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Garth Brooks in a 'dive bar'

The country singer began his seven-stop tour at Joe's on Weed Street and proved he has friends in small places, too. **A+E**

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House condemns Trump's tweets

4 Republicans join Democrats in decrying language as 'racist'

BY JOHN WAGNER,
MIKE DeBONIS
AND COLBY ITKOWITZ
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A divided House voted Tuesday night to condemn President Donald Trump's racist remarks telling four minority congresswomen to "go back" to their ancestral countries, with all but a handful of Republicans dismissing the rebuke as harassment while many

Democrats pressed their leaders for harsher punishment of the president.

The imagery of the 240-187 vote was stark: A diverse Democratic caucus cast the president's words as an affront to millions of Americans and descendants of immigrants while Republican lawmakers — the majority of them white men — stood with Trump against a resolution that rejected his "racist comments that have legitimized fear and hatred of new

Americans and people of color."

Only four Republicans broke ranks — Reps. Susan Brooks of Indiana, Brian Fitzpatrick of Pennsylvania, Will Hurd of Texas and Fred Upton of Michigan — and joined Democrats in backing the resolution. Rep. Justin Amash, I-Mich., who quit the GOP earlier this month, also voted for it.

Trump insisted in a string of tweets Tuesday that he's not a racist — "I don't have a Racist bone in my body!" he wrote — and the

top two Republicans in Congress, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky and House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy of California, made identical statements when pressed on Trump's remarks: "The president is not a racist."

Trump also lashed out at the four Democratic women — Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York, Ilhan Omar of Minnesota,

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House Speaker Nancy Pelosi condemned President Trump's remarks before the chamber voted 240-187 Tuesday night.

JOHN PAUL STEVENS 1920-2019



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Retired Justice John Paul Stevens was named to the federal appeals court in Chicago in 1970 at Gov. Charles Percy's urging.

Hyde Park to high court

The liberal justice, a lifelong Cubs fan, served on the bench for 35 years

BY CHARLES LANE
The Washington Post

John Paul Stevens, a moderate Midwestern Republican and former antitrust lawyer from Chicago who evolved into a savvy and sometimes passionate leader of the Supreme Court's liberal wing and became the third-longest-serving justice on the high court before

his retirement in 2010, died Tuesday at a hospital in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. He was 99.

The cause was complications from a stroke that he suffered Monday, according to an announcement from the Supreme Court. The only justices who served longer were William O. Douglas, whom Justice Stevens replaced in 1975, and Stephen J. Field, a

nominee of President Abraham Lincoln who served for much of the late 19th century.

During his 35-year tenure, Stevens left his stamp on nearly every area of the law, writing the court's opinions in landmark cases on government regulation, the death penalty, criminal law, intellectual property and civil liberties.

Stevens also spoke for the

court when it held presidents accountable under the law, writing the 1997 decision that required President Bill Clinton to face Paula Jones' sexual harassment suit, and the 2006 opinion that barred President George W. Bush from holding military trials for prisoners at the Guantanamo Bay Naval

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Ricketts faces big property tax hike

Back taxes on Cubs co-owner's reassessed Wilmette home likely

BY HAL DARDICK

Cubs co-owner Todd Ricketts' designer Wilmette home is worth more than twice as much as previously thought — and that could more than double his property tax bill next year and trigger a tab of at least \$60,000 in back taxes and interest.

That bottom line emerged Tuesday as the Cook County assessor's office completed its reassessment of Ricketts' property following a Tribune story that revealed the Republican National Committee finance chairman had been paying taxes as if the older, smaller house he'd torn down more than a decade ago was still there.

The error lingered for so long because the assessor's office said it never received notice the new home had been built and failed to detect the discrepancy during subsequent assessments. And when Ricketts' attorney had a chance to tell officials about the new home during a 2013 tax appeal, he filed paperwork based on the old home instead of the new one.

Here's how the numbers break down: Ricketts' home had been



Ricketts

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Gator 'put up a little fight' but was caught

The male, 5-foot-3 alligator that eluded authorities for a week in the Humboldt Park Lagoon was caught overnight and made an appearance at a news conference Tuesday morning. Alligator trapper Frank Robb, who was brought in over the weekend from Florida to replace a volunteer trapper, was walking along the shoreline when he heard the alligator and saw it in lily pads. He was able to catch it with one cast of hooks attached to a fishing rod. The animal "put up a little fight" but was unharmed. **Chicagoland**, Page 11



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Professional alligator trapper Frank Robb, who was brought in over the weekend from Florida, displays the Humboldt Park alligator.

'We're talking seventh and eighth grade girls' as victims

As R. Kelly held with no bond, prosecutors also call him 'extreme danger'

BY JASON MEISNER

Five months ago, R. Kelly bonded out of Cook County Jail on sexual abuse charges and celebrated with a late-night trip to a Near North Side McDonald's and cigars at a nearby lounge.

But it was a different tune Tuesday when a federal judge in Chicago ordered the embattled R&B singer held without bond on a pair of sweeping new indictments brought here and in New

York alleging he systematically abused young girls over a period of decades.

The decision by U.S. District Judge Harry Leinenweber marked the first time that Kelly faces a lengthy stretch in custody since he was first charged with child pornography in state court 17 years ago — a case that ended in acquittal and that federal prosecutors now allege was fixed by Kelly.

In arguing that Kelly, 52, should be held pending trial, prosecutors called the onetime superstar a serious risk of flight given that he now potentially faces the rest of

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R. Kelly appears before Judge Lawrence Flood at the Leighton Criminal Court Building in Chicago on June 6.



JOHN KASS

With both R. Kelly and Epstein, it takes a village

Shame has its limits, even in Chicago, so there was no way that R. Kelly — famous R&B singer and infamous accused pedophile — was going to get the cozy Jussie Smollett treatment.

Not in federal court. And not after Kelly’s recent federal indictments in Chicago and New York on charges that he pressured witnesses to change their stories years ago in his Cook County criminal case, and that he paid hundreds of thousands of dollars to scoop up child sex tapes in which he had a starring role.

“This investigation is far from over,” Assistant U.S. Attorney Angel Krull said as Kelly’s bond was denied on Tuesday. Krull also said prosecutors have three videos showing Kelly’s “sodomasochistic abuse” of a 14-year-old girl.

The indictments against Kelly came just days after the underage sex trafficking indictments against New York financier Jeffrey Epstein. That wasn’t just happenstance, said Jim DeRogatis, music critic, professor, journalist and author of the extensively reported “Soulless: The Case against R. Kelly.”

“What’s obvious now is that it takes a system of people to enable a predator to do his thing for years, for decades,” DeRogatis said on my podcast “The Chicago Way” on WGN Plus. “This is not a coincidence that the charges came within a span of a week, against Epstein and Kelly.”

In both cases, it’s clear that there were industrious enablers helping predators on their hunt. It takes a village.

The monstrous Roman Polanski liked young girls too. He gave a 13-year-old girl a quaalude and champagne, then raped her in the home of Jack Nicholson. But he was a great director, and Hollywood defended him, giving him standing ovations and awards in absentia. He stayed overseas rather than go to prison in California.

“Hollywood has the best moral compass because it has compassion,” said one of Polanski’s great champions. “We were the people who did the fundraising telethon for the victims of 9/11. We were there for the victims of

Katrina and any world catastrophe.”

Who was the great Polanski supporter? Producer Harvey Weinstein, who goes on trial in New York after Labor Day as an accused sex predator.

Hollywood, the music industry and politics are each all about selling fantasy, and what we find acceptable in fantasy reveals much about us. In the late 1980s, two movies based on the same story about decadent French nobility — each containing scenes of rape of a 15-year-old girl by an older man — were big hits in America, “Dangerous Liaisons” and “Valmont.” Would such scenes be made today? Or is modern America so much like pre-revolutionary France that we’ve lost perspective?

While Epstein was a favorite of the wealthy New York elite, numbering former President Bill Clinton, other national Democrats and Republican President Donald Trump among his social contacts, Kelly was a Chicago guy.

He grew up here. He soon became the most influential musician of his generation. And as Kelly became famous for his music, he became famous for being a grown man hunting 14- and 15-year-old girls. And Chicago knew it.

“There was Kelly cruising Kenwood Academy, and other high schools, the Evergreen Plaza shopping malls, the Rock ‘n’ Roll McDonald’s,” DeRogatis said. “Nobody cared to stop it because the money was too extensive.”

DeRogatis tried. Then-music critic at the Sun-Times, he teamed up with then-Sun-Times reporter Abdon Pallasch to document Kelly’s behavior beginning in December 2000. They did story after story, yet these were largely ignored by other media in town, including the Chicago Tribune. Kelly was considered a Sun-Times story. And DeRogatis and Pallasch were isolated.

They were supported by Chicago Sun-Times columnist Mary Mitchell, an African American, who wrote many columns defending them.

“We were vilified in all of Chicago black media, especially the radio stations, they never stopped playing

him,” DeRogatis recalled. “We were (called) racists, and Mary wrote more than two dozen columns urging the black community to wake up to the predator in its midst.”

Later, Pallasch told me, “When we published our first story about R. Kelly sexually abusing underage teenage girls, we braced for a wave of other news outlets following up and covering this. And we were met with a collective shrug from our fellow journalists. This was before the #MeToo movement. We got, ‘What? It’s news that music stars go for young girls?’

“But it would be years before some of our fellow journalists recognized that video of R. Kelly sexually abusing a 14-year-old girl was not ‘the pee tape’ but rather ‘the rape tape,’” Pallasch said.

Some things to watch as both the Kelly and Epstein cases proceed: How many enablers will be revealed, in politics and media? How will the politics of the local courts — R. Kelly’s acquittal in Cook County and the slap-on-the-wrist Epstein received in Florida — be explained away? And how did the lawyers on both sides play those earlier cases, which authorities now say allowed accused child molesters to resume hunting?

DeRogatis said much will be exposed about Cook County and Kelly as the federal case unfolds.

“Because the indictment already brings out that the girl and her parents were bribed. And there are obstruction of justice charges,” he said on “The Chicago Way.” “How far will these charges go? And when Kelly’s enablers begin to flip and turn state’s evidence to avoid prosecution themselves, what else will come out?”

I don’t think it’ll be the kind of tune you’d want for your wedding song or your prom. There might be a silent scream or two, maybe, and a sigh.

But it won’t be music.

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50 years after we walked on it, moon moves us



MARY SCHMICH

On summer nights I like to go outside, if only for a couple of minutes, and watch the moon.

I think of it as watching not looking. The word “look” feels static. “Watch” applies to things in motion and the moon always seems to be slyly shifting shape, forever teasing. You may see me but you will never know me.

The unknown is the moon’s greatest charm.

The moon has been in the news a lot lately as we commemorate the 50th anniversary of the day humans set foot on lunar soil. That anniversary is my excuse for writing about it today. But the moon-watchers among us — we’re a big club — don’t need an official occasion to think about the moon. We’re drawn to it the way bees are drawn to flowers and alligators are drawn to swamps. It’s just something we have to do.

When I’m watching the moon, memories often pop into my brain, some in the form of songs.

There’s Van Morrison’s “Moondance” and Cat Stevens’ “Moonshadow” and the greatest song ever written, “Moon River,” which isn’t really about the moon but benefits from the power of the word.

There’s the first moon song I ever learned, the one my mother sang to her kids as we sat on the porch steps on sticky nights in Savannah, Georgia, when my father, a traveling insurance salesman, was away.

I see the moon and the moon sees me

And the moon sees the one that I want to see

God bless the moon and God bless me

And God bless the one that I love.

All these years later, when I’m watching the moon, I often think, too, of a 10-year-old boy I once wrote about who was shot on a summer night sitting on his front porch in Chicago. When I asked what he remembered about the moment he named one thing: He was staring at the moon.

Ever since, I’ve seen the moon



A plane flies below the full moon over Chicago on Oct. 24, 2018.

JOHN J. KIM / CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The moon is one of our universal wonders. Its hypnotic quality transcends age, place, class, race, the agitations of politics. In our divided world, it’s something that binds us. Your moon is my moon. My moon is yours.

through his young eyes.

My mother carried the moon-watching urge until her dying day. I can still see her shuffling into the back yard with her cane, looking up at the sky and calling, “Oh, honey, come look at the moon.”

Ever since, I’ve seen the moon through her old eyes.

Moonwatching is a pleasure people need to share. The other night a friend texted me: Have you seen the moon? You have to go outside and look.

The moon is one of our universal wonders. Its hypnotic quality transcends age, place, class, race, the agitations of politics. In our divided world, it’s something that binds us. Your moon is my moon. My moon is yours.

It’s also one way we measure the passing of the days and months, a more benevolent time marker than the clock. The clock says, “Hurry up.” The moon says, “Calm down. This thing called time has been going on longer

than you can imagine and it will be going on long after you’re gone.”

And the moon has the distinction, in the words of something I recently read, of being “the only place beyond Earth where humans have set foot.”

I was alive on the day that first happened — July 20, 1969 — and I would love to say the spectacle transformed me. Many people have an uplifting story of that day. My story goes like this:

I was at my friend Marge’s house. It was summer, a Phoenix summer with its soul-sucking heat. Marge had just gotten her driver’s license so we stuck our heads into the den where her father was watching TV.

Could we borrow his car? We wanted to go to the mall.

Her father pointed toward the TV. Look, he said, a spaceship just landed on the moon. An astronaut

was going to walk on it.

We glanced at the TV briefly. Interesting, Mr. Henry. But can we borrow your car?

For some of us during the teenage years, the wonders of the moon are secondary to the wonders of the mall.

But I think that the older you get the more you reclaim your childlike wonder at the moon and all the mysteries of the natural world. You grasp in more detail all the time how little you know about, well, anything.

The moon reminds us how mysterious life is, how infinite the exploration will always be, how many discoveries remain no matter how many we make.

That’s why it’s good on summer nights, or any night, to go outside. Look up. Enjoy the mystery we share.

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CHICAGOLAND

Gun trafficker tied to teen death sentenced

‘Mastermind’ of scheme gets 5 1/2 year term

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY

One by one, prosecutors presented a federal judge with five different guns, detailing how they tracked each from Kentucky to a trio of traffickers after police recovered the weapons at crime scenes in gang-infested neighborhoods in Chicago.

Saying the scheme contributed to Chicago’s endemic violence, prosecutors linked one of the firearms to the fatal shooting of a 15-year-old boy behind his home on Chicago’s Northwest Side in April 2017 — just 42 days after Christopher Henderson and his crew bought the Taurus handgun outside an outlet mall near Louisville.

On Tuesday, Henderson, characterized by prosecutors as the scheme’s “mastermind,” was sentenced to 5 1/2 years in prison by U.S. District Judge Edmond E. Chang. It came just a day after co-defendant Jaiqail Wright pleaded guilty.



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This photo of guns was allegedly sent via Facebook as part of a Kentucky-to-Chicago firearms trafficking conspiracy.

“It’s so cavalier and casual to sell guns to people who aren’t supposed to own them,” the judge told Henderson. “It plays out way too many times in our city.”

Henderson, 24, of Louisville, used his lack of a criminal record to purchase firearms from individuals in Kentucky, often through the controversial online gun marketplace Armslist.com, and then resell them in Chicago at a 50 to 100% markup, according to prosecutors. He pleaded guilty in April to three counts of unlicensed dealing in fire-

arms.

Prosecutors alleged he worked with Wright, of Chicago, and John “JoJo” Phillips, of Hillside, to find buyers in Chicago, often using Facebook to strike deals. Phillips has denied wrongdoing and is awaiting trial.

Prosecutors alleged that all three defendants had ties to a violent faction of the Conservative Vice Lords street gang.

On Tuesday, prosecutors sought a sentence of up to 10 years in prison for Henderson, arguing he traf-

ficked nearly 350 weapons between July 2016 and May 2018.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth Pozolo told the judge that investigators used phone records, social media postings, emails, sales receipts and other evidence to come up with that figure. But she acknowledged that some of the weapons might have been double counted — a concern shared by the judge.

Henderson’s attorney, Marc Gottreich, countered that investigators connected Henderson to only six weapons. He sought the minimum sentence of just under four years in prison.

“Basically, the government relies on idle talk and hearsay to prove their contention,” Gottreich wrote in a sentencing memorandum disputing that Henderson trafficked hundreds of guns.

Chang ended up holding Henderson responsible for trafficking between 25 and 99 guns, noting that just one photograph found on social media showed him advertising 29 guns for sale. He had put red X’s over the weapons he had already sold, prosecutors said.

Prosecutors argued in court that the guns trafficked by Henderson were used in three homicides and other violent crimes, including carjackings and shootings.

But the judge found insufficient evidence to connect Henderson’s handiwork to two of the homicides.

However, Chang concluded that prosecutors proved that Henderson illegally sold the handgun later used in the 2017 killing of Xavier Soto, 15, in the Belmont-Cragin neighborhood.

Xavier was with a 16-year-old friend in an alley behind his home in the 4900 block of West George Street when a car pulled up and a gunman opened fire. Xavier was struck in the head and died two days later. His friend was shot multiple times but survived.

In April, four reputed members of a Northwest Side street gang were charged in federal court with racketeering conspiracy charges in connection with Soto’s death and two other killings, as well as two



Henderson

attempted murders between 2015 and 2017.

In tearful remarks in court, Soto’s sister, Jasmine, pleaded for justice and spoke of her brother’s dream of

becoming a firefighter and his devotion to his daughter.

“He was a friendly, loving, selfless person,” she said. “That was the kind of person you took away from us.”

“I really didn’t mean to hurt anybody,” said Henderson, who thanked his family and friends in attendance. “What I did was wrong.”

Asking for leniency, his attorney noted Henderson’s lack of a criminal record, but prosecutors pointed out that had enabled him to carry out his gun trafficking scheme.

In handing down his sentence, Chang noted that the illegal guns contributed to the city’s violence.

“You heard from (Soto’s) sister,” Chang told Henderson. “It’s a story told hundreds of times over the past few years in this city.”

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Maja Lindall, 9, lifts some of the 200,000 signatures for equal pay handed to the U.S. Soccer headquarters in Chicago.

Fans, activists rally at US Soccer HQ for equal pay

Petition delivered in support of World Cup-winning women’s team

BY MARIE FAZIO

Greta Lindall, 12, has been playing soccer for as long as she can remember. Now entering seventh grade, she plays for her school team at Skinner North Classical School.

Wearing a red U.S. women’s national team jersey and a sticker that read “U.S. Soccer: We demand equal pay,” Greta addressed a small crowd gathered outside the U.S. Soccer Federation headquarters in Chicago to demand equal pay for the four-time world champion women’s national soccer team.

“The members of the women’s team are heroes,” Greta said. “You can’t criticize their skills — they’re the best in the world. The next step is to pay them like it.”

The group delivered a petition with 200,000 signatures to USSF employees inside. The demonstration, organized by feminist organization Ultraviolet, was attended by soccer fans and other groups, including Planned Parenthood.

“It’s not complicated and it’s not right,” said Susan Hildebrand, national field director at Ultraviolet. “We’re here to support the team’s demand for equal pay. In addition to bringing home those four World Cup champi-

onships, the women’s team also brings in significant revenue.”

After the team’s fourth World Cup victory, Nike CEO Mark Parker said the U.S. women’s jersey is the all-time best-selling soccer jersey in one season.

“Paying women less than men for the same work is not fair,” said Maria Tchijor of MoveOn. “But paying women less than men for demonstratively

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Sweet ending after theft from girl’s lemonade stand

BY SUZANNE BAKER

Like many kids her age, Alizay Kashif aspired to test her business savvy by opening a lemonade stand on her block. Instead of pocketing the money for herself, she planned to donate her proceeds to Feeding America, a U.S. hunger relief organization based in Chicago.

But a bad location and thieves turned the 11-year-old’s entrepreneurial dreams into a nightmare. Thankfully, the community stepped in to help.

Alizay’s father Kashif Zaman said his family lives on a Naperville cul-de-sac where there’s not much foot or vehicular traffic. Alizay sat outside for more than two hours June 28, and “didn’t see any customers,” Zaman said.

Feeling sorry for his daughter, Zaman offered to buy some of her lemonade, soda and chocolate chip cookies, all priced at \$1. “She told me, ‘I need some real customers,’” he said.

Eventually, Alizay cobbled together \$9 in sales.

Her hopes were raised when two teenagers came by and asked how much she was charging. The two said they had no cash on hand, but they’d run home and return with money to make a purchase, she said.

To her delight, the teens returned in a car with two more friends.

But the same teen who’d asked about the price grabbed Alizay’s basket with the money and drove off.

“At first I thought it was a prank,” Alizay said. “I was about to cry when it happened.”

She was so in shock, her friend ran to the house to alert her mother of the robbery.

Zaman said his daughter was so upset that he decided to voice his concerns on the social media platform Nextdoor. To his surprise, 50 to 60 people of-

ferred advice, urging Zaman to alert the police and pushing Alizay to try again.

One of the posters, Ben Hutchison, said he was moved by Alizay’s story.

As a former television reporter in Milwaukee, Hutchison said he’d often come across stories of people in horrible situations. “I always wished I could do more,” he said.

This time he said, “I’ve got to do something,” and suggested Alizay set up shop in front of his house at the corner of Charles Avenue and Gartner Road in Naperville.

Alizay took Hutchison up on his offer Sunday, and she immediately saw results.

Neighbors came out in droves after reading of her plight on Nextdoor, Zaman said, “and the police caught wind of her stand.”

“Initially I started hearing sirens,” Alizay said. Then a line of Naperville squad cars rounded the corner and pulled up in front of her lemonade stand.

“We were not expecting a huge motorcade,” Zaman said.

Naperville police also passed the hat at the police station and collected \$170, which was presented to Alizay.

“I think that really made the day,” Alizay said.

Proceeds as of Monday totaled \$348. She plans to personally deliver the money she’s collected and the story behind it to Feed America.

Hutchison, who grew up in Naperville, said he’s proud of the support from neighbors and the police. Video of police arriving at Alizay’s stand in front of his house is growing by roughly 10,000 viewers a day.

“The Naperville Police Department took it to a new level,” he said. “It reinforces why I wanted to be back in Naperville.”

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Alizay Kashif, in foreground at right, and her sister, Emaan, serve lemonade Sunday to Naperville cops.

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Ex-ICE chief said House hearing fired him up

He said he thought of giving Ill. Rep. Garcia ‘a beating’

By ELVIA MALAGÓN

The former head of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement said on Fox News on Monday he thought about “beating” Illinois Rep. Jesus “Chuy” Garcia when the two got into a heated exchange at a hearing on Capitol Hill. Tom Homan, who previously served as acting ICE director under President Donald Trump, said he “broke” when Garcia

“called me a racist” and “told me I didn’t care about dying children” during a House Oversight Committee hearing Friday about immigration issues and the situation at the southern border. “That’s when I broke,” said Homan, a Fox News contributor. “If you noticed, I hesitated a minute before I started yelling because I was actually thinking about getting up and throwing that man a beating right there in the middle of the room. ... I had enough.” Homan didn’t name Garcia, a Democrat from Chicago. But Homan referred



to comments Garcia made during the hearing about how Homan “could possibly allow” family separation at the border. “Do you not care? Is it because these children do not look like children that are around you? I don’t get it. Have you ever held a deceased child in your arms?” Garcia asked Homan. “First of all, your comments are disgusting,” Homan angrily responded. “... This is out of control. ... What I’ve been trying to do in my 34 years of serving the country is to save lives. So for you to sit there and insult my integrity, my love for my country and for children. ... I’ve seen many dead bodies coming across our border.” Homan clashed with other Democratic lawmakers while defending the Trump administration policies. When New York Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez said Homan recommended

family separation at the border, for example, Homan responded by saying he recommended zero tolerance, apparently in reference to migrants who cross the border illegally. He also noted that U.S. citizens who are arrested with children would also be separated from their children. On Tuesday, Garcia’s office issued a statement saying it wasn’t going to validate comments from an angry man, which they say is how Homan described himself on television. “Congressman Garcia didn’t call him racist, but it is clear the Congressman

got under Mr. Homan’s skin for a reason. If the shoe fits, Mr. Homan should wear it,” according to the statement. Rhetoric has become more heated on all sides around immigration issues as cities including Chicago brace for a large-scale ICE deportation enforcement campaign that Trump announced, prompting large protests in Chicago. The president’s administration also moved Monday to severely restrict asylum protections for migrants from Central America.

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his life in prison if convicted. Kelly’s history of sexual abuse, manipulation and obstruction of justice also make him an “extreme danger” to the community, prosecutors said. “We’re talking seventh and eighth grade girls,” Assistant U.S. Attorney Angel Krull said in Leinenweber’s packed courtroom. “And it didn’t happen once or twice. He sexually abused them hundreds of times before they turned 18.” In all, Kelly was accused in the two new federal indictments of abusing a dozen victims going back to the 1990s, and prosecutors believe there are “many more,” Krull said. “The investigation is far from over,” she said. Dressed in an orange jail jumpsuit with his ankles shackled, Kelly sat at the defense table and stared straight ahead for much of the hourlong hearing. He spoke only once, replying, “Yes, your honor” when asked if he understood the charges. The singer hung his head slightly after the judge ordered him held without bail. Moments later, he was led away by deputy U.S. marshals with his hands clasped behind his back. Left undecided on Tuesday was where Kelly may next appear in court. Leinenweber set a status hearing in the Chicago case for Sept. 4. Meanwhile, if the judge presiding over the New York case agrees, Kelly could be arraigned on those charges via teleconference from Chicago. If not, he’d likely be brought to the federal courthouse in Brooklyn by the U.S. Marshals Service to enter a plea in person. Also unclear is which case will take the forefront now that Kelly is charged in three separate jurisdictions. Experts have told the Chicago Tribune that the New York indictment would likely be the leading case since it contains the broadest scope and the highest potential penalties. It also carries an intriguing legal twist, charging Kelly under an anti-racketeering law that historically has been used to prosecute Mafia bosses and street gangs for running criminal enterprises. But Kelly is now facing two cases in his hometown, so logistically it may be easier to keep him here. Earlier this year, a Cook County grand jury indicted Kelly on charges he sexually assaulted one woman and sexually abused three others. All but one was allegedly underage at the time. Kelly has pleaded not guilty to those charges and had been free on a \$1 million bond. However the prosecution proceeds, the denial of bond on Tuesday clearly makes Kelly’s circumstance much more dire. Kelly has been held in isolation at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in the Loop since his arrest by federal agents Thursday night while walking his dog outside his home in the Trump Tower, according to his lawyer, Steven Greenberg. He has no access to television, is allowed only five minutes on the telephone each day and must meet with his legal team in a cramped room with only a small table. Since Kelly can’t read, his attorneys will have to explain each document produced as evidence to him, making their job infi-



R. Kelly’s attorney, Steven Greenberg, at the courthouse Tuesday, questioned the strength of the cases against his client.

R. Kelly, ex-wife long fought over finances

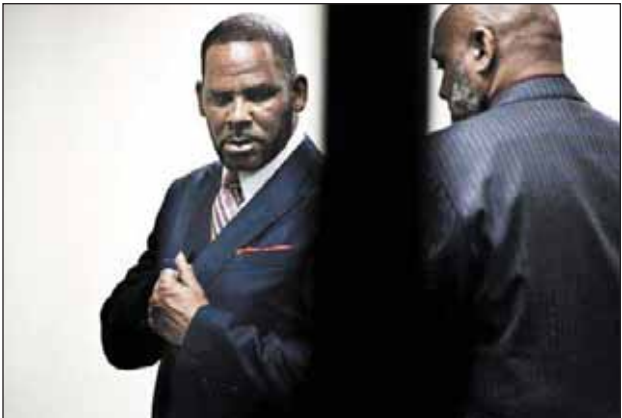
By MEGAN CREPEAU

R. Kelly and his former wife have been battling over finances for more than a decade, with the embattled R&B singer and his reality TV star ex each claiming poverty at times, newly released divorce filings show. A Cook County judge sealed the divorce records from public view just as a lengthy dispute over money and child custody reached a boiling point in 2013. Kelly sought to reduce his child support payments, citing “a steady decline in his popularity” and a resulting drop in his income. About the same time, ex-wife Andrea Kelly accused him of hiding assets. The conflict was among many disclosed as the circuit clerk’s office released hundreds of pages of documents late Monday on the orders of the judge overseeing the child custody fight. The Chicago Tribune and WBEZ-91.5 FM intervened to open the case to the public after reporters had been barred from the domestic relations courtroom after R. Kelly was criminally charged in Cook County with sexually abusing several underage girls years ago. Last week his legal woes grew significantly as federal authorities in Chicago and Brooklyn, New York, brought separate indictments as well. Among other revelations, the unsealed divorce filings show Kelly was repeatedly accused of falling behind on child support in recent years. The two married in Colorado in 1997, according to Kelly’s 2006 divorce petition. The couple had three children who were minors when the divorce was finalized in January 2009 — about six months after Kelly was acquitted in a sensational child pornography trial

in Chicago. Their divorce agreement awarded Andrea Kelly a one-time \$1 million payment, \$250,000 a year in child support and \$10,000 a month in alimony. The alimony ended after Andrea Kelly’s remarriage, but Kelly was still required to pay child support as of March when he was jailed for failing to make overdue payments. The unsealed filings also allege Kelly fell behind on child support in 2009, 2013 and 2014. In 2013, the singer sought to reduce his child support payments, claiming he had seen a “steady decline in his popularity” due in part to his “age, drastic decline in record sales, increased album purchase prices and the overall economic downturn.” Just weeks earlier, Kelly played the Pitchfork Music Festival in Chicago to an adoring crowd. He played additional music festivals that year and collaborated with younger artists including Lady Gaga and Justin Bieber. In response, Andrea Kelly tried to have his monthly payments increased, saying Kelly had “gone to great extents” to hide his income and assets. She also noted in the filing that her pay from the reality TV show “Hollywood Exes” wasn’t sufficient to pay the bills. In 2014, Kelly’s attorneys revealed that the singer faced a tax liability of more than \$7 million and that the mortgage on his house in suburban Olympia Fields — often mentioned as the site of his alleged improper sexual encounters with teenage girls — had been foreclosed. As long-standing allegations of predatory sexual behavior against Kelly gained public traction in recent years, his former wife has accused him of withholding payments as punishment for her

speaking out about his alleged abuse. In turn, the singer has said his ex-wife’s public allegations have made it difficult for him to earn money. In the months since, R. Kelly’s legal troubles have escalated — including last week’s federal indictments in New York and Chicago accusing him of wide-scale racketeering charges and obstructing justice before his 2008 Cook County trial. He was taken into custody as he walked his dog near his residence in Trump Tower in Chicago. Earlier this year, he was indicted on Cook County charges that he sexually assaulted one victim and sexually abused three others years ago. All but one were underage at the time, the charges alleged. Kelly had been free on those charges after a woman who identified herself as a friend posted the necessary \$100,000 of a \$1 million bond. The newly released divorce records show that Andrea Kelly initially sought to subpoena the woman in an apparent effort to learn whether the money had come from Kelly himself. At the time, he owed more than \$160,000 in overdue child support. Andrea Kelly hinted at the long legal tussle in comments for the Lifetime documentary series “Surviving R. Kelly,” which featured multiple women accusing Kelly of wrongdoing and amplified the wave of public backlash against the singer. “People think that I’m living this great, lavish life, but they don’t understand,” she said. “... People just think oh, you know, she wants to come forward now because the checks stopped. ... The checks have been over for a very long time.” mcrepeau@chicagotribune.com

daughter had never had a sexual relationship with Kelly and that she was not the person depicted in the tape, according to the indictment. Kelly and his business associates continued to pay the girl and her family cash and gifts for years after Kelly’s 2008 acquittal, including a \$30,000 wire transfer to the girl’s father two months after the verdict and a luxury SUV given to the girl in 2013 through one of Kelly’s companies, according to the charges. In all, Kelly recorded himself having sex with five minor girls beginning in 1998, according to the indictment. After learning that some of the tapes were missing from his “collection,” Kelly, McDavid and Brown embarked on a scheme to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars to recover the recordings from various individuals, the indictment alleged. The indictment also alleged McDavid and Brown forced victims to submit to lie detector tests to show they had turned over all of the sex tapes in their possession. McDavid pleaded not guilty last week to four counts of conspiracy and child pornography-related charges. Brown is scheduled for an initial court appearance on Friday. The 18-page New York indictment alleged that Kelly’s entourage issued wristbands to girls attending his concerts — some of whom were minors — that allowed them backstage access and direct interaction with Kelly. When Kelly identified a girl he wished to see again, he’d ask for her contact information or direct his associates to obtain it. The girls were then invited to meet with Kelly at future shows, with some provided lodging, according to the charges. The charges alleged Kelly had rules for the girls he groomed. They were to call Kelly “Daddy” and were not allowed to leave their rooms unless instructed by Kelly to do so, “including to eat or go to the bathroom,” the indictment said. In detailing the evidence for the judge on Tuesday, prosecutors said they were in possession of three “extremely disturbing” videos showing the “sodomasochistic abuse” of the girl who was the alleged victim in Kelly’s original child pornography case — identified only as “Minor 1.” In the videos, Kelly shows his “particular sexual interest in young girls” by asking the then-14-year-old victim to say her age more than a dozen times, Krull said. Although she refused to testify at Kelly’s original trial, the victim is now cooperating with authorities and told a federal grand jury under oath that Kelly repeatedly sexually abused her when she was a minor, Krull said. In his argument, Greenberg tried to throw cold water on the allegation that Kelly’s acquittal was anything but aboveboard, noting there was no allegation he tried to pay off a judge to dismiss the case short of trial. “They say the case was somehow ‘rigged,’” Greenberg said. “He went to trial. He didn’t have a bench trial. He had a jury. Those 12 people watched the video in that case. ... If the fix was in, he went through an awful lot.” Chicago Tribune’s Madeline Buckley contributed jmeisner@chicagotribune.com



R. Kelly has been held in isolation at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in the Loop since his arrest Thursday.

nately more difficult, Greenberg said. Greenberg argued that Kelly should be released on electronic monitoring, telling the judge the singer is virtually broke and never

tried to flee the jurisdiction even though he’s known he was under federal investigation for months. Kelly also has never missed a court date and has complied with all the bond

conditions set by a Cook County judge after he was charged there in February, Greenberg said. Stealing his own line from a hearing in Cook County earlier this year, Greenberg said Kelly avoids traveling by airplane whenever he can — despite penning a hit song called “I Believe I Can Fly.” “He’s got a van,” Greenberg said. “He travels in a van. He’s not a risk to go to the airport and take off, and frankly, he’d be recognized anyway. He’s not going anywhere.” Greenberg also questioned the strength of the cases against Kelly, saying that most of the alleged abuse occurred nearly two decades ago and that there’s “great overlap” between the new charges and the case

that Kelly beat in 2008. Kelly faces a mandatory minimum 10 years in prison if convicted of the charges in the 13-count Chicago indictment, which includes allegations that Kelly and two associates — former manager Derrel McDavid and employee Milton “June” Brown — fixed his original case by paying hundreds of thousands of dollars to recover child sex tapes before they got into the hands of prosecutors. The indictment also alleged Kelly and his crew paid witnesses to change their stories, including the alleged victim depicted in the videotape at the center of the case who refused to cooperate with authorities. The girl’s father, meanwhile, falsely testified to a Cook County grand jury that his

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The problem with America, Mr. Trump, is you.



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Donald Trump has come to the conclusion that many Americans hate their country. That could not be further from the truth.

Most of us love America. What we hate is that the president has taken it into the gutter. In other words, Donald Trump, the problem isn't the "Free, Beautiful and Very Successful" country you spoke about in a tweet Tuesday morning. The problem with America is you.

Trump's latest tweet telling Americans, "If you hate our Country or if you are not happy here, you can leave!" is yet another sign that he is out of touch with most of the country. It has exposed once again the

mental cocoon in which he lives, sheltered from the truth.

Americans don't hate America. What they hate is that Trump is the president. The things that make us unhappy about America right now are directly related to Trump. He is the reason thousands of people across the country took to the streets in protest over the weekend after he promised to send federal agents into neighborhoods looking for immigrants to deport.

He is the reason we toss restlessly in bed at night, thinking about innocent children held in deplorable conditions at detention centers along our southern border.

He is the architect of this brutal ideological battle in America that cannot possibly result in a winner. Trump's overt actions to normalize bigotry and racism have forced us to choose sides and retreat to the corners where other

like-minded people reside. He has opened the floodgates of racial discord, ripped out all channels of communication and left us to figure out how to deal with it on our own.

