. It's a bit redundant. If your lyrics are dark and your music is dark, it's not that interesting.

I've been playing with that contrast of darkness and light from the beginning, and that contrast creates humor in itself and a levity that is much needed.

Q: You've discussed your impatience with endless knob twirling in the studio, and how long things could take — you were complaining because something took three days. You never would have lasted in Fleetwood Mac in the '70s.

A: No. It took them three days to get a drum sound. I do fetishize and enjoy the studio thing and the old equipment. I love it, but I start to lose my mind after three or four days. I enjoy the performance and the challenge of it, but once the performance is over, I really want to do something else.

"I make things harder than they have to be in the studio. I can afford to take all this time, but I still watch the clock: "We've only got three minutes of tape left on this reel, but the song is three minutes and 15 seconds. Are we going to make it?" I still make records like I'm broke.

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LOCAL SOUNDS

Kaina uses her voice to give vibrant life to a song

By Britt Julious

Kaina Castillo is on a mission. And it's been a long time coming.

A burgeoning singer-songwriter, Castillo (who simply performs as Kaina) has quietly made a name for herself among her local industry peers for her warm, astute vocals that seem to give life to a song. She's often made appearances on other people's tracks, collaborating with artists such as Saba and the O'Mys.

But reaching the point of a full-length album (her debut, "Next to the Sun," dropped this week) took some time.

A mixture of things held her back. Castillo is an honest musician, almost to a fault. Her desire to speak openly and vulnerably about her emotions and inner workings forms the backbone of her music. Where other artists might skirt around narratives, the 23-year-old Castillo confronts them head-on, not bluntly but with clear intent often missing from the work of other artists her age.

"The album is documentation of a lot of self-work that I did," Castillo said. "I've always been a vulnerable artist. I've always had a lot of really intimate feelings to share, but it's a young and naive feeling to think you can only share the good ones with people.

"I felt for a very long time that my intent as an artist was to be a vessel for people's emotions and to uplift people. I still want to do that, but it's kind of a young and naive thought to think that the only way to do that is to be positive."

Castillo also was unsure of her work as a producer.

"Most of the songs started out as what I would call 'crappy beats' " she said. "At the time, I was just trying to challenge myself to make something because I was in a slump. "

Castillo often stayed up until 3 a.m. working on these "crappy beats," but mainly keeping them to herself, at least until she was encouraged to keep going by her frequent collaborator, musician Sen Morimoto.

"He showed me how to build something," she said. "I have so many ideas but not the proper language to translate them. Making these 'crappy beats' was my way of trying to get these ideas out and execute them. My potential as a producer is larger than I think it is."

And it is because of that honesty and vulnerability that so many are now taking an interest in Castillo's work. She's gained media attention from the likes of Clash and The FADER, and will tour with The O'Mys later this summer.



DDESIGNS

Kaina Castillo will tour with The O'Mys later this summer.

When: 6:30 p.m. Sunday

Where: Lincoln Hall, 2424 N. Lincoln Ave.

Tickets: $12-$15, all ages; lh-st.com

"Next to the Sun" is nothing short of a cross-genre feat of beauty. Early single "Ghost" is a clever mix of sonic pleasures, from acoustic guitars to spindly synthetic beats to Kaina's vocals, which oscillate between resilience and sensitivity.

"Could Be a Curse," featuring Morimoto, is a dreamy, downbeat, multilingual slow-burner that washes over the listener. "Green" is a stunning interplay of handclaps and Castillo's warm, lovely voice. The album lyrically begins with Kaina frazzled and confused about her direction and identity, and ends in a place, like on album closer "Green," about validating and not questioning your feelings.

All the time, effort and emotional fortitude to reach this moment was worth it.

"It's cool that it started with such a small seed, but a lot of the energy stayed the same," Castillo said. "Toward the end, I saw how such a small thing could become big and grand and beautiful."

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13th Chicago Latin Jazz Festival turns to women



Howard Reich
On Music

Chicago music lovers will notice something different about the 13th Chicago Latin Jazz Festival, running this weekend at the Humboldt Park Boathouse and Navy Pier: A spotlight on women.

Out of five bands to be featured, three either will be led or staffed entirely by women.

In the still male-dominated world of jazz, that's a development worth noting and celebrating.

"This is the first time we've had women in the spotlight," says Carlos Flores, artistic director of the festival, which is produced by the Jazz Institute of Chicago in conjunction with the Chicago Park District.

"We've been talking about doing this in the last couple of years."

Women already had been playing increasingly prominent role at the festival, adds Flores, but "not as leaders."

That changes with this event, which will feature a widely admired ensemble, flutist-saxophonist Jane Bunnett fronting Maqueque, a band the Canadian musician staffs with female Cuban musicians.

"I'm actually really surprised that it took me so long," Bunnett told me in 2016 of creating this band ("maqueque" means "the spirit of a young girl" in an ancient Afro-Cuban dialect).

"So many (Cuban) musicians have passed through our (Spirits of Havana) group that have gone on to stellar careers," added Bunnett, referring to an earlier ensemble. "David Virelles, Dafnis Prieto, all these people.

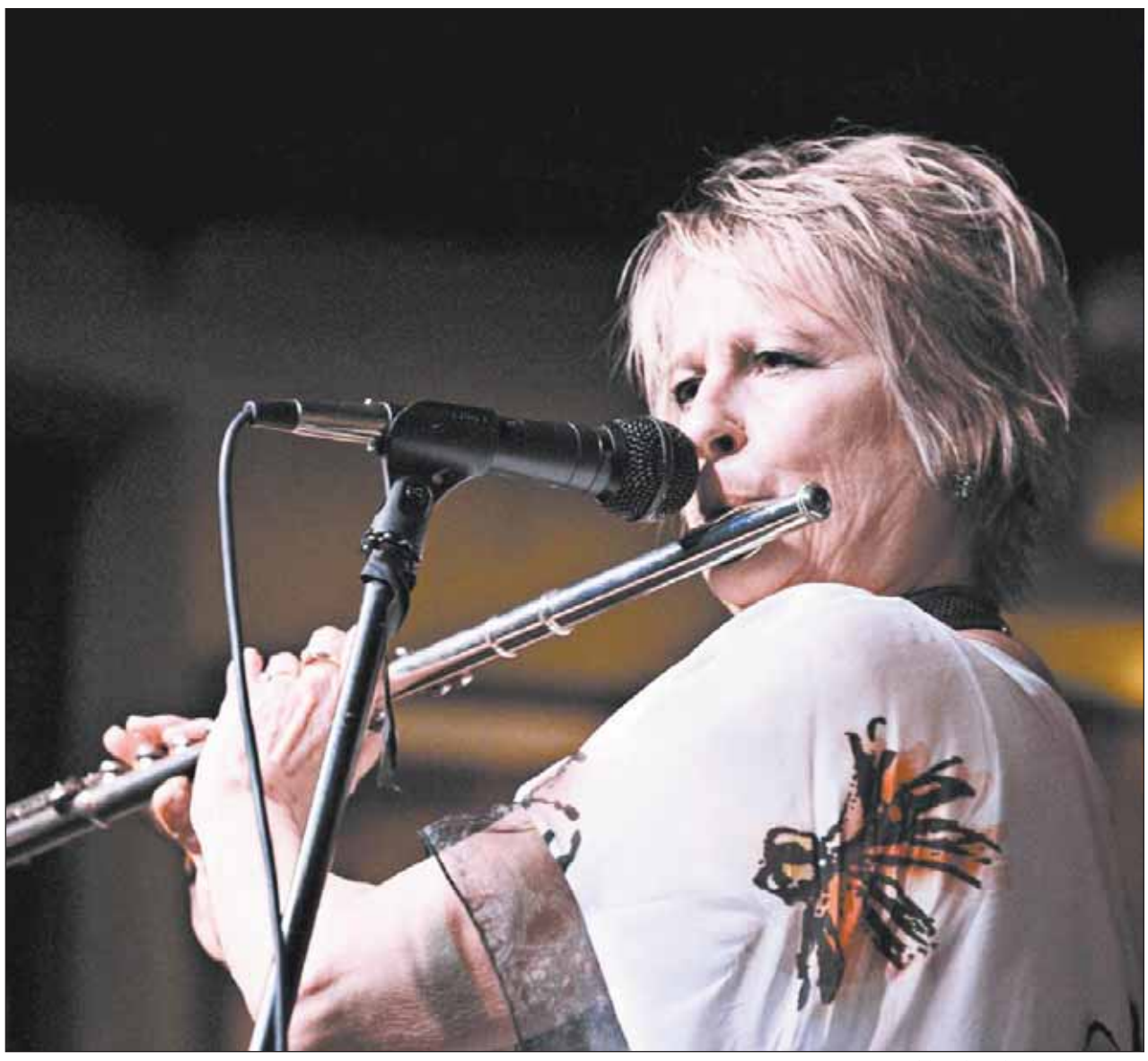
"And I realized at one point that we'd been working in the conservatories and taking instruments down to Cuba, and about 75% of the conservatories there were full of young women who basically got a good 15 years of training — and then never seemed to go out into the professional world with music.

"And Larry (Cramer, Bunnett's husband) pointed out that we have not really helped any young women in the group, and then we made a concerted effort."

Anyone who doubts the value of that campaign can check out Jane Bunnett and Maqueque's eponymous debut album (2014) or its follow-up, "Oddara" (2016), each an enticing merger of ancient and contemporary Afro-Cuban musical idioms.

That Bunnett and Maqueque should headline the Chicago Latin Jazz Festival this year seems wholly appropriate, the engagement topping the event's spotlight on women in jazz.

Also on the bill: Havana singer Melvis Santa, a former member of Maqueque, with her New York quartet Ashedi; and Nythia Martinez, a Chicago singer-pianist-educator who will duet with former Chicago pianist Darwin Noguera.



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Jane Bunnett will lead the Cuban band Maqueque this weekend during the 13th Chicago Latin Jazz Festival.

If there's another theme to this year's Chicago Latin Jazz Festival, it's a homage to trumpeter-percussionist Jerry Gonzalez, who expanded the meaning and context of Latin jazz through his Fort Apache band and other efforts. He died last year in Madrid at age 69 from smoke inhalation during a fire in his home in Spain.

The aforementioned Melvis Santa will pay tribute to Gonzalez in her set, as will Chicago trumpeter Victor Garcia and the Chicago Latin Jazz Collaborative.

"Jerry still has a fan base in Chicago — he played here since the early 1970s with Eddie Palmieri, Tito Puente and with his own band," says Flores. "The last time Jerry played in town was in 2012 at the Chicago Jazz Festival.

"That's why we're having Victor Garcia" saluting Gonzalez, adds Flores. "Jerry was one of his idols."

Also of note at this year's fest: the Fred Cantu Big Band, bringing large-ensemble jazz to the event for the first time, says Flores.

"It will blow a lot of people's minds away," says Flores, with characteristic enthusiasm.

Following is the complete lineup; admission is free; for details, visit www.jazzinchicago.org or phone 312-427-1676.

■ **Friday/Humboldt Park Boathouse,** 1301 N. Sacramento Ave. Melvis Santa and Ashedi: 7-8 p.m. Victor Garcia and Chicago Latin Jazz Collaborative's Tribute to Jerry Gonzalez: 8:15-9:45 p.m.

■ **Saturday/Humboldt Park Boathouse,** 1301 N. Sacramento Ave. Native America's Drum Tradition: Blackhawk Performance Company: 2:15-3:15 p.m. Latin Jazz Chat: Roy McGrath interviews Alejo Poveda: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Fred Cantu Big Band: 5:30-6:30 p.m. Nythia Martinez and Darwin Noguera: 6:50-7:50 p.m. Jane Bunnett and Maqueque: 8:10-9:30 p.m.

■ **Sunday/Navy Pier,** 600 E. Grand Ave. Victor Garcia and Chicago Latin Jazz Collaborative's Tribute to Jerry Gonzalez: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Jane Bunnett and Maqueque: 5-6 p.m.

20th century titans

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra will play music by three 20th century giants this weekend. Lionel Bringuier will conduct the CSO in Ravel's "Mother Goose" Suite, Stravinsky's "The Firebird" Suite (1919 version) and Gershwin's "Cuban Overture" and Concerto in F, with Jean-Yves Thibaudet as piano soloist. 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the Ravinia Festival, near Lake Cook and Green Bay Roads, Highland Park; $15 lawn; $35-$95 tickets; 847-266-5100 or www.ravinia.org.

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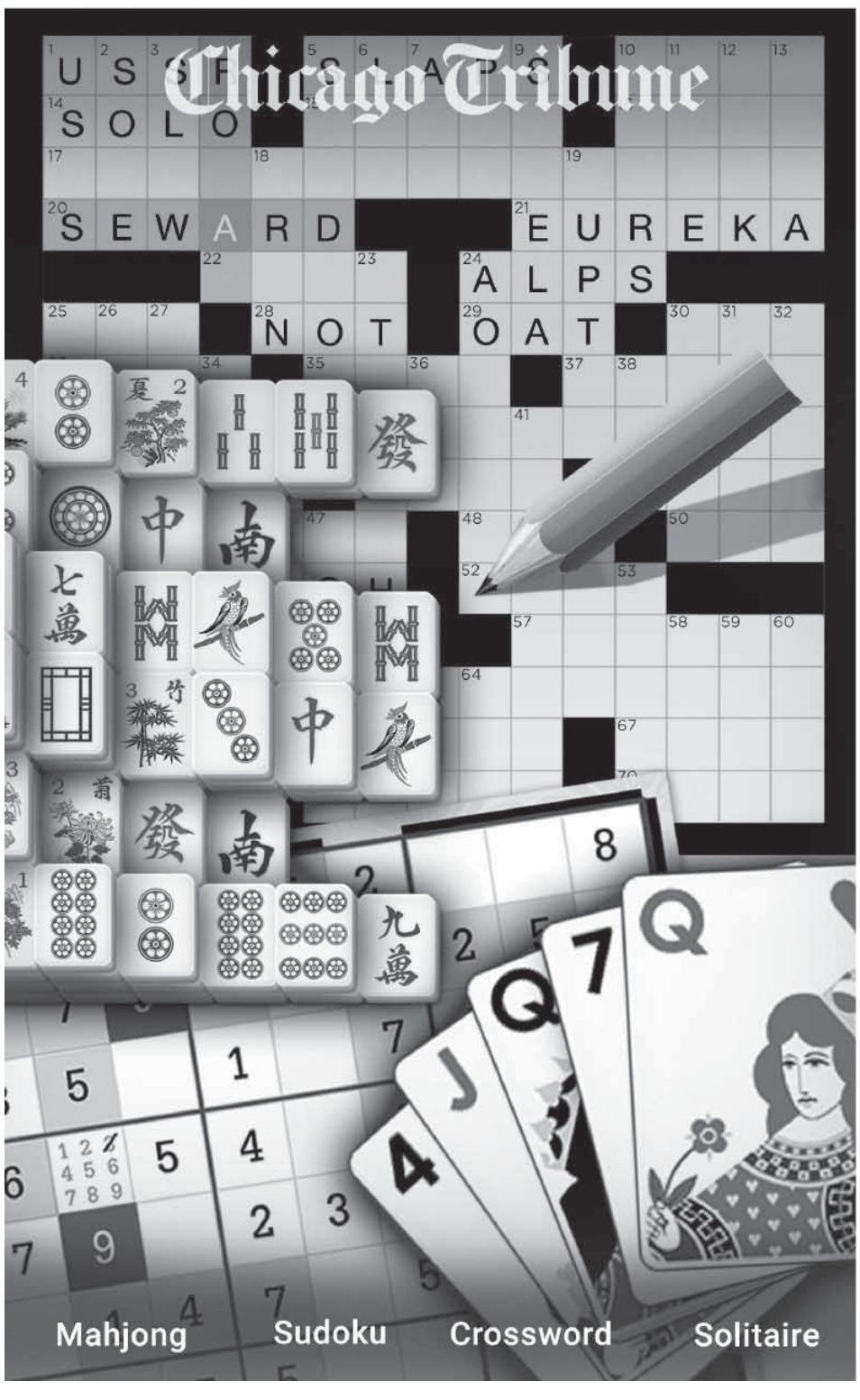
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'20/20'

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"How do so many of you know the Macarena?" she asks.

"How does anyone *not,*" one of the actors replies.

And the music starts again. This kind of interchange, the startled connection between generations, flows freely throughout rehearsal; it's at the center of everything the group strives to create. The final product, "20/20," premieres Friday — a theatrical celebration of About Face Youth Theatre's 20th anniversary and a look back at 20 years of queer history. The play is queer youth-driven and created, built through a combination of writing prompts, interviews with older members of the queer community and About Face's written archives from previous ensemble members. Structured through '80s ballroom culture, the show's categories include "Living in Color," "Eleganza Extravaganza," "Family," and, naturally, "Diana Ross."

In a political moment that both invites historical connection and sees itself as history in the making, performers must straddle the line between past and present. Hindsight is "20/20," but the title purposely oversimplifies: Eras bleed into one another, and there's no such thing as perfect clarity. The show allows for this gray area. Major landmark events, including the impact of HIV/AIDS, are dutifully attended to, but performers are given the opportunity to interweave their own stories.

Carney, who co-directed the show, recalled watching the youth ensemble open a box of paper archives, 20 years of writing prompts from About Face youth performers, and feeling the past press against her.

"It was a moment of time collapsing," Carney said, "and feeling like there is this family lineage that cuts across the community through these shared experiences."

Often, Carney said, queer youth aren't made fully aware of this lineage and the "rich culture they can tap into." And if they are, it's made to seem more distant than it is, a cast of ancient, unreachable characters with no connection to the youth of today. Though co-director Donny Acosta said that millennials in 2019 are more vocal and interested in intersectionality, 18-year-old performer Keyonna Jackson was startled by how little distinction there was between queer history and a queer present, what she saw as a stark reminder of how far the community still has to go.

"You can look through a story a queer person wrote in 1999 and you would think it was written last week, or a month ago, or a year," Jackson said. "It's kind of terrifying."

Still, there's something reassuring about intergenerational solidarity, particularly between young adults; no feeling is truly unique, even if it's personal. This is, Jackson said, what pride is actually about — not a parade, not a corporate-sponsored party, but making a particular narrative visible to those who might otherwise believe themselves to be alone. Prior to joining About Face Youth Theatre, Jackson's main window into her community was perusing stories on Reddit forums. Making those stories public for an audience, placing them in the spotlight, is a surer means of connection.

"When it comes to the Internet, you can quickly click away," Jackson said. "But when it's right in front of you, you're kind of forced to hear it, you're kind of forced to listen, you're kind of forced to watch." The show, its own microcosmic community — actor Jaden Salazar described the cast as "another family" — is a service, a means of education and an art unto itself. Actor Nina Cajuste described '20/20' as simultaneous performance and storytelling, uniquely honest; actors portray both themselves and those their generation succeeded.

"I always have to search for a place to relate to the characters I've acted before," Cajuste said. "But now that I'm acting as myself, it's a lot easier to tell my story and let my body react to it than it is to play Macduff and have to relate to some old white guy." Jackson agreed; she's still acting, but she's also "telling a story that is mine, my story, and the story of those who came before me." She may not be the older gay man she plays, but she knows him in a way she might not know another character. This, Cajuste said, is part of the challenge of creating the play as an ensemble: individual stories have to feel relevant and vital to other performers.

"Just last night I had to turn in a piece and I changed it, like, five times," Cajuste said. "I was like, this won't help anybody in an audience, and this won't help support everyone's stories. I've never had to think about that before."

If no story is unique, the personal is communal — and if the past is like the present, then we're only ever moving forward. What a difficult realization; what an extraordinary relief.

"At the core of this, we're looking to gather some hope from the past," Carney said. "There's sometimes a perception that things got so much better, and now we're rolling back. But we've been here before, and we don't have to despair in this moment. We know how to create spaces that are life-affirming and really feed us."

On the wall of the rehearsal room, posters hang, both framed advertisements for years of About Face shows and brainstorming sheets for "20/20." Categories in the play have separate sheets, and under "Eleganza Extravaganza," colorful magic marker covers every inch. Scrawled in the center, a kind of manifesto: "We can't control the future but we can control right now." And the past, a living thing, hangs somewhere in the balance.

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Micah Manternach, second left, and Angelica Grace embrace while rehearsing for About Face Youth Theatre's "20/20," opening July 12.

When: 7:30 p.m., 3 p.m. July 12-28

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Tickets: $20 or pay what you can; aboutfacetheatre.com

COMEDY PREVIEW

Jimmy Dore uses media to make his comedic voice as loud as possible

By Chrissie Dickinson

Chicago native Jimmy Dore burst onto the city's booming comedy club scene of the late 1980s before relocating to Los Angeles in the mid-'90s.

Today the comedian-cum-social gadfly has become a potent political voice whose funny and caustic critiques of Wall Street, the military industrial complex, Big Pharma, political operatives and mainstream media has earned him over 200 million views on YouTube.

"I do a show in my garage — I'm a nightclub jag-off comedian," Dore says with a laugh, calling from California. "I actually have a following because people are hungry for the truth. I'm giving people something they can't get anywhere else."

Even with a DIY operation, Dore wields a mighty megaphone. His syndicated radio program "The Jimmy Dore Show" is carried nationwide on the Pacifica Network. Dore's YouTube channel features new videos on an almost-daily basis as well as a weekly live-stream. His live performances sell out theaters across the country.

Dore brings his political comedy show to Chicago for three performances. He plays one show at Thalia Hall on Saturday and two shows at Zanies Chicago on Sunday.