Trump has led us on a deliberate march to a dark and dreary place, where it is hard to see a glimpse of the light far off in the distance. But we know that we eventually will be delivered from this agony — because in America, resilience is part of our historical fabric.

Americans have long been resigned to the fact that our country is imperfect. There has always been a lot to love about it, as well as a lot to hate. African Americans, in particular, are descendants of men and women who suffered some of the most egregious evils imaginable under the shelter of a misguided democracy. Our ancestors' blood runs through our veins, and at times the ancestral pain strikes so deep that we

scream out in pain. But black people's stake in America's success is no greater than anyone else's.

From the Scots, Irish and Germans who came to Chicago in the late 1800s to work in the steel mills to the Mexicans who worked in chicken factories in Georgia while encouraging their children to dream of a life much better than that, we are all the same.

This kinship is the seamless connection that binds Americans with one another, and it is why Trump's insensitive tweet reaches to our core and reinforces our commitment to fight for this nation that belongs to us. Trump is a threat to all of us.

According to a Gallup Poll taken last month, 66 percent of Americans are dissatisfied with the way things are going in the United States. Only 32 percent are satisfied.

If everyone who is unhappy about the path

America is on decided to take Trump's advice to leave, we would be forfeiting our future to people who think like him. We would be turning our country over to a bunch of haters, of bigots and racists.

We would be leaving America in the care of those who would ultimately destroy our "free, beautiful and very successful" home.

What Trump does not understand is that most Americans are not like him at all. We don't hate the way he hates. We don't believe that immigrants are a burden on society that can be disposed of on a whim.

We don't look at people whose skin, religion or ethnic background is different from ours and see them as outsiders. We see contributors to the cultural diversity of our great nation, people with the same values as ours, who want to live in a country that is free, beautiful and very successful. They mirror exactly

who we are.

The sheer absurdity of Trump's tweet sent the strongest signal yet that he has no comprehension of what it means to be a real American. He doesn't understand how resilient Americans are, how accustomed we are to taking the good with the bad.

He doesn't realize just how much we care about this country. He doesn't understand that we criticize it often because we know it has the potential to be better tomorrow than it was yesterday.

So no, Donald Trump, Americans who dislike you and hate the way you are defacing our beautiful country aren't going anywhere. We plan to stay right where we belong and force you and those who share your warped values to either leave or find a place to hide.

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson and Patti Blagojevich, right, talk in the dugout before a game between the Cubs and Pirates at Wrigley Field this week.

Jacksons beg Trump to help Blagojevich

Father son join ex-Illinois leader's kin seeking pardon

BY LISA DONOVAN

The Rev. Jesse Jackson and his son, former U.S. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., himself a convicted felon, have written a letter to President Donald Trump seeking the release and full pardon of imprisoned former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, a Rainbow/PUSH Coalition spokesman has confirmed.

The Jacksons' letter seeking mercy for Blagojevich was dated Friday, a day before former Illinois first lady Patti Blagojevich appeared with the Rev. Jackson and others at his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition headquarters to commemorate the 20th anniversary of the release of

three U.S. Army soldiers captured by Yugoslavian forces. The Wall Street Journal was first to report the letter from the Jacksons to Trump.

"We stand with his family as they seek a full pardon for a father and husband that has served most of a sentence that was far longer than the offense deserved," the Chicago-based father and son wrote in the letter to Trump.

The White House did not respond to the Tribune's request for comment.

The elder Jackson, however, recently told the Tribune that he and Trump have a strained relationship. Nevertheless, Blagojevich was an unsuccessful contestant on Trump's "Celebrity Apprentice" show following his arrest.

In the last year, that Republican president has

raised the specter of a commutation for the disgraced former governor who's halfway through a 14-year sentence in a public corruption case. Patti Blagojevich also has appeared on Fox News to make a case for her husband's freedom.

Blagojevich was convicted on federal charges tied to trying to sell the U.S. Senate seat vacated by Barack Obama when he won the presidency in the 2008 election. The younger Jackson's name was raised in the cash-for-appointment scheme, but he has denied any involvement or knowledge of the case.

In 2013, Jesse Jackson Jr. was convicted of violating federal campaign law by using campaign funds to make personal purchases, including a fedora that once belonged to Michael

Rod Blagojevich
"has served most of a sentence that was far longer than the offense deserved."

—The Rev. Jesse Jackson and his son, former U.S. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr

Jackson. Both he and his then-wife Chicago Ald. Sandi Jackson served time.

On Saturday, the Rev. Jackson marked the 20th anniversary of his trip with Blagojevich, a former congressman, and others to Belgrade to help free the U.S. Army prisoners of war. Linking the plight of the

POWs to Blagojevich's imprisonment, Jackson told the crowd gathered for the event: "We're not going to rest until we set Blagojevich free either."

Patti and Rod Blagojevich, both Democrats, for more than a year have made overtures to the president seeking some sort of mercy.

Blagojevich and his team embarked on a campaign attempting to label his prosecution on sweeping federal corruption charges unjust and politically motivated. Speaking aboard Air Force One in May 2018, Trump raised the possibility of slashing Blagojevich's sentence for "being stupid and saying things that ... many other politicians say."

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Indictment No. 2 for accused bank thief

BY JASON MEISNER

A little over a month after charges were dropped amid a rare grand jury misstep, federal prosecutors have secured a new indictment against a man accused of trying to rob a bank in Chicago's Uptown neighborhood in 2016.

The one-page indictment against Carmel Cobb was made public Friday — the day the Chicago Tribune published a front-page story about how Cobb's case was tossed out of court on the day he was supposed to go to trial last month.

An arrest warrant was issued for Cobb last week, but it was unclear if he was in custody as of Monday.

The initial case against Cobb fell apart after 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, the Tribune reported.

Not only had the teller failed to pick Cobb out of a photo array shown to her by the FBI, but she also 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," according to a transcript of the proceedings.

"I find it doubtful that the 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," Ellis said. "That prejudices Mr. Cobb, and the only remedy for that is to dismiss the indictment."

Cobb, now 65, was accused of walking into the American Metro Bank near Broadway and Lawrence Avenue on Sept. 23, 2016, and waiting in line before handing a teller a piece of paper that said, "Give me the money."

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, he took the note bank and walked out of the bank.

Prosecutors have alleged that other evidence points to him as the robber, including surveillance images and statements from another eyewitness.

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Police misconduct investigator ousted for own misconduct

IG report says she searched cop files, made false report

BY JEREMY GORNER

A city employee who investigated misconduct allegations against Chicago police was forced to resign for improperly accessing investigative records on cops she knew and for falsely reporting that a co-worker planned a mass shooting at work, a report by the city's inspector general revealed Tuesday.

The report by the office of Chicago Inspector General Joseph Ferguson did not name the employee, but Alison Yohanna was later criminally charged by Cook County prosecutors in connection with the alleged false report.

Yohanna, 35, accessed the records of her brother, boyfriend and some of the boyfriend's relatives — all Chicago police officers — almost 70 times while working as an investigator for the Civilian Office of Police Accountability, Ferguson's office said.

The report did not explain the purpose behind Yohanna's searches but said she also failed to reveal to COPA the personal ties to the officers that posed a conflict of interest for her investigative post.

While under investigation by Ferguson's office, Yohanna anonymously sent a complaint to the IG from work, falsely accusing a co-worker she suspected

of cooperating against her of plotting the mass shooting, the report said.

Prosecutors later indicted her on felony charges of official misconduct and false reporting of a crime for the December incident.

The false report prompted police, SWAT and tactical officers to swarm COPA offices and evacuate the building, prosecutors said. The phony email came back to Yohanna's work computer, prosecutors said, and she admitted sending the email.

During her bond hearing in January, Yohanna's lawyer, Robert Pervan, said in

court that his client sent the email out of an "abundance of caution."

"It wasn't done with any malicious intent," Pervan told Judge Stephanie Miller.

Yohanna remains free on \$10,000 bail while awaiting trial.

On the recommendation of Ferguson's office, COPA fired Yohanna. After she appealed her dismissal, the city settled the appeal by letting Yohanna resign instead, according to the report. She was also designated as ineligible for rehiring by the city.

Speaking to reporters Tuesday from a mayor's conference in New York, Mayor Lori Lightfoot said



Yohanna

she hadn't yet discussed the matter with COPA Chief Administrator Sydney Roberts but called the allegations "disturbing."

"Look, it raises questions that have to be addressed, not only about the individual but also about the policies and practices that are in place that would allow this kind of access seemingly unchecked," she said. "So there's work to be done, and I will be dealing with Sydney and her team to address them once I've had an opportunity to read in more detail the IG's report."

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Finance records shed light on Lightfoot, others' money

She raised \$2.7M since election as Emanuel spent big

BY GREGORY PRATT,
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Lori Lightfoot raised nearly \$2.7 million in the months since being elected Chicago's mayor and has nearly \$2 million in the bank to help push her reform agenda, campaign finance records show.

Lightfoot had nearly \$400,000 in the bank to start the fundraising quarter from April through June. She spent \$1.3 million in that time frame, leaving her with about \$1.8 million in the bank, records show.

Meanwhile, former Mayor Rahm Emanuel spent big on donations to charities before he left office but also on events at glittering Chicago nightspots, racking up tabs for catering, valet services, venues, party planners and musicians totaling approximately \$450,000.

Much of Lightfoot's campaign haul came from big donors to Emanuel and from labor groups, including the Service Employees International Union state council, which had been Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle's top supporter in the mayoral race.

SEIU's state council gave Lightfoot \$100,000, records show.

Other union donations include \$200,000 from the Laborers' Political League Education Fund and \$25,000 from the Chicago Regional Council of Carpenters PAC, records show.

Emanuel's top campaign donor, GCM Grosvenor CEO Michael Sacks, gave Lightfoot \$50,000. His wife, Cari Sacks, gave the same amount.

Richard Melman, founder of Lettuce Entertain You, gave Lightfoot \$10,000. He'd previously been a big Emanuel supporter but donated to former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy when Emanuel dropped out of the mayoral race.

DRW CEO Donald Wilson Jr. gave Lightfoot \$125,000, while other DRW officials tossed in an additional \$100,000. Lester Crown donated \$100,000 to Lightfoot. She also received

\$150,000 from Sam and Helen Zell, and \$50,000 from investor Muneer Satter.

Sports teams and leaders also donated to Lightfoot. Blackhawks owner Rocky Wirtz and his son gave her a combined \$20,000, while she took in \$10,000 each from the Chicago Bulls and its president, Michael Reinsdorf.

Craig Duchossois, whose family helps run Arlington International Racecourse in Arlington Heights, gave Lightfoot \$50,000.

Citizens to Elect Anthony Beale gave Lightfoot \$5,000 just before the election, and the South Side alderman was one of the first black members of the City Council to endorse her over Preckwinkle. Their relationship soured after the election, however, when Beale attempted to organize aldermen against her choice of Scott Waguespack to be the Finance Committee's chairman.

Lightfoot, a former federal prosecutor, also received \$750 from Patrick Fitzgerald, the former U.S. attorney who famously said then-Gov. Rod Blagojevich was on "a political corruption crime spree" that "would make Lincoln roll over in his grave."

Campaign spending records show Emanuel made a big splash in the last days of his term. The Chicago for Rahm Emanuel political fund dropped a bit more than \$1.6 million between April and June.

Emanuel split \$1 million of the total among five \$200,000 donations to local philanthropies, including the Chicago Public Library Foundation and the Children First Fund foundation for the city's school system.

The City Colleges of Chicago Foundation, McCormick Foundation and the Youth Guidance organization also received \$200,000 from the former mayor's campaign fund.

Emanuel often promoted Youth Guidance's noted "Becoming a Man" program and was tapped to serve on a national BAM advisory council after leaving office.

Even the Jeffrey Ballet picked up a \$7,000 donation from Emanuel, himself a former dancer.

Much of the remaining spending went to campaign events at nightspots, re-

ords show, with Revel Motor Row, Chicago Athletic Association, The Dalcy, and the Frost event production company ranking as some of the biggest recipients.

Emanuel's coffers closed out the quarter with just over \$94,000 in available funds.

Campaign finance records also show some elected officials with legal troubles spent money on lawyers. Disgraced former Ald. Danny Solis, who wore a wire against indicted Ald. Edward Burke, paid nearly \$220,000 in legal fees to the law firm Foley & Lardner LLP, where his attorney Lisa Noller is a partner.

The May payment came from the 25th Ward Democratic Organization campaign fund Solis controls.

Solis has loaned himself more than \$330,000 from the 25th Ward campaign fund since 2004, according to Illinois State Board of Elections records.

Solis wore a wire while cooperating for two years with an FBI investigation into corruption at City Hall. He agreed to wear the recording device after he was confronted by law enforcement with evidence of his own alleged misdeeds — including seeking sexual services at a massage parlor, sources have said.

Solis has not been charged with wrongdoing, and he has not been seen at City Hall since word of his federal cooperation came to light in January. Noller has issued statements on his behalf, asking reporters to respect his privacy.

Noller, a former federal prosecutor, was once a contestant on the obscure ABC reality show "The Mole" that was hosted by Anderson Cooper.

Burke reported April payments totaling \$35,000 from two campaign funds he controls to longtime 14th Ward political operative Peter J. Andrews for consulting services.

Andrews and Burke are charged in federal court with attempting to shake down two businessmen who were seeking to renovate a Burger King restaurant in the Southwest Side ward. Both have pleaded not guilty.

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Ricketts

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assessed this year at \$828,000, but is now valued at \$1.96 million after the assessor's office paid a visit to the property and took into account the larger, fancier house.

The higher the assessment, the higher the property tax bill. And because the assessment is more than twice as high, the tax bill will be as well. Ricketts' tax bill was \$22,819 this year.

The back taxes are a little more complicated. The county treasurer will calculate how much Ricketts owes in back taxes. Based on preliminary numbers from the assessor and Ricketts' property tax bills, he'll owe an average of \$20,000 a year. State law allows the assessor to collect three years of back taxes, putting Ricketts' total at around \$60,000.

Ricketts is still coming out ahead because his property was assessed as though his old home were still standing for nine years — not the three years he's being dinged for.

Sarah Garza Resnick, chief deputy assessor for new Assessor Fritz Kaegi, said nothing would prohibit a taxpayer like Ricketts from paying additional amounts for the years his property was under-assessed that are not covered by state law.

Ricketts spokesman Brian Baker issued a statement in response to Tuesday's developments.

"Mr. Ricketts maintained all along that he would work in good faith with the assessor's office to assist them as they corrected and updated his real estate assessment. While Mr. Ricketts has not seen the latest

assessment report, he will continue to work with the assessor's office and will pay all the tax that is owed," Baker's statement reads.

Ricketts is a member of a billionaire family that secured an \$8.5 million county historic renovation property tax break for its rehab of Wrigley Field. That project also is in line to receive more than \$100 million in federal tax credits. Ricketts is one of four siblings on the Cubs board of directors. His brother, Tom Ricketts, is board chairman.

It used to be in Illinois that assessors could go back indefinitely to correct so-called omitted assessments. But state law changed in 2011 limiting the time period to three years. The law was sponsored by then-Democratic Rep. Barbara Flynn Currie, a top lieutenant to House Speaker Michael Madigan. The speaker, whose law firm handles property tax appeals, voted "present."

During debate on the House floor, Currie said her bill was "a reasonable balance between saying never (assess back taxes) and forever. ... On the other hand, if I did an addition to my house and didn't tell them, then I should be liable for some back taxes."

Andrea Raila, a longtime property tax consultant who ran for assessor last year, said she pushed for the 2011 change in part because clients of hers were hit with back taxes for as far back as a decade in cases when they were unaware their valuations should have been higher. She cited an example of a client who built new garages on his commercial property, didn't realize they should have increased his assessed value and was hit with a whopping tax bill he couldn't afford.

The Ricketts tax saga began after Todd Ricketts and wife Sylvie Légère, an anti-tax and free market advocate, bought two houses along a leafy Wilmette street within walking distance of Lake Michigan in 2006 and 2007. The couple tore down both homes to make way for their new dwelling, which was designed by noted architect Dirk Denison and constructed by high-end custom homebuilder Altounian Construction.

Plans submitted to Wilmette officials show the couple was building a contemporary two-story house of about 5,000 square feet. The plans also included an 800-square-foot garage and extra outdoor parking spaces on a manicured lot with outdoor patios and a koi pond. The house was completed in February 2010, village records show.

The new home, however, continued to be taxed as if the 2,534-square-foot old home hadn't been torn down. The assessor's office, using its longstanding methodology, determined Tuesday that the square footage for tax valuation purposes was 4,854 square feet.

Notice of the new 2019 assessment was sent out Tuesday, Resnick said. Also going out were the new assessments for the three previous years, which will lead to a bill for back taxes and interest payments.

Even after all the recalculations, Ricketts still could try to challenge the new assessments and lower what he'll owe — such an appeal is afforded to property owners courtesy of the same 2011 measure that limited the amount of back taxes that can be billed.

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IT'S A WRAP FOR 'SNAPPER'

After week, big media splash and 'a little fight,' Humboldt Park gator's been caught

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The alligator that eluded authorities for a week in the Humboldt Park Lagoon, exhausted after its time in the spotlight, was caught overnight and made an appearance at a news conference Tuesday morning near the lagoon.

The male, 5-foot-3 alligator, weighing about 30 or 40 pounds, was captured around 1:30 a.m. at the northwest side of the lagoon, officials said. Alligator trapper Frank Robb, who was brought in over the weekend from Florida to replace a volunteer trapper, was walking along the shoreline when he heard the alligator and saw it in lily pads, its eyes shining.

When Robb spotted the alligator, the animal dipped down in the water. Robb was able to catch it with one cast of hooks attached to a fishing rod.

He then reeled in the alligator, grabbed him and tied him up, he said during the Tuesday morning news conference.

"The second I put my hands on him, the hook fell out," Robb said. The animal "put up a little fight" but was unharmed, he added, joking that when he's asked how he catches alligators, he says, "just barely."

Robb said that he had little sleep overnight, and the alligator "was exhausted, too, I'm sure."

At the news conference, the alligator was in a dark-colored box with a yellow lid until Robb took it out and showed it off. The animal jerked its body when it was first removed from the container. There was black tape wrapped around its jaws. The animal nicknamed "Chance the Snapper" after local rapper Chance The Rapper remained calm as he rested on the arm of his captor.

Kelley Gandurski, director of Chicago Animal Care and Control, said the alligator was in good health.

"Wherever he came from or however he got here, he's a very healthy animal," Robb said.

During the news conference, a large group of residents joined the flock of media, hoping to see the creature.

Grant Farmer, of the Humboldt Park neighborhood, stood nearby,

extending his arms over the television cameras to snap a picture of the alligator with his smartphone.

"I would walk around previously this week, hoping to get a glimpse of him, but I wasn't able to see him," he said.

The capture was the culmination of a weeklong quest to capture the exotic animal, presumed to be a pet that someone had abandoned in the historic West Side lagoon. Officials started searching for it midday July 9 after people began sharing photos of it on social media and someone called the city about the animal. As the search continued, businesses tried to capitalize on the phenomenon and locals frequently visited the park to watch and celebrate the gator.

"The Humboldt Park alligator has captured the imaginations of the entire city of Chicago and beyond and has united residents who have been following this story for the last week," Animal Care and Control said in a release earlier Tuesday.

Robb said that even before he got the call to come to Chicago, he had been among those following the news about the alligator.

"Everybody's got different blessings, this is mine," Robb said. "This is what I've spent every day of my life doing for the last 24 years."

Officials said the alligator will remain with Animal Care and Control until they determine where he will go next.

In the wake of the already famous capture, Robb was scheduled to throw out the first pitch at Tuesday night's Cubs game. And Robb also was to turn on Buckingham Fountain on Wednesday morning, after which he will take questions from the media, a spokeswoman for animal control said.

On Sunday, animal control officials closed the eastern half of the park after hiring Robb, who owns Crocodilian Specialist Services in Florida, as the search entered its second week. The closures were done on Robb's advice to make the area around the lagoon quiet and free from distractions, according to animal control.

With the capture, joggers and dog walkers returned Tuesday morning to Humboldt Park despite a light rain.



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Alligator trapper Frank Robb, the man who trapped the Humboldt Park Lagoon alligator, throws out the ceremonial first pitch before a game between the Cubs and the Cincinnati Reds at Wrigley Field on Tuesday.

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Poll: Race relations getting worse

Most in survey wary of Trump's actions, see him as a racist

By HANNAH FINGERHUT
Associated Press

Even before President Donald Trump's racist tweets toward four Democratic congresswomen of color, Americans considered race relations in the United States to be generally bad — and said that Trump has been making them worse.

On Sunday, Trump tweeted that the congresswomen — Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York, Ilhan Omar of Minnesota, Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts and Rashida Tlaib of Michigan — should go back to the “broken and crime infested” countries they came from, despite the fact that all are American citizens and three were born in the U.S.

Since his election, polling has shown Americans wary of Trump when it comes to race. But views of the president, racism in the U.S. and what defines American culture vary significantly based on political alignment.

What polls show:

Trump era: In January, a CBS News poll found nearly 6 in 10 Americans saying race relations in the country are generally bad.

It wasn't always that way.

Positive views of the state of race relations in the country peaked with President Barack Obama's inauguration, after which 66% of Americans said race relations were generally good in an April 2009 CBS News/New York Times poll. But views started to sour in 2014



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President Trump's tweets have targeted Reps. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, left, Ayanna Pressley, Ilhan Omar and Rashida Tlaib. All four are U.S. citizens.

after a number of high-profile shootings of black men by police officers and have continued to be more negative than positive in the Trump era.

And Americans think Trump is contributing to the problem. A Pew Research Center poll earlier this year showed 56% of Americans saying Trump has made race relations worse.

Americans gave similarly poor assessments of Trump's impact on specific racial, ethnic and religious minorities. Nearly 6 in 10 considered Trump's actions to be bad for Latinos and Muslims, and about half said they were bad for African Americans, according to a February 2018 poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

That poll also found that 57% of Americans considered Trump to be racist.

Political fault line: Polls show stark differences in

assessments of the state of race relations and Trump's impact by party identification, along with racial and ethnic identity and educational attainment.

In Pew's poll, fully 84% of Democrats said Trump has worsened race relations, while only about 2 in 10 Republicans agreed. About a third of Republicans said Trump has made progress toward improving race relations, while a quarter said he has tried but failed.

Majorities of Americans who are black, Latino and Asian said Trump has made race relations worse, compared with about half of white Americans. Among white Americans, views diverged by education — 64% of whites with a college degree think Trump has worsened race relations, compared with 41% of those without.

Racist language: Democrats in Congress called out the president's comments Sunday as racist and divi-

sive, while many Republicans have remained silent.

Polling shows Democratic and Republican Americans fundamentally disagree on the way people should approach offensive language in the country.

Eighty-two percent of Republicans feel that too many people are easily offended over language today, according to a poll conducted in May by Pew Research Center, compared with about half as many Democrats who said the same. A majority of Democrats said people need to be more careful with their language.

Since Trump's election, most Americans think it has become more common for people to express racist views, and 45% said it has become more acceptable as well, according to Pew's February poll.

Majorities of Democrats said it has become both more common and more acceptable. Among Republicans, 42% said it has be-

come more common and 22% said it has become more acceptable.

Diverging views: Throughout his presidency, Trump has stoked racial and ethnic division building on his campaign promise to secure the border and country.

In 2017, Trump instituted a travel ban restricting entry into the U.S. for people from five predominantly Muslim countries. Earlier this year, Trump declared a national emergency to appropriate billions of dollars in funds from government agencies to expand the U.S.-Mexico border wall. On Monday, Trump moved to halt protections for most Central American asylum-seekers.

Trump's response to the firestorm signaled that he thinks it's a winning stance for him. “It doesn't concern me because many people agree with me,” Trump said.

In an AP-NORC poll from February 2017, half of Americans said the mixing

of culture and values from around the world is an important part of America's identity. Fewer — about a third — said the same of a culture established by early European immigrants.

But partisans were divided over these aspects of the nation's identity. Nearly half of Republicans, but just about a quarter of Democrats, saw the culture of early European immigrants as important. By comparison, about two-thirds of Democrats, and about a third of Republicans, considered the mixing of world cultures important to the country's identity.

The AP-NORC poll also found 57% of Americans saying that the U.S. should be a country with an essential culture that immigrants adopt when they come. Eight in 10 Republicans preferred immigrants adapt to an American culture, though a similar share said they thought recent immigrants have not done so.

DOJ won't charge cop in Eric Garner's death

Evidence deemed insufficient in man's chokehold killing

By MICHAEL BALSAMO, MICHAEL R. SISAK, COLLEEN LONG AND TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK — After years of silence, federal prosecutors said Tuesday that they won't bring criminal charges against a white New York City police officer in the 2014 chokehold death of Eric Garner, a black man whose dying words — “I can't breathe” — became a national rallying cry against police brutality.

The decision to end a yearslong civil rights investigation without charges was made by Attorney General William Barr and was announced the day before the five-year anniversary of the deadly Staten Island encounter, just as the statute of limitations was set to expire.

Civil rights prosecutors in Washington had favored filing criminal charges against Officer Daniel Pantaleo, but ultimately Barr sided with other federal prosecutors based in Brooklyn who said evidence, in-



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Police officer Daniel Pantaleo is awaiting the results of a disciplinary hearing.

cluding a bystander's widely viewed cellphone video, wasn't sufficient to make a case, a Justice Department official told The Associated Press.

Richard Donoghue, the U.S. Attorney in Brooklyn, said at a news conference that while Garner's death was tragic, there was insufficient evidence to prove that Pantaleo or any other officers involved in the confrontation on a Staten Island sidewalk had willfully violated his civil rights.

“Even if we could prove that Officer Pantaleo's hold of Mr. Garner constituted unreasonable force, we would still have to prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Officer Pantaleo acted willfully in violation of the law,” Donoghue said.

Garner's family was incensed by the decision, the latest from a Justice Depart-

ment under President Donald Trump that has scaled back use of consent decrees aimed at improving local police departments found to have violated civil rights.

“This should have been taken care of years ago,” said Garner's mother, Gwen Carr, a vocal police reform advocate since her son's death. “This should have been taken care of under the Obama administration. Then we would have had a fairer playing ground.”

The Rev. Al Sharpton renewed his calls for the New York Police Department to fire the 34-year-old Pantaleo, who's been on desk duty since Garner's death and is awaiting the results of a disciplinary hearing that could lead to his firing. Mayor Bill de Blasio's office said it expects a decision by Aug. 31.

“Five years ago, Eric Garner was choked to death,” Sharpton said. “Today, the federal government choked Lady Justice.”

Pantaleo's lawyer, Stuart London, said the officer “is gratified that the Justice Department took the time to carefully review the actual evidence in this case rather than the lies and inaccuracies.”

Garner's death — after he



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Emerald Garner, a daughter of Eric Garner, from left, along with the Rev. Al Sharpton and Gwen Carr, the mother of Eric Garner, were among those decrying the decision Tuesday.

refused to be handcuffed for allegedly selling loose, untaxed cigarettes — came at a time of a growing public outcry over police killings of unarmed black men that gave impetus to the national Black Lives Matter movement. Just weeks later, protests erupted in Ferguson, Missouri, over the fatal shooting of unarmed teenager Michael Brown.

When a Staten Island grand jury declined to indict Pantaleo on state charges in December 2014, demonstrations flared in several cities.

Amid those demonstrations, a man angry about the Garner and Brown cases

ambushed and fatally shot two New York City police officers as they sat in their cruiser, further shocking the city movement.

Prosecutors in Brooklyn repeatedly watched video of the confrontation between Garner and police, Donoghue said, but weren't convinced Pantaleo willfully violated the law in using a chokehold, which is banned under police department policy.

Pantaleo initially tried to use two approved restraint tactics on Garner, much larger at 6-foot-2 and about 400 pounds, but ended up wrapping his arm around Garner's neck “in what was,

in effect, a chokehold” for about seven seconds as they struggled and fell to the sidewalk, Donoghue said.

“Significantly, Officer Pantaleo was not engaged in a chokehold on Mr. Garner when he said he could not breathe, and neither Officer Pantaleo nor any other officer applied a chokehold to Mr. Garner after he first said he could not breathe,” Donoghue said.

Garner could be heard on bystander video crying out “I can't breathe” at least 11 times before he fell unconscious. The medical examiner's office said a chokehold contributed to Garner's death.

Former first lady calls on teachers to help students register to vote

By VALERIE STRAUSS
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WASHINGTON — Former first lady Michelle Obama is urging teachers throughout the country to make sure students who are eligible to cast ballots actually register and “are ready to vote.”

Obama made her call through a video address at two recent teachers union conferences: the annual convention of the National Education Association, the country's largest labor

union, and the American Federation of Teachers. Together, the organizations have as many as 5 million members, most of them educators.

Her outreach to teachers is the first piece of a voter registration initiative that she helped launch last year, a national, nonpartisan organization called When We All Vote. Other co-chairs include Tom Hanks, Lin-Manuel Miranda, Janelle Monáe, Chris Paul, Faith Hill and Tim McGraw. The teachers unions are part-



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Michelle Obama wants students to vote “to make their mark on our future.”

ners with the nonprofit initiative, as are other organizations including the League of Women Voters and Rock the Vote.

“I'm asking you to join me in helping make sure every eligible student is registered and ready to vote when the time comes,” she said, adding that nobody should tell students how to vote.

She said that registering young people to vote is about “empowering the next generation to make their mark on our future,” and she hopes it will become “as timeless as homecoming dances or Friday night lights.”

She did not provide spe-

cifics about how teachers should do this but said When We All Vote will provide resources and training to educators who want it. She is also tweeting the initiative, saying:

“To all the teachers and school professionals out there: This fall, I need your help to show our young people that their voices matter — and that voting can make a real difference in their lives. Head over to <http://weallvote/school> to team up with me and @WhenWeAllVote!”

In her address, Obama noted that only one-third of eligible voters ages 18 to 29 voted in the 2018 midterm elections. It's not good enough, she said:

“Maybe they don't think they understand the issues well enough. Or maybe they just don't think their voices matter. Whatever the reason, it's up to us to flip that script — to show young people how crucial their voices are, and how just a few votes can be decisive on issues that matter to them and their community.”

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Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts and Rashida Tlaib of Michigan — for the third day in a row, accusing them of “spewing some of the most vile, hateful, and disgusting things ever said by a politician in the House or Senate.”

The Republican National Committee provided a list comments to bolster Trump’s contention, but in none did the four women say they hate America or wanted to leave, as the president has asserted.

Three of the four lawmakers were born in the United States, and Omar is a naturalized U.S. citizen who was born in Somalia.

“I know racism when I see it. I know racism when I feel it. And at the highest levels of government, there is no room for racism,” Rep. John Lewis, D-Ga., who fought for civil rights in the 1960s, said in the final minutes of the House debate.

The resolution “strongly condemns President Donald Trump’s racist comments that have legitimized and increased fear and hatred of new Americans and people of color.”

The debate played out on a raucous House floor as lawmakers attacked each other’s motives and repeatedly questioned whether their opponents had violated long-standing rules of decorum — rules that ultimately were changed after Republicans challenged Speaker Nancy Pelosi’s use of the word “racist.”

Democrats, led by Pelosi, D-Calif., insisted Tuesday that they could reach no other conclusion and that condemnation was imperative, calling Trump’s comments racist — prompting Republicans to challenge her.

Pelosi said the words “are disgraceful and disgusting, and those comments are racist,” careful not to label Trump himself a racist. “How shameful to hear him continue to defend those offensive words — words that we have all heard him



ALEX BRANDON/AP

President Trump said at the end of Cabinet meeting Tuesday that the four congresswomen “shouldn’t hate our country.”

repeat, not only about our members, but about countless others.”

Moments later, Rep. Douglas Collins, R-Ga., moved to have Pelosi’s words taken down, a rarely invoked procedure that ground debate to a halt for more than an hour while the House parliamentarian examined whether they violated the chamber’s standards of decorum. On a party-line vote, her words stood.

A visibly frustrated Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, D-Mo., who was presiding over the House, reprimanded his colleagues, saying that despite his efforts to be fair, they “don’t ever want to pass up an opportunity to escalate.”

“We just want to fight,” he said.

Tuesday’s vote was a rare occasion in which members of the Republican caucus have been forced to go on the record regarding Trump’s controversial rhetoric. Since Trump has tightened his grip on the GOP, many lawmakers in his party have gone to great lengths to avoid criticizing him, fearful of the presi-

dent’s wrath sinking their electoral chances.

“This resolution is harassing the president of the United States,” said freshman Rep. Dan Meuser, R-Pa.

Democrats insisted that the vote was a test for the Congress and the nation.

“We know who he is,” Rep. Tom Malinowski, D-N.J., said of Trump. “The question is, only question, is. ‘Who are we. Are we still the country of immigrants?’”

Shortly after the House voted to condemn Trump’s tweets, Texas Rep. Al Green introduced articles of impeachment against the president, potentially forcing a vote this week on whether to remove Trump from office.

The vote would come too soon for most Democrats, as a majority of the caucus appears to oppose impeachment — at least, for now.

But Green is seeking to capitalize on a growing sentiment for impeachment in the wake of Trump’s racist tweets.

Green said Tuesday night on the House floor that Trump is unfit for office and “enough is enough.”

Any member of the House can force an impeachment vote. Green has done so twice before, unsuccessfully.

Earlier in the debate, there was another tense moment when Rep. Sean Duffy, R-Wis., his voice raised, drew a reproach from Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Wash., over his comments that the four congresswomen at the center of Trump’s tweets are “anti-American.”

“I’ve looked closely at the chain of three tweets, I see nothing that references anybody’s race, I don’t see anybody’s names,” Duffy said, “but the president is referring to people, congresswomen, who are anti-American. And lo and behold everyone in this chamber knows who he is talking about.”

Jayapal called the comments “defamatory,” and asked that Duffy’s words be taken down, but after some back and forth relinquished her request, but said, “it was completely inappropriate to tell any of us we are anti-American.”

With his tweets Tuesday, Trump made clear that he

didn’t want Republicans to support the resolution.

Doing so, he said, would “show ‘weakness.’”

McCarthy said during a morning news conference that he would vote against the resolution and encourage other Republicans to vote against it as well. McCarthy said he did not consider Trump’s tweets to be racist, but about “socialism versus freedom.”

In his latest tweets, Trump accused the four lawmakers of being “Horrible anti-Israel, anti-USA, pro-terrorist” and took issue with the “public shouting of the F ... word, among many other terrible things.”

Speaking to reporters at the end of a Cabinet meeting at the White House on Tuesday afternoon, he held up some papers and claimed to have “a list of things here said by the congresswomen that is so bad, so horrible that I almost don’t want to read it.”

Asked where the four House Democratic congresswomen should go if they did leave the United States, Trump said “wherever they want, or they can stay.”

“But they should love our country. They shouldn’t hate our country,” he said.

All four lawmakers have called for Trump’s impeachment, and Tlaib has done so using profane language.

Trump frequently uses profanity at his campaign rallies.

Congressional Republicans were largely silent Sunday after Trump’s initial tweets — with some fearful of chastising a president popular with the party’s base — although a handful began speaking out critically Monday.

Associated Press contributed.

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But it was in his frequent dissenting opinions that Stevens set forth a view of the law that seemed increasingly — but not automatically — liberal as the years went by and as the court itself shifted right.

A strong proponent of federal power, Stevens criticized the limitations Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist and his fellow conservatives put on Congress' power to define and remedy violations of federal law by the states.

In *Bush v. Gore*, the 2000 election case that helped George W. Bush win the presidency, Stevens lamented in dissent that the five Republican justices who backed Bush would “lend credence to the most cynical appraisal of the work of judges throughout the land.”

John Paul Stevens was born in Chicago on April 20, 1920, the youngest of four sons. The family lived in Hyde Park, near the University of Chicago. His mother was a high school English teacher. His grandfather, James W. Stevens, was the founder of the Illinois Life Insurance Co. and owned the LaSalle Hotel, which Justice Stevens' father, Ernest, managed.

In 1927, the family



MANDEL NGAN/GETTY-AFP

Retired Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens receives the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Barack Obama in 2012 at the White House. Stevens died Tuesday.

opened The Stevens Hotel in Chicago, billed as the largest hotel in the world at the time. Stevens enjoyed a privileged childhood: He attended private schools affiliated with the University of Chicago, met celebrities such as aviators Charles Lindbergh and Amelia Earhart at the hotel, and was lucky enough to be in the crowd at Wrigley Field on Oct. 1, 1932, when Babe Ruth hit his famous “called shot” home run off Cubs pitcher Charlie Root.