He'll be joined onstage by a panel of comics, including the "Miserable Liberal" Stef Zamorano (a writer and executive producer of the show), Ron Placone (a writer and producer of the show) and Graham Elwood (a filmmaker and host of the "Political Vigilante" channel on YouTube). The shows feature Dore and Co. playing video clips from mainstream news and commenting on them with wit and precision.

"It's like a live version of 'The Daily Show' when Jon Stewart did it, if Jon Stewart wasn't a millionaire and it wasn't funded by a huge corporation," he says. "We certainly tell more hard truths and we're just as funny.

On his show, Dore has joked that he is "the head of the toxic left." Indeed, he doesn't pull his political punches. As a progressive, he focuses a harsh light on the Democratic establishment.

"We make fun of politicians, and mostly we make fun of the politicians that we can have the most influence on, which is the Democrats," Dore says. "I'm very popular with people who are actual progressives, and ironically I'm popular with people on the right because they like that I tell the truth about the Democrats. But I'm not actually popular with the Democrats, which suits me just fine."

Dore also specializes in blistering commentaries on modern media and their coverage of everything from Russia-gate to potential war in Venezuela and Iran. His targets include major media personalities such as CNN anchor Jake Tapper and MSNBC's Rachel Maddow.

As a kid, Dore lived on Chicago's Southwest Side near 50th Street and Lawler Avenue, "a stone's throw from Midway Airport." Vittum Park was a half-block from his family's home.

He grew up with 11 siblings in a sprawling Polish-Irish Catholic family. Money was tight. The young Dore drank powdered milk and wore hand-me-down shoes. It was an experience that instilled a sense of empathy for the struggles of the working-class.

His father was a Chicago policeman who owned his own brickwork business on the side. All the kids worked for their father every summer. It was tough work in the heat, lifting bricks and mixing cement by hand. The sweat and toil of the blue-collar life left a deep impression on Dore.

"That work was eight hours a day in the sun, and guys do that every day," he observes. "I knew a lot of men who were bricklayers. They were 50 years old and looked 70. That job ages you."

As a kid, Dore became entranced by comedians on TV and developed an obsession for the craft of comedy.

"I watched comics the way other people watch magicians," he recalls. "'How do they do that?' It was always mesmerizing to me, but I didn't think I could do it myself."

He attended Illinois State University in Normal, but academia didn't excite him. He dropped out after three years and took a job driving a forklift, but that quickly proved unsatisfying. When Dore discovered Columbia College Chicago would take all his transfer credits, he enrolled in the school, eventually earning a degree in advertising with the goal of becoming a copywriter.

But an early interest had also returned, one that would change his career trajectory. During his time at college, Dore had found that cable channels were teeming with stand-up comics. His love of comedy came back to the fore of his life.

"I would watch those shows and think, 'I'm funnier than that guy. If that guy can do it on TV, I'm pretty sure I can do it in a club,' " Dore remembers with a laugh. "I was given the courage to do comedy by bad comedy."

It was 1989 and Chicago's comedy scene was booming.

"There were 14 full-time comedy clubs in the Chicago metropolitan area, within an hour's drive of downtown," Dore says. "It was an amazing, crazy time."

Dore started doing stand-up and quickly began earning a living. He was on his way as a comedian. But around 1993, he recalls, the comedy boom started going bust. Clubs began closing. Dore knew it was time for a change.

On Jan. 1, 1995, he got in his car and drove to Los Angeles for good. He quickly learned that live comedy was hurting in LA as well. It was a depressing period in the business, but a silver lining appeared when comics began performing in more unorthodox places.

"Comedians started doing comedy shows at alternative venues," Dore recalls. "Instead of going to a comedy club, you'd go to a coffee shop. It was kind of like the old days with jazz and how (stand-up comedy) got started in the first place. I moved out here right when that started, so I was lucky to be part of that."

Dore caught a break when the Chicago improv and sketch comedy group the Upright Citizens Brigade opened a theater in Los Angeles and asked him if he would do a show. Dore nervously accepted the challenge, knowing he'd have to stretch beyond his regular stand-up routine and create a theatrical comedy piece.

Inspiration hit in an unexpected way. Recuperating on the couch with a bad back, he watched a lot of television. He decided to do a show about the news to demonstrate "how ridiculous it was."

Dore came up with a simple format that featured him playing video clips while making humorous and biting remarks.

"That's how it all got started and it bled into my stand-up act," he says.

Since then Dore has been involved in numerous projects. He's starred in two Comedy Central specials and performed in the off-Broadway show "The Marijuana-Logues." He's written the book "Your Country Is Just Not That Into You" and did a stint on the political commentary show "The Young Turks."

He credits various online platforms for enabling comedians to connect directly with their fans.

"I think comedy is booming again because of podcasts and YouTube," he says. "Look at me — I'm a classic example of that.

"I've been on television since the day I got to Los Angeles. I've been on Comedy Central, A&E and (all the major networks). All that TV exposure didn't move a ticket. It wasn't until I started my podcast that people were able to connect with me. Now I'm selling out Thalia Hall."

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Comedian, political commentator and Chicago native Jimmy Dore returns to town for shows at Thalia Hall and Zanies Chicago.

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Where: Zanies Chicago, 1548 N. Wells St.

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"Tortello Burrata" is a handmade burrata pasta filled with tortello with sage, brown butter and hazelnut at Tortello restaurant in Chicago.

Handmade pasta-focused restaurant

By Grace Wong

After five years at Lula Cafe, it was time for Duncan Biddulph to leave. For the next seven months, he traveled through Italy, spending time in Abruzzo, Naples and Puglia, where he learned about the interdependent communities, tended livestock on self-sufficient farms and learned the key tenets of Italian eating — simplicity, seasonality and celebration.

Whether it was foraging for wild chicories, dandelion greens and fennel; milking sheep for fresh ricotta; or making pasta by hand, Biddulph was moved by the way people lived day-to-day and how the flavor palate was connected with the surroundings. For giant food holidays like Christmas or New Year's Eve, he sat down with 25 Italians and passed around a dizzying abundance of food, including truffles, which every person "just ate like an apple," he said.

"I thought it was amazing," Biddulph said.

It's this energy, passion and wonder that Biddulph is bringing as executive chef for Tortello, an Italian, handmade pasta-focused casual restaurant in Wicker Park, which opened July 1.

The restaurant is the realization of owner Dario Monni's childhood dream.

"What we're trying to bring to Tortello is a community, a sort of sharing table," Monni said. "There are a lot of families in the neighborhood and we want to open our doors to everybody and show them the simple food that Italy brings."

The idea of a small restaurant and shop was born out of Venetian mornings in Monni's grandmother's house, where the scent of coffee and sauce permeated the air and flour dusted the counters where she made enough fresh pasta to feed three hungry boys and the rest of her family every day. But despite growing up around shepherds, cheesemongers and butchers and working in the hospitality industry in London, Monni didn't feel the timing was right for his own venture until he met his wife, Jill Gray, who lived in Chicago.

Tortello is half restaurant and half specialty shop. The fresh handmade pastas and sauces you find in your orders can be bought by the pound to take home and there are also grab-and-go portions of lasagna and other pastas. But when you dine in, you'll be eating dishes that Biddulph and Davide Nardelli, a consultant whose grandmother was friends with Monni's grandmother, created together, referencing the two nonnas' recipe books. Tortello also brought in Lilla Simone, a handmade pasta expert from Puglia, who has shown staff how to make each shape and style. The intense commitment to technique is dying out in the States, Monni said, and he hopes Tortello will keep the tradition going.

Biddulph's favorite dish is the tortello di burrata, small dumplings filled with burrata and coated in a brown butter and sage sauce before being topped with toasted, chopped hazelnuts. He says it's the perfect representation of the simplicity and attention to detail that the shop embodies.

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NICHOLAS JAMES

LH Rooftop at LondonHouse on East Wacker Drive in Chicago.

EAT

While most people's appetites will be at the Taste of Chicago this weekend, you can still find stellar refreshments in a festive atmosphere in the Loop — even if you're not doing it at the Taste. For instance, at LH Rooftop all month long, the public can cool off with kakigori, a Japanese style of shaved ice, with flavors including black sesame, watermelon and more. Adding a spirit to create a kakigori cocktail is also an option. No matter the choice, LH always has a great view. *2-6 p.m. weekly Friday through Sunday through July 28, LH Rooftop, LondonHouse, 85 E. Wacker Drive, $10 kakigori, $4 alcohol add-in; londonhousechicago.com/rooftop*



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Revival Food Hall brings some of Chicago's best neighborhood food and drink to the Loop, and on certain Fridays, it brings in one of the city's craft breweries for an extended happy hour. This Friday is one of those First-ish Fridays, this time featuring West Town's On Tour Brewing Co. Pick up some special samples, other suds and brewery swag. Plus, the food vendors are open late if you're hungry. *5-9 p.m. Friday, Revival Food Hall, 125 S. Clark St., prices vary; revivalfoodhall.com*

WHERE TO EAT NOW

Restaurant reviews and profiles from Tribune food critic Phil Vettel, staff reporters and freelance writers. Reviewers make every effort to remain anonymous. Meals are paid for by the Tribune.

Swift and Sons The perfect consistency of the lobster bisque alone confirms that a serious chef (Chris Pandel, whose newest project is Fulton Market's Cira) is behind this steakhouse. The must-try protein is the beef Wellington, enveloped in a crust "branded" with the image of a cow. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Entrees $29-$105. *1000 W. Fulton Market, 312-733-9420. — Phil Vettel*

Tempesta Everything about Tempesta Market in West Town packs a punch. Tempesta is taking 'nduja — a spreadable spicy sausage made by the other family business, 'Nduja Artisans in Franklin Park — along with other fine cured meats at its disposal, and crafting some of the best sandwiches in Chicago, like the Dante, which features six kinds of meat. Open: Lunch and dinner daily. Prices: Sandwiches $10-$13. *1372 W. Grand Ave., 312-929-2551. — Nick Kindelsperger*

Terrace 16 Michelin-starred Sixteen reopened after a two-month remodel with a different menu and a different name: Terrace 16. The revamp is not as good as Sixteen was, but it isn't intended to be. Pastry chef Jared Bacheller is doing terrific work, from the bread-and-butter board to his excellent desserts, which include the "S'mores for the Table"— basically the best s'mores ever. Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily. Prices: Entrees $28-$42. *401 N. Wabash Ave., 312-588-8600. — Phil Vettel*

Texican This restaurant from chef Kim Dalton, formerly of Dodo, brands itself as Tex-Mex, but it isn't what you think. Take the Texican King Ranch casserole, a soulful lasagna with crispy layers of El Milagro tortilla sandwiching perfectly braised chicken breast; or the breakfast tacos that overflow with creamy scrambled egg curds and salty bits of queso fresco. The chili, made from top round and five different chiles, is the best I've had in Chicago. Open: Breakfast and lunch daily. Prices: Entrees $7.50-$10. *869 N. Larrabee St., 312-877-5441. — Michael Nagrant*

Tied House Chef Debbie Gold is back in Chicago and running Tied House, which was built from the rubble of Harmony Grill, the dining sidekick to Schubas Tavern next door. The menu is a study in delicious, nurturing flavor combinations. Pay particular attention to the vegetable dishes. Open: Dinner daily; brunch Saturday and Sunday. Prices: Entrees $22-$38. *3157 N. Southport Ave., 773-697-4632. — Phil Vettel*

Two Lights Seafood & Oyster Husband-wife team Keene and Megan Addington (Flat Top Grill, Tortoise Supper Club) created Two Lights Seafood & Oyster in Old Town with a white-on-white summer-home vibe that evokes their yearly vacations on the Maine coast. On a typical day, there are two lovingly treated oyster varieties on offer, one from each coast, though availability occasionally alters the mix. A large shucking station sits in the middle of the long bar; grab a seat close by, and you can watch your order being prepped. A selection of sandwiches supports the menu's small plates, including an East-meets-West sandwich of fried chicken nuggets with a tamari-ginger glaze, and of course, a very rich, very good griddled cheeseburger. The wine list is brief but full of fun, affordable pours. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Small plates $9-$19; sandwiches $10-$19. *227 W. North Ave., 312-929-3091. — Phil Vettel*

Virtue In the space that once housed A10 in Hyde Park, Virtue oozes both Southern charm and urban sophistication. Chef Erick Williams' food speaks to a storied culinary heritage with a modern approach. The menu is full of Southern staples bent to Williams' will and skill, like fried green tomatoes topped with remoulade-dressed shrimp. It's a winning combination of technique, nostalgia and personality. Vegetarians can eat extremely well here — nutrition is a virtue, is it not? — but meat-eaters ought not fret, for the don't-miss entree is the meaty pork chop. The dining room runs smoothly, and the kitchen, visible from every table, appears to do so as well. Timing, presentation — everything is as it should be. Open: Dinner Wednesday to Sunday. Prices: Entrees $19-$29. *1462 E. 53rd St., 773-947-8831. — Phil Vettel*



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The burger at Acadia, covered in Gruyere cheese.

Acadia Chef Ryan McCaskey has quietly turned his South Loop restaurant into one of the finest in Chicago. Since opening in 2010, he has racked up an armful of important awards, including Jean Banchet best new restaurant, two Michelin stars and four stars from the Chicago Tribune. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Sunday. Prices: Eight-course menu $155. *1639 S. Wabash Ave., 312-360-9500. — Phil Vettel*

Vistro Well-established fine-dining chef Paul Virant (Vie, Perennial Virant) set out to create a simple neighborhood hangout in the suburb in which he lives, and downtown Hinsdale is the better for it; the brick-walled space pulls in a multigenerational crowd, and price is no doubt part of the appeal. You can drop as little as $13 on a puffy-edged pizza or $17 on a dry-aged burger, or opt for somewhat pricier fare, including a solid fried chicken with collard greens. Whatever market vegetables are featured are going to be worth ordering, and do not pass up Elissa Narow's desserts. Open: Dinner and lunch daily. Prices: Entrees $14-$38. *112 S. Washington St., Hinsdale, 630-537-1459. — Phil Vettel*

Yugen Occupying the space that once housed three-Michelin-starred Grace, Yugen boasts a rare team in which the top chefs and top managers are all women. Chef Mari Katsumura — daughter of the late Yoshi Katsumura, a beloved chef figure in his own right — is known primarily for her pastry work, but she doesn't lack for savory experience; she was sous-chef at Entente and executive sous at Gideon Sweet. Yugen runs with a tough pack of dogs; it's in the price range occupied by the likes of Acadia, Oriole and Alinea. But Katsumura's multicourse contemporary Japanese menus are impressive. Her opening salvo dazzles: an assortment of imaginative canapes, followed by her "crab rice," the kind of dish that can define a restaurant. Jeanine Lamadieu's desserts are, not surprisingly, delightful. Open: Dinner Tuesday to Saturday. Prices: Multicourse menu, $205. *652 W. Randolph St., 312-265-1008. — Phil Vettel*

Aba Aba is a lively homage to all flavors Middle Eastern; in a sense, it's a sequel effort to chef C.J. Jacobson's Ema restaurant in River North. But Aba shows its independence with its emphasis on proteins. Spreads are a must, if only to get one's hands on the warm, puffy house bread, brushed with butter and dusted with za'atar. You'll find a variety of meats in "humble" and "prime" cuts. The former includes eggplant-wrapped braised lamb and beef short rib. Prime cuts are legit steaks and chops, served in petite portions. Ryan Arnold's wine list is a treat, keeping the less adventurous bases covered while offering a trove of bottles from such places as Lebanon and Israel. Liz Pearce's cocktails incorporate ingredients found on the menu (turmeric, honey, mango) into nifty takes on daiquiris and margaritas. Open: Dinner daily. Prices: Main courses $13.95-$27.95. *302 N. Green St., 773-645-1400. — Phil Vettel*

Abigail's American Bistro The downside to this 48-seat restaurant is the extremely loud noise that 48 seated (and 24 hopeful) diners can create in a small room. Chef/owner Michael Paulsen offers considerable compensation in the form of ingredient-dense but cunningly balanced fare, from daily flatbread pizzas piled high with goodies to memorable fish entrees in a sea of crispy/crunchy/smooth vegetables. Very good service and smoothly professional hosts (who manage to seat people efficiently and who play fair) are big pluses as well. Open: Dinner Tuesday-Saturday, lunch Tuesday-Friday. Entrees: $11-$21. *493 Roger Williams Ave., Highland Park, 847-780-4862. — Phil Vettel*

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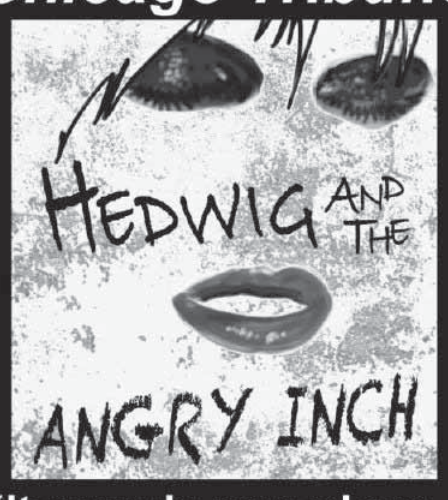
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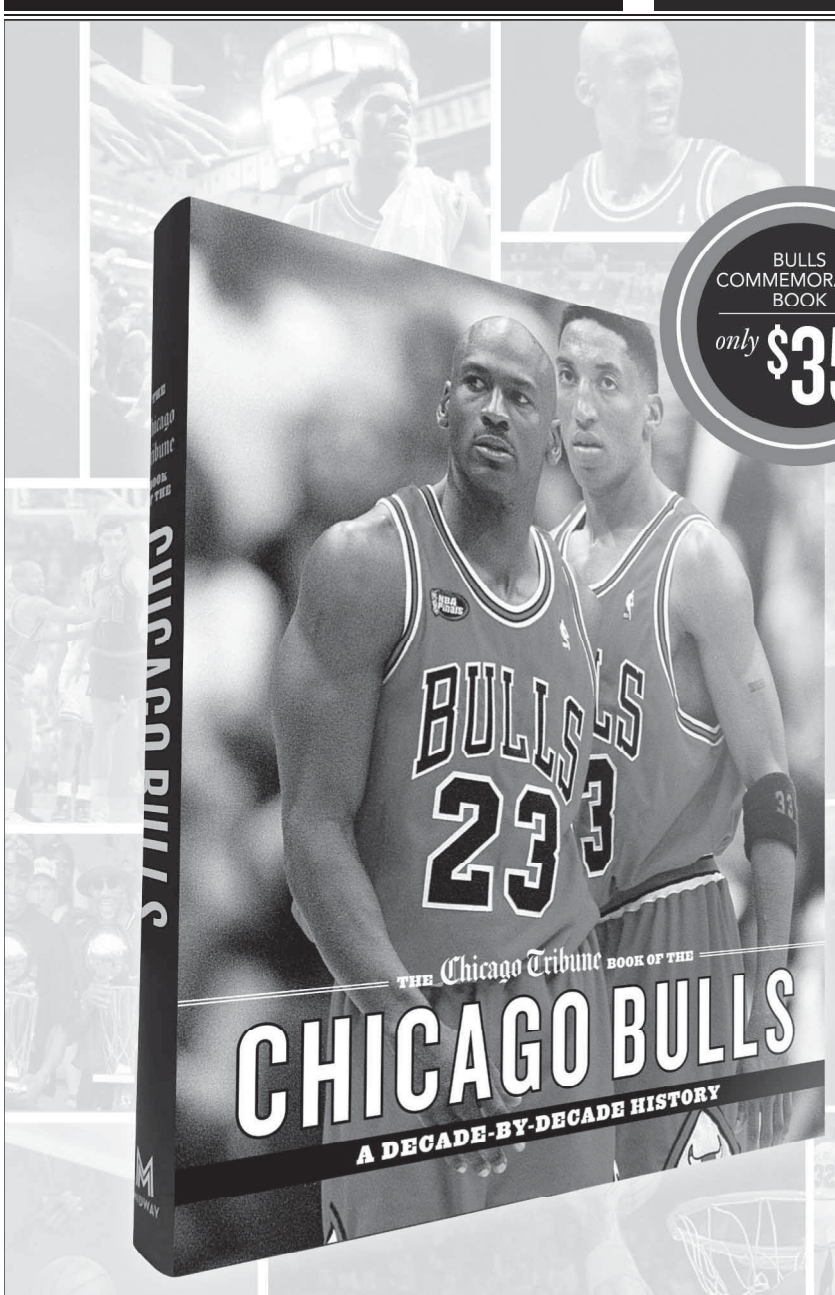
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THE THEATER LOOP

By Chris Jones



Do you really need that turntable?

On Saturday, the London production of "Les Miserables" closes after more than 33 years. Gulp!

U.K. fans of Fantine, Javert and old 24,601 need not fret, though — the production is coming back to the West End in December. And given how firmly the show has burrowed into the global consciousness, I wouldn't bet against another 33 years to come.

Still, "Les Mis" Brit purists are up in arms because Cameron Mackintosh's new London production no longer will be the original Trevor Nunn staging, the one from 1987 with the famous turntable and the barricades that resemble giant jigsaw pieces. Instead, London will get a version of Laurence Connor and James Powell's newer production — same producer, but a fresh visual take on the epic show, employing a combination of physical scenery and digital effects. The original creative team is not pleased either. Nor would you be if you were them — it must feel tantamount to having your legacy replaced.