Stevens became a die-hard Cubs fan, listening to radio broadcasts of games

from his Hyde Park home and at his family's summer place in Michigan.

When he was 9 years old, his father took him to his first Cubs game in 1929 — which also happened to be the first World Series ever played at Wrigley Field.

Stevens grew up in an era of Cubs dominance, with the North Siders winning five pennants by the time Stevens entered law school at Northwestern University in 1945. But each time the club faltered when it mattered most, and as Stevens was launching his remarkable legal career, his beloved

Cubs were entering what would become seven decades of futility, minting the label of lovable losers.

“People have criticized me because I'm a Cubs fan from the South Side, but the White Sox were really not a powerful team in those days, while the Cubs were contenders every year,” Stevens told the Tribune in 2016, in advance of Game 1 of the World Series between the Cubs and Cleveland Indians.

But the Stevens businesses went bankrupt in the Depression and Stevens' father, his grandfather and his

uncle, Raymond Stevens, were indicted on a charge of alleged financial misconduct.

Shortly after the indictment, his grandfather James suffered a stroke and was excused from trial; Raymond committed suicide.

A Chicago jury convicted Ernest in 1933 of embezzling \$1.3 million. But his conviction was overturned in October 1934 by the Illinois Supreme Court, which criticized the prosecution for bringing the charges, noting that “there is not a scintilla of evidence of any concealment or fraud attempted.”

The tragic experience reduced the formerly wealthy Stevens family to a middle-class lifestyle and taught Stevens an enduring lesson in the harm that even well-to-do citizens can suffer from overzealous prosecution and other flaws in the justice system.

Stevens graduated from the University of Chicago in 1941 with a bachelor's degree in English and was starting to study for a master's degree in the same subject when a dean persuaded him to take Naval intelligence training instead. Stevens joined the Navy as an intelligence officer Dec. 6, 1941 — the day before Pearl Harbor. He would later joke that his commissioning had provoked the Japanese to attack, because they took it as a sign of U.S. desperation.

After the war, Stevens

attended Northwestern University's law school on the GI Bill and graduated in 1947. Professor W. Willard Wirtz described him as “undoubtedly the most admired, and at the same time, the best liked man in school.”

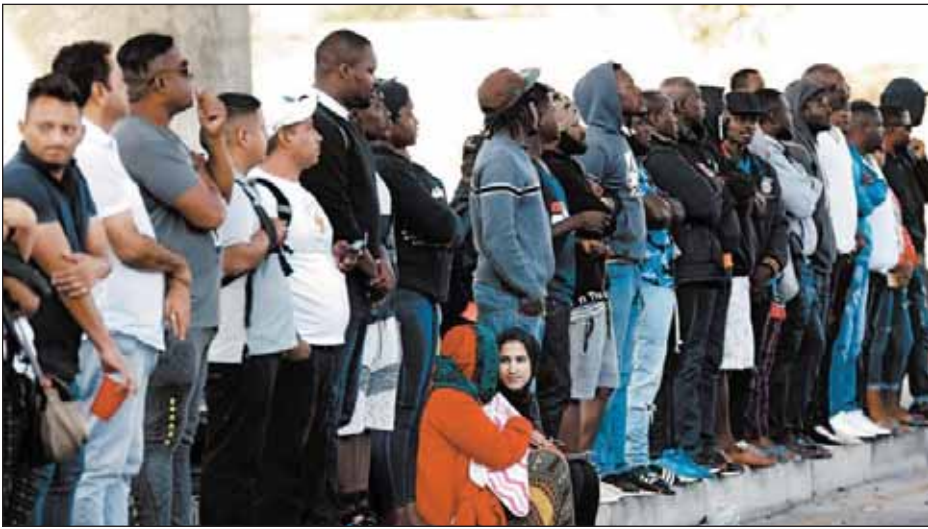
At Wirtz's urging, Supreme Court Justice Wiley B. Rutledge, a liberal appointee of President Franklin D. Roosevelt, hired Justice Stevens as a clerk for the court's 1947-1948 term.

In 1969, Stevens was chosen as counsel to a special commission investigating bribery allegations against two justices of the Illinois Supreme Court. His investigation ultimately resulted in the justices' resignation and propelled Stevens to statewide fame.

At the recommendation of U.S. Sen. Charles H. Percy of Illinois, a moderate Republican, President Richard M. Nixon appointed Justice Stevens to the Chicago-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the 7th Circuit in November 1970.

Five years later, again with the support of Percy and another Chicago friend, then-Attorney General Edward Levi, Stevens received President Gerald Ford's nomination to replace retiring Justice William O. Douglas on the high court. He was confirmed by the Senate 98-0 and took the oath of office Dec. 19, 1975.

Chicago Tribune contributed.



GREGORY BULL/AP

People wait to apply for asylum in the U.S. along the border Tuesday in Tijuana, Mexico.

ACLU, others file suit to halt Trump's border asylum ban

BY NICK MIROFF
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A coalition of immigrant advocacy groups led by the American Civil Liberties Union filed suit against the Trump administration in a federal court in San Francisco on Tuesday in an attempt to halt the implementation of a new policy disqualifying most asylum-seekers who pass through Mexico before reaching the United States.

The attorneys suing the government argued in their complaint that the Trump administration lacks the authority to exclude asylum-seekers who arrive at the U.S. southern border, because U.S. immigration laws state clearly that the government cannot disqualify applicants on the basis of where they arrive.

“As part of our nation's commitment to the protection of people fleeing persecution and consistent with our international obligations, it is a long-standing federal law that merely transiting through a third country is not a basis to categorically deny asylum to refugees who arrive at our shores,” the complaint states.

Attorney General William Barr said in a

statement Monday that those who are truly facing persecution should apply for refuge in the first safe place they reach, not the most desirable destination.

Trump administration officials said the policy decree was needed to protect the U.S. asylum system from a flood of meritless claims by applicants who are seeking better economic opportunity but who are not facing persecution.

Department of Justice data show asylum filings have nearly quadrupled in the past five years, and fewer than 20% of Central American applicants are eventually granted protections by U.S. courts.

The plaintiffs seeking to block the implementation of the restrictions say the Trump administration violated federal rule-making procedures in formulating the restrictions, and the Immigration and Nationality Act states that once an applicant reaches U.S. soil, he or she has a right to appeal for protection.

“This is the Trump administration's most extreme run at an asylum ban yet,” said Lee Gelernt, the ACLU attorney who has led the group's legal challenges to Trump executive action on immigration. “It clearly violates domestic and inter-

national law, and cannot stand,” he said.

The Southern Poverty Law Center, the Center for Constitutional Rights and others joined the ACLU in seeking the injunction in the Northern District of California.

Meanwhile, nearly two dozen immigrants were allowed to cross the border to seek asylum on Tuesday.

At the crossing in Tijuana, Mexico, two asylum-seekers who work with Mexican authorities called 12 people whose numbers were first on a waiting list to enter through a San Diego border crossing.

At a crossing in Juarez, Mexico, 10 Cuban asylum-seekers were called by Mexican officials and led across the Paso Del Norte Bridge to El Paso, Texas.

“I'd rather be in prison the rest of my life than go back to Cuba,” said Dileber Urrista Sanchez, who had hoped his number would be called Tuesday, but he was further down the list.

He criticized the Trump administration's new policy, pointing out that the first country he was able to reach after leaving Cuba was Nicaragua.

“How are we going to apply for asylum in Nicaragua when it's just as communist?” he said.

Planned Parenthood president forced out after only 8 months

BY LENNY BERNSTEIN, ARIANA EUNJUNG CHA AND AMY GOLDSTEIN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The president of Planned Parenthood was forced out of her job Tuesday in a dispute over the direction of the nation's largest women's reproductive rights organization amid growing political and legal challenges to abortion.

Planned Parenthood's board met in emergency session Tuesday and approved Leana Wen's immediate departure just eight months after she took over the post.

Wen said Tuesday in a statement posted on Twitter that she had “philosophical differences” with the new chairs of Planned Parenthood's board regarding abortion politics.

Wen said that abortion is “not a political issue but a health care one.” She said the board ended her employment at a secret meeting.

The move occurs as the organization faces growing financial peril from a Trump administration rule that took effect Monday barring federally funded family planning clinics from providing referrals for abortions. It is also under attack by anti-abortion lawmakers at the state and federal level and is threatened by the prospect that the 1973 ruling that legalized abortion could be overturned by the Supreme Court's new conservative majority.

People familiar with Wen's position said she has been battling over the organization's direction with new board chair Aimee Cunningham almost since Cunningham arrived in May. Wen had tried to refocus the organization's mission and image as a health provider offering a wide array of services, including abortions, they said. She replaced a num-



JACQUELYN MARTIN/AP

Planned President Leana Wen speaks during a protest against abortion bans at the Supreme Court in May.

ber of the organization's top officials with people who supported that approach.

Those close to Wen said she was opposed by some board members and others who wanted to emphasize the organization's commitment to abortion rights.

The board's perspective was not immediately clear.

Under the new Trump administration rule that targets family planning clinics, Planned Parenthood stands to lose about \$60 million a year — a blow that could transform the kinds of reproductive services available to poor women and girls across the country.

Monday's move by the federal Department of Health and Human Services could force providers such as Planned Parenthood to reduce the wide range of health services they offer, including birth control, cancer screenings, abortion and screening for sexually transmitted diseases. The rule also is expected to allow more faith-based groups that focus on persuading women to continue their pregnancies and do not provide most forms of birth control to receive federal funding.

In the first 24 hours after HHS's notice, two family planning organizations — Planned Parenthood of Illinois and an unrelated clinic

that is Maine's only grant recipient — announced they would no longer accept the federal funds so they could continue referring patients for abortions.

The federal government's \$260 million family planning program serves 4 million women with low-cost or free health care services, including mammograms and Pap smears. About 40% of those patients are currently seen at Planned Parenthood and its affiliates. Women's rights groups expressed alarm at the impact of immediate enforcement of the rule.

“Moving forward with this policy to take away women's rights before the legal process has played out is reckless and will hurt those whom HHS is supposed to serve,” Michelle Kupper-Smith, director of Equity Forward, a watchdog project focused on reproductive health, said in a statement.

Wen was appointed Planned Parenthood's president last November, succeeding Cecile Richards, the organization's high-profile president for the previous dozen years.

Trained as an emergency room physician, Wen had been Baltimore's health commissioner for four years.

Associated Press contributed.

Yosemite to restore names at park sites after \$12M settlement

BY ALEX WIGGLESWORTH
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The Majestic Yosemite can be called the Ahwahnee Hotel again.

The National Park Service reached a \$12 million settlement this week in a long-running legal battle with Yosemite's former facilities operator that permits that name — and several others — to be restored to their historic attractions.

“I've said from literally Day One that these names

belong with these places, and ultimately belong to the American people,” Yosemite National Park spokesman Scott Gediman said. “So to have this dispute resolved is huge.”

The U.S. government paid \$3.84 million of the settlement and Aramark, Yosemite's current concessions operator, paid \$8.16 million, Gediman said.

The dispute began in 2015 after Delaware North Companies Inc., which had operated the park's restaurants, hotels and outdoor activities, lost a \$2 billion

contract renewal bid to rival Aramark.

Delaware North sued, claiming that when it took over operations in 1993, it had been required to purchase the previous concessionaire's intellectual property, which included the names of the attractions at the park.

The company wanted to be paid more than \$50 million to allow Aramark to continue using the disputed names.

Under the terms of Monday's settlement, Aramark will pay Delaware North to

use the names through the end of its contract in 2031.

Ownership of the names will then revert back to the federal government, leaving no question as to whether the park can continue using them, Gediman said. Perhaps most important, he said, the litigation has also affected how agreements for national park concessions are structured.

Newer deals now specify that private companies can't independently own names and trademarks associated with park attractions, he said. “It set a

precedent for the over 400 national park units across the country, which is extremely significant,” Gediman said.

The Ahwahnee was one of the highest-profile properties renamed in 2016, pending the outcome of the lawsuit, but there were others.

Curry Village, a collection of cabins that had carried the name since the 1880s, became Half Dome Village. Yosemite Lodge at the Falls was renamed Yosemite Valley Lodge. Wawona Hotel was renamed

Big Trees Lodge, and Badger Pass Ski Area became Yosemite Ski & Snowboard Area.

For about three years, signs advertising many of the attractions were simply covered with tarps bearing the temporary names.

On Monday, the tarps came down.

“People were crying,” said Gediman, who was there when the cover was removed from the entrance to Curry Village. In addition to the signs, the names will need to be changed back on promotional items.

Home again after nearly 4 decades

Intrigue surrounds return of Israeli soldier's remains

By LOVEDAY MORRIS
The Washington Post

TEL AVIV, Israel — For decades, Israel's National Center for Forensic Medicine has tested skeletal remains secreted across its northern border, checking whether the DNA matched that of Israeli soldiers missing in action behind enemy lines in Lebanon or Syria.

"From time to time they'd bring the samples," said Chen Kugel, the head of the forensics center. "It's body remains. It's bones. It was always: maybe this time, maybe this time, maybe this time."

There was never a match. Then, earlier this year, a bag of bones arrived, and from the moment it was opened, it looked promising. The staff soon determined that the bones belonged to Staff Sgt. Zachary Baumel, who had gone missing in Lebanon 37 years ago.

Baumel's body had been recovered from a cemetery in a Palestinian refugee camp on the outskirts of the Syrian capital Damascus, still enemy territory since Israel and Syria remain in a state of war.

Residents of the camp had grown up hearing rumors that the bodies of missing Israeli soldiers were hidden among the tombstones, but the exact whereabouts of their remains were a closely held secret.

Digging began in the cemetery as early as 2013, residents said in interviews, and over the years rebel groups and Islamic State militants all raced to find what would be a highly prized bargaining chip in the context of Syria's chaotic civil war. Israeli officials long watched the shifting dynamics of that war, waiting for a moment when they might be able to retrieve any of their fallen soldiers.



Forensic anthropologist Dr. Haim Cohen examines bones at the Israel National Center for Forensic Medicine in Tel Aviv.

Eventually, Russian troops, which had intervened in the war to support Syrian President Bashar Assad, obtained Baumel's body, and they returned it to Israel.

Syrian opposition activists said in interviews that Russian and Syrian soldiers are continuing to dig in the cemetery, hunting for the bodies of two other Israeli soldiers who went missing alongside Baumel. However, an official close to the regime said the soldiers were protecting the graveyard. The Russian embassy in Tel Aviv declined to comment.

Israeli and Syrian forces clashed in June 1982 during the Battle of Sultan Yacoub in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, and Israeli troops had invaded Lebanon just days earlier, targeting the presence of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Baumel, an American Israeli born in New York, was driving a tank when his unit was attacked by Syrian

forces. The tank was struck, and Baumel and his crew leapt from the burning vehicle, only to come under fire.

Baumel was later declared missing, along with five comrades.

Dean Brelis, a reporter for Time, later said he had seen several Israeli soldiers paraded through Damascus along with their captured tank. They came to stop outside the headquarters of the Defense Brigade Commandos, an elite force headed by Rifaat al-Assad, the brother of Syria's president at the time. Images taken of the parade, however, were too grainy for a positive identification of any Israelis.

One of the crew, Staff Sgt. Ariel Lieberman, who was captured by Syrian forces a day after the battle, was released in a prisoner exchange two years later. In 1985, two Israeli captives from the war, including Baumel's tank commander Hezi Shai, were released in another exchange with the

Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, a Palestinian militant group close to the Syrian government. The body of another tank commander in the unit was also eventually turned over.

But there was no sign of Baumel and his comrades, cannon loader Zvi Feldman and Cpl. Yehuda Katz.

Palestinians living in the Yarmouk refugee camp, where tents had long been replaced by cinder block buildings, might have dismissed the rumors of buried Israeli bodies.

But about a decade ago, the residents started receiving anonymous calls and text messages, widely believed to be from Israeli intelligence, offering rewards for information about the corpses.

But where exactly the bodies were buried was a secret closely held by senior members of the Palestinian militant factions in charge of the camp, the PFLP-GC and Fatah.

As Syria slid into civil war in 2011, control of the camp shifted to Syrian rebels and Palestinian groups fighting against Assad's government.

Although Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has said he put in a request to Russia to retrieve the bodies in 2017, Yarmouk residents say Israel had turned to Syrian rebel groups much earlier than that, the residents said.

In 2013, one rebel group dug a hole near the entrance to the cemetery, three residents recalled. The rebels claimed to be searching for old weapons hidden in the 1980s, but not all were convinced. Then, when Islamic State militants stormed the Yarmouk camp in 2015, they were no doubt aware that the graveyard contained a valuable prize.

"They were digging between the tombstones for quite a while," said one resident, who spoke on the condition of anonymity for security reasons. Another

resident said the militants used the excuse of smashing heathen tombstones to search the grounds.

Over the years, the Russian troop presence had been building, turning the tide of war against the Syrian rebels, and Israel sought Moscow's help. During negotiations over the surrender and withdrawal of the rebels, the Russians in turn asked these opposition forces last year to help retrieve something from the cemetery, according to a person with knowledge of the talks.

"It was a race against time, a competition between ISIS, which was still looking for these corpses, and the Russians who also wanted to have these corpses," this person said. "That's why they demanded the support of the opposition to get in and get out."

Russia later revealed it launched an operation into Islamic State territory around that time in an effort to retrieve Israeli bodies. The Russian ministry of defense said Israel had provided specific coordinates, but the operation did not succeed. The Russian troops came under attack, and a Russian special forces soldier was injured.

Finally, in an effort dubbed Operation Bittersweet Song by Israel, Baumel's body was successfully brought back. Israel and Russia have released few details about the mission nor disclosed how the remains were transferred to Israel. Putin said it was pulled off with "Syrian partners."

The forensics center would not disclose how and when Baumel died. But Haim Cohen, a forensic anthropologist, said there was no sign of him being shot. He suffered blunt force trauma to the pelvis and the hand. The injury to the hand was around the time of death, he said.

Baumel was laid to rest in a military funeral in Jerusalem in April.

Apollo 11's Collins returns to launchpad 50 years later

By MARCIA DUNN
Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — Apollo 11 astronaut Michael Collins returned Tuesday to the exact spot where he flew to the moon 50 years ago with Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin.

Collins had the spotlight to himself this time — Armstrong has been gone for seven years and Aldrin canceled. Collins said he wished his two moonwalking colleagues could have shared the moment at Kennedy Space Center's Launch Complex 39A, the departure point for humanity's first moon landing.

"Wonderful feeling to be back," the 88-year-old command module pilot said on NASA TV. "There's a difference this time. I want to turn and ask Neil a question and maybe tell Buzz Aldrin something, and of course, I'm here by myself."

At NASA's invitation, Collins marked the precise moment — 9:32 a.m. on July 16, 1969 — that the Saturn V rocket blasted off. He was seated at the base of the pad alongside Kennedy's director, Robert Cabana, a former space shuttle commander.

Collins recalled the tension surrounding the crew that day.

"Apollo 11 was serious business. We, crew, felt the weight of the world on our shoulders. We knew that everyone would be looking at us, friend or foe, and we wanted to do the best we possibly could," he said.

Collins remained in lunar orbit, tending to Columbia, the mother ship, while Armstrong and Aldrin landed in the Eagle on July 20, 1969, and spent 2 1/2 hours walking the gray, dusty lunar surface.

A reunion Tuesday at the Kennedy firing room by past and present launch controllers — and Collins' return to the pad, now leased to SpaceX — kicked



Astronaut Michael Collins, right, speaks to Kennedy Space Center Director Bob Cabana at Launch Complex 39A.

off a week of celebrations marking each day of Apollo 11's eight-day voyage.

In Huntsville, Alabama, where the Saturn V was developed, some 4,900 model rockets lifted off simultaneously, commemorating the moment the Apollo 11 crew blasted off for the moon. More than 1,000 youngsters attending Space Camp counted down "5, 4, 3, 2, 1!" — and cheered as the red, white and blue rockets created a gray cloud, at least for a few moments, in the sky.

The U.S. Space and Rocket Center was shooting for an altitude of at least 100 feet in order to set a Guinness Book of World Records. Apollo 15 astronaut Al Worden helped with the launch. Also present: all three children of German-born rocket genius Werner von Braun, who masterminded the Saturn V.

At the Air and Space Museum in Washington, the spacesuit that Armstrong wore went back on display in mint condition, complete with lunar dust left on the suit's knees, thighs and elbows. On hand for the unveiling were Vice President Mike Pence, NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine and Armstrong's older son, Rick. Armstrong died in 2012.

A fundraising campaign

took just five days to raise the \$500,000 needed for the restoration.

Calling Armstrong a hero, Pence said "the American people express their gratitude by preserving this symbol of courage."

Back at Kennedy, NASA televised original launch video of Apollo 11, timed down to the second. Then Cabana turned his conversation with Collins to NASA's next moonshot program, Artemis, named after the twin sister of Greek mythology's Apollo.

It seeks to put the first woman and next man on the lunar surface, the moon's south pole, by 2024. President John F. Kennedy's challenge to put a man on the moon by the end of 1969 took eight years to achieve.

Collins said he likes the name Artemis and, even more, likes the concept behind Artemis.

"But I don't want to go back to the moon," Collins told Cabana. "I want to go direct to Mars. I call it the JFK Mars Express."

Collins noted that the moon-first crowd has merit to its argument and he pointed out Armstrong himself was among those who believed returning to the moon "would assist us mightily in our attempt to go to Mars."

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Staff and news services

Police: Man arrested in killing of community activist in La.

BATON ROUGE, La. — Police have arrested a man in the slaying of a community leader who founded Baton Rouge’s African American history museum.

Police Chief Murphy Paul told news reporters that Ronn Jermaine Bell, 38, was arrested Tuesday on a charge of first-degree murder. He is being held in the East Baton Rouge Parish jail.

Paul said Bell was a tenant in a rental property owned by Sadie Roberts-Joseph, 75, and was behind on about \$1,200 in rent.

Paul said a “solid motive” remains under investigation, but he said investigators do not believe Roberts-Joseph’s death was a hate crime or related to her community activist role.

Roberts-Joseph’s body was discovered Friday in the trunk of her vehicle. The coroner’s office said she had been suffocated.

1st woman confirmed as new European Commission leader

BRUSSELS — Ursula von der Leyen was confirmed as the European Commission president Tuesday, becoming the first woman to hold one of the most prestigious positions in the European Union and who will be one of the most prominent faces from the bloc on the world stage.

The European Parliament voted 383-327 with 22 abstentions to approve von der Leyen’s nomination. The confirmation required an absolute majority of 374 votes and the outgoing German defense minister scraped through with barely nine votes to spare in a cliffhanger vote.

“A majority is a majority in politics,” she said when questioned about her narrow escape.

Von der Leyen will replace Jean-Claude Juncker when his term expires at the end of October.

Top French minister resigns over alleged lavish lifestyle

PARIS — The No. 2 official in the French government resigned Tuesday following media reports that he has been living a lavish lifestyle at taxpayer expense, including hosting lobster and Champagne soirees and ordering up exorbitant renovations of his ministerial apartment.

With the French yellow vest backlash still fresh in the public mind, support for Ecology Minister Francois de Rugy ebbed as new stories emerged.

He said on his Facebook page that he submitted his resignation to Prime Minister Edouard Philippe “to defend myself” and to protect his family.

Rugy said he filed a defamation lawsuit Tuesday over the “media attacks” that forced him to step down from his post, which is second in the Cabinet after the prime minister.



Rescue personnel pull a survivor from a building that collapsed Tuesday in Mumbai, the financial capital of India. “We thought there was an earthquake,” a local resident said.

10 dead, several feared trapped after building collapses in India

MUMBAI, India — A four-story dilapidated residential building collapsed Tuesday in Mumbai, India’s financial and entertainment capital, killing at least 10 people, an official said. Rescuers were searching for several others feared trapped in the rubble.

“The building crashed with a heavy sound and we thought there was an earthquake,” a local resident told the New Delhi Television news channel, or NDTV.

Fire official Ashok Talpade said dozens of rescuers were at the site in Dongri, a residential section of Mumbai, and had pulled out nine survivors who were taken to a hospital. The survivors included a child who was allowed to go home after being treated.

A 16-year-old girl trapped under a heavy door was taken out by rescuers after cutting through iron beams and clearing the debris using hydraulic cutters, the NDTV reported.

Talpade said police were using sniffer dogs in the rescue operation.

“The problem is that the building is in a very narrow lane,” said S.N. Pradhan, head of the National Disaster Response Force. “It is only one to two feet wide.”

India’s Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a tweet said: “Collapse of a building in Mumbai’s Dongri is an-

guishing. My condolences to the family of those who lost their lives.”

Maharashtra state’s top elected official, Devendra Fadnavis, said the building was nearly 100 years old and 15 families were living there.

Talpade said the families had been asked to vacate the dilapidated building some time ago but continued to live there.

Waris Pathan, an opposition lawmaker, said the building was a death trap, with authorities saying they had no money to rebuild the structure.

On Sunday, a three-story building collapsed in the northern Indian town of Solan after rains, killing 14.

Judge restricts social media use of Trump ally

WASHINGTON — A federal judge on Tuesday barred Roger Stone from communicating through Instagram, Twitter or Facebook until after his trial after months of social media postings that the judge said violated a gag order she had imposed to prevent prejudicing potential jurors.

The new order says Stone cannot post anything to the social media sites, expanding on the previous gag order that banned his discussing his case or its participants in the media or public settings.

Stone, a longtime confidant of President Donald

Trump, was previously rebuked by U.S. District Judge Amy Berman Jackson of Washington for public statements attacking his indictment, the conduct of the FBI, intelligence agencies and government officials including former special counsel Robert Mueller.

UAE-based oil tanker disappears in Iranian waters

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — An oil tanker based in the United Arab Emirates is missing after it stopped in Iranian waters three days ago and switched off its transponder, raising concerns that it may have been seized by Iran amid heightened tensions in the Persian Gulf.

Shipping tracking data showed the Panama-flagged Riah stopped transmitting its position late Saturday when it was off the coast of Iran’s Qeshm Island in the Strait of Hormuz, where Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps has a base.

Data showed the ship was on its way to Sharjah in the UAE before diverting and slowing to a halt in Iranian territorial waters. An Emirati official denied that the tanker has links to the UAE, saying that the ship is “neither UAE owned nor operated” and “does not carry Emirati personnel.”

In Washington: President Donald Trump said the U.S. is not going to sell F-35 fighter jets to Turkey after Ankara decided to buy a missile defense system from Russia.

The administration has repeatedly told Turkey that it will be cut off from buying F-35s if it buys the S-400 Russian air defense system because it’s incompatible with NATO defenses and could jeopardize sensitive information about F-35 technologies. Turkey is a member of NATO.

He said Turkey had ordered more than 100 F-35s but because it bought a Russian missile system, the U.S. can’t sell it billions of dollars’ worth of aircraft.

Trump spoke Tuesday during a Cabinet meeting at the White House.

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EDITORIALS

Lori Lightfoot’s high-stakes test: Cutting a CTU deal (and paying for it)

Mayor Lori Lightfoot has released her initial offer to the Chicago Teachers Union — a 14% pay raise spanning a five-year contract. The teachers’ initial demands include 5% yearly raises. Lightfoot called her offer “a very fair and robust proposal.” CTU leaders called it “lowballing.” Last week, Crain’s Chicago Business reported union officials have given the mayor a month to make good on her campaign promise that a strike will not happen on her watch.

Remember the students?

You’ve read this script before. Both sides dig in. The threat of a strike looms. The adults fulminate, rattle sabers, try to frighten Chicago. And which powerless group is most at risk if a walkout happens? Some 360,000 Chicago Public Schools students who have only one chance to get an education. The union is asking for a lot more than wage increases from a hard-pressed school district and hard-pressed taxpayers. CTU leaders want to limit maximum classroom sizes to 20 to 24 students in early grades. They also demand a counselor for every 250 students, nurses and librarians at every CPS school, the hiring of more teacher assistants for early grades, and raises for teacher’s aides and school clerks. The Sun-Times reports that the union also wants the creation of 55 “community schools” (each costing \$500,000), a moratorium on charter schools and a ban on school closings during the term of the contract. Lightfoot’s proposal would cost Chicago Public Schools about \$325 million, the

Tribune has reported. The union has not said what its array of demands would cost, but Crain’s has cited CPS board sources as saying the cost to taxpayers would be about \$2.5 billion. That would be a mighty big addition to a budget that’s already severely strapped. Yearly structural deficits continue to force the district to borrow to pay day-to-day expenses. The district’s junk-status credit rating translates into high borrowing costs. CPS’ pension fund remains just 48 percent funded and is saddled with \$12 billion in unfunded liabilities.

Closing half-empty schools

That leaves us with a question for both sides of the bargaining table: For whatever accord you reach, where will the money come from? The revamped state school funding formula approved in Springfield in 2017 should help pay for higher CPS costs. But not all of the extra money that generates should get devoured by a new CTU contract. In what ways can CPS get more efficient, and in doing so, free up money for a new contract? As unpalatable as it may seem, CPS should face the reality of shrinking enrollment and close more of the district’s underpopulated schools. We reviewed the latest data on space utilization at CPS schools for the 2018-19 school year. A quarter of the district’s elementary schools were less than half full, according to data furnished to us by the district. Worse, more than a third of high schools were less than half full.

A high school at 5% of capacity
Some examples were eye-popping. Frederick Douglass Academy High School in the West Side’s Austin neighborhood has a capacity for 1,188 students. It’s enrollment for the 2018-19 school year? Sixty-two students, making Douglass just 5 percent enrolled. Manley Career Academy High School in the East Garfield Park neighborhood on the West Side: 83 students, 6 percent enrolled. In the West Englewood neighborhood on the South Side, William Rainey Harper High School is already under a gradual shutdown plan. Why? Its enrollment has plunged to just 87 students, making the school 6 percent enrolled. Shutting down schools is never easy. It delivers a body blow to neighborhoods, parents, students and teachers who see these buildings as anchors for their communities. But imagine how students feel, being relegated to massive mausoleums and their bare-bones curricula. How is that equitable?

Spending smarter could help fund teachers’ salaries
What’s more, continuing to pour money into half-empty schools or, worse, schools that are just 5 or 6 percent enrolled, is a poor use of scarce dollars. We can’t put a hard number on what the district spends on all these desolate schools. A former CPS executive once told us that just the maintenance and heating costs of keeping a school open average about \$2 million a year. The district can use some of that money

to improve the classroom experience at better-performing, better-utilized schools. And yes, some of the savings could help fund teachers’ salaries. **Give closed schools a brighter future**
In April we noted that of the 49 school buildings closed in 2013, 37 have either been repurposed for another use, sold for repurposing, were awaiting a closing of a sale or had been transferred to another government agency for a different use. Two takeaways from that experience: ■ Mayor Rahm Emanuel and CPS could have preempted some of the rancor from those closings if they had found new uses for many of those buildings *before* closing them. ■ Mayor Lightfoot can learn from the post-2013 years: CPS continues to have a far bigger real estate portfolio than its declining enrollment justifies. More of these buildings must close. And yes, there can be new lives for closed schools. Finding money to pay for the new teachers’ contract will require tough choices at City Hall — and taking on gazillions of dollars in new CPS debt shouldn’t be one of them. The smarter alternative is to move past denial and start planning to close, and repurpose, more CPS properties. The duel over what teachers want and how CPS can pay for a new contract is a high-stakes test for Lightfoot. A strike would be devastating. So would reaching an agreement that shoves CPS further into a financial abyss. Either of those outcomes would imperil Chicago, because either would imperil its children.



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ENDORISING THE ALDERGATOR

Appoint the city’s most famous alligator as Chicago’s 51st alderman

We’ve suggested that Chicago should have fewer aldermen. Today we suggest who one of them should be. As we wait for the 50-member council to shrink, Chance the Snapper should be appointed Chicago’s 51st alderman, an honorary position with no residency requirement. As Chicago’s most famous alligator emerged from a plastic storage bin in his bow tie Tuesday, his mouth taped shut, the prospective Aldergator looked positively City Hall-ready. Unlike Tuesday’s tale of a Cook County commissioner and a political ally, he did not ask his assembled public, “Do you know who I am?” He was secure in the knowledge that everyone did, whether by

his given name or aliases such as Richard J. Scaly. Chance, who glided free in the Humboldt Park Lagoon for a week before being captured, has captivated the Chicago that now has taken him captive. There were clever names (hat tip to Block Club Chicago), the natural beauty of the park and lagoon, and friendly, enthusiastic Chicagoans all over the news. The alligator ambassador was of national interest. Wildlife met wit and commerce as the enterprising sold gator tote bags and concocted gator drink specials. A pro-parks, pro-business Aldergator who excels at promoting Chicago and attracting visitors to often overlooked

neighborhoods? He has our endorsement. Chance could be an extremely effective ribbon-cutter (Snap!) and would of course serve on a council committee. Public Safety? No. Zoning? Probably not. Maybe Special Events, Cultural Affairs and Recreation, where the Aldergator could spearhead the Humboldt Park Alligator Fest — which should definitely exist and should definitely not serve alligator sausage. He’d be a natural leader of efforts to make Chicago more green. We’re eager to hear his thoughts on rat control. Like any good politician, the Aldergator has an eye on each side of his head and jaws designed to grip prey. Hooks and

barbs don’t penetrate his skin. And he’s adept at evading the law, should circumstances require. How do you catch an alligator on the lam? “Just barely,” quipped Frank Robb, the gator wrangler from Florida who expertly reeled him in. “If they don’t give you a little bit, then you’re not ever going to catch one.” The people of Chicago understand. Wherever Chance glides out his days in custody — we’re pleased that Animal Care and Control promises he’ll go where he’ll best thrive, be that in Chicago or not — his platform of urban unity and swamp-inspired cocktails will always be welcome here.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

On Saturday the world will celebrate the 50th anniversary of what might be the greatest achievement in human history — the landing of astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin on the moon. Yet looking back at Apollo 11 will be bittersweet, because the moon landings that took place between 1969 and 1972 have not turned out to be, as Armstrong promised, a “giant leap for mankind.” Rather, they were more like humanity dipping a toe in the cosmic ocean, finding it too cold and lifeless to enter, and deciding to stay at home. No human being has traveled

beyond low Earth orbit since the end of the Apollo missions. And no astronauts have gone to space in an American craft since 2011, when the space shuttle program came to an end. ... Space is simply too big and too harsh for human beings to get very far from Earth. No planet or moon in our solar system seems to be capable of sustaining life, and the nearest star to our sun would take some 19,000 years to reach with the fastest currently available engines. ... Of course, dreams of alien contact often take the form of

nightmares: The first alien-contact novel, H.G. Wells’ 1897 “The War of the Worlds,” imagined the aliens as ruthless invaders, on the model of Europeans conquering the Americas. Stephen Hawking used the same analogy in 2010: “If aliens ever visit us, I think the outcome would be much as when Christopher Columbus first landed in America, which didn’t turn out very well for the Native Americans.”

Adam Kirsch
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PERSPECTIVE



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Rep. Ayanna Pressley, right, speaks as Reps. Ilhan Omar, left, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez and Rashida Tlaib listen at a Capitol news conference on Monday.

Donald Trump's cheap shots reveal a very weak man



CLARENCE PAGE

Why does President Donald Trump, who holds the world most powerful political office, waste his time, energy and insults belittling a quartet of first-year congresswomen?

On Sunday, the president unleashed his now-notorious tweetstorm on the four Democratic congresswomen — Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez of New York, Ilhan Omar of Minnesota, Ayanna Pressley of Massachusetts and Rashida Tlaib of Michigan — known as the “squad” in Capitol Hill circles.

A lot of people say it's because he's a racist or a sexist or a misanthrope with daddy issues.

He may be all of those things, but I think the main reason is simpler than that.

It's because he's weak, very weak, and he knows it.

His White House has no legislative agenda. After the departure of Alexander Acosta as secretary of labor, Trump has more than a dozen high-level “acting” officials, leading in such areas as the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Immigration and Customs

Enforcement. He's no closer to abolishing Obamacare or building a wall on the Mexican border than he ever was, even though he has claimed falsely at rallies that the wall “already is being built.” It is not.

But he shows his weakness most vividly in his angry tough-guy act. We see it when he bullies the less powerful with empty threats to distract from his presidential shortcomings, trigger the liberals and give his support base a thrill.