If you're a Chicago fan of "Les Miserables," you'll surely remember that illustrious original staging. It played here pretty much throughout the 1990s and early oughts, once starring Hollis Resnik as Fantine and greatly boosting the fortunes of the venerable Auditorium Theatre for very many years.

But in 2005 — 14 years ago — I wrote a column in the Tribune telling readers this was their last chance to see the original production in Chicago. I'd talked to the late Alan Wasser, who had managed all those tours and he'd told me that while "Les Mis" would continue to trek around North America in some form, this was the last time in Chicago that it would look almost identical to its opening night.



MATTHEW MURPHY PHOTO

Allison Guinn as Madame Thenardier in the new national tour of "Les Miserables."

Wasser was right; 2005 was indeed the last stand. The following year, the tour closed and the next time "Les Miserables" came to town in 2011, it was the new staging. I interviewed Mackintosh that year, and he vehemently defended his decision to start from a fresh palette: "You don't need the turntable," he told me. "It has no direct connection to the material."

Well, they do sing this in the show, "Minutes into hours and the hours into years / Nothing changes, nothing ever can / Round and round the roundabout and back where you began!"

But we all know that's not really true. You can never go back to before.

By 2011 "Les Miserables" also had been released to local theaters — the first Chicago-area staging was at the Marriott Theatre in Lincolnshire in 2008, and others followed. So Chicago-area audiences had already become used to "Les Miserables" being staged in different ways and with varied directorial visions.

Not long after, Broadway switched to the new staging (although that production has subsequently closed, it may be back). Remarkably, and probably as a consequence of Nunn's influence and contractual status, London kept the original staging for many more years.

Until Saturday. Then it's the wreckers' ball for the theater's most famous turntable.

As it happens, the national tour of "Les Miserables" is back in Chicago this week, with much of the same cast as 18 months ago. I don't miss the rotations. I wouldn't have given the show four stars if that was the case. In my view, the appeal of "Les Miserables" lies in its material and the human beings performing that artistry.

With all due nods to Nunn's brilliant staging that was very much of its era — and it *was* a brilliant staging — technology and storytelling (not to mention audience sensibilities) have change greatly since 1987.

I remember Hal Prince, the director of "The Phantom of the Opera," another multiyear hit that has been subjected to change, once telling me that at least 20 minutes of the show's original running time was a consequence of adapting to issues that you could now solve in mere moments. And of course, there is the issue of money. "Les Miserables" is a commercial show, and this high-selling new production has made a lot of very worthy actors with skin in the game a good deal of money. It made sense to reinvent it with new efficiencies; it still feels like a spectacular night out for all kinds of folk.

So I don't think those Londoners need to worry. Turntables don't act or sing. They can't weave gorgeous ballads nor can they touch your heart. If you're not a fan of the piece and its unfettered romanticism and sense of spiritual longing, you will have figured that out years ago. You probably didn't even get to the bottom of this column. No judgment here.

But if — like me — you think "Les Miserables" is one of the great populist musicals of all time, then the new production won't disappoint.

CHRIS JONES RECOMMENDS

"Blue Man Group" ★★★½
"Blue Man Group" has been playing at Briar Street since 1997, a remarkable run of 20-plus years. The Blue Men still chomp marshmallows, bang drums and paint up audience members — but this remains a fine gateway for the young into the arts. If you've never had the pleasure, go. *Open run at the Briar Street Theatre, 3133 N. Halsted St.; $49-$69 at www.ticketmaster.com*

"Grinning From Fear to Fear" ★★★½
Despite the title — or maybe because of the title — there's a real warmth to "Grinning From Fear to Fear," the revue from Second City's e.t.c. company and director Anneliese Toft. This show features the talents of Atra Asdou, Laurel Krabacher, E.J. Cameron, Mark Campbell, Andrew Knox and Chuck Norment and is both funny and forgiving; it understands the delicate art of optimistic comedy and the political power of empathy. Knox really is something here; his energy makes the show run and he's especially adept at making you feel like he's entirely in the moment and that anything can happen. *Open run at Second City e.t.c. Stage, 1608 N. Wells St. in Piper's Alley; $21-$58 at 312-337-3992 and www.secondcity.com*

"Hamilton" ★★★★
This heartland "Hamilton" is performed by players mostly younger and less experienced than the original New York cast and is less flashy. But it is more in touch with the fundamental scrappiness of the early years of a rebel colony turned into a spectacular democratic experiment. And in Chicago, a city where theater is founded on truth, it is somehow very much more human and vulnerable. That Chicago-style sensibility is led by Miguel Cervantes, the superb actor in the title role. *Through Jan. 5, 2020 at CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St.; $65-$400 at 800-775-2000 or www.broadwayinchicago.com*

"Hedwig and the Angry Inch" ★★★
Time has proven Hedwig to be quite the perennial. She's now in Evanston in Theo Ubique's intimate new home. "Chicago-adjacent," Hedwig said, wryly and improvisationally, after parading out on to the stage dressed as Lady Liberty. "Hedwig and the Angry Inch," the 1998 musical by Stephen Trask and John Cameron Mitchell, has a gorgeous score and if you are a "Hedwig" veteran, kindly note that thanks to the superior musical director Jeremy Ramey and the voice of the star, Will Lidke, it sounds marvelous. *Through July 28 at the Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre, 721 Howard Street, Evanston; $39-$49 at 773-347-1109 or www.theo-u.com*

"Mary Shelley's Frankenstein" ★★★½
So what, exactly, were Mary Godwin — at the age of 18, already calling herself Mrs. Shelley — and friends really doing in Switzerland in the rainy summer of 1816? At Lord Byron's admonition, everyone was obliged to come up with a ghost story, which ended up producing the most famous horror story ever written. "Frankenstein" is the summer offering at Lookingglass Theatre, where David Catlin has billed his evening "Mary Shelley's Frankenstein." Catlin's premise is that you can't understand "Frankenstein" without looking hard at what Mary was doing, and feeling. The creepy monster is a shape-shifter capable of reflecting the desires of the viewer, and seems to be birthed out of a sensual Swiss boudoir, filled with anarchic young experimenters. *Through Aug. 4 at Lookingglass Theatre at Water Tower Water Works, 821 N. Michigan Ave.; $45-$86 at 312-337-0665 or www.lookingglass.org*

"Miracle" ★★★
Now at the Royal George, "Miracle" is a new musical with a score by Michael Mahler and book by Jason Brett, officially blessed by the Chicago Cubs. Set during the 2016 championship season, it's about a barowning, Cubs loving family in Wrigleyville trying to hold on to their place before the World Series. You can expect this show to be tuneful, nostalgic, family-friendly and wildly sentimental. If you are not a Cubs fan, this show is not for you. *Open run at the Royal George Theatre, 1641 N. Halsted St.; $59-$79 at 312-988-9000 or www.miraclethemusical.com*

"Six" ★★★½
The dynamic new pop musical "Six" from the U.K., now in its North American premiere at Chicago Shakespeare, has Broadway potential and could really be a summer thing on Navy Pier. The notion is the six wives of Henry VIII, dressed and acting somewhere between Ariana Grande and Beyonce, each get a microphone, a power ballad and a chance to keep their heads and make their case for a greater place in history than the Tudor tyrant who tied their destiny together. Created by newcomers Toby Marlow and Lucy Moss, it's clear there already is a young female fan base for this show. Samantha Pauly is spectacular as Catherine Howard, and the final number, "I Don't Need Your Love," is from the superb Anna Uzele's Catherine Parr. *Through Aug. 4 in the Yard at Chicago Shakespeare Theater on Navy Pier; $32-$62 at 312-595-5600 or www.chicagoshakes.com*

"Something Clean" ★★★
Every parent has worried about their kid doing something terrible. The young playwright Selina Fillinger's "Something Clean" is now in a 90-minute coproduction from Sideshow and Rivendell Theatre Company, directed by Lauren Shouse. The narrative has been fictionalized but appears to take its cue from a sexual assault on the campus of Stanford University in 2015 — and imagines the moment when the young man is about to be released and brought home to his parents. *Through July 21 by Sideshow and Rivendell Theatres in the Victory Gardens Richard Christiansen Theater, 2433 N. Lincoln Ave.; $20-$30 at 773-871-3000 or www.victorygardens.org*

"Southern Gothic" ★★★★
A house has been built inside the Windy City Playhouse for a summer run of "Southern Gothic" at its Playhouse South location. Not the usual stage set. As you walk into the theater for Leslie Liautaud's play, directed by David Bell, you're asked to enter what looks like a real house. You and your fellow audience members join four couples, variously loving, scheming, cheating and feuding, whose political and personal travails make up a play set during a fraught dinner party in Ashford, Ga., in 1961. *Through July 28 at Windy City Playhouse South, 2229 S. Michigan Ave.; $65-$85 at 773-891-8985 and www.windycityplayhouse.com*



MATTHEW MURPHY PHOTO

Matt Shingledecker as Enjolras and the cast of the touring production of "Les Miserables."

HOT TICKET

"Les Miserables" ★★★★
Director Laurence Connor's truly gorgeous Equity touring production of "Les Miserables," last in Chicago in fall 2017, has returned to the Cadillac Palace for a few summer weeks. Over the years, "Les Miserables" has become more serious. Serious times, these. But the message of Alain Boublil and Claude-Michel Schönberg's gift of musical theater, produced again by Cameron Mackintosh, is that there is always hope. In a cast of exceptional singers, Nick Cartell (as Jean Valjean) delivers the most exquisite "Bring Him Home" from the barricades. *Through July 27 at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.; $55-$180 at 800-775-2000 or www.broadwayinchicago.com*

OPENING NIGHTS

Friday

"The Drag Seed": Carson vows to get revenge after losing at a drag pageant. *Through Aug. 25 by Hell in a Handbag at Mary's Attic, 5400 N. Clark; www.handbagproductions.org*

Saturday

"20/20": This performance highlights what has changed for LGBTQ youth in the last 20 years. *Through July 28 by About Face Youth Theatre Ensemble at the Center on Halsted, 3656 N. Halsted St.; www.aboutfacetheatre.com*
"Henry V": Shakespeare's history play is about Henry V as he invades France to prove his worth to the crown. *Through Aug.18 at First Folio Theatre, 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook; 630-986-8067 and www.firstfolio.org*

Sunday

"True West": Sam Shepard's play traces the relationship of estranged brothers Austin and Lee, who are trapped in their mother's house. *Through Aug. 25 at Steppenwolf Theatre, 1650 N. Halsted St.; www.steppenwolf.org*
"Over the Tavern": In a play set in 1959, 12-year-old Rudy starts questioning the Roman Catholic Church. *Through Aug. 11 at Theatre at the Center, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, Ind.; 219-836-3255 and www.theatreatthecenter.com*

Monday

"Wolf Play": A Korean boy who believes he is a wolf is un-adopted by his American parents and tries to adjust to his new life. *Through Aug. 18 at The Gift Theatre, 4802 N. Milwaukee Ave.; 773-283-7071 and www.thegifttheatre.org*

Wednesday

"Cats": This Andrew Lloyd Webber musical tells the story of a group of gathering cats during their annual ball as they decide who will be reborn. *Through Aug. 4 at Nederlander Theatre, 24 W. Randolph St.; www.broadwayinchicago.com*

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But it's best to shop the Edge ST as a family crossover first, performance car second. It's quiet, comfortable and functional. It handles rougher roads wonderfully, even with the stiffer suspension. And it can tow nearly 3,500 pounds. Expect around 26 mpg on the highway, 19 mpg around town and 22 combined, according to EPA figures.