Bullies, as his parents should have taught him long ago, are cowards inside. They don't want to fight, they only crave the feeling, however groundless and deluded it may be, that they have won.

“So interesting to see ‘Progressive’ Democrat Congresswomen, who originally came from countries whose governments are a complete and total catastrophe, the worst, most corrupt and inept anywhere in the world (if they even have a functioning government at all), now loudly ... and viciously telling the people of the United States, the greatest and most powerful Nation on earth, how our government is to be run.”

Yes, Mr. President, members of Congress are “telling” people how our government should be run. That's why people elected them.

But it is not part of Trump's job to declare, as he then typed in the same tweet, “Why don't they go back and

help fix the totally broken and crime infested places from which they came...?”

Places from which they came? Right. Like Michigan, Minnesota, Massachusetts and New York. “Go back” where? Is he too lazy to bother with learning anything about the people whom he insults before he insults them?

All four women are American citizens — born in the United States, except Omar who is a naturalized citizen, born in Somalia. But, to Trump, all Democratic women of color in Congress apparently look alike.

I hope our country's president is not as deranged as he sounds. Surely he knows that our elected lawmakers — regardless of race, sex, religion or national origin — have as much of a right to praise or criticize our country as he did when he launched his presidency with his dark “American carnage” inaugural address.

Now his rant about the squad sounds like the “America Love It Or Leave It” bumper stickers from the Vietnam War era.

And his rhetorical attempt to devalue their citizenship sounds like birtherism on steroids — or, to put it more bluntly, identity politics for white folks.

In that vein, Trump was asked at an impromptu news conference Monday if he was concerned that white nationalists had found common cause with

him after he said the four progressive Democrats should “go back and help fix the totally broken and crime infested places from which they came.”

“It doesn't concern me because many people agree with me,” Trump said. “And all I'm saying is if they want to leave, they can leave.”

Yes, many people agree with President Trump, I am sure. Many of them are racists and sexists, although, as Trump said about Mexican immigrants, “some, I am sure, are good people.”

Yes, Trump appears to be sticking with his base-focused strategy to the end, even though his lack of outreach has made him the first president since polling began to fail to rise above 50% approval in major polls this late in his presidency.

Perhaps Trump is old, bold and craven enough to rely on duplicating the narrowly focused divide-and-conquer strategy that managed to win the Electoral College in 2016 with all of that dark “American Carnage” divisiveness.

That's not a very brave approach, but he is not a very brave man. He's just weak.

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Online security questions have become a whale of a weird idea



ERIC ZORN

A while back, my usually reliable password storage system — encoded notes in a buried document file — failed me, and I found myself having to reset my security questions as part of the process of reactivating my account at MileagePlus, United Airlines' frequent flyer program.

Security questions are designed to separate you from impostors trying to reset your password for nefarious purposes. In the early days of the internet they tended to be fairly basic — *What is your mother's maiden name?* *What city were you born in?* *What is your favorite food?*

And they tended to be fairly easy to answer. In September 2008, a hacker gained access to Republican vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin's private email account by knowing that “Wasilla High” was Palin's an-

swer to the security question “Where did you meet your spouse?”

But the rise in oversharing, the posting to Facebook and similar sites of such formerly obscure life details as the names of our pets, the places we've lived and the jobs we've held, has prompted the writers of security questions to up their game.

In early 2016, United introduced a raft of confounding and in places provocative questions that “may seem peculiar,” the company said in a statement, because they were designed “to be difficult to answer through your social media accounts.”

What is your favorite sea animal?

That was one of the options I had when having to choose five out of 15 possible MileagePlus questions.

“Crab” was in the dropdown menu. So was “eel,” “dolphin,” “cuttlefish,” “puffin,” the catch-all “fish” and more than 30 other choices. By what standards would one evaluate marine life? Appearance? Personality? Taste? I'd never posted on the matter because I'd never given it a mo-

ment's thought.

What is your favorite type of movie? *What is your favorite type of reading?* *What is your favorite type of vacation?*

These and similar questions about ice cream, artists and musical genres seem designed for narrow, rigid people of staunch and fixed tastes. Those of us who dabble and dare will have different answers to these questions depending on the day or the week or the season of the year.

The problem is not so much coming up with answers when filling out the forms, but remembering those answers — formally called “knowledge tokens” — under pressure many months later.

In what month is your best friend's birthday?

This question at United's site brought me up short. I haven't used the term “best friend” since grade school, when such alliances defined the social hierarchy and set the stage for drama and betrayal. No longer having to rank your friends is one of the pleasures of aging.

I have my high school friends, my college friends, my work

friends, my golf friends, my music friends, my neighborhood friends and my miscellaneous category-crossing friends. Putting them in order, let alone selecting one out of the crowd for primacy would feel, well, immature and even risky. Then again, I wimped out on selecting a best man among the groomsmen at my wedding 34 years ago, so this may be my neurosis.

What is the color of the fur of the cat who will be the first one to start chewing on your leg after you die alone at home and leave all of your pets without any food or water for days?

That one isn't from United but from one of several lists of parody security questions found online. Others:

What does your dentist tell you you should worry about?

In what city did you first experience ennui?

Security questions “suffer from a fundamental flaw,” concluded a 2015 analysis by Google. “Their answers are either somewhat secure or easy to remember — but rarely both.” Researchers found, for example, that in the U.S. nearly 20% of users listed pizza as

their favorite food, and fully 40% of users failed to remember their “knowledge tokens” on demand.

Making up random or absurd answers — which United discourages by the use of drop-down menus designed to thwart spyware that monitors keystrokes — only seems to make the recall problem worse, researchers found.

Accordingly, many sites are following the guidance of the National Institute of Standards and Technology and abandoning security questions as a first line of defense against password thieves. They are relying instead on backup email and text-message authentication, which require no memory of one's fleeting preference of sea animal.

What good are these questions anymore? Well, they strike me as excellent prompts whenever a conversation flags, potentially more revealing than “Where did you go to school?” or “What are your hobbies?”

Eels or cuttlefish? A window on your soul. Go!

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A sign by Shut This Airport Nightmare Down is at the site where a home in Monee was torn down for the proposed Peotone airport.

Snuff out the Peotone airport pipe dream



KRISTEN MCQUEARY

It's been a long time since opponents of a south suburban airport near Peotone rallied at a Will County board meeting or protested outside a congressman's office. They always were a scrappy bunch. Farmers. Environmentalists. Renegades. They mowed their protest symbol — an image of an airplane with a line through it — across farm fields. They painted it on wooden signs and barn rooftops. They shaped it with brick-colored paprika onto potato salads at family barbecues. They wanted the state of Illinois, the consultants in neckties and the politicians driven by dollar signs to leave their land alone. For a while it seemed like they'd won. Because it's obvious: A regional airport in Peotone is not coming. Yet a renewed push by U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly, D-Matteson, with the support of House Speaker Michael Madigan, who once called the project a "fantasy," and with Gov. J.B. Pritzker, who approved \$162 million in state funding for an airport interchange, is rekindling the pipe dream. Kelly and other Southland officials are strengthening their resolve that an airport should be built as an economic development tool for the south suburbs. That always has been part of the message. But the jobs angle 20 years ago also included the potential for market demand. Chicago's main airports were outdated and overwhelmed, and federal aviation officials gave a green light to early plans for a third regional airport. My former employer, the Daily Southtown and then the SouthtownStar, spent barrels

of ink advocating for a third airport. There were maps of the airport's footprint on the newspaper's walls and dozens of phone calls and meetings and handshakes and trips to Washington, D.C. But the opportunity to capture market demand, if it ever existed, is gone. While Peotone advocates have splintered, moved on, retired and in some cases died, Chicago officials forged ahead with the O'Hare International Airport expansion and improvements at Midway Airport. Regional hubs in Rockford and Gary are nowhere near capacity. There's plenty of room for additional passenger and cargo traffic at existing airports. The state has spent (wasted) nearly \$100 million buying up property for the pipe dream. Southland residents and their property investments have been haunted by the ghost of an airport for decades. And now plans are rolling for an Interstate 57 airport interchange, which Pritzker included in the state budget. There's no question that money could be better spent on existing transportation needs. The south suburbs need elected officials who support pro-growth policies, not a fantasy airport, no matter how good the intention. It's disingenuous of advocates to keep promising what is not coming. Airports need buy-in from airlines. Peotone never has had it. The south suburbs have suffered because of poor policies, not the lack of an airport. High property taxes and a rigged assessment system have been driving residents and employers across the state line for decades. The communities with the highest tax rates in Cook County are concentrated in the Southland and are the most poverty-stricken. It's practically criminal that homeowners in Ford Heights pay five to six times the property tax rates of homeowners in Inverness. But those have been long-standing inequities politicians would rather not address.

Pension costs are crippling many local governments, driving up those property taxes. Heavy-handed regulations, including higher sales taxes, minimum wage mandates and burdensome workers' compensation costs, also have hurt the Southland's growth. During the 2017 debate on the now-repealed Cook County soda tax, the owners of Pete's Fresh Market, which began on Chicago's South Side, testified they would not be opening new stores in Chicago or Cook County due to heavy government regulations. All of the company's new stores would be opening in counties outside Cook. A business owner from Lansing, on the Indiana-Illinois border, pleaded with commissioners to stop raising taxes, which made it more challenging for her business to survive. Employers such as Vincent Flaska and his family's company, Hoist Liftruck, already fled to Indiana. "What Illinois is pushing for are low-paying jobs," Flaska said. "Jobs at gas stations, stores. Places that produce sales tax. But the guy working two minimum wage jobs is not the same as the guy with a job at a manufacturing company that has benefits — and gives people a life." Was anyone listening? No. Elected Democrats who oversee the region have little interest in making the south suburbs more taxpayer- or employer-friendly. They move in precisely the opposite direction. That's why the region has suffered. Until they grasp the reality that the policies they have enacted, or refused to, have undermined prosperity for Southland residents, a revived airport movement will be nothing more than another costly exercise in make-believe. Kristen McQueary is a member of the Tribune Editorial Board. kmcqueary@chicagotribune.com

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Trump has exposed his worst side

The latest explosive charges of racism hurtled back and forth at the highest levels of our government have exposed the president of our country for what he is. And it is time that his supporters, especially evangelical Christians, face the fact that any further silence on their part makes them complicit with his racist attitudes. There is no basis in Scripture for treating one group of people as inferior, as less worthy of God's salvation, than any other group of people. If evangelicals wish to claim allegiance to the biblical faith, then they must resist evil, practice brother/sisterhood and welcome the stranger. They must renounce the racist comments of our president. As a Christian who comes out of the former Evangelical United Brethren tradition, I am shamed by this shocking betrayal of our biblical faith. — The Rev. Martin Deppé, Chicago

Similarities among Trump's targets

The congresswomen attacked by President Donald Trump in his racist tweets have several things in common. They all are women of color, liberal Democrats, American citizens and people who, unlike the incumbent president, won a majority of the votes when they were elected. — Michael Gorman, Chicago

Purpose behind 'Billy Graham rule'

Monica Hesse's commentary about the "Billy Graham rule" misses the point ("The 'Billy Graham rule' doesn't honor your wife — it demeans her and all women," July 12). The "rule" is not about whether someone can honor his or her marriage vows. It's not about honoring or demeaning a spouse or an entire gender. It's not about religious convictions. And it is not about preventing a woman from doing her job. It is about a person's concern that a situation can be wrongly perceived and/or exploited by others. Unfortunately, distortion and exploitation are all too often what pass for journalism these days. Because goodness is not good news. — Pat Dicke, Chicago

'Rule' helps ensure harmonious union

Columnist Monica Hesse relates an incident in which a female reporter requested to shadow Mississippi gubernatorial candidate Robert Foster for a day on the campaign trail. Foster accepted, with the stipulation that she bring along a male colleague. Wise or unwise, that is his choice. The news outlet for whom she works decided to forgo the interview. That is the outlet's choice, and it is defensible. In the #MeToo age, public figures are particularly vulnerable when alone with people they don't know. What defense can be offered to the claim, "He made an unwanted advance?" We are back to "he said/she said," and his career is forever tainted. Enter Hesse to portray Foster's decision as tantamount to reinstituting the Salem witch trials. She claims that refusing to be alone with any woman but your wife "just presumes that your marriage vows are so flimsy that you can't be trusted to uphold them unless a babysitter monitors you." Hesse should know that hundreds of thousands of happily married couples, including Orthodox Jews and many Christians, maintain this principle, which contributes to their harmonious union. Each spouse avoids situations that could, in moments of weakness or poor judgment, result in an act that may open a marital wound that may never completely heal. Hesse does not have to agree, but there is no cause for her demeaning portrayal of Foster's requirement. There is another group of #MeToo victims. They are the men and women who naively believed that their spouses would remain fully faithful, no matter the situation. Using Hesse's words, they believed that two "professional, clothed adults ... in the process of doing their respective jobs" would not stray from their vows. Sadly, such infidelity by clothed professionals doing their respective jobs winds its way from sports stars and musicians, to lawyers and executives, all the way to the White House. U.S. Rep. Ilhan Omar proudly wears a hijab in the halls of Congress. For some, the hijab is a symbol of a culture of male dominance and female subservience. For Omar and all who wear the hijab, it is a badge of honor. Hesse should remember that celebrating diversity is the recognition that others may have practices that differ from our own. While I do not agree with some of those practices, I as an American will treat them with respect. — Rabbi Michael A. Myers, Chicago

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Democrats say no one is above the law — except in matters of illegal immigration

BY MARC A. THIESSEN

We have heard a lot about the importance of the rule of law from Democrats lately. During special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation of President Donald Trump, Democrats in Congress delivered a clear and unified message. "No one is above the law, especially the president of the United States," declared House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. "Donald Trump is the most corrupt president in our lifetime. ... No one is above the law. Not even the president," said Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass. "Everyone should be held accountable. And the president is not above the law," said Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif. Republicans "are basically saying that in America one man is above the law and that's not a fact," said Senate Minority Whip Richard Durbin, D-Ill. "No one is above the law (and) everybody ought to be held accountable," said South Bend, Ind., Mayor Pete Buttigieg. No one, that is, except illegal immigrants. Fast-forward to this past weekend, when the Trump administration announced that Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers would soon begin enforcement actions to remove immigrants living here illegally and who have been issued final deportation orders by a federal judge. Those same Democrats and the rest of their party delivered a clear and unified message. "It's so appalling, it's outside the circle of civilized human behavior," said Pelosi. "The Trump administration's cruelty runs bone-deep. A Warren administration will not rip families apart to try and score

political points," said Warren. "The aim is to scare immigrant communities. ... And so, he's going to ... do these raids which is a crime against humanity," said Harris. "We are on your side, we stand with you together," Durbin told activists protesting ICE enforcement. "It's really designed to strike fear into people at a moment when fear is something we've got way too much of in this country," said Buttigieg. So, Democrats were for rule of law when it comes to the Mueller probe, which did not find that the president broke the law. But they are against rule of law when it comes immigrants who have been found by a federal judge to be in violation of U.S. immigration law. Immigrants subject to ICE enforcement have been given their constitutional right to due process, with the right to a hearing in a federal immigration court and the right to be represented by counsel. If they show up at their hearing and are not granted relief by an immigration judge, they have the right to appeal. If they lose that appeal, they are issued a final order of removal. Once such an order is issued, they must either voluntarily depart the country or turn themselves in to an ICE facility for deportation. If they fail to depart or turn themselves in, then their case is referred to the ICE fugitive unit, which is tasked with finding them. It is a long process to get to the point where ICE is knocking on someone's door to enforce a final order of removal. Those now subject to a final deportation order failed to show up to immigration court; showed up and lost their case; waived their right to appeal; lost their appeal; did not show up for their appeal hearing;

were granted voluntary departure but did not leave; or failed to turn themselves in to ICE for court-ordered removal. In each case, a federal judge has ruled that they do not have the right to be in the United States and must leave. But Democratic leaders are now saying they should be allowed to stay, in contravention of our immigration laws. Then again, Democrats didn't think this way when they held the White House. President Barack Obama deported far more illegal immigrants than Trump. Axios reports that "under the Obama administration, total ICE deportations were above 385,000 each year in fiscal years 2009-2011, and hit a high of 409,849 in fiscal 2012." I don't recall Democrats in Congress accusing Obama of a "crime against humanity" or actions "outside the circle of civilized human behavior." Back then, Democrats agreed, as Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., put it in a 2009 speech, that "illegal immigration is wrong, plain and simple." Since Trump took office, Democrats have become the party of illegal immigration. The want to decriminalize illegal border crossings, cut ICE detention beds to force the agency to release immigrants here illegally and then refuse to enforce lawful deportation orders. So, it's a little hard to take Democrats seriously when, in investigating Trump, they claim to be fighting for the principle that no one is above the law. Washington Post Writers Group

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Ill. Planned Parenthood to turn down funding

Clinic plans to decline federal dollars to avoid 'gag rule' on abortion

BY LISA SCHENCKER

Planned Parenthood of Illinois plans to stop accepting millions of dollars in federal grant money following the Trump administration's announcement Monday that family planning clinics that take the cash may no longer refer women for abortions.

The administration notified clinics Monday that it will immediately start enforcing new regulations that prohibit clinics that accept federal dollars through the Title X family planning program from helping women find doctors who provide abortions.

The regulations also mandate that if clinics do perform abortions, those must be financially separate from services supported by the grant dollars. A requirement that areas where abortions are performed be physically separate from areas providing Title X services will go into effect next year.

And clinics that accept the money will no longer be required to discuss abortion as an option when counseling pregnant patients.

Proponents of the new rules say they will help ensure that federal money does not, even indirectly, help to fund abortions. Federal law has long prohibited taxpayer money from being used to pay for abortions, except in cases of rape, incest or when the mother's life is in danger.

Opponents of the rule, however, including the Chicago-based American Medical Association and many providers, say it could limit women's access to birth control, cancer screenings and testing for sexually transmitted infections.

Planned Parenthood of Illinois will not accept the Title X dollars as long as the regulations are in effect, said spokeswoman Julie Lynn.

"The gag rule is illegal," Lynn said. "It's a violation of medical ethics and it's not something we're going to participate in. It's forcing doctors to not give their patients the full information about their health care, and that's not some-

thing we would ever agree to do."

Planned Parenthood of Illinois received nearly \$2.5 million in Title X funding for September 2018 through March 2019 — more than 40 percent of the total amount awarded to all clinics across the state, according to the federal government. It was slated to receive another \$3.5 million between April 2019 and April 2022.

Lynn said Planned Parenthood of Illinois does not immediately anticipate having to turn away or cut services because of the funding loss.

Across the state, more than 80 health centers received Title X funding as of June. About 112,000 people used family planning services at Illinois centers receiving Title X money in 2017, according to government data.

Some of those patients will see changes at other organizations in Illinois that plan to continue accepting the money.

Erie Family Health Centers plans, for now, to continue accepting the grant dollars. That means three of its clinics in Evanston and Humboldt Park no longer will be allowed to direct women and



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In Illinois, Planned Parenthood clinics plan to stop accepting federal grant money in order to continue providing abortion services.

teens seeking abortions to doctors who provide them. They'll be able to give patients lists of doctors but won't be able specify which ones offer abortions.

Those clinics use the Title X funding to provide contraception to many women who are poor or uninsured, among other things, said Dr. Caroline Hoke, chief clinical officer at Erie.

"For us it will continue to be a balancing act," Hoke said. "If we no longer have the funds to provide these services, it's unclear where our patients would continue to access them."

She called the new regulations "disgraceful," saying patients who "rely on Title X because they're

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Akshay Kothari left a job at Microsoft to focus on a project he co-founded in college. LinkedIn bought it for \$90 million.

Youthful goal: Save the world, get rich

Millennials' career approach shaped by tech and ideology

BY SOPHIE ALEXANDER
Bloomberg News

People have been trying to pigeonhole millennials for years, particularly when it comes to those revered 20th century totems they keep destroying. You know, movie theaters, supermarkets, cars, homeownership — you name it.

But millennials and their younger brethren in Generation Z, who together make up 40% of the U.S. population, have bigger fish to fry than worrying about the disdain of their elders (not that they would, anyway).

It's true that these generations want a career that makes a difference, even if it doesn't pay a lot. Piles of surveys say the same thing: Many young Americans believe that, while providing some greater good to society, they can also work less than Generation X does.

The conundrum, of course, is that student debt and the concen-

tration of jobs in expensive cities make this a bit of a challenge. As they move through college and graduate school and choose a career, where to live, whether to get married or have kids, millions of young adults are demanding everything at a time when they can least afford it.

Bloomberg interviewed professors, administrators, students and recent graduates from Stanford University in California, the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania and the New School's Parsons School of Design in New York, asking what today's graduates are looking for and how they intend to get it.

Their answers may surprise you.

"When I started at Stanford, I would have students coming by saying, 'I love computers and I want to do it, but my folks say I have to be premed,'" recalled Terry Winograd, a retired professor who began teaching computer science at the school in the 1970s. "Later, you have people coming by and they say, 'This computer stuff is OK. I don't really like it, but my folks say I have to do it.'"

But as tech and startups took over Silicon Valley, computer science took over Stanford. It's now among the top undergraduate majors at the school. "Back when I started, it was not the way to make money," Winograd said. "It was for students who just loved the ideas."

But the discipline's reputation has changed. Today, many computer science students are in it because there's a chance of making big money upon graduation. According to Glassdoor research, the careers of software engineer and software developer are the most popular jobs among millennials and Generation Z. But at Stanford, career goals may look a little different from elsewhere.

"There's this thing at Stanford where getting a job is always plan B," said former Stanford computer science major Akshay Kothari. "People would hear I'm taking a job at Microsoft and be really disappointed and say, 'I'm sorry it didn't work out.'"

After graduating with his master's in 2010, Kothari, now 33, decided to ditch his job at Microsoft to continue working on the startup he co-founded in a design

class. Around three years later, LinkedIn bought the company, Pulse, for about \$90 million. Kothari now works at another startup called Notion.

Allie Miller, 31, decided to get a master's in business administration because she "wanted to build something bigger than" herself. Her dad also got an MBA, but their motives and experiences were completely different, she said.

"I'm picturing people in bell bottoms staying in a career for 20-plus years, whether or not that was the thing they wanted to do and whether or not they were happy," Miller said of her father's generation of B-school graduates.

Wharton students, the bulk of whom traditionally went into investment banking, no longer fit any one mold, said Michelle Hopping, the school's director of career management. The largest chunk of graduates, 37%, still go into some form of financial services, but it's no longer mostly investment banking. "I think that there's a personalization effort happening, where students are coming in with more

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Facebook's Libra gets hostile reception

Tech firm's digital currency met with senators' distrust

BY MARCY GORDON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Under sharp criticism from senators, a Facebook executive on Tuesday defended the social network's ambitious plan to create a digital currency and pledged to work with regulators to achieve a system that protects the privacy of users' data.

"We know we need to take the time to get this right," David Marcus, the Facebook executive leading the project, told the Senate Banking Committee at a hearing.

But that message did little to assure senators.

Members of both parties demanded to know why a company with massive market power and a track record of scandals should be trusted with such a far-reaching project, given the potential for fraud, abuse and criminal activity.

"Facebook is dangerous," asserted Sen. Sherrod Brown of Ohio, the committee's senior Democrat. Like a toddler playing with matches, "Facebook has

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Barneys New York may file for bankruptcy

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Barneys New York may soon join the ever lengthening list of retail stores seeking protection in bankruptcy.

The luxury clothing company, faced with high rents and a shifting consumer landscape, is evaluating options that may include a bankruptcy, according to a source close to the matter who asked to remain anonymous because the discussions are confidential.

The company has nearly a dozen locations, mostly in the swankier districts in cities like Boston; Beverly Hills, California; and New York. In Illinois, Barneys has an Oak Street store in Chicago and an outlet in Rosemont.

High-rent retailers like Barneys now compete with online luxury players like Net-a-Porter and the RealReal.com, which don't need to maintain flagship stores.

Reuters first reported Barneys was evaluating bankruptcy options.

Soft job market for China's grads

As growth slows, some are taking internships instead

BY CLAIRE CHE AND WENDI HU
Bloomberg News

BEIJING — China's economic growth is the lowest in a decade. A trade war with the U.S. drags on with no end in sight. In this uncertain environment, the country's largest-ever batch of college graduates is hitting the job market.

Even the best and brightest among the record 8.3 million graduates this year are struggling to land the prestigious jobs they had hoped for. More than 20 students from top Chinese and overseas universities told Bloomberg News they're pessimistic about the job market. Some have deferred graduation or taken internships rather than jobs because they can't find the right role. Two said companies have withdrawn offers.

Among them is David Yang, who was set to graduate last week with a finance degree from Tsinghua University — China's No. 1 school according to Times Higher Education's world university rankings — and start working at an asset management firm. The job fell through because the company didn't have enough head count. Yang has delayed his graduation to 2020 and will spend the coming year as an intern at another company.

Jobs are a key issue for China's leadership, which is extremely sensitive to any social unrest that large-scale unemployment could trigger. While official figures show employment is holding up, data from recruiters show positions for fresh graduates have fallen and popular sectors including technology and finance have come under pressure.

Openings for graduates fell 13% this spring while



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China is forecast to produce 8.2 million college graduates this year, and many will struggle to find work in an increasingly tough job market.

job seekers also declined by 5%, according to online recruiter Zhaopin Ltd. The ratio of job vacancies to job seekers overall dropped to 1.68 in the first three months of this year, the lowest level since early 2015, when Zhaopin began releasing the data.

"China's job market will continue to see downward pressure next year as the country's economy keeps slowing down and the China-U.S. trade war is unlikely to end before the 2020 U.S. presidential election," said Hong Kong-based Bloomberg economist Qian Wan. "Finance jobs might improve next

year as the financial industry keeps opening up, tech firms could potentially see more headwinds."

High-paying jobs, which the government relies on to foster a shift to consumption-based growth, are also harder to come by. The proportion of entry-level jobs paying more than \$1,450 a month tracked by the MasterCard Caixin BBD China New Economy Index fell to 8.7% in May, the lowest in about two years. The measure looks at human capital and technology-intensive industries that the government has identified as strategic.

About 10% of graduates

from the School of Economics at Fudan University, a major recruiting pool for top financial firms in China, say they might take a gap year after failing to secure a job upon graduation. That's according to Laura Wang, an instructor whose responsibilities include career guidance. Wang said she hasn't seen this happen in the past five years.

In June, the employment subindex of China's official purchasing managers' index fell to the lowest level since 2009 in the manufacturing sector, and to the worst since early 2016 in nonmanufacturing. The

nation established a group headed by a vice-premier in May that aims to boost jobs for college graduates and encourage them to go to local regions, join the military or start a business.

New job seekers are lowering their sights as the uncertain economic backdrop exacerbates downsizing in some sectors like the technology industry, which has started to cut costs as China's long-running tech boom shows signs of weakening.

That could put many Gen Z college students in a similar position as millennials who graduated during the U.S. recession — risking

a lifelong impact on their earning potential and careers prospects.

Wang Jinglong, who studied computer science at Tsinghua, said the job market is more competitive this year. Still, the decision by some to sit this year out reflects an optimism that the worst will pass. China's labor market supply is shrinking every year, and fallout from the trade war has peaked, said Business Big Data's Chief Economist Chen Qin.

"The job market next year largely depends on external factors, mainly the trade war," Chen said. "I think it will rebound a bit"

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specific interest areas," Hopping said.

Hopping argued that millennials aren't all that different from their predecessors when it comes to choosing a career, at least at first. They're focused on finding work in the right industry that pays enough and has a compatible company culture, she said. The one thing that's changed, both Miller and Hopping agreed, is the desire to make a difference rather than just make money.

"The MBA genes have mutated," Miller said. "People in my class genuinely care about being a contributor more than a cog."

Jasmine Yee went to an arts high school in Brooklyn, New York, so her parents weren't surprised when she settled on Parsons for college.

But they wanted to make sure she was committed to a career in design if she was going to spend four years studying it — and they were

going to pay for it.

"I don't come from a superwealthy background, so this was definitely kind of risky," Yee, 20, said. "If they were going to support me, then I was going to make it work."

Yee's generation is landing in a world where student debt exceeds \$1 trillion, and millions of graduates are in default. For those facing student debt, there's pressure to put those costly degrees to use and make as much money as possible. When your dream job is in media, design or the arts, that can be a tall order.

Everyone at Parsons seems to have that pressure in common, said Yee, who just finished her junior year studying product design.

Thanks to technology, the entire design industry has evolved, creating opportunities that never existed for earlier generations, she said.

In the past, "there were 15 or 20 houses you could go work for," Joel Towers, the executive dean at Parsons, said of the fashion industry. "Now, you can basically start

your own fashion brand."

Towers stressed that the type of student who comes to study at Parsons hasn't fundamentally changed, but that the world they live in has. "It's not that they're different; it's that the opportunities are different," he said.

Maybe it's because her parents aren't in the art world, or maybe it's because her mother, a Brazilian immigrant, tried to provide a better life for her daughter. But either way, Yee said her work priorities are different from those of her parents.

"In other generations, it was very much about putting food on the table," Yee said. But technology, and particularly social media, is providing young creatives a constant flow of inspiration that can help them leap forward with new ideas. That's why, Yee said, students like her take the risk of going to design school in the first place.

"Wherever you can do what you like to do, which for us is designing and building stuff, is where you're happy," Yee said.

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Boeing troubles lead to cuts at Europe’s busiest airline

By GREGORY KATZ
Associated Press

LONDON — Europe’s biggest airline, budget carrier Ryanair, will cut flights and close some of its bases beginning this winter because of the delay to deliveries of the Boeing 737 Max plane, which has been grounded globally after two fatal crashes.

The airline also warned Tuesday that its growth in European summer traffic for 2020 will be lower than expected because of the slowed deliveries.

Ryanair chief Michael O’Leary said the airline “remains committed” to the Boeing 737 Max and expects it to be back in service before the end of the year but that the date is uncertain.

Ryanair, which is Europe’s top airline by passengers, says some delays are expected, and doubts about when the plane can return to the skies means it will take delivery of only 30 Max jets a year from now, rather

than the previously scheduled 58.

He says the airline will close some of its bases as a result with a hope to return to “normal” growth levels in 2021.

Analysts at market research firm FXPro note that while Europe’s economy is slowing, there is no lack of demand for flying, so Ryanair’s decision could cause flight tickets to rise somewhat.

Boeing’s 737 Max has been grounded after the Lion Air crash off the coast of Indonesia in October and the Ethiopian Airlines crash in March that killed a total of 346 people.

Preliminary reports indicate that flight-control software called MCAS pushed the nose of the plane down in both crashes.

Chicago-based Boeing did not tell pilots about MCAS until after the first crash. The company is working on changes to make the software more reliable and easier to control.



ALBERTO PIZZOLI/GETTY-AFP

Ryanair will close some of its bases because of the global grounding of the Boeing 737 Max plane, with hopes to return to “normal” growth levels in 2021.

Concerns about viability of the new aircraft remains, however.

The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration is due to review Boeing’s fixes and has said it is following a thorough process, but has no timetable for when the recertification will be completed. European regulators have to then also approve the jets before they can be used in the region.

American Airlines said this week that it will keep

the Boeing 737 Max plane off its schedule until Nov. 3, which is two months longer than it had planned. That will result in the cancellation of about 115 flights per day.

United Airlines has also

extended its cancellations until Nov. 3. The company has 14 Max jets while American has 24 of them. Southwest Airlines, which has 34 Max jets — more than any other carrier — is canceling about 150 flights per day.

Meanwhile, relatives of 346 passengers who died in the two crashes traveled to Washington to testify Wednesday before a congressional panel, which is examining aviation safety after the accidents involving the 737 Max plane.

“I’d like to see (Boeing CEO) Dennis Muilenburg and the executives resign, because they caused the deaths of 346 people,” said Paul Njoroge, whose wife, three young children and mother-in-law died in the Ethiopia crash. “They should be held liable criminally for the deaths of my wife and my children and my mom-in-law and 152 others in the crash of Ethiopian Airlines flight 302 because that was preventable.”

Brazil’s soybean lead over US gets boost from Amazon ports

By TATIANA FREITAS
Bloomberg News

Brazil, the biggest soybean exporter, is strengthening its lead against the U.S. after trading giants spent billions of dollars on building new terminals and developing routes to ports in the north through the Amazon region.

Brazil has benefited from infrastructure investments at a time when U.S. farmers have been rattled by the Trump administration’s trade war with China, the top soybean importer. The Asian country has mostly shunned U.S. supplies, and shipments notably have slumped from ports in the Pacific Northwest, which has significant excess capacity for crops.

“Brazil’s northern ports are allowing the country to export big volumes of grain without the historical loading delays or vessel queues,” said Sergio Mendes, general director at the grain-export group Anec. “Traders are shipping through the north the same soybean volumes they usually export from Santos, Latin America’s largest port,” in the south, he said. “This is a huge conquest.”

Bunge Ltd. kicked off the



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Workers load soybeans imported from Brazil at a port in Nantong in east China.

expansion in 2014 by using vessels on an Amazon waterway to move soybeans 621 miles to Barcarena port in Para state from Mato Grosso, the top producing state.

Companies including Cargill Inc. and Louis Dreyfus Co. made investments to construct terminals and barge fleets. Railway operations have improved, and road administration shifted to private firms from the government, aiding logistics, said Daniel Furlan, economics manager at Abiove in Sao Paulo.

Corn shipments this year may climb 58% to 38 million metric tons, and soybean exports may be 70.5 million, topping a previous estimate by 5.2%, partly because of transportation and port expansions, Andre Pessoa, head of Agroconsult, has forecast. In the first half, a combined 19 million metric tons of corn and soybean products moved from the north, and the 2019 volume may reach 35 million, according to farm group Aprosoja.

From January through June 2019, soybean ship-

ments from southern ports rose 16% from the same period in 2014, while exports from northern ports more than tripled, according to government data compiled by the industry group Abiove. In the six months ended June, the north handled 32% of total shipments, more than doubling from 2014.

“Both rising export capacity and improving access to the new terminals allow the sustainable export growth through the north,” said Edeon Vaz Ferreira, head of the logistic branch at Aprosoja.

More investments should come. Cargill may invest \$240 million through 2030 in a new private terminal in Abaetetuba, Para state, adding as much as 9 million tons to the existing export capacity of 9.5 million tons in northern Brazil, a “strategic region” for grain shipments, the company said by email.

While the Amazon shortcut reduced travel time from fields to ports, the cost of moving crops to northern ports is equivalent to transportation expenses to southern terminals, partly because of unpaved roads, Ferreira said.



KATHERINE FREY/THE WASHINGTON POST

A virtual reality headset is being used by Walmart in employee assessments to see how they handle situations.

Walmart employing virtual reality to assess its employees

By PETER HOLLEY
The Washington Post

For Walmart employees, seeking a promotion within the company has typically meant undergoing a comprehensive vetting process that included a detailed “paper-based assessment.”

Combined with in-person interviews, the written component has traditionally helped managers assess how effectively someone might function in a new role with more responsibility.

But for the last few months, Walmart — the nation’s largest employer — has begun replacing paper-based assessments with an experimental new tool: virtual reality.

Using a \$250 Oculus Go virtual reality headset, employees have their wits and instincts tested inside a simulated environment, allowing managers to see how well they know the store’s departments and how they react in everyday scenarios, according to the company. Those scenarios can range from motivating an underperforming employee to resolving a conflict with a difficult customer.

Inside the simulated environment, a candidate might find themselves standing in a busy aisle facing multiple problems, such as spills, misplaced items and trash, and being given 30 seconds to figure out which to resolve first.

When combined with conventional interviews and replicated across thousands of employees, the virtual assessment helps eliminate bias from the internal hiring process, according to Michelle Malashock, Walmart’s director of media relations. Malashock said the VR assessment tool was rolled out in April and has already been used in considering about 10,000 company employees for new jobs around the country.

“The assessment can reveal leadership, but it also might show that someone is actually a better fit in another job,” Malashock said. “It’s a great way to reduce inherent bias in the hiring process and allows us to use technology and data to try and level the playing field as much as possible.”

Walmart has used VR since 2017 to train employees at 30 Walmart Academies and has also sent thousands of VR headsets to stores around the country for employees to use, according to the company.

The company claims that VR training improves employee confidence and has boosted test scores 10 to 15% — even for trainees who simply watched others experience the training. Virtual scenarios include managing a produce section or preparing for the chaos of Black Friday by watching actual footage from the annual shopping spree.

“There is also empathy training, which involves scenarios where you’re both a cashier and later in the body of a customer who is receiving text messages from a partner at home who is telling you your baby is sick,” Malashock said. “The juxtaposition helps employees see interactions from every side.”

Sinan Aral, a professor of information technology and marketing at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, said VR makes training more realistic than reading a packet or completing a work sheet.

“Training used to involve flying tens of thousands of people to some conference in Texas somewhere for a week and now it can just be done locally on the employees’ time,” he said. “That’s incredibly valuable for a company and likely to expand far beyond a company like Walmart.”

Param Vir Singh, a professor of business technologies at Carnegie Mellon University’s Tepper School of Business, agreed, pointing out that VR gives companies the ability to standardize how employees are evaluated. By removing a large degree of subjectivity from a manager’s evaluation process, companies get a clearer picture of an employee’s potential as well as a trove of valuable data that can be used to refine how employees are trained and evaluated.

Aral said Amazon’s recent announcement that it plans to spend \$700 million to retrain 100,000 workers offers a great opportunity to utilize VR on a mass scale.

Libra

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burned down the house over and over,” he told Marcus. “Do you really think people should trust you with their bank accounts and their money?”

Republican Sen. Martha McSally of Arizona said “the core issue here is trust.”

Users won’t be able to opt out of providing their personal data when joining the new digital wallet for Libra, McSally said. “Arizonans will be more likely to be scammed” using the currency, she said.

The litany of criticism came as Congress began two days of hearings on the currency planned by Facebook, to be called Libra. Also Tuesday, a House Judiciary subcommittee was extending its bipartisan investigation of the market power of Facebook, Google, Amazon and Apple.

On the defensive from bursts of aggressive questioning, Marcus indicated the currency plan is a work in progress. “We will take the time” to ensure the network won’t be open to use by criminals and illicit

activity like money laundering and financial fraud. “We hope that we’ll avoid conflicts of interest. We have a lot of work to do,” Marcus said.

The grilling followed a series of negative comments and warnings about the Libra plan in recent days from President Donald Trump, his treasury secretary and the head of the Federal Reserve.

But some senators emphasized the potential positive benefits of Facebook’s plan, meant to bring money transacting at low cost to millions around the globe who don’t have bank accounts. Facebook had its strong defenders of the project, too, on the panel.

“To strangle this baby in the crib is wildly premature,” said Sen. Pat Toomey, R-Pa.

In that vein, Marcus said Libra “is about developing a safe, secure and low-cost way for people to move money efficiently around the world. We believe that Libra can make real progress toward building a more inclusive financial infrastructure.”

The planned digital currency is to be a blend of multiple currencies, so that



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David Marcus, Facebook’s digital currency chief, faced tough questions and few allies at the hearing Tuesday.

its value will fluctuate in any given local currency. Because Libra will be backed by a reserve, and because the group of companies managing it will encourage a competitive system of exchanges, the project leaders say, “anyone with Libra has a high degree of assurance they can sell it for local currency based on an exchange rate.”

Promising low fees, the new currency system could open online commerce to millions of people around the world who lack access to bank accounts and make it cheaper to send money

across borders. But it also raises concerns over the privacy of users’ data and the potential for criminals to use it for money laundering and fraud.

To address privacy concerns, Facebook created a nonprofit oversight association, with dozens of partners including PayPal, Uber, Spotify, Visa and MasterCard, to govern Libra. As one among many in the association, Facebook says it won’t have any special rights or privileges. It also created a “digital wallet” subsidiary, Calibra, to work on the technology.

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poor or uninsured are having their rights to autonomy and self-determination trampled.”

Other recipients of the money in Illinois have included a number of Lake County Health Department clinics, Rush University

family planning and various University of Illinois at Chicago clinics, among many others.

The administration issued the regulations in February. Since then, the matter has been tied up in court, but a federal appeals court ruled in June that the regulations temporarily can take effect while litigation proceeds.

The U.S. Department of

Health and Human Services said in a statement Tuesday, that, “The final rule protects Title X healthcare providers so that they are not required to choose between participating in the program and violating their own consciences by providing abortion counseling and referral.”

Catherine Glenn Foster, president and CEO of

Americans United for Life, a anti-abortion legal organization, also praised the rules.

“In reality, no physician in America is being stopped from referring a patient for an abortion — they just can’t demand taxpayer funding to do so,” Foster said in a statement Tuesday.

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OBITUARIES

EVA KOR 1934-2019

Survivor of Nazi experiments
subject of several documentariesBY EMILY LANGER
The Washington Post

Eva Kor was 10 years old when she arrived at Auschwitz, the Nazi death camp in Poland where 1.1 million people, nearly all of them Jews, perished in the Holocaust. On the selection platform, her mother held on tightly to Eva and her twin sister, Miriam, as their father and two older sisters disappeared into the masses.

"Twins?" an SS guard called out. "Twins?"

"Is that good," Kor remembered her mother inquiring, if her daughters are twins? The guard said yes, and the sisters were taken away. They would never see their mother or the rest of their family again.

Eva and Miriam were among 1,500 sets of twins subjected to medical experiments by the infamous Nazi doctor Josef Mengele. Fewer than 200 of those victims are thought to have lived.

Decades later, after making a new life for herself in Terre Haute, Indiana, Kor helped draw international attention to the suffering that the victims of the medical experiments had endured, as she preached a philosophy of forgiveness that she said unburdened her of her anger toward her persecutors.

Kor died July 4 at a hospital in Krakow, Poland, about an hour's drive east of Auschwitz, where she was traveling with the CANDLES Holocaust Museum and Education Center, which she founded in Terre Haute in 1995. She had visited Auschwitz roughly 30 times in recent decades with students, teachers, the news media and other groups, according to her son, Alex Kor, who said the probable cause of death was a heart or lung ailment. She was 85.

Kor was one of the more visible members of the ever-dwindling group of survivors delivering firsthand testimony of the atrocities of the Holocaust. She was the subject of several documentaries, including "Forgiving Dr. Mengele" (2006) and "Eva: A-7063" (2018). She drew admiration — as well as criticism from some fellow survivors — for her public expressions of forgiveness of the Nazis.

"For the life of me I will never understand why anger is preferable to a goodwill gesture," she once said. "Nothing good ever comes from anger."

She was born Eva Mozes on Jan. 31, 1934, in Portz, a Romanian community that briefly became part of Hungary during World War II. She and her religiously observant family of farmers were the only Jews in town. Speaking to the National Catholic Reporter in 1999, she recalled math problems at school that asked, "If you have five Jews and kill three, how many are left?"

In 1944, her family was placed in a ghetto and then deported to Auschwitz.

The medical experiments conducted there and at other Nazi camps had three purposes, according to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum: to improve medical treatment for German troops, to test new medical procedures and drugs, and to confirm Nazi views of the supremacy of the Aryan race.

Victims were subjected to extreme altitudes and temperatures, injected with pathogens and sterilized. They endured bone-grafting procedures and injections in their eyes to change their eye color. Many victims were permanently disfigured, sickened or weakened. Many more died.

"Everything in the world was done to me that would have killed me," Kor said years later in an interview, "and here I am alive."

She recalled being stripped of her clothes and tied down by her arms as she endured repeated examinations lasting as long as eight hours. From one arm, her tormentors took blood. "They wanted to know how much blood a person can lose and still live," Kor said. In the other arm, she received injections, sometimes five at a time.

Once, she said, the experiments brought on a dangerously high fever.

"I was trembling," Kor told ABC News in 1999. "My arms and my legs were swollen, huge size," with red patches. Mengele examined her, she said, and pronounced that she had two weeks to live.

Her sister, Miriam, sustained kidney damage so severe that her kidneys

stopped growing; in 1987, Kor donated a kidney to her.

After their liberation from Auschwitz on Jan. 27, 1945, the sisters stayed in an orphanage before making their way back to Romania, where they lived with an aunt. In 1950, they migrated to Israel, where Kor lived on a kibbutz and served in the Israeli army before marrying Michael Kor, a Latvian-born Holocaust survivor, in 1960.

Later that year, she settled with her husband in Terre Haute. He survives, as do their two children, Alex and Rina. Her twin sister died in 1993.

For years, Kor said, she fought feelings of anger and bitterness.

"If childhood is the foundation of a human being's life," she once told The New York Times, "then what kind of foundation can we have if our memories are filled with the smell of burning flesh and chimneys belching the black smoke of our families?"

After the miniseries "Holocaust" aired on television in 1978, inviting some Americans to reckon for the first time with a history they might have preferred not to confront, Kor began speaking publicly about her experience in the camps.

In 1984, she and her sister founded CANDLES (Children of Auschwitz Nazi Deadly Lab Experiments Survivors) in an effort to locate other survivors of the medical experiments. To date, according to the organization, they have found 122 individual Mengele twins in 10 countries.

In the United States, Kor did drafting work before becoming a real estate agent. She received a bachelor's degree from Indiana State University in 1990.

Her museum in Terre Haute was destroyed by arson in 2003 but reopened in 2005 after receiving donations of almost \$300,000 — a response, Kor noted, that brought even greater attention to her cause.

"What I tell everybody is that you — any victim, any person hurt — you have the same power," she told the Indianapolis Star. "You have the power to forgive. And what it does, forgiveness, has nothing to do with the perpetrator. It has everything to do with the way the victim feels."

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In Memoriam



Peggie Britcliffe

Peggie Britcliffe, age 84, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 8, 2019 at Amita Health Hospice House in Elk Grove Village, IL after a 4 month battle with stomach cancer. She was born November 8, 1934, in Wrawby, North Lincolnshire, England to Alfred and Eva (Curtis) Britcliffe. She was a 1952 graduate from Nursing School in England and worked as a midwife, exactly as depicted on the PBS program, Call the Midwife. Upon leaving England, she first joined her sister in Toronto for a brief time, before settling and making her home in Chicago. She never married, but as an RN devoted her life to caring for others, including 2 quadriplegic children, Billy and Joey, all the way to adulthood. Her entire focus was to serve her Lord and Savior, and was a blessing and inspiration to many. She was a graduate of Chicago Bible College in 1964.

She is survived by her sister, Joan (Britcliffe) Czornodolskyj, and nephew, Michael Czornodolskyj. She is preceded in death by her niece, Julie (Czornodolskyj) Power, and nephew, Bob Czornodolskyj. She is survived by Julie's husband, Bruce Power, as well as many grand nieces and nephews... Mitchell, Kimberly, Kali, Sean, Jason, Sarah and Megan. A multitude of friends that she left behind will greatly miss her. Peggie's life was celebrated at her home church, Philadelphia Church in Chicago.

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Death Notices

Behof, Terence (Terry) D.

Age 64 of Chicago, IL passed away suddenly on July 8, 2019. Born May 26, 1955 to Dorothy and the late Andrew C. Behof. Beloved husband of 30 years to Kristine Behof, (nee: Simmons) Dear brother to Trudy (Wayne) Tess, Dorothy (the late Ed) Morehead, Mary (Dale) Harmening, the late Andrew, John (Barb and the late Pat), Ann (Charles) Aman, Jerry, James (Paula) and Michael (Toni) Behof. Fond brother-in-law to Joseph (Wendy) and David (Julia) Simmons. Proud uncle to many nieces and nephews. Terry had a passion for family, cats, electronics and travel. Visitation will be Friday, July 19th from 3-9 pm at **Drake and Son Funeral Home**, 5303 N. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60625. 773-561-6874. Funeral mass on Saturday, July 20th at 11 am St. Gregory Catholic Church 5545 N. Paulina St. Chicago, IL 60640. Sign guestbook at dignitymemorial.com

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Campise, JoAnn

JoAnn Campise, nee Mauro
Loving mother of Susan (Anthony) Bono and Peter (Jennifer) Zaccariello; Caring grandmother of Ashley and Anthony Jr.; Danielle, Nicholas, Jordan, Joseph and Jake; Dearest sister of Marlene (Wil) Luther and Ralph Mauro; Loving aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday 4-9:00 p.m. at **Peterson-Bassi Chapels** 6938 W. North Ave. Chicago. Friends are asked to meet at St. Isidore Parish, 427 W. Army Trail Rd, Bloomingdale on Friday for a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:45 a.m. A Future Inurnment will be at St. Isidore Parish. Information 773 637-4441 or www.petersonfuneralhome.com



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Colantonio, Jean

Jean Colantonio, Age 76 nee Passeri. Beloved wife of John. Loving mother of Anthony Donatello, Jacqueline Pyka, Donna (Paul) Kowalski, Patsy Colantonio, J.C. (Tina), Jimmy (Jen), Mario and Yvonne Tiede. Cherished grandmother of 15 and great grandmother of four. Dear sister of Carol (late Jim) Lampres, Maria Sisco and the late Beaver (Marilyn) Passeri. Fond aunt of many. Visitation Thursday July 18 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral Friday 9:00 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Eugene Church for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Funeral Services will conclude following Mass. Funeral Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.



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Cramer, Tom

Tom Cramer, age 54, longtime resident of the Southside Chicagoland area, passed away unexpectedly on July 12, 2019. Cherished brother of Susan (Terry) Muldoon and their children, Erin (Kenny) Konrath, Beth (Eddie) Velasquez, and Terry (Regan) Muldoon, Jr., with whom he was raised from age 13; Special brother of Joe (Donna) Cramer, John (Mary) Cramer, and Jim (Karen) Cramer; Fun uncle of Joe (Jill), Greg (Elsa), Brian (Stephanie), Lisa, Heidi (Ryan), Laura (Troy), and Tim; Great-uncle of 20+. Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Joseph and Loretta (nee Harnett) Cramer. A Memorial Gathering is scheduled for Tom on Friday, 7/19, from 4-9 PM at **Blake-Lamb Funeral Home**, 4727 W 103rd St, Oak Lawn, IL 60453. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Writer's Garret at www.writersgarret.org.

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Dahlstrom, Carolyn

Carolyn Dahlstrom, 91, of Inverness; loving wife of 70 years to Russell; loved mother to Roslyn (Jon) Engebretson, Daun (Larry) Geissler and Brad; dear grandmother to Karna (Jason) Lliteras, Brita (Brandon) Overly, Stefanie and Rusty Geissler, Reid and Cole Dahlstrom; cherished great-grandmother to five great grandchildren; fond sister to Marian Munsterman and four deceased siblings. Visitation Friday, July 19, 2019 from 3 pm until 8 pm at **Glueckert Funeral Home, Ltd.**, 1520 N. Arlington Hts. Rd. (4 blocks south of Palatine Rd.), Arlington Hts., IL 60004. A Memorial Service will be held 1 pm Saturday, July 20, 2019 at Northwest Covenant Church, 300 N. Elmhurst Ave., Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Northwest Covenant Church or Covenant Harbor Bible Camp.



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DeBelina, James C.

James C. DeBelina, 67 of Palatine was born February 16, 1952 in Chicago to George and Irene (nee DeCwikiel) DeBelina and passed away July 12, 2019 after 7 ½ years of living with pancreatic cancer. Jim was the beloved husband of Mary Lee (nee Schultz) DeBelina; loving father of Mary Chris (Brian) Doyle, Bob DeBelina and Ann

Elise DeBelina; cherished papa of Lyra Anne, Gwen Aya, Laurence James and Percy and dear brother of Richard DeBelina, Edward (Mary) DeBelina, Christine (Kevin) Manley, Steve (Mary Jill) DeBelina and the late Thaddeus (Laura) DeBelina and fond uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Jim faced his disease with courage and dignity, answering phone calls from all over the world as a volunteer for the Pancreatic Action Network.

Jim was also active in the Palatine community, having coached close to 30 youth teams for Palatine Celtic Soccer, Palatine Baseball and both boys and girls basketball for St. Thomas of Villanova.

Visitation will be Friday, July 19, 2019 from 3-8 PM at **Lauterburg & Oehler Funeral Home**, 2000 E. Northwest Highway, Arlington Heights. Prayers will be said on Saturday, July 20 at 8:45 AM at the funeral home and proceed to St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 1201 E. Anderson Drive, Palatine for a Funeral Mass at 9:30 AM. Interment will follow at Resurrection Cemetery in Justice, IL. Funeral info 847-253-5423 or lauterburgoehler.com

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Drake, Christopher J.

Christopher J. Drake passed away unexpectedly on June 30, 2019 in Michigan. He was born in Anderson, IN on March 24, 1964 to the late Dr. James and Judith Drake. He is survived by his wife Cheryl; daughters Catherine, Judith and Samantha; brothers Richard (Teresa), Terry (Brenda), Michael (Beverly); nieces and nephews Patrick, Sara, Erin, Rachel and Alex. He is also survived by many relatives and friends. A memorial visitation will take place on Saturday July 20, 2019 from 9 a.m. - 1:00 pm with a service at noon at **Ringa Funeral Home** 122 S. Milwaukee Ave Lake Villa, IL. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy Attn: Sister Rosemary Connelly 6300 North Ridge Avenue Chicago, IL 60660 or www.misericordia.com/giving/donate-online in Chris' memory.

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Ellis, Betty Jane

Betty Jane Ellis, of Palos Park, passed away July 15, 2019.

Betty is the loving wife for 51 years to Christ Ellis; beloved mother to Peter (Jennifer), Nicholas, Theodore (Danielle), and John (Kristy); adored Yia Yia to Mary, Maria, the late Chris, Molly, Evelyn, and Theodore; cherished sister to Maria (George), the late Marina, the late Theodore, and George (Sally).

She was devoted member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church where she served as past President of Philoptochos.

Visitation will be Friday, July 19, 2019 from 3:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. at **Blake-Lamb Funeral Home** (4727 W. 103rd St.; Oak Lawn, IL 60453) with a Trisagion service at 7:00 pm. Funeral services will be Saturday, July 20, 2019 at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox (10301 Kolmar Ave.; Oak Lawn, IL 60453). She will be laid to rest in Fairmount Willow Hill Memorial Park.

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Finnegan, Michael F.

Michael F. Finnegan, age 57 of Homer Glen. Beloved husband of Christine (nee Posen). Devoted father of Michael E., Brian and Lauren. Cherished son of the late Mike and Peg Finnegan. Loving brother of Mary (Mike) Ponschke, Margaret, Patrick, Carmel (Mark Dovin), Eileen, Sheila Polcyn and Maureen (Mike) Moran. Dear son-in-law of Ed and Sharon Posen. Fond brother-in-law of Kevin (Bernadette) Posen, Diane Posen and the late Mary Kay (Baljit) Saini. Adored uncle of 21. Also many devoted aunts, uncles, cousins and friends; longtime Scout leader. Funeral Friday 10:15am from **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, 12641 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen to Our Mother of Good Counsel Church, Mass 11am. Interment Good Shepherd Cemetery. Visitation Thursday 2pm to 8pm. Former President of Finnegan Construction. Member of IUOE Local #399. In lieu of flowers donations to The Chris Posen Finnegan Benefit at U.S.Bank or The ALS Association. 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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ON JULY 17 ...

In 1821, Spain ceded Florida to the United States.

In 1898, the Spanish garrison in Santiago, Cuba, surrendered to U.S. forces in the Spanish-American War.

In 1917, during World War I, the British royal family changed its surname from Saxe-Coburg-Gotha to Windsor.

In 1936, the Spanish Civil War began as Gen. Francisco Franco led a military revolt.

In 1945, the leaders of the World War II allies — President Harry Truman, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet Premier Josef Stalin — opened the Potsdam Conference to determine the occupation zones of Germany.

In 1955, Disneyland was opened in Anaheim, Calif.

In 1967 U.N. observers began supervising a truce between Israel and Egypt after the Six-Day War.

In 1975, an Apollo spaceship docked with a Soyuz spacecraft in the first orbital linkup between the two superpowers.

In 1981, two walkways collapsed above the lobby of Kansas City's Hyatt Regency Hotel, killing 114 people and injuring nearly 200.

In 1989, White Sox catcher Carlton Fisk made his 2,000th career hit, against the New York Yankees at Comiskey Park.

In 1991, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev appealed for Western aid at the conclusion of the Group of Seven economic summit

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS

July 16
Mega Millions 825 / 5
Daily 3 midday 0010 / 5
Daily 3 evening 825 / 5
Daily 4 evening 6552 / 4
Cash 5 11 19 23 28 35
Daily 5 14 16 22 23 26
Pick 3 evening 785 / 5
Pick 4 evening 0956 / 1
Daily 4 evening 13 16 21 24 30

July 17 Powerball: \$40M
July 18 Lotto: \$77.75M

WISCONSIN

July 16
Pick 3 809
Pick 4 4927
Badger 5 05 09 14 22 29
SuperCash 09 21 23 32 38 39

INDIANA

July 16
Daily 3 midday 825 / 5
Daily 4 midday 0010 / 5
Daily 3 evening 825 / 5
Daily 4 evening 6552 / 4
Cash 5 11 19 23 28 35

MICHIGAN

July 16
Daily 3 midday 717
Daily 4 midday 7708
Daily 3 evening 463
Daily 4 evening 3404
Fantasy 5 02 12 24 27 39
Keno 30 32 33 34 39 40 42 45
52 58 59 62 65 66 68 76

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Flahive, Timothy Michael

Mr. Timothy Michael Flahive, age 92, of Jefferson passed away Saturday night, July 13, 2019 at Westwood Hills Nursing & Rehab Center in Wilkesboro, NC.



Funeral services will be held on Friday, July 19, 2019 12:00pm at Cumberland Funeral Home Chapel in Norridge, Illinois. Burial will follow in the Irving Park Cemetery with military rites.

The family will receive friends from 10:00-12:00pm on Friday; two hours prior to the funeral service.

Mr. Flahive was born in Chicago, Illinois on October 9, 1926 to the late John J. and Nellie Ellen Cahill Flahive. He served in the United States Navy; with Admiral Byrd on the expedition of Operation Highjump to the North Pole. He retired after working 35 years from Judge & Dolph Trucking Company.

He was also preceded in death by six brothers, John E., James, Daniel, Joseph, Jeremiah and Tim; four sisters, Margaret, Mary, Irene and Cecilia.

Mr. Flahive is survived by: his wife, of 31 years of marriage, Darlene Stevenson Flahive; two sons, Daniel Flahive, of Adams, Wisconsin and Michael Flahive and companion, Marsha, of Oklahoma; a daughter, Barbara Pierce and husband, Patrick, of Illinois; two step daughters, Cathy Everhart and husband, Michael, of West Jefferson and Kelly Schlanger and husband, Brian, of Elmwood Park, Illinois; a step son, Thomas Busleta and wife, Patrice, of Elmwood Park, Illinois; seven grandchildren, Stephen Pierce and wife, Heather, Michael Pierce, Christopher Pierce and wife, Becky, Brian Pierce and wife, Ashley, Maryann Pierce Racz and husband, Mark, Wendy Flahive and Dawn Flahive; fourteen great-grandchildren; eight step-grandchildren, Christina Busleta, Daniel Busleta, Lucas Everhart and wife, Shelby, Lindsey Williams and husband, Josh, Laci Hardin and husband, Brandon, Colleen Schlanger, Noelle Thezan and husband, Ryan and Morgan Schlanger; nine step great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews also survive.

Flowers will be appreciated.

You may give the family your condolences at our website www.boonefuneralhome.com

Boone Family Funeral Home of West Jefferson, NC is in charge of these arrangements.

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Garfin, Alan

Alan Garfin, 59, of Evanston, IL formerly of Gary, IN passed away on Monday, July 15, 2019. He is survived by his sons, Benjamin, Ari and Henry Garfin; his life partner, Janet Olsen; brother, David (Jennifer) Garfin; sister, Dr. Debbie (David Mitchell) Garfin; several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Meyer and Florence Garfin. Funeral service will be held on Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 3:00 pm at the **Kish Funeral Home**, 10000 Calumet Ave. Munster, IN. Visitation will be from 2:00-3:00 pm. Interment will be at Beth El Cemetery, Portage, IN.

Alan was a part of the Let Us Entertain You Restaurants for the past 30 years. In lieu of flowers, contributions to a charity of your choice in his memory would be appreciated. www.kishfuneral-home.net

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Gerten, Lawrence J. 'Larry'

Lawrence J. "Larry" Gerten, age 69, U.S. Army veteran, a resident of Lisle, IL, formerly of Naperville, IL, passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, July 13, 2019 at Edward Hospital in Naperville. He was born February 14, 1950 in Aurora, IL. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL**. For service times and a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.



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Gibbons, John

Doctor John Gibbons, PhD, aged 68, resident of New York, son of Bernard and Cecilia Gibbons of Chicago, brother of Mary Ann and the late Cell and Bernard, father of Brian (Julie), Megan Glasgow (Justin), and Kevin, grandfather of Stella, Liam, Mae, Fiona, and Phoebe, died on Monday, July 15, 2019. John was a longtime professor and dean of academic affairs at DeVry University in Chicago and New York. In retirement he was an avid supporter of the Drama League. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Drama League Annual Fund (www.dramaleague.org) in John's name.

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Goldsmith, Harold I.

Harold I. Goldsmith, 93. Beloved husband of the late Selma, nee Bender; devoted father of Sheila (late Frederick Palmer) Goldsmith, Alice Goldsmith, and Nancy (David) Goldsmith-Perry; cherished grandfather of Abbas (Debra) Merchant; caring brother of the late Jerome and George. Funeral service Thurs, July 18, 12 PM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Rainbow Hospice, www.rainbow-hospice.org, or the ACLU, www.aclu.org. For info: 847-256-5700.



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Golub, Elliott M.

Elliott M. Golub, 85. Beloved husband of Mona nee Faigen. Loving father of Todd (Martha) Golub and Jessica (Steven Yousha) Golub. Proud grandfather of Lauren, Zach, Zoe and Avery. Dear brother of Charlotte (Malcolm) Day and Seymour (the late Jan) Golub. One of Chicago's preeminent violinists, Elliott Golub was concertmaster of



Music of the Baroque from his inception in 1972 until his retirement in 2006, concertizing throughout Chicagoland, The Kennedy Center and the White House during the Carter administration. Since 1996, he has served as a cultural ambassador of the United States, bringing American music to U.S. embassies and music schools in rural regions of the Far East, Africa and the Middle East. He has been recognized with multiple awards including the Distinguished Alumni Award from the Cleveland Institute of Music and the Otto Wirth Award for Lifetime Achievement from Roosevelt University. Service Wednesday 5PM at the Community House 620 Lincoln Ave., Winnetka, IL 60093. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Music of the Baroque, 25 East Washington St., Suite 823, Chicago, IL 60602, www.baroque.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cj-finfo.com

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Heinosch, Reinhold 'Ron'

Reinhold "Ron" Heinosch age 53 of Chicago passed away July 12, 2019. Beloved son of the late Richard and Anni Heinosch. Loving father of Reinhold (Jena) and Russell Heinosch. Fond brother of Richard (Patricia) Heinosch, Helena (the late Donald) Pelletier and Crystal (Gerd) Baldauf. Proud grandfather of Emilee. Uncle of Peter, Christian, Amy, Donald, Orion and Olivia. Great uncle of Justin, Megan, Jordanna, Savanna, Lukas, James, Thomas, Analiese, Petra and Donald III. Proud owner of Heinosch Stone Care in Chicago. Memorial Mass Friday, July 19, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at Resurrection Catholic Church 3033 N Francisco Ave, Chicago, IL 60618. Burial will follow at St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery, Niles, IL. Care provided by **G.L. Hills Funeral Home** - Des Plaines, IL. Please omit flowers. For information 847.699.9003 or ghillsfuneralhome.com.

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Johannsen, Frank Joseph

Beloved husband of the late Phyllis. Loving father of the late Michael (Joan) and the late cherished grandfather of Michael W. Proud great grandfather of Michael E. and Daniel. Dear uncle and friend of many. Proudly served his country in WWII with the US Army. Visitation Wednesday, prayers at Sax-Tiedemann Funeral Home and Crematorium Thursday 9:30 AM then to St. Gertrude Church for mass at 10 AM. Inurnment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

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Lee, MaryEllen

MaryEllen Lee age 94 passed away peacefully at home on July 12, 2019. MaryEllen was born November 19, 1924. She was preceded in death by her loving husband and high school sweetheart, Earl B. Lee, her parents Alfred and Ella Klinker, her sister Rita Corbet and her brothers, James and Joseph Klinker. She is survived by her children Mary Christine Lee, Jeannie Lee, Nancy (Richard) Belmonte, Timothy Lee and Thomas (Cindy) Lee; granddaughters Jennifer and Donna and great-granddaughter Claire and several nieces and nephews. MaryEllen was a registered nurse who cared for newborn babies early in her career. She was well suited for this task, as she was a very loving, caring and gentle soul. A Memorial Mass will be held at a later date At St. Michael's Catholic Church in Wheaton, IL.

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Matijevich, Nickolas M.

Nickolas M. Matijevich fell asleep in the Lord on July 15, 2019 at the age of 84. Beloved husband of Nada (nee Osilich) for 59 years. Loving father of Dara (Peter) Kosich, Michael Matijevich, Desa (Paul) Krause and Robert Matijevich. Dear grandfather of Leah and Lauren Matijevich. Fond brother-in-law to the late Sam (Jean) Osilich, the late Lepa Osilich and Walter (the late Shirley) Osilich. Cherished uncle, great uncle, Kum and dear friend to many. Nick, the son of the late Milos and Mary Matijevich, was born in Chicago on December 2, 1934. He was also preceded in death by his brother Simo and sister Meliva. Nick was a lifelong member of both the Holy Resurrection Serbian Orthodox Cathedral and United Serbian Society (Jedinstvo). Visitation will be held at the Holy Resurrection Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, 5701 North Redwood Drive in Chicago, IL at 11:00 am on Thursday, July 18th, prior to the 12:00 Noon funeral service. Interment at Montrose Cemetery, 5400 North Pulaski Road, Chicago, IL 60630. Info - **Muzyka & Son Funeral Home**, 773-545-3800 or www.MuzykaFuneralHome.com. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Holy Resurrection Serbian Orthodox Cathedral, Kolo or Choir. "May His Memory Be Eternal."



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May, Lorraine O.

Lorraine Orens May, passed away on July 13th, 2019. She was born Lorraine Lillian Orens and was a devoted daughter to her parents, Nathan and Esther Orens of Chicago. Lorraine was educated at the University of Illinois and the University of Chicago. She was a wonderful mother to her two surviving sons: Jonathan May and James May, embracing James' wife Melisa Lee, as part of the family. Lorraine and her husband, Jack May, enjoyed a long 64 loving years together before Jack passed on in 2007. An avid golfer, growing up with a golfing fanatic for a father, Lorraine enjoyed the sport for many years. Besides being an exceptional daughter, wife, and mother, Lorraine was a creative force, developing herself over the years as an artist, ceramicist, dress designer, bonsai enthusiast and more. She was also the Midwest Bonsai Society Secretary and Secretary of The Lyric Opera Chicago, Glencoe chapter. Memorial services will be held on Thursday, July 18th, 2019, at 4:00 PM, at Makom Solel Lakeside South Campus, 1221 County Line Road, in Highland Park, IL (847) 432-7950. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to: The Chicago Botanic Garden. Arrangements by Mitzvah Memorial Funerals: 630-Mitzvah (630)-648-9824, www.MitzvahFunerals.com



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McCloughan, Richard W

Richard W. McCloughan, 89, of Elk Grove Village, IL, peacefully passed away on July 14 at Alexian Bros. Hospice Residence. Richard was a Navy veteran of the Korean War and was the Fire Protection Project Manager during the construction of the "Sears" Tower. He was the beloved husband of Patricia L. McCloughan nee Theodoroff and the beloved father of Cindy (Steve) Gaspario, Kevin (Teri), John (Leslie), Bob (Karen), and Steve (Stephanie); cherished grandfather of 15, dear brother of Robert McCloughan (Rosemary) an uncle and a friend to many. Memorial visitation Thursday, July 18, from 3 to 8 p.m. at **Grove Memorial Chapel**, 1199 S. Arlington Heights Road, Elk Grove Village with a Funeral Mass Friday, 10 a.m. at Queen of the Rosary Church, Elk Grove Vlg. Private interment at a later date. For more info, 847-640-0566 or grovememorialchapel.com

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Moore, Bonnie

Bonnie J. Moore, Age 84. Loving mother of Robert (Mary Grace) Alvord, Cynthia (John) Sutton, Richard (Sandra) Alvord and the late Patricia Alvord. Cherished grandmother of Katie (Jon) Wendling, Steven (Melissa) Alvord, Mark (Charron) Alvord, Lindsay (Phil) Gomez, Daniel Sutton, Emilia (David) Klucznik, Maria Alvord and Richard Robert Alvord. Great grandmother of six. Dear sister of James W. Moore, James A. Moore and NancyJean V. Hendricks and was preceded in death by her two brothers and one sister. Fond aunt of many. Visitation Thursday July 18 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral Service will be held Friday 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Committal Service to follow at St. Joseph Cemetery in River Grove. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice. Funeral Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com



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Nardi, Dr. Ronald R.

Dr. Ronald R. Nardi, age 80, longtime resident of Elk Grove Village, peacefully passed away Saturday July 13, 2019 from complications due to Friedreich's Ataxia. Born December 7, 1938 in Chicago, IL to the late Robert and Elide (nee Stefani). Beloved husband of Dorothy (nee Lagorio); loving brother of Lillian (John) Incusci; dearest brother in law to Ann (Tom) Ball, Dr. George Lagorio M.D. and the late Alma (the late Judy Gerald) Sbarboro; devoted uncle of John Paul Incusci, Laura (Sam) Blom, Jeanne Lagorio, George Lagorio Jr., Andrew and Stephen Ball; dear great uncle to Jenna, Rachel, Michael and Gessica. Dedicated chiropractor in Chicago for many years. Visitation Thursday July 18, 2019 from 9-10 A.M. at Queen of the Rosary Church 750 W. Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove Village, followed by a 10 A.M. Funeral Mass. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum. Arrangements entrusted to **West Suburban Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Anthony Cappetta, Director**. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the National Ataxia Foundation 600 Hwy 169 South Suite 1725 Minneapolis, MN. 55426 or at ataxia.org

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Nicholson, Susan Rae

Susan Rae Nicholson 69, (nee Peat) loving mother of Thomas, the late Michael Paulson, beloved daughter of Maclyn and the late Janet (nee Humphreys), sister of Patti (Bill) Hoppe, aunt of Chris Hoppe, grandmother of Bradley, step-sister of Stewart (Alina) Hondros, Jim Hondros, aunt of James Hondros. Visitation 9-11 AM Thursday July 18, 2019 at Kristan Funeral Home PC 219 West Maple Ave. (2 blocks west of Rt. 45 on Rt. 176) Mundelein. Funeral service 11 AM. Interment Ridgewood Memorial Park in Des Plaines. For information visit www.kristanfuneralhome.com or call 847-566-8020.

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Piskor, Robert J.

Robert J. Piskor, age 59, of Wilmette. Beloved son of Mary and the late Edward Piskor; loving brother of Cynthia (Martin) Schmidt and Gary Piskor; fond uncle of Scott (Alison) Schmidt; great uncle of Caden Schmidt. Visitation Friday, July 19, 2019, 10:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. at **Saints Joseph and Francis Xavier Parish**, 1747 Lake Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Diabetes Association, 2451 Crystal Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22202 or National Kidney Foundation, 215 W. Illinois Street, Suite 1C, Chicago, IL 60654. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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Polaski, Bruce E

Bruce E. Polaski. Beloved son of Edward J. and Marge nee Logsdon. Loving brother of Ricky (Ellen), John (Joan). Christy, and the late Daniel M. Fond uncle of Julie, Nora, Quinn, Duncan, Tori, Nina, and Delaney. Proud member of I. B. E. W. #134. Visitation Friday 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM at **COGLIANESE FUNERAL HOME** 7508 S. County Line Road (one block south of 155/Stevenson) Burr Ridge. Funeral Saturday 8:30 AM from funeral home to St. Cletus Church Mass 9:30 AM. Interment private. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations to www.jdrf.org. Funeral info. 630 654 8484 or www.coglianese.com. *Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries*



Pylawka, George S.