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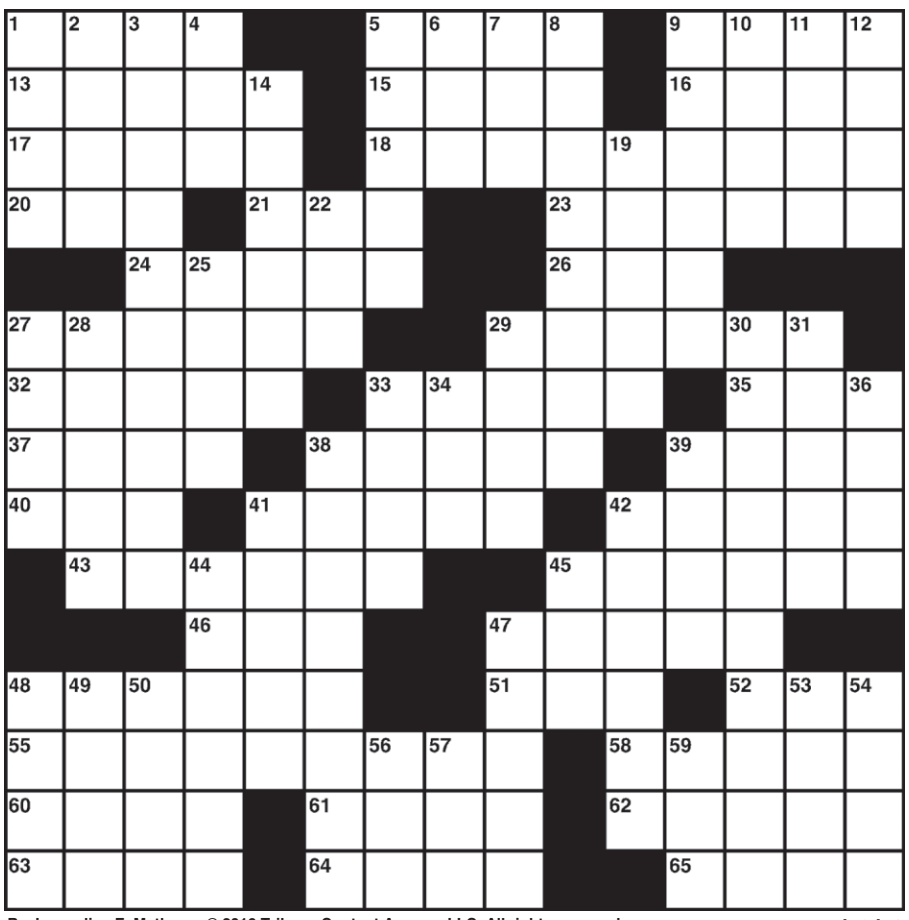
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ACROSS
1 Close-fitting
5 Swat
9 Reverberate
13 Sharpener
15 Singer Perry
16 Exhibition
17 Join forces
18 Turbulence
20 Neighbor of Calif.
21 Mario __ Peebles
23 Inclines
24 Royal decree
26 Stolen
27 Singer & songwriter King
29 Someone else listed in a will
32 Theater walkway
33 Greek letter
35 Janitor's item
37 Camembert kin
38 Swimming spots
39 Egg on
40 Place
41 Mr. Castro
42 Kind of ID
43 Bundle of energy
45 __ up; arranged in twos
46 Frazier foe
47 Jeer at
48 Husband or wife
51 Billboards
52 "Silent night, holy night, __…"
55 Friendly
58 Man's name
60 Waggish
61 Bean curd
62 Waterbirds
63 Track-and-field event
64 On the __ with; not speaking to
65 Busy buzzers

DOWN
1 Have nothing to do with
2 Zero
3 Brown or Rice
4 Comprehend
5 Very little
6 Yule fuel
7 French friend
8 Sniping remarks
9 Manor & the land around it
10 Facial feature
11 Owl's comment
12 Just bought
14 Rail against
19 Luau greeting
22 Part of a blackjack
25 __ out; distribute
27 Uber alternatives
28 Televised
29 Jailbird's room
30 Significance
31 Way to go?
33 Hoopla
34 Gardening tool
36 Poke at roughly
38 Olive stuffing
39 Cowboy wear
41 Quiz answer
42 Stopped for a bit
44 Nothingness
45 Cushion
47 Anklebone
48 Con job
49 Tiny skin opening
50 __ in a while; periodically
53 Take to
54 Fewer
56 Debtor's note
57 Nautical term
59 Stroke

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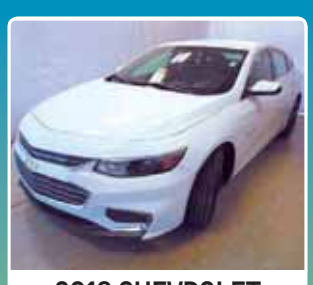
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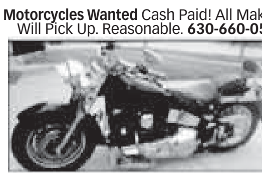
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680 St. Christopher Ct. 8:00 AM-4:00 PM
Furniture - Bedroom, Dining room, Livingroom

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File No.
Y19001693 on the
Date: July 1, 2019
Under the Assumed Name of: **CHILDREN AT PLAY**
with the business located at:
5001 W STRONG ST.,
CHICAGO, IL, 60630
The true name and residence Address of the owner is: **NICOLA JAYNE D'ANDREA**
5001 W STRONG ST.
CHICAGO, IL, 60630

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Deshon Wilbon

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Etavia Aguirre (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **19JA00285**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **March 26, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Bernard Sarley** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **08/01/2019**,at **10:00 AM** in CALENDAR **9** COURTROOM **I**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental **rights**.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 12, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be accepting applications for the following classification(s):

Associate Process Control Engineer (Original)

Application Filing Period: May 3, 2019 through to be announced. **Examination Date:** To be announced. **Location:** To be announced. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of associate process control engineer practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under general supervision, provides engineering services for the design, construction, improvement, modernization and maintenance for process instrumentation and computer control systems for water reclamation plants, pumping stations, and flood control reservoirs. **Pay:** $79,107.08 per year

Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Supervisor (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: July 5, 2019 through July 12, 2019. **Examination Date:** August 3, 2019 at Northside College Preparatory High School, 5501 North Kedzie, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of motor vehicle dispatcher supervisor practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under direction, supervises Motor Vehicle Dispatchers in the Main Office Building garage. Schedules daily pool car assignments and routine vehicle maintenance tasks. **Pay:** $40.44 per hour

Motor Vehicle Dispatcher (Original)

Application Filing Period: July 5, 2019 through July 12, 2019. **Examination Date:** August 3, 2019 at Northside College Preparatory High School, 5501 North Kedzie, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of motor vehicle dispatcher practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under supervision, assists in regulating parking on District property and assists in maintaining District vehicles. **Pay:** $27.15 per hour

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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

NOTICE OF AMENDMENT VILLAGE OF MORTON GROVE WAUKEGAN ROAD REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA
Take notice that the Village of Morton Grove has amended its Waukegan Road Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area to remove certain properties from the Waukegan Road Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area. The amended Waukegan Road Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area is legally described in Exhibit A.

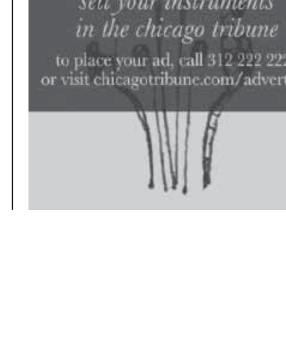
This notice is given in accordance with Section 5/44-74.4-5(c) of the Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, 65 ILCS 5/44-74.4-5(c).

Eileen Scanlon Harford - Village Clerk
Village of Morton Grove
Cook County, Illinois

EXHIBIT A
(Legal description of Waukegan Road Tax Increment Financing
Redevelopment Project Area, as amended)