George S. Pylawka passed away surrounded by his family on July 15, 2019 at the age of 78. He was born in Chalm, Ukraine on October 18, 1940 and his family immigrated to the United States during World War II. He was a long-time Chicago resident and was currently a resident of Harvard, IL. He is preceded in death by his parents Olga and Theodore Pylawka. He is survived by his wife Maria (Kozak) Pylawka; children Tamara, Natalia, Yuri (Zhaleh), and Serhiy (Nicole); and grandchildren Theodore and Vera. George served in the United States Army 1st Air Cavalry Division in the Vietnam War where he started his flying career as a pilot on a bird dog and ended as a helicopter pilot. After his discharge from the military in 1969 he continued his aviation career at United Airlines as a DC6 pilot. He served with United for 32 years achieving the highest rank of Captain on a B747 until his retirement in 2000. George enjoyed photography, golf, gardening, and woodworking as hobbies. He also loved to travel and his favorite destination was Hawaii as well as the National Parks. George will be missed by his family and friends. Visitation Sunday, July 21st, 3 PM to 8 PM, **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 185 E. Northwest Highway, Palatine, IL. Funeral Service Monday, July 22nd, 10 AM, at the funeral home. Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood, IL, 1:30 PM. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in George's remembrance to Alzheimer's Association (alz.org) or Prostate Cancer Foundation (pcf.org). Info 847-359-8020 or visit www.smithcorcoran.com



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Quade, Dexter Victor

Dexter Victor Quade died on July 13, 2019 at the age of 72. Former husband of Marilyn Quade. Loving father of Racquel (Thomas Antrim), Robert, William, and Kristel (Brad Delveaux) Quade. Beloved grandfather of Emma, Kelly and Fiona. Cherished brother of Adeline (Jack) Szafraniec, Victor, Victoria and Stanley (Diana) Quade. Caring uncle and friend to many. Dexter proudly served in the U.S. Army (1967-70) during Vietnam and 25 years as a Chicago Police Officer until retirement. Visitation Thursday, July 18, 2019 from 5:00 PM until 8:00 PM at Nelson Funeral Home (820 W. Talcott Road, Park Ridge). Funeral Services will be private at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Arrangements by **Mural Funeral Group**, 847-648-0086.



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Rusch, Dorothy Ann

1927 - 2019 Dorothy Ann Rusch (nee Dooley) 92, passed away July 13 peacefully in her home at Smith Village in Chicago. Dorothy Ann "Dottie" was born in Chicago to the late Andrew J. Dooley and Mary Evelyn (nee Platt) on April 24, 1927. Beloved wife for 51 years of the late Anthony M. Rusch. Loving mother of Christine (Gene) Suellentrop, Michael (Joanne) Rusch, James Rusch, John (Patricia) Rusch, Kathleen (John) Santschi, Anthony (Theresa) Rusch, and Robert (Becky) Rusch. Dear grandmother of 22 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Sister of Geraldine Drahnak and the late Mary Evelyn Moon. She was a graduate of the Academy of Our Lady High School. She was proud of her Irish heritage and was a member of the Catholic Church. She enjoyed her extensive family and friends. A visitation will be held Thursday, July 18 at Donnellan Funeral Home, 10525 S. Western Ave, Chicago from 3:00 pm until 9:00 pm. Prayers will be held Friday 9:00 am at the funeral home going to St. John Fisher Church, 10234 S. Washtenaw Ave, Chicago, for 10:00 am Mass. Interment will be in St. Mary Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Emille's Fund Smith Village, 2320 West 113th PL, Chicago, IL. 60643 or give online at www.smithvillage.org/about-us/emilies-fund. Donations may also be made to Advocate Children's Heart Institute, Advocate Charitable Foundation, 3075 Highland Parkway, Suite 600, Downers Grove, IL 60515 or give online at advocategiving.org. For info call 773-238-0075 or sign guest book at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com

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Shraiberg, Roberta Joy Halperin

Roberta Joy Halperin Shraiberg, nee Ingram, age 87. Beloved wife of the late Jack; loving mother of Mark (Michele) Halperin and Jodi (Jeffrey) Brown; cherished grandmother of Beri Cohen, Mardi Fiorenza, Joey Halperin, Brian and Jamie Brown and great-grandchildren Noam, Noi and Ahava; devoted daughter of the late Martin Ingram, Rosemarie and Jack Rubin; dear sister of the late Martin (survived by Rosalyn) Rubin; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Graveside services Thursday 11 am at Shalom Memorial Park, Rand Rd and Rte 53 in Arlington Heights. Info Mitzvah Memorial Funerals 630-MITZVAH 630-648-9824, or www.mitzvahfunerals.com



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Smaron, Carol Ann

Carol Ann Smaron, Age 70. Devoted daughter of the late Joseph and Elizabeth; loving sister of Ronald (Pamela), Joseph (Carolyn), Robert (Sharry), and the late Todd; beloved aunt of Lauren, Lindsay, and Savannah; companion of Roxie and the late Lucy, Emmie, Cinamon, Yum Yum, French Fry, Licorice, Maggie, Gussy, Pumpkin, and Cindy. Visitation Friday, July 19, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at **Michalik Funeral Home**, 1056 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60642. Family and friends will meet on Saturday, July 20, 2019 for a Committal Service at 10:30 a.m. at Holy Cross Cemetery Office, 801 Michigan City Rd., Calumet City, IL 60409. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to PAWS Chicago, www.pawschicago.org. For info 312-421-0936 or www.michalikfuneralhome.com.



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Sterchele, Lisa M.

It is with great sadness we announce the peaceful passing of Lisa Mary Sterchele (nee Durakovic), 53, on July 15, 2019. Beloved wife of Steven Sterchele, Loving mother to Noelle (Ryne Wellman) and Isabella, Gentle grandmother to Savona Wellman. Cherished daughter of Mary Jane and Paul Misiag and late (Gustave K. Durakovic). Affectionate niece of Hannalore Durakovic McCarty, the late (Stan McCarty) and Rose Marie Durakovic Szklennik (Edward Szklennik) Loved daughter-in-law of Peter and Judith Sterchele, Dear Sister to Peter (Leslie), Anthony (Erika), the late Michael, Jacquelyn (James) Mullin, Daniel, and Joseph. Aunt, Cousin and Friend to many. Lisa was a blessing to Steve since their teen years. Their marriage was based on mutual support and a deep love for each other. Lisa's strength and courage were an inspiration to everyone she encountered. She touched the lives of many people with her smile and generosity and maintained her trademark sense of humor all the way to the end. Lisa will be missed by all who knew her. Visitation Friday 3-9 p.m. Funeral Saturday 9:15 a.m. from the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL to Our Lady of the Woods Church, Mass 10:00 a.m. Entombment Good Shepherd Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Juvenile Diabetes-JDRF IL Chapter 954, 1 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 1200, Chicago, IL 60602 would be appreciated. www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878

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Toniolo, Edda M.

Edda M. Toniolo, age 72, at rest on July 16, 2019. Beloved wife of Joseph for 49 years. Loving mother of Lisa Gigliotti, Joseph (Borislava) Toniolo and Mark Toniolo. Cherished grandmother of Lia, Joey, Luca, Jax, Diana and Mario. Dear daughter of the late Carlo and the late Maria (nee Visentin) Bolzan. Fond sister of Antonio (the late Luigina) Bolzan, Silvano (the late Diane) Bolzan and Victoria (Enzo) Venuti. Fond aunt, cousin and friend of many. Visitation Friday, July 19, 2019 from 3:00 until 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave. Norridge. Funeral Saturday beginning at the funeral home at 10:00 am and then will proceed to Our Lady Mother of the Church for 11:00 a.m. Mass. Entombment will follow at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. Info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.

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Vosgerau, Norberta M.

Norberta M. Vosgerau, age 74, passed away peacefully on July 16, 2019, loving wife for 32 years of Wayne; dear mother of Danette Kronberg; wonderful friend to many. Memorial Service to be held at a later date.
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Wegner, Justin Joseph "Wegs"

Justin Wegner "Wegs", age 22 of Naperville. Beloved son of Cathy and Ed Wegner. Dear brother of Jason Wegner. Loving grandson of Gramma "Ma" and Mami J. Dear nephew of Laura and Bobby, Steve and Christy, Steve and Debbie. Loving cousin of Sharon, Stevie, Angela, Nicole and Lauren. Best friend to Mark and dear friend to many. In lieu of flowers donations to JWegstrong Fund to support NCHS Strongest Redhawk Annual Scholarship and Dr. Andrea Hayes-Jordan DSRCT Cancer Research through JWegstrong.org would be appreciated. Family and friends to gather Thursday, July 18th for visitation 4PM to 9PM at St. Raphael Church 1215 Modaff Rd. Naperville. Funeral Mass Friday, July 19th 10:30AM at church. Interment Naperville Cemetery. Arrangements by **DuPage Memorial Chapel** (630) 293-5200.

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Wiley, Norma

Norma Gene Wiley, 93, passed away peacefully on July 10, 2019 while in hospice at her home in Deerfield, IL. Born Norma Gene Zimmerman in Pittsfield, IL on November 23, 1925. Her father Earl and mother Vera had 6 children. Norma was a graduate of the University of Ill. She married Thomas R. Wiley in November of 1951. Thomas was one of 5 children and Norma was aunt to 27 nieces and nephews. Thomas passed away in April of 1987. Norma is survived by one sister Betty; her two sons Michael and Daniel and her granddaughter Sabina. Norma has been a very active member in the Christ United Methodist Church of Deerfield. She has also been an active member of the Questors Antique Club. She loved to play bridge and travel the world. Most of all, she was a very devoted mother to her sons. She treated everyone the way she liked to be treated. She enjoyed a good conversation and will be missed by all who knew her. A visitation will be held on Friday, July 19, 2019 6:00 - 9:00 pm at **Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home**, 1787 Deerfield Rd, Highland Park, IL 60035. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 20, 2019 10:00 am at Christ United Methodist Church, 600 Deerfield Rd, Deerfield, IL 60015. Interment private. For info or directions please contact **Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home** at 847-831-4260 or www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com

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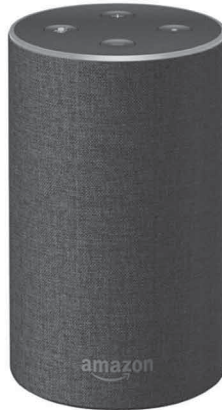
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Dorrian Henry

A MINOR
NO. 2018JD01695

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, **Jonetta Henry (Guardian) Kimberly Henry (Mother)**, respondents, and to **ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN**, that on **October 16, 2018**, 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 Patricia Mendoza in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on **07/31/2019 at 9:30 AM** IN CALENDAR 53 COURTROOM 4,

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 17, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
M. Czopkiewicz, C. Sifuentes, S. Jutla
ATTORNEY FOR:
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS

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
Jeremiah Cuellar-Serrato

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Angelica Serrato (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00157

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 **February 22, 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 08/06/2019, at 11:30 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 17, 2019

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Stasiu Kiatowski AKA Stasiu Kwiatkowski

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Angieszka Link (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00481

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Pawel Kiatowski (Father) AKA Pawel Kwiatkowski, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **May 10, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOXX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Maxwell Griffin** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, **ON 08/06/2019, at 1:30 PM** IN CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 17, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

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LEGAL NOTICES

INVITATION TO SUBMIT RFQ FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR LEMONT-BROMBERG CSD 113A

Proposals for architectural services for the Lemont-Bromberg Combined School District 113A will be available in the Administrative Office, 16100 127th Street, Lemont, Illinois, or on the district website at **<https://www.sdl113a.org/>** beginning at 8:00 a.m. on July 18, 2019. RFQ's will be received and opened on July 29, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. For additional information, contact Barbara Germany, Business Manager at **bgernmay@sd113a.org**.

NOTICE

METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

CONTRACT 17-842-3H
MODIFICATIONS TO TARP CONTROL STRUCTURES AND DROP SHAFTS, CSA & SSA, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Notice is hereby given that the bid opening for the above-cited contract has been changed from Tuesday, July 16, 2019, to **Tuesday, August 13, 2019**. Further information is included in Addendum # 4 dated July 11, 2019, which has been posted to **www.mwrd.org**.

Darlene A. LoCascio
Director
Procurement and Materials Management
Chicago, Illinois
Pub: 7/17/2018 6373763

TAKE NOTICES

TO: JS PROPERTY VENTURES, L.L.C., C/O JAMES SIMMONS (MBR); Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property, Unknown owners or parties interested in said property, TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD001084 FILED: May 8, 2019 TAKE NOTICE COUNTY OF COOK DATE PREMISES SOLD: April 5, 2017 CERTIFICATE NOIS). 15-0005594 SOLD FOR GENERAL TAXES OF YEARS 2015 SOLD FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OF (MUNICIPALITY) N/A WARRANT NO. N/A INSTALLMENT NO. N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property Located at: 3032 E. 79TH PL., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Legal Description or Property Index No(s), 21-31-204-033-000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on November 8, 2019. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before November 8, 2019. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois on December 4, 2019, in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing, but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before November 8, 2019, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK, 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 603-5645 ICIB Investments, Inc. Purchaser or Assignee 100 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 1111 Chicago, IL 60602 Dated: July 9, 2019 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1111 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864 Pub: 7/15, 16, 27/2019 6369185

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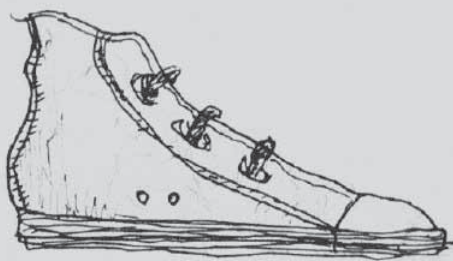
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NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
TO

METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT OF GREATER CHICAGO

Sealed proposals, endorsed as below, will be deposited in the sealed bid depository located in the lobby of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Administration Building, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, from the date of the Invitation to Bid, up to 11:00 A.M. on the bid opening date, and will be opened publicly by the Director of Procurement and Materials Management or her designee at 11:00 A.M. on the stated bid opening date below for:

CONTRACT 19-483-12

FURNISH AND DELIVER ONE-YEAR SUBSCRIPTION SOFTWARE LICENSE RENEWAL OF SMARTSHEET SOFTWARE TO THE DISTRICT (RE-BID)

Estimated Cost: \$14,325.00 Bid Deposit: None

Bid Opening: July 30, 2019

CONTRACT 19-601-12

FURNISHING AND DELIVERING CHAIN, SPROCKETS AND APPURTENANCES TO VARIOUS SERVICE AREAS (RE-BID)

Estimated Cost: Group A: \$207,270.00 Bid Deposit: Group A: \$10,300.00
Estimated Cost: Group B: \$104,400.00 Bid Deposit: Group B: \$5,200.00
\$311,670.00 \$15,500.00

Bid Opening: August 6, 2019

CONTRACT 19-706-12

FURNISH AND DELIVER A HEAVY EQUIPMENT TRAILER TO THE O'BRIEN WATER RECLAMATION PLANT (RE-BID)

Estimated Cost: \$65,000.00 Bid Deposit: \$3,200.00

Bid Opening: August 6, 2019

The above is an abbreviated version of the Notice - Invitation to Bid. A full version which includes a brief description of the project and/or service can be found on the District's website, **www.mwrd.org**. The path is as follows: click on Doing Business → Procurement and Materials Management → Contract Announcements.

Specifications, proposal forms and/or plans may be obtained from the Department of Procurement & Materials Management, Room 508, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611, Monday - Friday, between 8:45 A.M. and 4:15 P.M. Documents, unless stated above to the contrary will be mailed in response to a fax request (312/751-3042). The vendor may also download specifications, proposal forms and/or plans online from the District's website, **www.mwrd.org**. No fee is required for the contract documents unless stated above.

All Contracts for the Construction of Public Works are subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act (820 ILCS 130-1 et seq.), where it is stated in the Invitation to Bid Page.

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago reserves the right to reject any or all Proposals if deemed in the public's best interest.

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

By **Darlene A. LoCascio**
Director of Procurement and Materials Management

Chicago, Illinois
July 17, 2019

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NOTICE OF PERSONS APPEARING TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

The persons listed herein, and to whom this notice is directed, appear to be the owners of abandoned property presently being held by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Information concerning the amount of the property may be obtained by any persons possessing an interest in said property by making an inquiry at the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Room 1005, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington, Chicago, Illinois, Monday through Friday during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone inquiries can be made by calling (312) 603-4737.

If proof of claim is not presented by the owner to the Clerk of the Court and if the owner's right to receive the property is not established to the satisfaction of the Clerk of the Circuit Court within 65 days of the date first appearing on this notice, the abandoned property will be placed in the custody of the Treasurer of Cook County to whom all future claims must thereafter be directed.

A statutory fee of \$20.00 to cover the costs of publication and related clerical expenses will be deducted by the Office of the Clerk of the Court from any payment made to any person entitled thereto under this notice.

Dated this 17th day of July 2019.

Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County

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Catcher Martin Maldonado, acquired late Monday for pitcher Mike Montgomery, gets right in the action Tuesday as he starts against the Reds.

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Three's a crowd

After trading for Maldonado, Maddon vows to figure out catching corps logjam

BY MARK GONZALES

The acquisition of Martin Maldonado will provide relief for the next week while Cubs All-Star catcher Willson Contreras recovers from a bruised right foot.

But a potential logjam awaits manager Joe Maddon once Contreras returns, with switch-hitting backup Victor Caratini as-

cending and Maldonado possessing Gold Glove-caliber catching skills.

"Let's play it out," Maddon said Tuesday night after giving Maldonado his first start against the Reds. "I don't want anything negative to happen. I want us to have to figure this out. That's what I want to have happen — make us figure this whole thing out."

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Six things to know about new Cubs catcher Martin Maldonado.
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With Contreras not eligible to return until July 24, Maddon will be able to split catching duties between Maldonado, 32, who was acquired late Monday night from the Royals in exchange for left-hander Mike Montgomery, and Caratini.

The Cubs opened the 2015 season with three catchers — newcomers David Ross and Miguel Montero and incumbent Wellington Castillo.

But all three were exclusively catchers, and Castillo started in only eight of the Cubs' first 35 games before he was dealt to the Mariners.

Of the three catchers currently on the major-league roster, Contreras, a converted third base-

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Great expectations weighing on Sox?

Renteria stays positive as losses keep piling up

BY LAMOND POPE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Rick Renteria had a message for his team after the White Sox dropped a fourth consecutive game Monday against the Royals.

"I said, 'Don't worry about these last four games,'" Renteria said. "After performing and

competing and keeping yourselves above water (before the All-Star break), people expect that (type of success)."

"And so we talked about expectations. And expectations are a good thing. But it doesn't mean you have to try to force yourself to do more things."

The Sox lost their first four

games after the All-Star break. They sent prized prospect Dylan Cease to the mound Tuesday at Kauffman Stadium in an attempt to end the second-half slide.

It didn't start well as left fielder Eloy Jimenez left the game in the first inning after colliding with center fielder Charlie Tilson while going after a fly ball. Tilson caught Whit Merrifield's fly to left-center and collided with

Jimenez, who went down in pain. The rookie slugger exited with a sore right elbow, the Sox said.

Before the game, Renteria took another step to try to help his scuffling team, scrapping pregame batting practice to give the Sox a little more rest.

"Just to switch up the routine a little bit," Renteria said. "We

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LILY RO/FOX SPORTS

Urban Meyer on the set of Fox Sports' new college football pregame show.

Fox Sports banking on Meyer for long term

Former Ohio State coach believes his days on sideline are over



TEDDY GREENSTEIN
On college football

The last TV series Urban Meyer watched was "Seinfeld." "Before that," he says, "Cheers."

The guy's knowledge of pop culture probably rivals yours of the Flex defense.

Keep that in mind when you read this tale: After building a new college football pregame show to rival ESPN's "College GameDay," Fox Sports President Mark Silverman gathered his "dream team" in Los Angeles for some bonding.

Meyer and Reggie Bush joined Silverman and Fox Sports executive Billy Wanger for a round of golf at Bel-Air Country Club. A club member began pointing out some of the celebrity mansions along the holes: Audrey Hepburn, Mary Tyler Moore, Elon Musk.

Bush was playing out of his mind, making birdies and crushing 300-yard drives. With Bush on the tee, Meyer remembered how his daughter Nicki sometimes refers to herself as Nicki Kardashian. So he asked: "Does Kim Kardashian have a home around here?"

Bush turned around, incredulous.

The others cracked up.

"They're dying laughing," Meyer recalls. "I said: What's so

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NFL proposal bold but not realistic

By MATT CALKINS
Seattle Times

If you don't have a team, or particularly care about any teams, the NFL may have just come up with its best idea of the 21st century.

It's a proposal in which the season expands to 18 games but allows players to participate in only 16 — therefore eliminating two preseason games without increasing health risks. It's bold, creative and would inject unprecedented strategy into America's most popular sport.

But if you do have a team, this idea is climb-K2 crazy.

For those who just like the NFL but have no allegiance to a particular franchise, the entertainment options behind this proposal are vast. For starters, you don't have to slog through a month of preseason football, and you get two more Sundays of Red Zone or Tony Romo or whatever your vice may be. But that's just the beginning.

Imagine the impact this would have not just on game days, but on free agency and the draft.

First, a backup quarterback's value may quadruple based on the two games he'd have to play. The NFL has more parity than any major American professional sport, and postseason berths often come down to the final game of the season.

Would general managers neglect other needs and shell out big bucks for one of the game's better backups? Do you pass up a cornerback in the second round to get a QB who can get you an extra win?

What about special teams? Do you make sure your kicker can punt and punter can kick? Would every team carry two of each? If they can't, would going for it on every fourth down become the norm when one of them is out? How long before Bill Belichick breaks his clipboard over his knee in disgust?

Surely there would be various strategies coaches employ to comply with the 16-game player limit. Maybe some would just play their best players until they get hurt, knowing injury is inevitable for most of them. But others might target a bad team such as the Dolphins and say, "I'll take my chances against these guys with my backups."

Imagine if this 18-game/16-game format



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Bears backup quarterback Chase Daniel went 1-1 filling in for Mitch Trubisky in 2018. Under a new NFL proposal for an 18-game season, Daniel would be guaranteed to start two.

were in play two years ago. The 0-16 Browns might have sneaked into the playoffs just by beating on scrubs all season.

The appeal here is quality football for most of the season mixed with a hint of chaos. The NFL would essentially be a NASCAR race, where fans are half-watching for the wrecks. That's a good time. Unless you have a team you actually care about. Then it would be madness.

How do you think a die-hard would take it if the difference between his or her team making the playoffs and missing them came down to a 35-yard field-goal attempt hooked by the punter? How would a Seahawks fan react if a healthy Russell Wilson watched his backup throw a pick-six to surrender the division title?

Casual fans probably would double over as the Benny Hill theme played in their heads. Hardcore fans would be hoping their security deposits covered the hole they punched through a wall.

Ultimately, the installment of this format will come down to whether players want it. And for that to happen, NFL owners likely

would have to offer significantly more money when the next CBA comes around.

Would that be convincing? Perhaps. Most players don't like playing Thursday night games, but the extra cash it puts in their pockets was enough to get them to agree to it.

This one's a little different, though. Creative as it may be, it would be a virtual middle finger to competitive integrity. To have all the work teams put in potentially come down to the backups wouldn't sit well with anybody who has a real investment in the outcome. So don't count on it happening.

But do count on the NFL to keep trying.

Anyone who thought this league was fizzling out learned otherwise when TV ratings shot back up last season. And as long as there is more money to be made, team owners will try to capitalize.

The 18-game/16-game proposal is too ridiculous to implement in real time, but it's perfect for offseason banter. And fear not, with this league, the ridiculous will keep coming.

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CUBS 6 THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT MARTIN MALDONADO

Maldonado a man of many talents

Veteran backstop literally hit the cover off a baseball, cuts down runners with 'Machete'

By TIM BANNON

The Cubs have a new catcher.

They acquired veteran Martin Maldonado from the Royals late Monday in exchange for left-hander Mike Montgomery.

"He's an established catcher in this league who does a lot of great things behind the plate," Cubs President Theo Epstein said. "He can really receive, throw, he's caught playoff games, handled some of the best pitchers in the game."

Here are some more things to know about the 32-year-old Maldonado, who gets his first start Tuesday night against the Reds at Wrigley Field.

1. He once hit the cover off the ball. No, really.

It was a scene right out of the movies — "The Sandlot" (1993) to be precise.

On April 18, 2014, against the Pirates, Maldonado, then a backup for the Brewers, came to bat with a runner on second in the sixth inning.

Maldonado hit a grounder to third and connected in such a way as to tear the seam from the core. Pirates third baseman Pedro Alvarez fielded the ball, took a quizzical look at it and threw it to first. But the loose piece of leather flapped as the ball fluttered across the diamond, so the ball bounced helplessly several times before it reached the first baseman. Maldonado was safe.

"I feel like I hit it on the barrel, not on the end of the bat," Maldonado said at the time, according to MLB.com. "But when I looked down, I see that something was spinning. I never thought it was the ball uncovered. I thought he threw it to second base. Then I

looked back and saw the ball and I was like, 'That's kind of weird.'"

"Never, ever have seen that before," Pirates manager Clint Hurdle said. "I know one thing: It is tough to throw the ball when that happens."

After the play, the Brewers stored the ball for safe keeping, and Maldonado said he hoped to add it to his memorabilia collection.

2. The Cubs are his fifth team.

The Angels drafted Maldonado in the 27th round in 2004 out of Dr. Juan J. Nunez High School in Puerto Rico. They released him in January 2007, and he signed with the Brewers two weeks later. He made his major-league debut with the Brewers in 2011. After six seasons in Milwaukee, the Brewers traded him to the Angels in December 2016.

After the trade, he said: "I'm a little bit surprised. But (Brewers general manager David) Stearns has been good with me about the whole situation. I know they're working really hard on rebuilding mode. That's part of the business."

"The Angels GM called me and said, 'Welcome to the Angels.' I said, 'No, welcome back.' I'm pretty excited."

Then the Angels traded him to the Astros in July 2018. He signed as a free agent with the Royals in March.

3. His arm has a nickname.

Known for his catch-and-throw ability, his throws have been clocked as high as 90 mph.

Thus his nickname, or more accurately his right arm's nickname, is "Machete" — as in he cuts down runners.

He won his one Gold Glove with the Angels in 2017, catching an American League-high 137 games while throwing out 38.7% of baserunners.

At 37.3%, he has the best caught-stealing

percentage in the majors since the start of 2011 among catchers with a minimum of 600 games played, according to MLB.com. His numbers have dipped a bit this season; he's throwing out 33 percent of runners.

Former teammates say his arm keeps runners from taking bigger leads, potentially neutralizing running games.

"The cop doesn't have to pull you over. He just has to be there and you'll slow down," Astros manager A.J. Hinch told the Houston Chronicle in October. "It's the same thing."

4. On Father's Day, he wore a clip-on tie with his catcher's gear.

"I just wanted to do it for all the fathers out there, the family members, the friends, the girlfriends," Maldonado told mlb.com. "The names on it were friends, their nicknames, my dad was on it."

Maldonado and his wife, Janelise, have a 20-month-old daughter.

5. He's not much of a hitter.

His career slash line is .220/.289/.352. He has 57 home runs and 201 RBIs in 686 games.

"I don't have to hit .300 to play," he told LaVidaBaseball.com in 2017. "I just have to play good defense."

"I just have to do the small things and be able to bunt, hit-and-run and advance the runners. If you know how to block errant pitches and call a good game, (the manager) is happy."

6. He caught an entire 17-inning game — and put an end to it.

On May 31, 2015, Maldonado caught a full 17-inning game, then the longest in Miller Park history. And after squatting for 51 outs, he still had the legs under him to play hero.

With one out in the bottom of the 17th, Maldonado hit a walk-off home run, the first of his career, giving the Brewers a 7-6



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The Cubs acquired Martin Maldonado — and his clip-on tie — from the Royals.

victory against the Diamondbacks in the 5-hour, 49-minute game.

"I saw something up and put a good swing on it," Maldonado, who had hit only two homers in his 134 previous plate appearances, told the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. "I was really tired, so I was happy to end the game like that."

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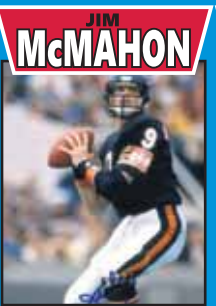
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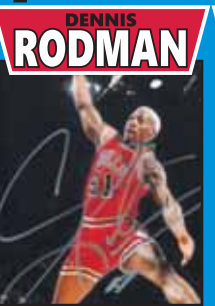
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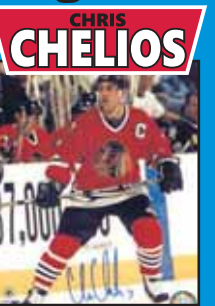
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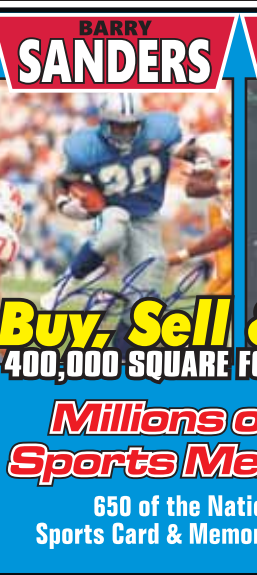
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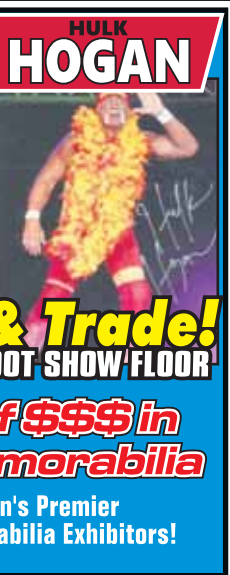
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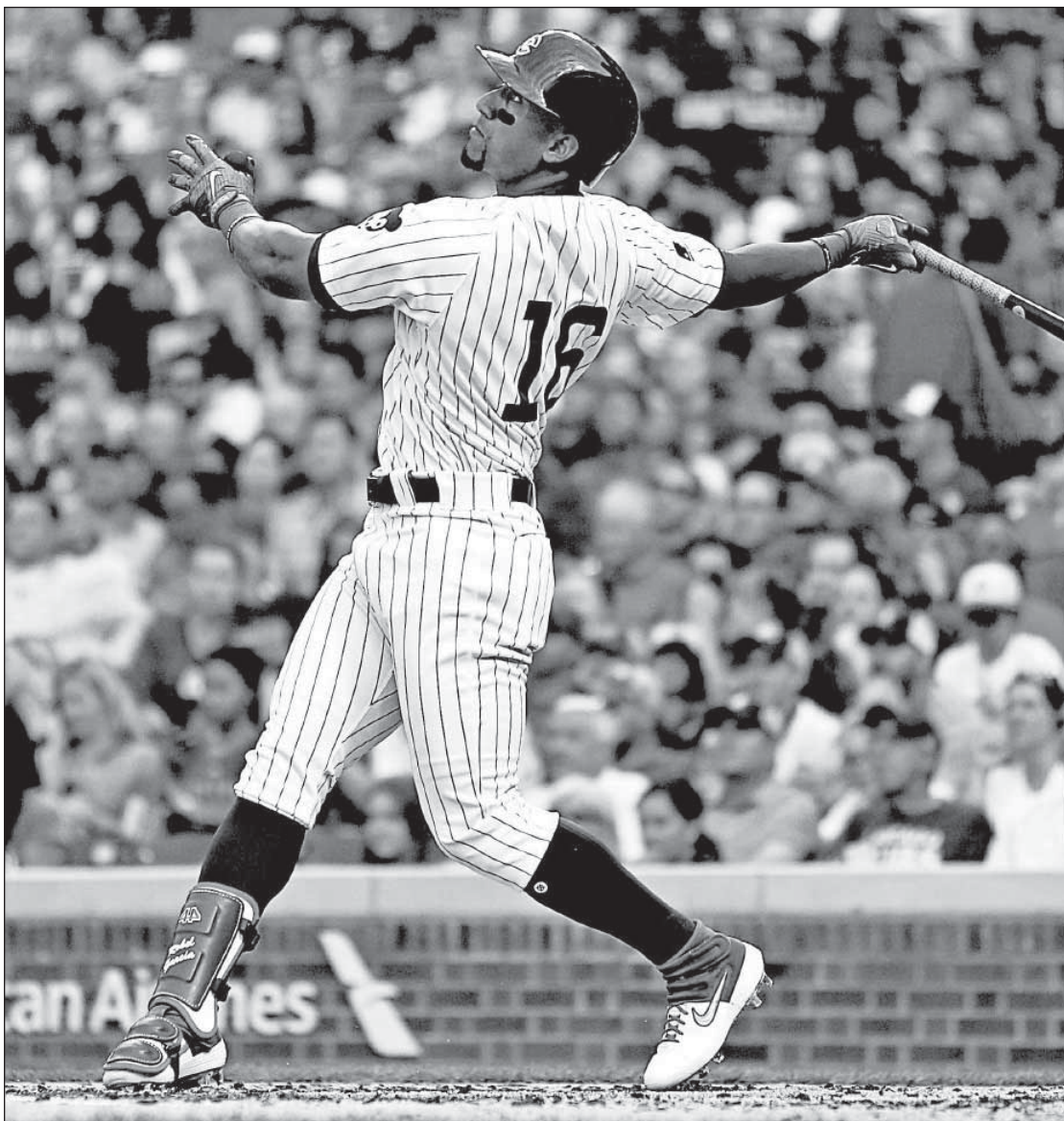
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Kyle Schwarber's first career walk-off home run gave the Cubs a 4-3 win against the Reds in 10 innings on Tuesday night at Wrigley Field. Alec Mills allowed three runs in a rocky first inning for the Cubs, who lead the National League Central by 2½ games, but he finished with five scoreless innings. Robel Garcia (above) hit a two-run homer in the second inning, and Kris Bryant tied the score with his 19th homer of the season. Cubs relievers Brandon Kintzler, Pedro Strop, Craig Kimbrel and Steve Cishek (3-5) pitched a scoreless inning apiece. For more coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

Three's a crowd

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man, can play the outfield and first base. Caratini, another former third baseman, can play the corner infield positions well.

But Maddon said he isn't seeking to get Caratini, 26, more time at third. That position is covered by Kris Bryant (who also can play the outfield) and David Bote. Maddon would like to give second baseman Robel Garcia some work at third.

"Victor takes his ground balls (at third), but I'm not looking to do that necessarily," Maddon said.

Maddon raised the possibility of using the spare catchers in favorable pinch-hitting situations.

"We haven't decided," Maddon said. "We talked about that a little bit, but it's hard to not acquire Martin Maldonado if he's available. It's very difficult to walk away from it. So this is one of those things that can be

win-win-win."

But none of the catchers will be confused with Tommy La Stella as a first-rate pinch hitter, with Caratini (.163 batting average in 43 at-bats) possessing the highest mark.

Caratini has a minor-league option, but his handling of Yu Darvish and Cole Hamels has been invaluable. Maddon reiterated that Caratini will catch Darvish in Wednesday's series finale against the Reds. Caratini also is too valuable to deal, especially with top prospect Miguel Amaya still at Class A Myrtle Beach.

Meanwhile, Maldonado said he wasn't surprised by the trade and praised Royals general manager Dayton Moore for keeping him in the loop about a potential deal.

Now, "I got a chance to play here for Joe Maddon," Maldonado said. "When I was with Milwaukee, I looked to the other side, and they had fun."

After talking to reporters for

nearly five minutes, Maldonado met pitcher Alec Mills for the first time and discussed Mills' preferences and a game plan.

Later, Maldonado was reunited with reliever and former Brewers teammate Brandon Kintzler, who gave him a hug.

"(Maldonado) gives me a good, big target," Kintzler said. "He's very good for me. He gives me the low target for the sinker and doesn't take the pitch down."

"He lets the ball come to him. He doesn't chase it. And he has a cannon, so it helps with the running game. You've just got to make sure he has a chance. Not many guys are going to run on him."

Contreras also welcomed the addition of Maldonado, especially because of his nine seasons of major-league experience.

"He's been with different teams, different (pitching) staffs," Contreras said. "He can create another relationship and hopefully help get us more wins."

CUBS NOTES

Contreras: Injury is nothing to fret about

BY MARK GONZALES

All-Star catcher Willson Contreras initially wasn't happy to learn the Cubs were placing him on the 10-day injured list because of a right foot bruise he thought he could tolerate.

But his reaction Monday was more civil than it might have been three years ago, which would have required a special location.

"In a padded room," manager Joe Maddon quipped, referring to Contreras' often-emotional demeanor. "He definitely has matured."

Contreras' nerves were eased Tuesday after a foot specialist reassured him the injury is only a bruise that should heal in time for him to return as soon as July 24.