THAT PART OF THE WESTERN ½ OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN DEFINED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 17 IN FOURTH ADDITION TO MILLS PARK ESTATES, A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOT 3 IN ASSESSOR'S DIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST ¼ OF SECTION 18 AFORESAID; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE AND SAID NORTH LINE EXTENDED WEST TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF THE FIRST 20 FEET NORTH AND SOUTH PUBLIC ALLEY LYING WEST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE AND SAID WESTERLY LINE EXTENDED ACROSS BECKWITH ROAD, EAST AND WEST 16 FOOT PUBLIC ALLEY FIRST NORTH OF CHURCH STREET, CHURCH STREET AND THE EAST AND WEST 20 FOOT PUBLIC ALLEY FIRST SOUTH OF CHURCH STREET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 13 IN BLOCK 13 IN GOLF VIEW GARDENS, A SUBDIVISION IN THE WESTERN ½ OF SECTION 18 AFORESAID; THENCE WEST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE AND SAID SOUTH LINE EXTENDED WEST TO THE WEST LINE OF LOT 7 EXTENDED NORTH IN DILG'S SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTH 1/3 OF SECTION 18 AFORESAID; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID EXTENDED WEST LINE, THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 7 AND THE WEST LINE OF LOT 6 IN DILG'S SUBDIVISION AFORESAID, 314.5 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY TO THE POINT OF INTERSECTION OF THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST ½ OF THE SOUTHWEST ¼ OF SECTION 18 AFORESAID AND THE NORTHERLY LINE OF THE 175 FEET RIGHT-OF-WAY OF THE COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID WEST LINE TO THE SOUTHERLY LINE OF SAID 175 FEET RIGHT-OF-WAY; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY AND EASTERLY ALONG SAID 175 FEET RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE WEST LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG THE SAID WEST LINE TO A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 1 IN THE FOREST VIEW BEING GEORGE LANDECK'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE LOTS 3 AND 4 IN FINK & OTHER'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF SECTION 18 AFORESAID AND PART OF SECTION 19, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE AND SAID NORTH LINE EXTENDED WEST TO THE WEST LINE OF THE FIRST NORTH AND SOUTH 16 FOOT PUBLIC ALLEY LYING WEST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE SOUTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE AND SAID WEST LINE EXTENDED SOUTH ACROSS GREENWOOD AVENUE TO ITS INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTH LINE EXTENDED WEST OF LOT 24 IN THE FOREST VIEW AFORESAID; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID EXTENDED SOUTH LINE; THE SOUTH LINE AND THE SOUTH LINE EXTENDED EAST OF SAID LOT 24 TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE TO A POINT IN THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 152 IN DEMPSTER WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 1 AND 2 IN OWNER'S SUBDIVISION IN SECTION 18 AFORESAID; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE AND SAID SOUTH LINE EXTENDED EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF THE FIRST NORTH AND SOUTH 16 FOOT PUBLIC ALLEY LYING EAST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTH LINE, EXTENDED EAST OF LOT 155 IN SAID DEMPSTER WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID EXTENDED NORTH LINE AND THE NORTH LINE OF SAID 155 TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE TO A POINT IN THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 170 IN SAID DEMPSTER WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE AND SAID NORTH LINE EXTENDED EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF THE FIRST NORTH AND SOUTH 16 FOOT PUBLIC ALLEY LYING EAST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 126 IN SAID DEMPSTER WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID LOT 126 TO THE WEST LINE OF NEW ENGLAND AVENUE ; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE, AND SAID WEST LINE EXTENDED NORTH ACROSS CHURCHILL STREET TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID CHURCHILL STREET; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE TO THE EAST LINE OF THE FIRST NORTH AND SOUTH ALLEY LYING EAST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE AND SAID EAST LINE EXTENDED NORTH TO THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 5 IN DILG'S SUBDIVISION AFORESAID; THENCE EAST ALONG THE SAID SOUTH LINE TO THE WEST LINE OF DEMICHELES AND DIMATTEO'S SUBDIVISION OF PART OF LOT 5 OF DILG'S SUBDIVISION AFORESAID; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID WEST LINE TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID DEMICHELES AND DIMATTEO'S SUBDIVISION; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE, EXTENDED WEST, OF SAID DEMICHELES AND DIMATTEO'S SUBDIVISION TO THE EASTERLY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY LINE AND SAID EASTERLY LINE EXTENDED ACROSS CHURCH STREET AND BECKWITH ROAD TO THE NORTH LINE OF BECKWITH ROAD; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE AND SAID NORTH LINE EXTENDED EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF THE FIRST NORTH AND SOUTH 20 FOOT ALLEY LYING EAST OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE AND SAID EAST LINE EXTENDED ACROSS LYONS STREET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THIRD ADD. TO MILLS PARK ESTATES IN SECTION 18 AFORESAID; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE TO THE EAST LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE NORTH ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE NORTH LINE, EXTENDED EAST, OF SAID LOT 17 IN FOURTH ADD. TO MILLS PARK ESTATES; THENCE WEST ALONG SAID EXTENDED NORTH LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PARCEL:
THAT PART OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 18 IN TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 104 IN FOREST VIEW SUBDIVISION, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN SAID SOUTH HALF OF SECTION 18, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED MARCH 23, 1925 AS DOCUMENT NO. 8824972, SAID NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 104 ALSO BEING A POINT ON THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF GREENWOOD AVENUE; THENCE EAST ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF GREENWOOD AVENUE AND THE EASTERLY EXTENSION THEREOF TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 156 IN DEMPSTER-WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN THE SOUTH HALF OF SAID SECTION 18, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED OCTOBER 15, 1925 AS DOCUMENT NO. 9066534; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 156 AND ITS EASTERLY EXTENSION THEREOF TO A POINT ON THE EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY ADJOINING SAID LOT 156; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERLY EXTENSION OF THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 151 IN SAID DEMPSTER-WAUKEGAN ROAD SUBDIVISION; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY EXTENSION AND NORTH LINE TO A POINT ON SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF WAUKEGAN ROAD; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID EAST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE EASTERLY EXTENSION OF THE SOUTH LINE OF LOT 24 IN SAID FOREST VIEW SUBDIVISION; THENCE WESTERLY ALONG SAID EASTERLY EXTENSION, SOUTH LINE AND WESTERLY EXTENSION THEREOF TO A POINT OF INTERSECTION WITH THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE PUBLIC ALLEY ADJOINING SAID LOT 24; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.



LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Ja Air Favela

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Citali Favela (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **19JA00473**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **May 7, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Richard Stevens** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **08/01/2019**,at **1:30 PM** in CALENDAR **6** COURTROOM **F**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental **rights**.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 12, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Seneca Coleman

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Ashanti Coleman (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **19JA00474**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Unknown (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers Any** , respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **May 8, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Andrea Buford** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **08/01/2019**,at **9:30 AM** in CALENDAR **4** COURTROOM **D**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental **rights**.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 12, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Steve E Mitchell

A MINOR
NO. **2019JA01022**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Steve Mitchell (Father)**, respondents, and **TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **July 5, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX**, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Cynthia Ramirez** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **07/26/2019** at **9:00 AM** IN CALENDAR **52** COURTROOM **2** ,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
July 12, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
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CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Willow Buster

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Miranda Buster (Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: **19JA00073**

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Johnathan Lott (Father) Sherard Bratton (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers Any** , respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **January 29, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Peter Vilkelis** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **08/01/2019**,at **10:30 AM** in CALENDAR **13** COURTROOM **M**, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental **rights**.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 12, 2019

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FORECLOSURES

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT – CHANCERY DIVISION Bank of America, N.A., Plaintiff, Vs. Jack Lydon, solely as Special Representative of the Estate of Phillip Thompson (Deceased); Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Phillip Thompson (Deceased); Christine Davis; Joshua Thomas; Phillip Thompson, Jr.; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Defendants. 2018CH14362 NOTICE OF PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: Jack Lydon, solely as Special Representative of the Estate of Phillip Thompson (Deceased); UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF PHILLIP THOMPSON (DECEASED); Christine Davis; Joshua Thomas; Phillip Thompson, Jr.; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: Lot 12 in Block 5 in G. Frank Croissant`s Shadow Lawn, being a subdivision of that part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the East 1/3 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 12, Township 36 North, Range 14 East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying North of the center line of Michigan City Road, in Cook County, Illinois. Commonly known as: 495 Merrill Ave., Calumet City, IL 60409 and which said mortgage was made by, Phillip Thompson; Mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Bank of America, N.A.; Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, as Document No. 1419126130; and for other relief. UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this County, Cook 50 W. Washington, Chicago, IL 60602 ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 12, 2019, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT. RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff 120 North LaSalle Street, Suite 1140, Chicago, IL 60602 Phone: (312) 239-3432 Fax: (312) 284-4820 Attorney No: 46689 pleadings@rsmalaw.com File No: 18IL00481-1 NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that this firm may be deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained may be used for that purpose. Pub: 7/12, 19, 26/2019 6369861

F19020002 DMI IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION Santander Bank, N.A. Plaintiff, vs. LVNV Funding LLC; Unknown heirs and legatees of Geraldine Boone; State of Illinois Department of Revenue; United States of America,; Karen Taubert Individually and as Administrator for the Estate of Geraldine Boone; Lynne Y. Greene; Gregory A. Boone; Jerry Boone; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 19 CH 2432 2021 Brown Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201 Spratt Calendar 64 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown heirs and legatees of Geraldine Boone, Lynne Y. Greene, Gregory A. Boone, Jerry Boone, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: LOTS 37 AND 38 IN BLOCK 1 IN CULVER'S ADDITION TO EVANSTON, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 41 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. P.I.N.: 10-13-105-010-0000 Said property is commonly known as 2021 Brown Avenue, Evanston, Illinois 60201, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Geraldine Boone and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 0534104359 and for other relief; that Summons was duly issued out of the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before AUGUST 12, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC 1771 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232 ilpleadings@AnselmoLindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 7/12, 19, 26/2019 6369849

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION U.S. Bank Trust National Association as Trustee of the Igloo Series III Trust, PLAINTIFF, Vs. Patrick B. Oray, Sr.; Hinsdale Bank and Trust Company FKA Suburban Bank and Trust Company, as trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated 04/19/04 and Known as Trust Number 74-3480; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, Unknown Beneficiaries of Hinsdale Bank and Trust Company FKA Suburban Bank and Trust Company, as trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated 4/19/04. DEFENDANT(S). 2018 CH 10705 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: Unknown Beneficiaries of Hinsdale Bank and Trust Company FKA Suburban Bank and Trust Company, as trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated 4/19/04 That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: All of Lot One (1), the North Nine (9) feet of Lot Two (2) in Block Nine (9) in Simpson Home Developers-Craig Manor Subdivision, being a Subdivision of part of the West half (1/2) of Section 14, Township 36 North, Range 14, East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying North of the Calumet River, according to plat thereof registered in the Office of the Registrar of Titles of Cook County, Illinois, on December 2, 1955, as Document Number 1638003. COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 15501 Minerva Avenue, Dolton, IL 60419 and which said Mortgage was made by: Patrick B. Oray, Sr. Hinsdale Bank and Trust Company FKA Suburban Bank and Trust Company, as trustee under the Provisions of a Trust Agreement Dated 04/19/04 and Known as Trust Number 74-3480 the Mortgagor(s), to Chase Bank USA, N.A., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, as Document No. 0727756091; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court, Dorothy Brown Clerk of the Circuit Court Richard J. Daley Center 50 West Washington Street Room 802 Chicago, IL 60602 on or before, AUGUST 5, 2019, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANYTIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT. SOTTILE & BARILE, LLC 1415 West 22nd Street, Tower Floor Oak Brook, IL 60523 (312) 883-2810 Pleadings E-mail Address: illinois@sottileandbarile.com NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. Pub: 7/5, 12, 19/2019 6364342

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF COOK, ss. Circuit Court of Cook County, County Department, Domestic Relations Division. In re the Marriage of Maria Celia Cedano-Gutierrez, Petitioner, and Gerardo Flores-Saucedo, Respondent. No. 2019 D 005570. The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, the above named Respondent, that a Petition has been filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Room 802, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL by the Petitioner, for Dissolution of Marriage and for other relief; and that said suit is now pending. Now, therefore, unless you, the said Respondent, file your response to said Petition or otherwise make your appearance therein, on or before August 8, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day, and a Judgment for Dissolution of Marriage entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp. Dorothy A. Brown, Clerk. Ralph E. Guderian (62622), Attorney for Petitioner, 3908 W. North Avenue, Suite K, Chicago, Illinois 60647 Pub: 7/5, 12, 19/2019 6364362

FORECLOSURES

#45844 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION CONTINUUM CAPITAL FUNDING III, LLC Plaintiff vs 2418 W. MARQUETTE, LLC; JOSHUA MANCHESTER; UNKNOWN TENANTS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant No. No. 19 CH 6577 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you. UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on May 29, 2019 and is now pending. 1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the Case Number are identified above. 2. The Court in which said action was brought is identified above. 3. The name of the titleholder of record is 2418 W. MARQUETTE, LLC 4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: LOT 26 IN BLOCK 8 IN COBE AND MCKINNON'S 67TH STREET AND WESTERN AVENUE SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 13, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. 5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 2418 W. Marquette Rd., Chicago, IL 60629 Property Identification Number (PIN): 19-24-231-034-0000 6. An identification of the Mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: a. Name of Mortgagor: 2418 W. MARQUETTE, LLC b. Name of Mortgagee: CONTINUUM CAPITAL FUNDING III, LLC c. Date of Mortgage: May 25, 2017 d. Date of Recording: June 8, 2017 e. County where recorded: COOK f. Identification of Recording: 1715901012 NOW, THEREFORE, unless you, UNKNOWN OWNERS, and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants, file your answer to the Complaint to Foreclose Mortgage in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of Cook County, 50 W. Washington Street Chicago, Illinois, on or before AUGUST 5, 2019,.default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that date and a judgment for foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint to Foreclose Mortgage. Law Offices of Ian B. Hoffenberg LLC Firm No. 45844 123 N. Wacker Dr. Suite 1600 Chicago, IL 60606 Ph: 312-544-9001 Pub: 7/5, 12, 19/2019 6364376

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TCF NATIONAL BANK vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND/OR DEVISEES OF ZELMA SCOTT; JANNIS SCOTT; MARK SCOTT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; THOMAS QUINN, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR ZELMA SCOTT. CASE NUMBER: 2019 CH 04202 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND/OR DEVISEES OF ZELMA SCOTT and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: LOT 16 IN BLOCK 3 IN TENINGA BROTHERS AND COMPANY'S SECOND BELLEVUE ADDITION TO ROSELAND IN THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 37 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED MAY 28, 1924 AS DOCUMENT 8440024, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index No.: 25-16-315-016-0000 Commonly Known As: 10847 S. EGGLESTON AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60628 and which said Mortgage was made by: ZELMA SCOTT EXECUTED THE MORTGAGE PLAINTIFF SEEKS TO FORECLOSE HEREIN; HOWEVER, ZELMA SCOTT IS DECEASED AND THEREFORE, IS NOT NAMED AS A DEFENDANT IN THIS MATTER the Mortgagor(s), to TCF National Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, as Document No. 0609035241; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending. NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case with Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County on or before AUGUST 12, 2019, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile. illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www. illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/ gethelp.asp, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Cohen Dovitz Makowka, LLC, 10729 W. 159th Street, Orland Park, IL 60467 (708) 460-7711; E-Mail: foreclosure@cdm.legal NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that this law firm is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Pub: 7/12, 19, 26/2019 6369787

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION TCF NATIONAL BANK vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND/OR DEVISEES OF DIANE D. MORALES A/K/A DIANE MORALES; DAMITA STEPHENS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; JOHN LYDON, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR DIANE D. MORALES A/K/A DIANE MORALES. CASE NUMBER: 2019 CH 05710 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU: UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW AND/OR DEVISEES OF DIANE D. MORALES A/K/A DIANE MORALES and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: THE NORTH 30 FEET OF LOT 19 IN BROWN'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 13 IN THE SUBDIVISION BY THE HEIRS OF IRA WEBSTER OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 34 TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index No.: 20-34-117-019-0000 Commonly Known As: 8155 S. CALUMET AVENUE, CHICAGO, IL 60619 and which said Mortgage was made by: DIANE D. MORALES A/K/A DIANE MORALES EXECUTED THE MORTGAGE PLAINTIFF SEEKS TO FORECLOSE HEREIN; HOWEVER, DIANE D. MORALES A/K/A DIANE MORALES IS DECEASED AND THEREFORE, IS NOT NAMED AS A DEFENDANT IN THIS MATTER the Mortgagor(s), to TCF National Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, as Document No. 1012408442; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending. NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case with Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County on or before AUGUST 12, 2019, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile. illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/ gethelp.asp, or talk with your local circuit clerk's office. Cohen Dovitz Makowka, LLC, 10729 W. 159th Street, Orland Park, IL 60467 (708) 460-7711; E-Mail: foreclosure@cdm.legal NOTE: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that this law firm is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Pub: 7/12, 19, 26/2019 6369868

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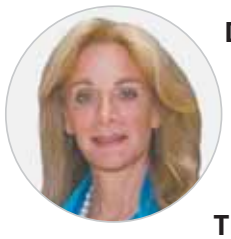
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8:00 am – 11:00 am	**Everything You Wanted to Know About Oil but Were Too Afraid to Ask!***
8:30 am – 12:30 pm	**Back to the Basics with Our Four Main Technical Indicators***
9:00 am – 1:45 pm	Women in Trading
9:15 am – 1:15 pm	Global Macro Edge
9:30 am – 1:30 pm	Charles Schwab Spotlight on Options & Futures
12:00 pm – 3:00 pm	**The 7 Critical Skills for Trading Success in Stocks, Futures, & Forex***
2:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Keynote Addresses
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm	Exhibit Hall Grand Opening & Welcome Celebration

MONDAY, JULY 22

8:00 am – 7:00 pm	Registration Desk Open
9:45 am – 5:15 pm	Exhibit Hall Open
9:00 am – 6:30 pm	40+ Workshops & Panel Discussions
9:00 am – 6:30 pm	The All-Stars of Options Trading
9:00 am – 6:30 pm	Forex Summit
8:30 am – 11:30 am	**Technical Analysis: An Integral Part of Quality Research***
12:30 pm – 4:30 pm	**From the Past to the Future—An Interactive Trading Course***
5:15 pm – 5:45 pm	Keynote: Q&A with Rick Santelli
6:45 pm – 7:45 pm	A Special Event with Tim Sykes and Tim Bohen—A True Edge Trading Low-Priced Stocks

TUESDAY, JULY 23

7:30 am – 3:30 pm	Registration Desk Open
9:45 am – 3:15 pm	Exhibit Hall Open
8:00 am – 12:00 pm	**To Really Compete in the Market—Learn to Trade with Robots***
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	40+ Workshops & Panel Discussions
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Back to the Futures
9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Options & Strategies
1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	**Option Strategies and Techniques That Really Work***

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JOHN RAWLINS
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MIKE BELLAFIORE
Co-Founder, SMB Capital

In this presentation, Mike Bellafiore, co-founder of SMB Capital, a proprietary trading firm in NYC, will share how you can learn and grow by studying some of the best traders on his desk. Mike is also the author of the trading classic *One Good Trade* and *The PlayBook*. These lessons come from the work he has done helping to develop seven-figure-a-year traders at his trading firm and coaching select elite traders in many different products and around the world.

> I've been going for years. It is a good place to share trading strategies with other investors, and find out what's trending, like blockchain this year.
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COMMODITY-BASED CTAs

Managed futures provide important diversification to your portfolio. Traders can get additional diversification through commodity-based investments because they tend to be discretionary and uncorrelated to the typical medium- to long-term trend following strategies. This panel will discuss the benefits of commodity-based investing.



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The Market Trinity of S&P 500, Dollar, and Gold

JOHN KICKLIGHTER
Chief Strategist, DailyFX

How robust is risk appetite? Few in 2017, 2007, or 1999 would have thought too hard on this philosophical question for fear of missing the wave. Yet, volatility over the past year has signaled to traders a need to be more cautious about their exposure. Learn why I consider the S&P 500, dollar, and gold capable of giving us a comprehensive sentiment and market overview.





Global Macro Outlook

AMELIA BOURDEAU
Founder & CEO, Market Compass LLC

Global macro is an exciting trading strategy. Amelia Bourdeau will discuss the market environment and look at event risk, which provides actionable trading opportunities. Identification of global market themes driving the trading landscape is key to initiating trades and managing risk. She will provide examples of how the big hedge funds and bank execution traders examine the markets.



How to Use MACD in Your Trading—Pearls and Pitfalls

MARVIN APPEL
President, Signal Alert Asset Management

A unique feature of the MACD indicator is that you can use it to identify trends with room to run, but also to identify overbought or oversold levels that represent potential market turning points. Dr. Marvin Appel will teach you how to use MACD for both purposes using both numerical approaches and significant chart patterns such as positive and negative divergences, with applications to the equity and bond markets.



How Options Fit into Futures Fundamentals

KATIE McGARRIGLE
Co-Host, Market Mindset & Splash Into Futures, tastytrade

tastytrade's Katie McGarrigle explains how basic options trading mechanics apply to the futures world and how this information can enhance market awareness/improve probability of success.



Playing the Earnings Announcement

KERRY GIVEN, PhD
Founder, Parkwood Capital, LLC

Earnings announcements often result in large price moves in the underlying stock. Dr. Kerry Given will review and contrast several options strategies that may be used to profit from these events. Some of these trades are higher risk and better suited to aggressive traders, but Dr. Given will also discuss how earnings announcement trades may be structured for more conservative investors.



Creating Powerful Charts for Your Portfolio

GREG SCHNELL
Senior Technical Analyst, StockCharts.com

Using some key examples to demonstrate the range and power of charts, Greg Schnell will demonstrate some critical attributes and indicators that investors can use to make their charts come to life. Using strategic chart settings, he will demonstrate how to find the strongest stocks in the market.



Creating Your ATM Cash Machine Through Algo Trade Strategies

JOHN PERSON
CEO, John Person, Inc.

Not all systems are created equal, certainly not all trades will be winners, however, if you want the best look into what it takes to trade a great strategy, then this is a must-see session. John Person will show some important algorithm criteria combined with specific technical tools that can enhance traders' performance and trade results including how to optimize for the best time frames, best time of day, with specific markets from futures on stock indexes, forex, crude oil, and exchange traded funds on $SPY, and even volatility products like the $VXXB.



Buy-and-Hold or Sell-and-Fold: How to Use Elliott Waves to Time Your Trades

STEVEN HOCHBERG
Chief Market Analyst
Elliott Wave International

What are the odds that stocks, bonds, gold, and the US dollar will be higher six months to a year from now? What are the odds they will be lower? The Elliott wave model provides historical context and a look into the future. Come see what it's saying now.



Day Trader's Guide to Identifying Winning Chart Patterns

HARRY BOXER
Author, *The Technical Trader*

Harry Boxer, founder of TheTechTrader.com, shares insights into identifying breakout trading opportunities for intraday, as well as swing trades. In this presentation, Harry will cover how to use intraday technicals and patterns to uncover trading candidates on intraday and daily charts. He will discuss using price-volume surges as the key to identifying the most lucrative trades, and how to play opening gaps and early session patterns. Learn from this 50-year veteran trader and technical analyst, and author of the highly acclaimed *Profitable Day & Swing Trading* (Wiley), noted by *Stock Trader's Almanac* as the "2015 Best Investment Book of the Year."



Trading Iron Condors: Fixed vs. Dynamic

NICK BATTISTA
Trade Manager and Host
Bat vs Bat at tastytrade

tastytrade show host Nick Battista walks through one of tastytrade's most commonly used options strategies, the iron condor, giving tips and tricks for order entry and management of the trades.



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