"It's not something to worry about," Contreras said.

Contreras said he will be able to resume all baseball activities by Friday and plans to insert an orthotic insole in his cleat.

He said he coped with a similar injury several years ago, which he believed stemmed from a combination of new cleats and a hard surface.

"If it was (my choice), I'd be playing today," Contreras said. "But you've got to be smart. It's



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Gator trapper can catch and pitch

Humboldt Park Lagoon alligator trapper Frank Robb meets Cubs owner Tom Ricketts before Robb threw out the ceremonial first pitch before the game between the Cubs and the Reds on Tuesday night.

July and I know the team needs me. I'll be cheering for them right now."

Darvish's drive: After pitching one of his best games since joining the Cubs last season, Yu Darvish can take another step forward Wednesday against the Reds.

Darvish, who allowed two hits and struck out eight in six innings against the Pirates on Friday, plans to make adjustments against a Reds team that has had mixed results against him.

Darvish struck out a season-high 11 in 5⅓ innings against the Reds on May 15, but they tagged him for six runs on 12 hits in seven-plus innings May 25.

Darvish has walked only six in his last six starts, and his ability to change speeds against many of the Pirates' left-handed hitters

was instrumental in his effectiveness Friday.

The Reds could start as many as four left-handed hitters, led by Joey Votto, but Darvish is ready for any lineup.

"I will change speeds more than before against lefties, but against righties I can use my fastball, slider, cutter and curve," Darvish said.

Hoerner honing outfield skills: Shortstop Nico Hoerner, the Cubs' first-round pick in 2018, played all nine innings in center field Tuesday and made two putouts in Double-A Tennessee's 8-3 loss to Mobile.

President Theo Epstein said the Cubs want to enhance Hoerner's versatility and give him an option in case his path at shortstop is blocked at the major-league level.

WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX NOTES

Castillo getting back into swing of things

BY LAMOND POPE

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Welington Castillo knew he could catch, but was he ready to swing the bat again?

A recent rehab assignment — specifically three games at Triple-A Charlotte — convinced him he was ready to return. The White Sox reinstated the catcher from the 10-day injured list before Tuesday's game against the Royals.

Castillo had been out since June 17 with a strained left oblique.

He played in five games during the rehab assignment, going a combined 5-for-21 (.238) for Double-A Birmingham and Charlotte with one home run and five RBIs.

"For the first two games in Birmingham, I mentally felt a little bit like I don't want to let it go, but I have to," Castillo said. "I have to swing to know where I'm at. I was a little bit afraid."

"But after I started swinging, I felt like I could swing without pain. I started swinging and mentally started to get ready for the game, and I could see and feel that it was way better."

Castillo, 32, is hitting .196 with five homers and 15 RBIs in 34 games for the Sox and had at least one hit in six of his last 10 games before the injury. The Sox plan to have him catch Dylan Covey on Thursday.

"When I got hurt, I was swinging the bat better," Castillo said. "I have to start swinging more and more to get ready and keep swinging the bat well."

The Sox optioned catcher Zack Collins to Charlotte after Monday's game.

"I thought (Collins) did a nice job behind the plate — a lot better than I think anybody really anticipated," manager Rick Renteria said. "Everybody was pleasantly surprised and happy to see the way he was receiving."

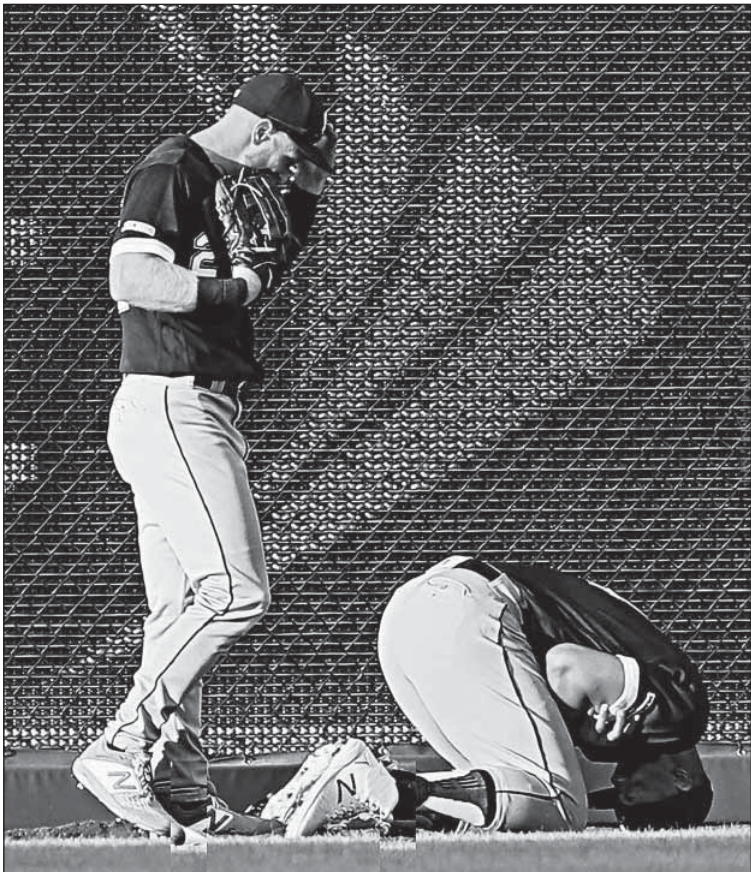
Anderson update: Tim Anderson has been out since June 26 after suffering a sprained right ankle the previous night at Fenway Park. Renteria said Anderson is "getting better every day" but did not have a timetable for the shortstop's return.

"We hope that this whole rest of the week continues to put him in a positive place, and then we'll make a determination," Renteria said. "It's day to day in terms of how he's feeling and the strength he's developing to be able to put together a program potentially for a rehab assignment."

Renteria said the absence of Anderson, who was hitting .317 with 11 homers and 37 RBIs, is noticeable.

"He's an elite defender and an elite major-league player, truth be told, if not an All-Star-caliber type of player," Renteria said. "(Leury Garcia) has done a nice job filling in. These guys are trying to do the best they can filling in for him. But certainly you miss Timmy."

"He's an excellent defender and ballplayer, so the path that we have taken has to be in his best interest. We'll keep in mind how he's doing, and when he's ready to go, he'll let us know."



ORLIN WAGNER/AP

WHITE SOX RECAP

Eloy Jimenez left the game with right elbow soreness after a first-inning collision with center fielder Charlie Tilson. And it was all downhill from there Tuesday night as the White Sox were shelled 11-0 by the Royals at Kauffman Stadium for their fifth straight loss. The Royals' Glenn Sparkman pitched a five-hit shutout. Sox rookie Dylan Cease made his second big-league start, and the Sox defense did him no favors, committing three errors. Cease allowed six runs — four earned — on eight hits in six innings. He struck out seven and walked one. The Sox, who fell to a season-worst seven games under .500 (42-49), have been outscored 37-7 during the losing streak. Jimenez will return to Chicago to be evaluated and is expected to go on the injured list. For more coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

Sox looking to snap skid

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played the night game (Friday) in Oakland, we got out pretty late and we came back and we had them back on the field early in the morning (Saturday). I could see that took a little bit of a jolt. But we were trying to get them back on the field since we had the break.

"We didn't hit on that Sunday, but (Monday) I could still see some fatigue in them. It's a long season. As an observer, watching them and seeing their body language, hopefully we have a feel as to where they're at and when for us to make an adjustment. Kind of an executive decision to pull back away from BP and allow them to kind of catch up a little bit, sleep in a little bit more and then come in and get their minds right and follow the routine that they need to in order to get ready for (Tuesday's) game."

Some of the recent problems extend to before the break. The Sox entered Tuesday with losses in six of their last seven games. They were a season-worst six games under .500 for the second time. They also were six under on May 26.

They haven't displayed much

power with 30 of their last 35 hits being singles. Jon Jay had three of those five extra-base hits. He had four hits Monday, including two doubles.

Jays has a .353 average. But overall, there hasn't been a lot of offensive production. The Sox were hitting .232/.300/.323 with four homers and 13 runs (an average of 2.2 runs) over the last six games.

They lacked timely hitting Monday, going 1-for-13 with runners in scoring position. They are 8-for-59 (.136) with runners in scoring position and have left 61 runners on base over the last eight games.

The Sox aren't panicking. Pitcher Lucas Giolito said the stretch is "part of the season."

Giolito isn't shying away from the heightened expectations.

"I think we surprised a lot people with our first half and now there are more expectations," Giolito said. "Expectations to win, expectations for players to continue to play the way we've been playing for the first half."

"For me that just makes it a little more fun. Now other teams are looking at us as not an easy series win. It's good baseball."

BLACKHAWKS



MARK J. TERRILL/AP

Left wing Zack Smith will bring versatility to the Hawks as well as a toughness the team has lacked.

Addition a plus

Smith gives Hawks a few ingredients they were missing

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

Artem Anisimov's departure from the Blackhawks was not quite a foregone conclusion, but it came as little shock when they dealt the veteran center to the Senators on Tuesday for forward Zack Smith.

What was a bit of a shock was that the trade could be far more than a salary dump. In Smith, the Hawks received a player who may not have the same scoring chops as Anisimov but offers more versatility, toughness the Hawks lacked last season and some salary-cap relief to boot.

The Hawks will have an extra \$1.3 million to work with after swapping Anisimov and his \$4.55 million cap hit for the 31-year-old Smith, who has two years left on his deal with a \$3.25 million cap hit. The Hawks needed to clear space to have a chance at keeping restricted free agent Brendan Perlini while also keeping their options open for more moves before or during the season.

"We do save a little bit on the cap," general manager Stan Bowman said. "We still have a little bit to do there, but we're looking better now than we were yesterday."

Smith is the latest offseason acquisition who satisfies Bowman's desire to make the Hawks harder to play against and gives coach Jeremy Colliton more options at the faceoff circle. Previously, the Hawks traded for Andrew Shaw and signed free

agent Ryan Carpenter, both of whom can play center and wing.

Smith has won 50.7% of his career faceoffs at even strength, well ahead of Anisimov's 45.9% rate. He had nine goals and 19 assists last season and has 94 goals and 99 assists in 612 career games, all with the Senators.

Smith had a career-high 25 goals in 2015-16 playing primarily on a line with Mark Stone and Jean-Gabriel Pageau, but he scored only 14 goals the last two seasons combined.

"He's had some years in the past where he's scored a lot, but what we like about his game is the versatility," Bowman said. "You notice him, he's tough to play against. The other teams don't find it too fun sometimes."

"He's a physical player, gets in on the forecheck. His faceoffs are pretty good as well. He's very good on the one side, but it's his competitive style we like the most. That's something we probably didn't have enough of last season."

Smith was a third-round pick in 2008 by the Senators, who had newly hired Hawks assistant coach Marc Crawford on their staff the last three seasons. The Hawks already were interested in Smith, but Crawford's thumbs-up helped seal the deal.

"(Crawford) spoke really highly of him," Bowman said. "Zack's a player our scouts have liked for a while. We've talked about bringing that element to our team, and then when Marc came on board, I picked his brain a little bit and asked how (Smith) would fit in and what does he bring to the table."

"(Crawford) raved about him as a person, as a teammate, as a

leader and loves his style of play. He thinks that could enhance our team game. From that perspective, it made sense."

Smith has mostly played wing in recent years, and while he said he feels "more comfortable" at center, he said he doesn't really care where he plays.

"I guess the most ideal situation is to play wing and still take draws," Smith said. "I still enjoy taking draws; I feel that's one of my strong suits. It's worked out well playing the wing with the centers I've had and being able to take some draws as well."

"I'm excited beyond words to be playing for Chicago, so if they want to put me in goal or on 'D,' I'd be happy with that too."

Bowman said the emergence of Dylan Strome made Anisimov expendable and makes it likelier that David Kampf will see more time in the middle.

The trade was announced while first-round pick Kirby Dach, a center, was on the ice participating in development camp drills. Bowman has said since drafting Dach with the No. 3 pick that he'll get an opportunity to make the team this season, and this trade doesn't change that.

"We have quite a few potential options there to play in the middle," Bowman said. "Zack Smith and Shaw, Carpenter's played some center, Kampf, Kirby as well."

"It's hard to map out lines and who's going to be in what spot, but we have different looks that we can throw at the other team. And part of training camp is going to be to figure out where does everybody fit and what combinations work best."

Kubalik getting to know his teammates

Forward already in Chicago for workouts, wants to fit in quickly

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

The first few weeks Dominik Kubalik spent in North America nearly seven years ago were filled with anxiety and nerves, surrounded in an unfamiliar land by people who didn't speak his language.

He was 17.

"I was a young kid who came to Canada by myself," said Kubalik, a native of the Czech Republic. "I was scared. I knew no English, so the first step was to get used to it and take care of it myself."

"I started learning a little bit of English, but you're shy, you don't know what you're talking about sometimes. My English wasn't that bad, but (I) wasn't used to it, so I was scared if I was talking about the right things. After two months, it was all right."

The memory of arriving in Sudbury, Ontario, to play hockey while initially feeling so out of his element is one reason Kubalik — whom the Blackhawks acquired in January from the Kings for a fifth-round pick — decided to take a few days off from his summer and attend this week's development camp at Fifth Third Arena.

Kubalik, who will turn 24 next month, arrived in Chicago late last week and began working out with some of the Hawks who use the facility for their offseason workouts.

"For me it's the most important thing to feel when the real thing starts — and that's training camp — I already know what's going on," he said. "That's a reason I'm here right now, and I've already met a couple guys who already played last year. I mean, Jonathan Toews and those guys, it's great. And the people around the rink, so that's great."

Even though Kubalik is on the official list of prospects attending development camp, he's in a different situation than the others. He is not participating in on-ice drills and planned to leave Chicago on Wednesday, two days before camp ends.

Nothing is certain, but it would be a bit of a surprise if Kubalik doesn't break camp with the Hawks. When the regular season ended in April, general manager

Stan Bowman seemed to be reserving a roster spot for him.

"He's got size and speed (and) can score," Bowman said. "So we're hoping he can come in and we're expecting him to be on the team. Where he fits is going to be the question."

The 6-foot-1, 192-pound winger has given Bowman good reason to believe he can succeed in the NHL immediately. After two years in the Ontario Hockey League, Kubalik returned to the Czech Republic and played the last five seasons in Europe.

Last season he played in Switzerland's top league and led the league in scoring with 57 points (25 goals, 32 assists) in 50 games.

"It's nice to hear that Stan said it like that," Kubalik said. "That motivates me a lot. I just need to be ready and show that I'm NHL-ready."

"This time I'm here to see a little bit around the city and (meet some of) the players. I got a chance to work with the guys, so that's great too. When I get here for the training camp, I'm not going to be the guy looking around the first time. Just need to work hard and be ready for a chance."

Kubalik has a clause in his contract that allows him to go back to Europe if he doesn't make the Hawks, but he said he's willing to go to Rockford.

Kubalik and his brother Tomas, who played 12 NHL games over two seasons with the Blue Jackets, shared a bedroom as kids with posters on the walls of Original Six teams, including the Hawks. Playing at the United Center has always been part of the larger dream of playing in the NHL.

The possibility of launching his NHL career in Prague, not far from the small town where Kubalik grew up, is almost unfathomable. The Hawks open the regular season against the Flyers on Oct. 4 in Prague as part of the NHL's Global Series.

"When I got traded and I talked to my agent, that was the first thing he told me: that there was a chance Chicago is going to play the first game against somebody in Prague," Kubalik said. "I couldn't believe it. The dream come true is going to be the first NHL game, but to play in Prague in my home country, that would be just amazing."

"I don't know what to even say. It's pretty far away, but it would be amazing."



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Czech Republic forward Dominik Kubalik, seen during the IIHF World Championships in May, has begun working out with Hawks players.

Fox Sports banking on Meyer for the long term

Greenstein, from Page 1

funny? I don't get it."

Bush said they had dated for more than two years.

"You dated Kim Kardashian?" Meyer replied.

Bush's next drive went sideways.

"You totally ruined my round," he told Meyer. "Why'd you bring that up?"

Meyer said he was just trying to make conversation.

"Honestly I had no idea," he says now. "Oops."

Meyer is trading in a headset for an earpiece. On fall Saturdays he will report to a studio rather than a stadium. Health issues have driven him from coaching.

Sound familiar? It should.

In 2011, after he stepped away from Florida, Meyer worked as an analyst for ESPN. He was as stiff as the shaft in Bush's driver.

"I think he was still in the coaching mode, in between jobs," Silverman said. "Now this is what he is focused on. I've noticed a looseness and an enjoyment."

"He's coachable. And I think these guys will bring out a side of Urban that people have not seen."

Silverman first worked with Meyer as president of the Big Ten Network, calling him "hyperfo-

cused." Now the man who won two national championships at Florida and one at Ohio State and went 54-4 in Big Ten games with the Buckeyes wanted to be great at broadcasting.

"If you talk to him," Silverman says, "he is done with coaching."

"Done" is a strong word.

Meyer, who turned 55 this month, is a competition junkie. He acknowledged that the transition from coaching to working at Fox and at Ohio State as an assistant athletic director has not been easy.

He stepped down because of debilitating headaches resulting from a cyst in his brain — and his fervent desire to have Ryan Day succeed him, giving stability to the program and its employees.

"I miss the players," he says. "I miss the greater good, which is team. But I have the greater good too — family, grandchildren."

Will he ever coach again?

Meyer says he believes he will not. (Bush told the Los Angeles Times in April he would "definitely" recruit Meyer to take over at USC if Clay Helton gets fired.)

Meyer gave Silverman enough of an assurance to prompt Fox to push forward with an aggressive hiring spree. Host Rob Stone will sit with Meyer, Bush, Matt

Leinart and Brady Quinn.

David Letterman's Netflix series is called "My Next Guest Needs No Introduction." This represents the college football equivalent.

"Once Urban indicated a strong interest," Silverman says, "we asked: Who is our dream team? We wanted big names, people known for major accomplishments in the last 10 to 15 years."

Meyer says of Bush, Leinart and Quinn: "They're young. They're great people. They're very relevant in the current era of college football."

"There's nice spacing ... the West Coast, Notre Dame, Ohio State. NFL backgrounds. Two quarterbacks. We get along fantastic, text each other and stay in touch."

"The model they use is the NFL team. I've been really studying them."

Fox features six voices for its "NFL Sunday" show: Terry Bradshaw, Curt Menefee, Howie Long, Michael Strahan, Jimmy Johnson and reporter Jay Glazer.

"I got to spend a lot of time with them," Meyer says. "(Fox Sports CEO) Eric Shanks has done a really nice job creating a family."

What advice do they give?

"You have to have fun, be yourself and create the environment that (viewers) are sitting there having a beer with you, watching football," Meyer says.

Joel Klatt, who smashed records as Colorado's quarterback from 2003 to '05, has mastered the transition. His comfort on camera is such that Fox also uses him for its coverage of the U.S. Open.

Asked what he believes it will take for Meyer to succeed, Klatt says: "If he is fully committed, I think he will do a great job. The transition for any coach or player is to be willing to praise and criticize — whether it's teams, players or other coaches — without in the back of their mind thinking: How does this play in those venues? It's the point of demarcation."

I read the quote to Meyer and asked if he would be able to do that this fall.

He paused.

"I hear that all the time, and I don't necessarily agree with all that," he said. "I'm going to focus on the game, the performance and that's it. There's nothing personal. It seems everyone wants to ask that question: Can you be critical? Being personal, taking shots at players or coaches, that will not happen. However, I

can be critical of a moment, decision-making and those type of things."

"My job is to analyze. If to be a great sportscaster, you have to hammer people, then I'm in the wrong ... I have no intent to do that. (I) have too much respect for college athletes, college coaches and livelihoods. If that is the death knell to being a good broadcaster ... But there are great ones (who don't)."

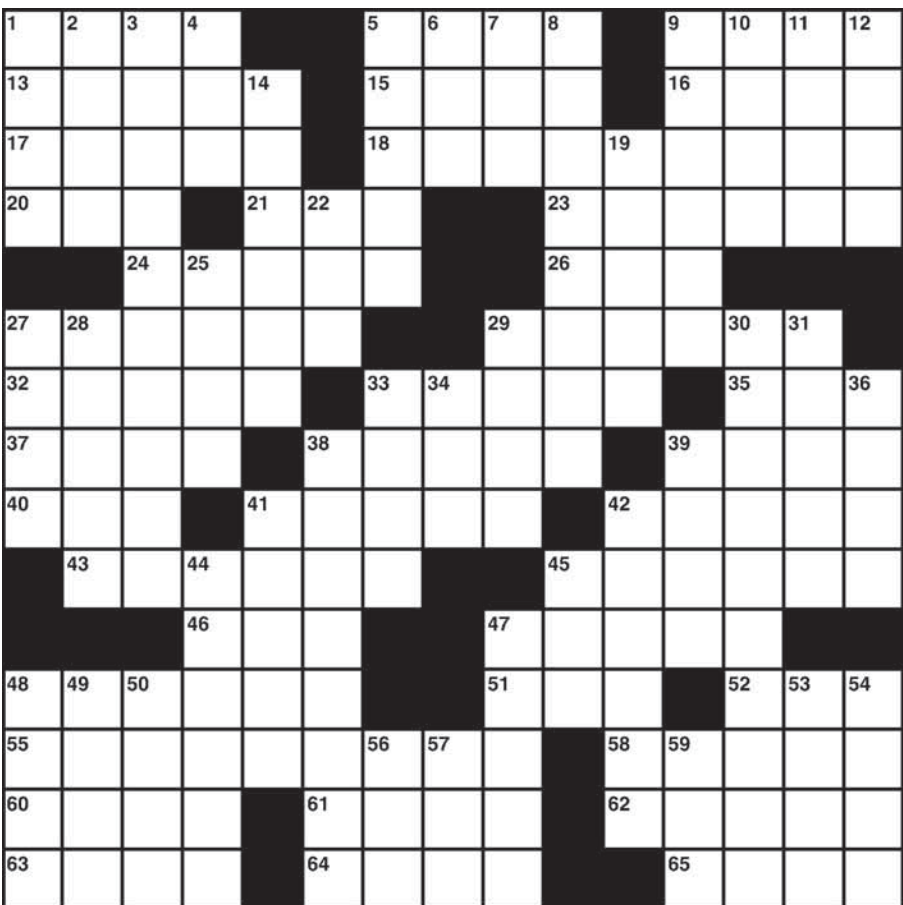
"Jon Gruden was fantastic. (Kirk) Herbstreit does a great job. I think Joel Klatt's awesome. I've dealt with those guys a lot. I'm not sure the loudest and nastiest is the ... I know there are people out there who do that, but I'm not sure that's really what people want, to be honest with you."

Fox executives believe people do enjoy hearing the analysts bust one another's chops, as Strahan and Long do on the NFL show.

So you might hear Leinart remind Quinn that he never won a national title. Or Quinn ask Leinart if he ever gets to the gym. Or Bush ask Quinn for the final score of the 2005 "Bush Push" game in South Bend.

And if Meyer wants to get under Bush's skin, he can always say: "Remember that time at Bel-Air?"

Crossword



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ACROSS

1 Baby bed

5 Jokes

9 ___ suey; Chinese restaurant dish

13 Type of eclipse

15 Street uprising

16 Lois ___; Clark Kent's love

17 TV's "___ World Turns"

18 Sassiness

20 Sorority letter

21 Sewing aid

23 Ma or Bob

24 ___ and groans; complains

26 Mammoth

27 Unimportant details

29 Hydras

32 Passenger

33 Meghan Markle's hubby

35 Holbrook or Linden

37 Simile middle

38 Two points

39 Salad cheese

40 Animal in the house

41 Gifts for little girls

42 Hysterical fright

43 Bring around

45 Royal seat

46 Small number

47 Provide with fresh guns

48 Yell

51 Koch & Marinaro

52 File drawer, perhaps

55 Too muffled to be heard

58 "Sesame Street" character

60 Low

61 Cozy corner

62 Dispensed

63 Jekyll's alter ego

64 Spaces; openings

65 Wingless insect

DOWN

1 What fans do

2 Hurry

3 Frighten; cow

4 "___! Humbug!"

5 Happy expressions

6 "Ready, ___, fire!"

7 DDE's party

8 Hardheaded

9 Bishops & pastors

10 Aaron or Azaria

11 Storybook start

12 One's equal

14 Fix

19 "Chicago Tribune," for one

22 ___ flash; instantly

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25 Pizza place

27 Pitfall

28 Early ___; one up at dawn

29 Old hands

30 Outstanding

31 Coat lining fabric

33 Golfer's target

34 "___ in a day's work"

36 Frilly trimming

38 Blanketing

39 "Mash" star

41 Ate

42 ___ out; got rid of gradually

44 One book from a set

45 Rose Kennedy's youngest

47 Has a strong odor

48 "___ Noon"; Gary Cooper film

49 In name ___; nominally

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54 ___ kick out of; enjoy

56 Deadly reptile

57 ___ off; sever

59 Game caller

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RANKING THE **BEST BEARS** PLAYERS EVER

#51 Dick Barwegan

Former Fenger, Purdue star was one of the best linemen during the '50s

By Will Larkin

Of all the players on the Tribune's ranking of the 100 best Bears, it has been most difficult to find information about Dick Barwegan.

Or is it Dick Barwegen? Even his name has been hard to pinpoint. NFL.com, Wikipedia and the Bears list him as "Barwegan," while Pro Football Reference and the majority of contemporary accounts call him "Barwegen." Tribune articles of his era went back and forth, sometimes in the same story.

One thing is for sure, though: However you spelled his name, Barwegan was one of the best linemen of the 1950s. The Pro Football Hall of Fame named him to its All-Decade team; he's one of three guards on the squad with Hall of Famers Jim Parker and Dick Stanfel, the coach of the great Bears offensive lines of the 1980s.

Barwegan played eight years as a professional and was named first-team All-Pro or to the Pro Bowl in six of them. He played only three years for the Bears; he played in the Pro Bowl each time and was a first-team All-Pro in 1950 and '51.

He was so well-thought-of before he came to the Bears that they traded five players to the Colts for the 6-foot-1, 227-pound guard and defensive tackle, including quarterback George Blanda, who would quickly make his way back to Chicago.

In 1994, the Tribune's Don Pierson named Barwegan an honorable-mention guard on the all-time Bears team with Danny Fortmann, Mark Bortz, George Seals and Tom Thayer.

When the Colts traded Barwegan, Cleveland sports columnist Bob Yonkers was quoted by Baltimore Sun sports editor Jesse A. Linthicum in his Sept. 14, 1950, column as writing: "Someone in the Baltimore Colts' front office must be allergic to good football players. ... This week they traded Dick Barwegan, a truly fine guard, to the Bears for five guys named Nicodemus. ... In the opinion of (Browns defensive tackle) Bill Willis, one of the best defensive players in captivity, Barwegan is just about the best lineman he's ever butted heads with."

Barwegan was born on Christmas 1921 on the South Side of Chicago and became a schoolyard legend. He led Fenger to a 37-game unbeaten streak and the 1940 city championship before he was an All-American at Purdue.

He served in the Air Force in 1945-46 and before and after that became the first player to be named captain twice in the College All-Star Game against the NFL champion. Barwegan played in the game in all four of his years at Purdue as restrictions on



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Dick Barwegan was the first to be named captain twice for the College All-Star Game.

underclassmen were lifted during World War II.

The Bears, as 1946 champions, played in the game in '47. Defensive tackle Fred Davis told his teammates not to underestimate the amateurs.

"You read a lot about how weak the All-Stars are in the line," Davis told the Tribune's William Fay on Aug. 16, 1947. "Well, I played with their Dick Barwegan in the Army. He's rough and tough and smart. He could play on any pro team."

Davis proved prophetic as the All-Stars beat the Bears 16-0. One of the keys to the game was Notre Dame coach Frank Leahy unexpectedly shifting Barwegan from the offensive line to the defensive line, where he led the charge in the shutout.

Barwegan signed with the New York Yankees of the All-America Football Conference, then was placed on the Colts by the fledgling league as it tried to spread its good

players to promote the health of the league. In Baltimore he reunited with his coach at Purdue, Cecil Isbell.

"I wanted Barwegan on the team," Isbell told the Baltimore Sun's Stuart B. McIver on Nov. 27, 1948. "He's a great lineman on offense and defense, and he's a great competitor. You should never underestimate the lift a player like that gives a team."

The Colts folded shortly after their five-for-one trade with the Bears, but Barwegan had fallen in love with Baltimore, where he had started a seafood business. During his tenure with the Bears he made his offseason home there with his wife, Elizabeth, and two daughters, and he had his eye on a return.

The NFL added the Colts as an expansion team in 1953, and the Bears traded him back to Baltimore, this time with quarterback Bob Williams and end Paul Nestor for end Andy Hillhouse and two 1954 draft

BARWEGAN AS A BEAR

1950-52 | 3 seasons | 34 games

Bears record: 21-15 (.583).

Playoff appearances: 1.

Acquired: Trade with the Baltimore Colts in 1950.

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| 53. Otis Wilson | 78. Jay Cutler |
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| 55. Dick Gordon | 80. Khalil Mack |
| 56. Jim McMahon | 81. Eddie Jackson |
| 57. Neal Anderson | 82. Doug Plank |
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| 72. James Williams | 97. Hugh Gallarneau |
| 73. Jim Dooley | 98. Tom Thayer |
| 74. Robbie Gould | 99. William Perry |
| 75. Bennie McRae | 100. Patrick Mannelly |

picks. Barwegan played two more seasons for the Colts before leaving for a year with the Ottawa Rough Riders of the CFL.

In retirement, Barwegan went into coaching, including a short stint as the head coach of the Chicago Bulls of the United Football League. He kept busy in Baltimore with his seafood company and another job as sales manager for a paint company. He died at 43 of a heart attack on Sept. 3, 1966.

Bryan Frye of the football history website thegridfe.com has handed out the "Hog Award" to the player he considers the game's best guard in each season since 1947. He named Barwegan the winner in '47, '48, '50 and '51. The only players with more than four awards are John Hannah with six and Larry Allen with five. Randall McDaniel, Parker and Billy Shaw have four apiece.

In 2017, longtime Cowboys personnel director Gil Brandt named Barwegan the 24th-best guard in NFL history. In 1998, the Pro Football Researchers Association named him one of "Eight great guards not in the Hall of Fame."

Former Bears teammate Paul Stenn, a starting tackle in 1950-51, was quoted in the article.

"He was a hell of a ballplayer, not real tall, but quick and tenacious," Stenn said. "All I worried about was my man. I knew Dick would get his with no help. His quickness made him an ideal pulling guard, and don't forget, he could play defense as good as the best too."

Hester's son, 6, flashing jukes and stutter-steps

Mini viral video star, Drayton following in father's footsteps

By Phil Thompson

Note to Bears general manager Ryan Pace: Devin Hester's son Drayton should be eligible for the NFL draft around 2033.

"Dray" has gone viral ever since his father posted Instagram video of the 6-year-old flashing jukes and stutter-steps that caused his opponents at a youth football camp in the Orlando, Fla., area to stumble and fall — much like his dad did during his days as a Pro Bowl return specialist for the Bears.

"Draaaayy-Day starting to come out his shell now!!!" Hester wrote when he posted the video, "Ankle Bully," on Monday night. By late Tuesday morning the post had gained more than 20,000 views.

"To me it was just a matter of time," Hester told the Tribune over the phone while visiting San Diego on Tuesday.

Hester, who spent eight seasons with the Bears and remains the NFL's career leader in combined kickoff and punt returns for touchdowns (20), said he's not a bragger by nature, but Dray "has a special talent that you don't see often with a lot of kids."

For the last three years, Hester has coached Dray's 6-and-under football team in Winter Garden, Fla., the West Orange Bobcats, and said Dray wants to follow in his footsteps.

"That's his mindset: 'I want to be an NFL

player.' I know that for a fact," Hester said. "I want to make sure he takes each step and doesn't overlook anything."

In fact, Chicago fans will get a chance to see Dray, his dad and the Bobcats in person in Libertyville later this summer.

Hester and former teammate Rashied Davis, who coaches the Libertyville youth team, will host a charity flag football game between their teams at 3 p.m. Aug. 17 at Butler Lake Park. Admission is free, but the retired Bears will raise money for their youth football programs through autographs and donations.

Hester hopes national and Chicago-area businesses will donate or give discounts for restaurants, hotels, kids attractions and transportation by contacting Independent Sports & Entertainment.

"Some of these kids have never seen a real airplane in life," he said. "I'm trying to do this at a young age because it's something I wish I would've experienced growing up."

These days, Hester spends the bulk of his time focusing on the Bobcats, to teach them the basics of football and life.

"A lot of kids, they can be third-and-2, and because they're so young, they can run and be right there by the first down but reverse field and try to go back and score a touchdown," he said. "They don't know the situation that we need the first down."

Dray, of one Hester's three sons, studies YouTube videos of his father's highlights, such as his 92-yard touchdown on the opening kickoff in Super Bowl XLI in 2007



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Former Bear Devin Hester enjoys watching his 6-year-old son Drayton's fancy footwork.

or his 108-yard missed-field-goal return against the Giants in 2006.

"He knows more of my touchdowns, what plays I did and what teams I did it against ... than I do," Hester said.

From early on, Dray was a "sports junkie" who never asked for toys, Hester said. "When I went Christmas shopping for him, it was going to Dick's Sporting Goods and sports stores. All he wanted for Christmas was wristbands, helmets, (a) mouthpiece, gloves, cleats, football, basketball. That was very special about his room."

"You go in his playroom, he don't have no trucks, no trains, no army men. It's all sports-related. And it was something that I didn't force on him."

Still, when Dray first played organized football, he was intimidated by older, bigger kids who are just as speedy, his father said.

"I told him, 'Listen, man, you're playing with lot of kids that are OK. In order to make it to the league, you've got to start playing with these kids that are real good, the real athletic kids, the ones that are more in the communities (like) I grew up in,'" Hester said. "So you've got to take a step, you've got to get out of that shell."

Hester added that it has just been a matter of Dray trusting his abilities.

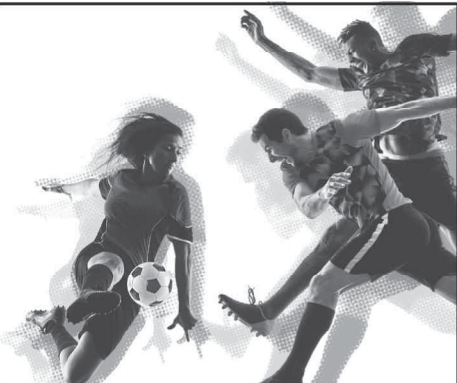
"You just hold back when you play with kids you feel uncomfortable playing with," he said. "If you don't hold back and you play the way you can, nobody can stop you."

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When the Timberwolves hired Gersson Rosas in May, he became the first Latino to lead an NBA front office: “My motivation has been to present a different face for immigrants.”

The land of opportunity

T’wolves’ president of basketball operations
Rosas pioneer in NBA

BY BEN GOLLIVER
The Washington Post

LAS VEGAS — Gersson Rosas will never forget his father’s “mandate.”

The Timberwolves’ new president of basketball operations was still young, acclimating to life in Texas, when he received the talk that set the framework for his future. His parents, Leonardo, an agricultural entrepreneur, and Gloria, a public relations professional, had left stable jobs and their extended families in Colombia to immigrate to the United States in search of a safer environment and better schools for their growing family.

Leonardo bluntly told Gersson, who was 3 when the family relocated from Bogota to Houston in the early 1980s, that he bore dual responsibilities as the eldest of four boys and as the beneficiary of the family’s sacrifices.

“America is the land of opportunity, but only if you take advantage of it,” Leonardo instructed. “If you don’t make the most of this, what was our purpose in coming here? Why did we leave home? You are the example for your brothers. This opportunity is too critical for you not to execute.”

Rosas proved exceptionally receptive to the pressure. By the time he graduated elementary school, he knew basketball was his calling. In high school, he decided he wanted to become an NBA executive. Before graduating college, he was itching for an internship that launched a 20-year trek which culminated this year in a major milestone.

When the Timberwolves hired Rosas in May, he became the first Latino to lead an NBA front office. But that professional breakthrough has coincided with rising political division over immigration, including controversies related to detention camps housing immigrant children near the Texas-Mexico border. Achieving his lifelong goal, while others are suffering, has led Rosas to reflect on his obligations to his fellow immigrants and to his adopted country.

“We’re in an extreme place,” Rosas, 41, said at Las Vegas Summer League. “The images are heartbreaking. There are people dying every day, sacrificing and trying to go through the same



ANTHONY SOUFFLE/AP

Timberwolves president of basketball operations Gersson Rosas, left, shakes hands with coach Ryan Saunders in May.

processes my family went through.

“My motivation has been to present a different face for immigrants. My family sacrificed and is making good on the opportunity that we were given. I want to do well for my family and for my organization, but also for this country. If you give immigrants a chance, we’ll pay it back to you. We are here for the right reasons.”

Road to the NBA

Upon arriving in Houston, the Rosas family felt an intense separation from their classmates and neighbors. They taught each other English, and gradually adapted to American culture and cuisine. Baseball and soccer were universal connectors.

By age 9, Rosas began his mornings with “SportsCenter” and newspaper listings of sports transactions. His afternoons were devoted to basketball, the only sport in which he enjoyed practice as much games.

As a 15-year-old point guard, Rosas was confident enough to tell a fellow student in his driver’s ed class that he planned to be an NBA general manager. Never mind that most teenagers dream of playing, or that the student, Susana, dismissed it as a pickup line. (They’d later marry.)

“If I had any talent, I would have hoped to be like Carlos Arroyo,” Rosas said, comparing his

pass-first, spot-shooting game to the former NBA guard from Puerto Rico. “One of my strengths is cutting through noise to see reality. Playing professionally wasn’t going to be for me, but the evaluation of players, transactions and team-building piqued my interest.”

Despite landing an internship with the hometown Rockets and earning a degree in marketing and international business from the University of Houston, Rosas had to confront harsh realities. NBA front offices were much smaller in the late ‘90s than they are today. He was an outsider because he hadn’t played or coached professionally. And, Rosas explained, he had no Latino mentors because, unlike in professional baseball, “there was nobody who looked like me in the NBA besides a select group of players.”

Dennis Lindsey, the Jazz president then serving as a Rockets executive, delivered bad news once Rosas’ internship ended. “You’re not ready to scout,” he said, preaching the virtues of acquiring more hands-on experience.

That assessment, Rosas said, was the “best advice I ever received.” He spent the next few years as an assistant coach at Westbury Christian School, a powerhouse high school program, and as a graduate assistant under Ray McCallum at the University of Houston. He faced a crossroads

when McCallum was fired in 2004.

“Susana and I had just gotten married and bought a house,” he said. “It hit me for the first time: Is my passion going to pay the bills?”

Later that summer, Lindsey called to offer Rosas his long-awaited break: a full-time, entry-level scouting position with the Rockets.

“Gersson did it from the ground up,” said Knicks assistant coach Kaleb Canales, a Mexican American who has worked alongside Rosas at basketball camps in South America. “He took the stairs one at a time.”

Beating the odds

Just 2.4% of NBA players are Latino, according to the NBA’s annual racial and gender report card. Hornets coach James Borrego and Wizards vice chairman Raul Fernandez are the only Latinos at their respective positions. Rosas is the only Latino to hold the president of basketball operations or general manager title.

Rosas has regularly found ways to put his background to use. He worked as a translator for American agents looking to place their clients in Spanish-speaking countries. He was USA Basketball’s international player personnel scout during the 2016 Olympics and director of the Americas for the NBA’s Basketball Without Borders program.

During his 16 years with the Rockets, Rosas honed his scouting philosophies. While overseeing Houston’s minor league affiliate, he sought players with “court character” — a pure passion for the game — and versatility.

When the Rockets hired Daryl Morey as general manager in 2007, he found Rosas to be a keen evaluator of draft prospects such as Chandler Parsons and Clint Capela. After Rosas’ three-month stint as general manager of the Mavericks in 2013 dissolved due to fit issues, Morey welcomed him back to Houston despite knowing that other teams would come calling.

“He should have been hired [as a lead executive] a long time ago,” Morey said, referring to Rosas’ many unsuccessful interviews for general manager positions. “A lot of teams made mistakes.”

Rosas inherits a Timberwolves organization in need of healing. While his predecessor, Tom Thibodeau, ruled with a single-minded and territorial style as both president and coach, Rosas

has struck a more inclusive tone.

He invited employees from Minnesota’s basketball and business sides to attend a Gwen Stefani concert in Las Vegas. Even his language has a lighter touch. Referring to owner Glen Taylor or all-star Karl-Anthony Towns, Rosas uses the word “partner” — evoking both Texas twang and his boardroom duties.

Rosas approached his first major task — selecting a head coach — with trademark thoroughness. Although he had known Timberwolves’ interim coach Ryan Saunders for years, he conducted a full search. Rosas quizzed Saunders for more than two hours during an extended interview, then decided to hire him only after meeting with multiple other candidates.

“He leaves no stone unturned, and he invests in the people around him,” Saunders said. “He wanted my opinion on every move during the draft and free agency. He’s not just giving me the team and saying, ‘Here you go.’”

Minnesota’s outlook revolves around Towns. In just four seasons, the 23-year-old center has had three coaches and an ill-fated pairing with Jimmy Butler.

Rosas is working to repair any damage and to pitch the benefits of staying in Minnesota. With little prodding, he called Towns a “top-10 player in the league” and forecast a “legendary career.”

“I want him to be confident in his ability to succeed with us so he can do something that’s never been done here,” Rosas said. “That’s starting and finishing his career as a Minnesota Timberwolf.”

Rosas aggressively pursued D’Angelo Russell this summer in hopes of pairing him with Towns, but came up short when the restricted free agent guard was dealt to the Warriors in a sign and trade.

While he is still getting his bearings, Rosas swelled with pride while joining Fernandez and Borrego as representatives of their respective teams at May’s NBA draft lottery. There he was, on national television, living up to his father’s directives.

“I grabbed [Fernandez and Borrego] and said we need to take a picture because this has never happened before,” Rosas said. “You want young kids to have somebody to look up to. I shouldn’t have been the first Latino president and I can’t be the only one. If we don’t have another, then I’ve failed because I didn’t do my part to help others.”

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In 2011, the Thunder were championship contenders with the All-Star trio of Russell Westbrook, from left, Kevin Durant and James Harden, now three all have officially moved on.

End of era for Thunder

With Westbrook traded to Rockets, Oklahoma City now in rebuild mode

By CLIFF BRUNT
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Yosef Maarooof wanted one more Russell Westbrook memory in Oklahoma City.

When he learned Thursday night the Thunder were planning to send Westbrook to the Rockets for Chris Paul and draft picks, the 20-year-old Tulsa resident planned to make the two-hour drive to Oklahoma City with friends. They wanted to take videos and photos in front of the large images of Thunder players that adorn Chesapeake Energy Arena during the season, hoping Westbrook's photo would still be up on Friday morning.

It wasn't, so Maarooof came up with a different tribute. In a video he posted on Twitter, he put on the Westbrook jerseys he's collected since 2012, took them off one by one and laid them side by side in front of the arena. He wore 18 in the video, which has been viewed more than 85,000 times.

Maarooof said Westbrook has always been his favorite player. And the next addition to his collection will be a Rockets jersey.

"He was never perfect, but just the emotion he showed — he was very relatable, I feel like," Maarooof said. "He was the underdog. People have always just not appreciated him the way they should have."

With their emotional sparkplug gone, the Thunder, as we knew them, are no more. Westbrook was the last remaining player from the team that moved from Seattle to Oklahoma City in 2008.

Kevin Durant, James Harden, Serge Ibaka, Paul George and others, all gone. Now Westbrook.

He spent his entire 11-year career with the Thunder, despite earlier chances to leave.

With Westbrook, the Thunder won at least 45 games for 10 straight years and reached the Western Conference Finals four times, including a run to the NBA Finals in 2012.

"It's a lot of heartbreak," Maarooof said as he recalled recent conversations with his friends. "Not to be dramatic, but it really feels like someone died. We're all 20 years old, so we all grew up with Russ, grew up with this team, pretty much through middle

school, high school, college now."

Sure, Westbrook was a league MVP, two-time scoring champion and two-time All-Star MVP. Yes, he was a freakish athlete and triple-double threat every night. And against the odds, he evolved from perceived ball hog to two-time assist leader.

But it goes beyond that for Thunder fans. Westbrook is from the Los Angeles area, and with it came the flash and style one might expect. But he adopted Oklahoma and supported the community with his reading rooms, basketball camps, comedy shows and his yearly Thanksgiving meal at the Boys and Girls Club in Oklahoma City. The night everyone learned Westbrook was being dealt, he was at a comedy club in Tulsa for a benefit show.

"He's like the staple of the franchise," Tulsa comic Hynni B said. "He makes you want to stand up, he makes you want to have heart. You know where he came from, you know what he's doing for the community. It's hurtful to see him to leave."

Most of all, he'll be remembered as the one who had stayed. He signed an extension in 2016, then signed a long-term deal in 2017, forever endearing himself to Thunder fans who felt burned by Durant's departure for the rival Warriors.

"When he stuck it out, it was like bro, this is our leader," said Jerry Manna, a Tulsa resident at the comedy show. "This is our guy. After he did that, I didn't care what nobody said. I wasn't accepting no Westbrook slander. No sir."

Westbrook teamed up with Durant and Harden to introduce the Thunder as a league power early this decade. At their height, the young trio led the franchise to the finals seven years ago, a loss to the Miami Heat. Now, Westbrook will be re-united with Harden.

The run in Oklahoma City wasn't supposed to end yet, but George left first for the Clippers, opening the door for an earlier-than-expected reboot. Thunder forward Jerami Grant was traded before Westbrook, and now the Thunder have added multiple first-round picks for its rebuilding project. It will take time and coach Billy Donovan will get plenty of chances to tinker with his lineup



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"We're getting a king's ransom for that. He's taking what would have been a nuclear winter at the end of their contracts and quite possibly jumping us into a new chapter a lot faster than we might have expected."

—Oklahoma City Mayor David Holt on the Thunder's Russell Westbrook trade

and give young players experience.

The Thunder haven't been in this mode since the 2008-09 season, but Oklahoma City Mayor David Holt said it is time to embrace it. He notes that the same general manager who brought the success — Sam Presti — is still running the show. And that offers a sliver of hope for aching Thunder fans.

"We're getting a king's ransom for that," Holt said of the Westbrook trade. "He's taking what would have been a nuclear winter at the end of their contracts and quite possibly jumping us into a new chapter a lot faster than we might have expected."

Westbrook is one of the most accomplished current players without an NBA title. In the three seasons after Durant left, West-

brook's Thunder never made it past the first round of the playoffs, even with George. And Westbrook often found his way into conflict. His spark ignited the Thunder, but he often was among the league leaders in technical fouls in recent years. He has stubbornly defended his tendency to shoot more 3-pointers than his percentage indicates he should.

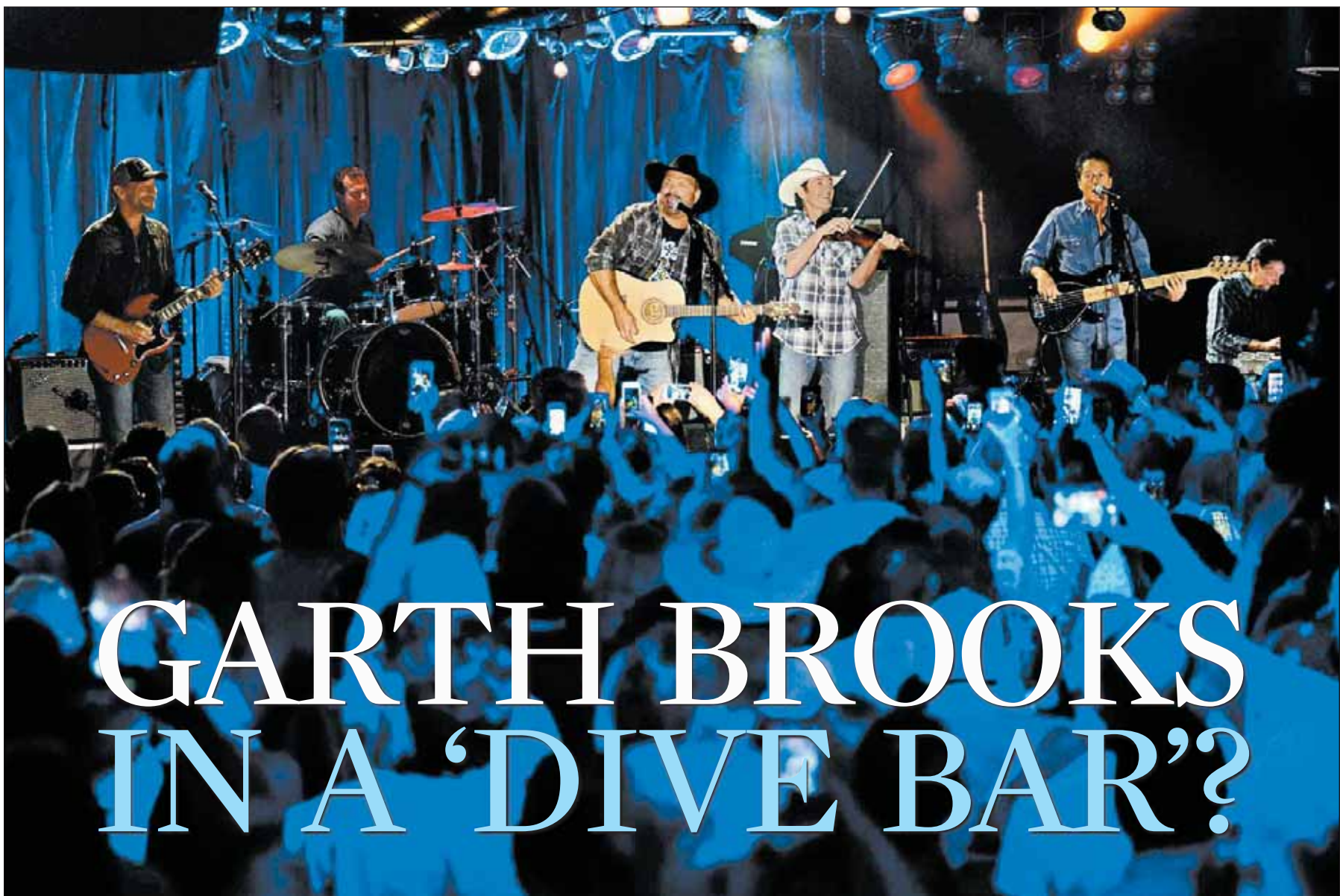
All was forgiven once the news broke. Thunder fans have spent the past several days reminiscing about Westbrook's biggest moments — from the crazy scoop shot against the Lakers in the 2012 playoffs, to the 50-point triple-double and game-winning 3-pointer against the Nuggets that clinched the NBA single-season triple-double record, to the 20-20-20 game this past season against the Lakers.

Now, they're left with memories and hopes that the rebuild works out sooner than later. And of course, they will have the memories he creates when he comes back with the Rockets. Leslie Mahan, a moderator/administrator for Thunder fan pages on Facebook, believes the fans will welcome Westbrook when he returns.

"I honestly think that each time he comes back here, people are going to love and respect him and not boo him because he did a lot for the team, for the organization and for Oklahoma as a whole," Mahan said.

Westbrook will still have his fans in Oklahoma City.

"I'm still going to be a Thunder fan, but I don't plan on missing a Rockets game this season, either," Maarooof said.



ROB GRABOWSKI/INVISION

Garth Brooks performs at Joe's in Chicago on Monday on the first stop of his seven-show Dive Bar tour.

Veteran country singer shows he is right at home playing smaller venues

BY STEVE JOHNSON

It may not be the Oasis, but Joe's on Weed Street was an acceptable stand-in as country superstar Garth Brooks began his seven-stop "Dive Bar Tour" there Monday night and proved that he has friends in small places too.

Backed by most of the band he brings to stadium shows — six bandmates, but no backup singers — Brooks fist-pumped, finger-pointed and humbly hat-doffed his way through a honky-tonk jukebox worth of old hits, one new single (twice) and some touching homages to country legends in a show that lasted a surprisingly generous 100 minutes at the North Side Chicago club.

Maybe it wasn't the Rolling Stones at the Double Door, but if you accept that the golden ratio in concert-going is size of talent to size of room, then this one was special, a night to get close and personal with a performer typically seen from, at best, binocular distance in a hockey arena.

Lessons learned:
■ Brooks, one of the performers most capable of shrinking venues of 20,000 seats or bigger to something approaching intimacy, can similarly enlarge a place



such as Joe's, which might top out at 1,000.

■ Joe's Bar, as it is sometimes also called, can reach ear-ringing volume levels, as Monday's patrons, winners of radio-station ticket giveaways and people "on the list," out-decibed the band in screaming response to songs such as "Friends in Low Places," "The Thunder Rolls" and "The Dance."

■ And there's a lot to be said, when trying to engage an audience, for having recorded tunes they know by heart and playing them once again with enthusiasm, even passion.

Only a small portion of Monday's proceedings were taken up with serving the needs of ABC's "Jimmy Kimmel Live!," which was filming portions of the show to air later on Monday's telecast, most specifically the TV premiere of Brooks' new single, called, not at all coincidentally, "Dive Bar."

After Brooks and his veteran backup band played that track twice to make sure there was a good one for Kimmel's show to use, he played the classic "Low Places" — "singalong" is too moderate a word for what the audience did, especially in calling out the song's own dive bar, the Oasis

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NBC

Gina Torres performs in a scene from the USA drama "Pearson."

MY WORST MOMENT

Gina Torres and the Shakespearean gaffe

After a 'what's my line' moment, she turned it into a real good knight

BY NINA METZ

Returning to the role of Jessica Pearson, the glamorous attorney and ace strategist on the USA drama "Suits," Gina Torres is now headlining her own spinoff. Set in the world of Chicago politics, "Pearson" finds Jessica newly disbarred and working as

adviser to the mayor.

The show is a "dream I didn't know I wanted," Torres said. "In all honesty, when I closed the door on Jessica, I closed the door on Jessica. I was really looking forward to doing something else and going into another character, putting somebody else's shoes on."

"And then this came up — and I thought of it, of all things. So it's no one's fault but my own! I actually thought, what would

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Plan for Frank Lloyd Wright visitor center gets cold shoulder

Supporters face tough decisions after Oak Park preservation panel balks



BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

When backers of a new visitor and education center at Frank Lloyd Wright's Home and Studio announced their plans last month, they predicted that the center would strengthen their relationship with Oak Park, the western suburb where the master architect lived and worked.

So far, it hasn't worked out that way.

After their proposal got a cool reception last Thursday from members of Oak Park's Historic Preservation Commission, leaders of the the non-profit Frank Lloyd Wright Trust, which operates the home and studio, face difficult choices as to how to proceed.

In essence, Oak Park officials say, those choices boil down to three options.

The trust could forge on with the current plan, which the com-



FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT TRUST

The Frank Lloyd Wright Trust is proposing to construct a new 8,000 to 9,000 square-foot visitor and education center for the Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio in Oak Park.

mission is likely to vote down. It could redo the proposal, which calls for tearing down or moving a Victorian house to the east of the home and studio. Or the trust could withdraw the plan and continue to use the home and studio's cramped former garage to welcome guests.

"A lot of the commissioners said they supported the end goal of more education for the public," said Susie Trexler, historic preservation urban planner for the suburb's community planning department. But "they said this was not the way it should be done."

Celeste Adams, the trust's president, wrote in an email

Monday that the trust's board of directors has yet to decide what route it will pursue. She declined further comment.

The trust has until July 27 to request a public hearing at which it would re-present its plan to the preservation commission, Trexler said. At the hearing, the 11-member commission could take the first steps toward a vote on the proposal.

It took no action Thursday. Designed by Chicago architect John Ronan, the proposed visitor and education center would be a one-story structure of brick, glass and zinc. Plans call for the struc-

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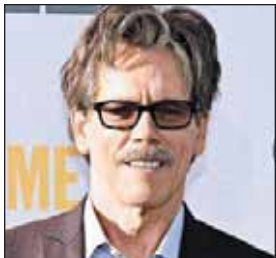
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Clockwise from top left: Jennifer Aniston, George Takei, Tig Notaro and Kevin Bacon support Pete Buttigieg.

Hollywood hops on Buttigieg bandwagon

Pete Buttigieg has built a devoted following in Hollywood over the last few months, helping him lead the Democratic field of presidential candidates in fundraising for the second quarter.

In a filing released Monday, Buttigieg disclosed contributions from a bunch of bold-faced names, including Jennifer Aniston, Tig Notaro and Larry David. Buttigieg held numerous fundraisers in the quarter, raking in \$24.1 million.

Buttigieg, the mayor of South Bend, Indiana, is the first gay candidate to make a serious bid for the presidency. That has helped fuel his success with Hollywood's gay donor community. David Geffen has already maxed out to Buttigieg, making a \$5,600 contribution to cover the primary and the general election.

Also among the donors to Buttigieg are gay activist George Takei, director Spike Jonze, and actors Kevin Bacon, Sean Hayes, Gina Gershon and John Stamos.

Also in the running for Hollywood's affection are Sen. Kamala Harris, whose donors include Don Cheadle, Leslie Odom Jr., James L. Brooks, Ryan Murphy, Rob Reiner and Sean Penn.

Bernie Sanders has avoided the trappings of Hollywood fundraising in favor of an army of small-dollar donors, most of whom write checks for \$27 or \$2.70. "Vice" director Adam McKay and his wife, Shira Piven, eschewed that route and each wrote checks to Sanders for the maximum primary donation: \$2,800.

Elizabeth Warren got support from Ashley Judd, and Damon and Heidi Lindelof (who also gave to Buttigieg and Kirsten Gillibrand.)

Also of note: Sen. Cory Booker snagged \$2,800 from Shonda Rhimes, and Marianne Williamson picked up a cool \$2,050 from actor Jeff Bridges.

— Variety



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Let there be J-Lo: Jennifer Lopez kept her word to fans who were disappointed when a power outage in New York forced her to postpone her concert over the weekend. Lopez returned to the stage Monday at Madison Square Garden, saying she was going to celebrate "no matter what." She called it an "amazing night." Lopez's show was cut short Saturday night when problems at a substation left parts of Manhattan without electricity.

Family affair: Beyonce's new album inspired by "The Lion King" features collaborations with husband Jay-Z and daughter Blue Ivy Carter. Beyonce announced Tuesday that "The Lion King: The Gift," which will be released Friday, also includes songs with Kendrick Lamar, Childish Gambino, Pharrell, Tierra Whack and Jessie Reyez. Jay-Z appears on the song "Mood 4 Eva." Blue Ivy is featured on "Brown Skin Girl."

Scene deleted: Netflix has removed a graphic suicide scene from the Season 1 finale of its show "13 Reasons Why" as the series prepares to launch its third season. Show creator Brian Yorkey said on Twitter the intent in portraying the suicide in such graphic detail was to "make sure no one would ever wish to emulate it." But producers have heard concerns from mental health experts and decided, along with Netflix, to re-edit it.

July 17 birthdays: Actor Donald Sutherland is 84. Actress-singer Diahann Carroll is 84. Bassist Geezer Butler is 70. Actor David Hasselhoff is 67. Actor Jason Clarke is 50. Rapper Solé is 46. Country singer Luke Bryan is 43. Actress Billie Lourd is 27.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Parents want son-in-law to step up

Dear Amy: My daughter married her boyfriend right out of high school at a courthouse wedding, without our consent or knowledge. They now have a great 11-year-old daughter and 5-year-old son.

We have been very supportive over the years, giving them the down payment for a house, and assisting in purchasing four cars (he doesn't believe in car maintenance, so we pay for that, too). Our daughter has been very grateful. Her husband has never said thank you to us — ever.

Every year, we host them for a long weekend at a cabin we rent. We buy the food, cook and do all the cleanup. He has never asked if he could pitch in.

He comes from a very dysfunctional family and does not speak to his mother. His stepfather (who he seemed close to) died suddenly this spring, and he feels quite guilty. At his stepfather's memorial service, he did not get up to talk, but our daughter did it for him.

They are coming up to the cabin again, and I am wondering how to handle the visit. I do not talk to my daughter about this, as I know she would defend and make excuses for him.

I am feeling anger and frustration with his lack of consideration. My husband can barely look at him but does not say anything because of me. What is your advice?

— Put Upon

Dear Put Upon: If you never express your needs or expectations, you cannot expect them to be met. You have trained this couple (I'm including your

daughter) to be passive, because of your own unwillingness to demonstrate leadership. Leadership in parenting isn't only providing for your children and expecting gratitude in return, but mentoring them toward being productive, helpful and considerate toward you.

Given his background and your history of enabling the two of them, he will never offer to help — with anything. And in letting him behave this way, you are actually part of the problem. You have known him for his entire adulthood. And you have kept him right where he is: a high school kid with challenging relationships and arrested development.

You could nudge him toward being a more productive family member by simply asking him, and then providing positive reinforcement when he complies. You say, "Steve, do me a favor and get the grill going, would you, please?" You also say — to both of them, "You know, Dad and I have helped you two out a lot over the years. And Steve, we'd really appreciate it if you expressed some acknowledgment and gratitude. We love your kids, and we're on your side. But we don't get much back. We think we deserve better."

(Car maintenance is not something you "believe in." You just do it. You need to let them live with the consequences of not taking care of their vehicles.)

Dear Amy: My family is complex. I have a biological mother and three older siblings (ages 26, 23 and 22). My biological father died over 10 years ago, and

I do not know how many siblings I have on his side.

Then I have the people I call "Mom and Dad." They have been there for me more in the almost three years I have known them than my biological family has in my entire 20 years on this planet.

I feel like I owe my biological mother because she gave birth to me, but she has caused me a lot of emotional and psychological turmoil. Am I right for wanting to distance myself from her toxic personality and move toward the people who I choose (they also chose me) to call my family?

— Turmoil in Pennsylvania

Dear Turmoil: Many people with challenging childhoods basically celebrate liberation from their birth families by developing a family of choice in their adulthood. You are lucky to have found yours.

Dear Amy: In your pathetic response to "Tired Mom," you wrote, "You get parenting props for merely hanging in there and not giving up." Really? This is the standard for parenting teenagers?

— Disappointed

Dear Disappointed: As I wrote, "Teens require as much attention as toddlers." Unfortunately, many parents disengage during the challenging teen years. And yes, "hanging in there" is sometimes the best we can do.

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'Pearson' cast members learn Chicago politics

By TRACY SWARTZ

Morgan Spector looks a bit like Rahm Emanuel, but his character on the new Chicago political drama "Pearson" sure doesn't talk like the foul-mouthed former mayor.

"For my personal sensibility, actually, I love to say f--- as much as humanly possible," Spector told the Tribune by phone. "So yeah, it was hard ... but hopefully we created something realistic within the parameters of basic cable."

"Pearson" is a spinoff of the long-running legal drama "Suits." Gina Torres plays disbarred attorney Jessica Pearson, who leaves the New York world of "Suits" to join Chicago Mayor Bobby Novak's team as a fixer/adviser.

The series — which was mostly filmed in Los Angeles with some exterior



SCOTT EVERETT WHITE/USA NETWORK

Eli Goree plays mayoral press secretary Derrick Mayes on the Chicago political drama "Pearson."

shots taken in Chicago — is scheduled to premiere at 9 p.m. on Wednesday on the USA Network.

The Tribune talked to Spector, who plays Novak; and Eli Goree, who plays earnest journalist-turned-mayoral press secretary

Derrick Mayes, about Chicago politics and the inspiration for their roles.

Spector said "Pearson" executive producer and showrunner Daniel Arkin made the "conscious choice" not to base his character on any real-life

Chicago mayor — despite the Emanuel resemblance.

"I didn't lean into it much," Spector said.

For one, their backgrounds are different. Emanuel was raised in D.C. politics; Novak spent a year at the public defender's office, and at 26, he was the youngest alderman ever elected to city council. Now in his late 30s, the mayor is into shady dealmaking — and one of his female staffers (though he is married).

It's not a surprise that Spector didn't meet Emanuel or get any wisdom from him when the "Pearson" cast was in town in October to shoot exterior scenes downtown.

Spector and Goree said they hadn't spent much time in Chicago before signing onto their roles, so they got some lessons in Chicago politics. Goree called the experience "eye-opening."

"It took a lot of research and digging," Goree said, "and then when I was there in Chicago, I also talked to the people that were there

and got a sense of how it all was working and what the history was and what some of the issues were."

He said he also consulted with the show's writers, some of whom were once journalists. One member of the writing staff, Sylvia L. Jones, is a native Chicagoan who worked as a special projects producer for WLS-Ch. 7. Goree said he often received guidance when he struggled with a Chicago word or vowel sound.

"There are certain words that are just a little bit different," he said. "Especially with me being Canadian, I have more of a standard American accent when I'm doing most of my acting. But there were some words that were uniquely from Chicago."

"Even racially it's a little bit different. There's a certain accent for white people that are in Chicago, but then there's also an accent I found that was slightly different for the black people that are in Chicago, so I wanted to make sure that I wasn't just

throwing out words that wouldn't necessarily fit my character specifically."

Goree said he tried to talk to Chicagoans in stores and restaurants when he was in town as part of his commitment to his character. He said he turned down another role (though he wouldn't disclose where) for "Pearson" because he had been looking for a project like "The West Wing," so he could play someone on "a show where everyone is the smartest person in the room."

Spector's mayoral character may not end up being the smartest person in the room. Staffers go behind his back on Wednesday's premiere to fix one of his messes. Spector said the role did not inspire a desire to enter Chicago politics.

"No, absolutely not," Spector said with a laugh. "It seems like that the political conditions in that city are uniquely difficult, and it definitely did not make me want to be any kind of Chicago mayor."

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Jim Hirsch to step down as CEO of Sinfonietta

By HOWARD REICH

Jim Hirsch, who has served as executive director and CEO of the Chicago Sinfonietta since 2004, will step down on July 1, 2020, the organization has announced.

"As I begin my last lap as executive director and CEO, I am grateful for being given the chance in 2004 to become a member of the Sinfonietta family," said Hirsch in a statement. "This work has been challenging, meaningful and fulfilling."



Hirsch

Under Hirsch's leadership, the Sinfonietta saw the retirement of founding music director Paul Freeman in June 2011; the appointment of Mei-Ann Chen as Freeman's successor in July 2011; and the creation of Project Inclusion, "a fellowship program that seeks to address the dearth of minority musicians and conductors performing in U.S. orchestras," according to the Sinfonietta.

"Risk-taker. Team builder. Dedicated professional. These are but a few of Jim

Hirsch's well-known characteristics," music director Chen said in a statement. "Never one to back away from the daring and unusual, he has allowed me and the orchestra the luxury to dream and create over the years. Jim has been a positive force of unwavering support in all our efforts. ... During his tenure, the Sinfonietta has been awarded the prestigious MacArthur Award, and received increased national exposure."

The Sinfonietta's board of directors will announce a process to find Hirsch's replacement this summer.

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Nels Cline, from left, Jeff Tweedy and Mikael Jorgensen of Wilco perform at Pritzker Pavilion in 2016.

Wilco announces first new album since 2016

By Greg Kot

Wilco will release “Ode to Joy,” its 11th studio album and first since 2016, on Oct. 4.

On Tuesday, the band released the first single from the forthcoming album, a gentle song of doubt and conciliation, “Love is Everywhere (Beware).”

Wilco singer-guitarist Jeff Tweedy described the album in a statement issued to media as being comprised of “really big, big folk songs, these monolithic, brutal structures that these delicate feelings are hung on.”

The band took a break after putting out two albums in 2015-16, “Star Wars” and “Schmilco.” In recent years, Tweedy focused on publishing a memoir, “Let’s Go (So We Can Get Back),” and released three solo albums: “Together at Last” (2017),

“Warm” (2018) and “Warmer” (2019).

The band, which includes Tweedy, bassist John Stirratt, drummer Glenn Kotche, keyboardist Mikael Jorgensen, guitarist Nels Cline and multi-instrumentalist Pat Sansone, recently reconvened in June to play its Solid Sound Festival in Massachusetts, and announced an extensive fall tour. No Chicago dates have been announced.

Here is the “Ode to Joy” track list: 1. Bright Leaves, 2. Before Us, 3. One and a Half Stars, 4. Quiet Amplifier, 5. Everyone Hides, 6. White Wooden Cross, 7. Citizens, 8. We Were Lucky, 9. Love Is Everywhere (Beware), 10. Hold Me Anyway, 11. An Empty Corner.

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ture to be built to the east of the home and studio, 951 W. Chicago Ave., where Wright developed his renowned Prairie Style in the late 19th century and the early years of the 20th.

The shingle-clad home and studio draw about 90,000 visitors annually.

But several members of the preservation commission expressed dissatisfaction with the plan, which would significantly change two properties in Oak Park’s Frank Lloyd Wright-Prairie School of Architecture Historic District.

A house at 925 W. Chicago Ave., built around 1885, would be moved or demolished to make way for the visitor center. In addition, the trust wants to remove additions to a house at 931 W. Chicago where Wright’s mother lived. That house was built around 1866, according to a report commissioned by the trust.

Some commission members said the 925 house helps tell the story of how Wright reacted against Victorian architecture. One recommended that the trust explore re-using the house, Trexler said.

In addition, some com-

mission members said that Wright may have influenced the additions at the 931 house, which could make those changes worth saving.

If the commission were to vote against the trust’s plan, the trust could appeal to the Oak Park village board. But in three recent cases, Trexler said, the board has backed the commission when it denied proposals to demolish properties in Oak Park historic districts.

The trust selected Ronan’s plan from five finalists who competed for the visitor and education center project.

A principal at one of the firms, Philip Hamp of Chicago’s Vinci Hamp Architects, said Monday that the firm’s design proposed re-using the 925 house. The plan would have inserted the visitor and education center between the 925 and 931 properties, with a wing extending behind the 925 house.

“That’s the way we work,” Hamp said. “It’s our DNA to look at existing buildings and knit them into a new design.”

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her life would be like if this was now her world? In ‘Suits,’ the role that she played, the space that she took up — that was to enhance and back up the story we were telling with Harvey and Mike. Even at the end of seven years, you really knew very very little about her. So in a lot of ways I’m not playing the same person, because we get to see so much more of what makes her tick and who she is and what it costs her to make the choices that she makes — there are things that come very easy to her and there are things that just don’t, and we get to see that for the first time.”

As a “Suits” alum, Torres is close with former co-star Meghan Markle and was a guest at her wedding to Prince Harry last year. What is it like to see a friend catapulted into such high-profile life? “It is surreal. And just like no one can tell you what being pregnant feels like, you just have to get pregnant — nobody knows what that is like (to marry into the British royal family) unless you’re in it. I have no insight into it beyond that! I’m watching with the rest of the world.”

When asked to share a worst moment from her career, Torres said: “I had to pick and choose from several. The good news is that I’ve been doing this a long time and I’ve been blessed to have stories. The good news Part 2 is that I’ve survived them all.”

My worst moment ...

“I am by and large an intuitive, self-taught actor. I didn’t go to university, I didn’t go to college, I didn’t pursue a higher education in theater arts. I grew up in New York City, so when I began doing this I hit the bricks and started auditioning when I was 19. Whenever I got a job, it wasn’t just my playground it was my university.

“So that’s all well and good. And I was having an amazing time until I auditioned for a Shakespeare play. It was ‘Pericles.’ And it was being done at a regional theater called Center Stage in Baltimore. I didn’t think I had a chance in hell. And lo and behold (*long laugh*) I got it! I was 23.

“And for somebody who is self-taught and just read Shakespeare plays in school, I certainly didn’t have a *command* for it in terms of actually doing a full play. But I hunkered down. I knew this was what I wanted to do, so I studied like no other. That script was my bible. I believe I was playing Thaisa (Pericles’ wife).

“So we’re midway through our run and it’s



Isabella Vosmikova/USA Network
Gina Torres as Jessica Pearson, striding into city hall in the USA drama “Pearson.”

fantastic. The stage was actually one level above the dressing rooms. So we would get ready in our dressing rooms and then go up one flight of stairs, down a hall and through a door to the backstage. In the dressing room there were speakers so you could hear the play as it’s happening and give yourself plenty of time to get upstairs to the stage and make your cue.

“And I’m so proud of myself, everything’s going great. The audience is digging it. We’re all good. But still, I’m not laying down on the job — between scenes I’m down in my dressing room looking at my script.

“Well, one day the show is going on and I had a break, so I’m in my dressing room and I’m looking through my script. And I get involved in a conversation with one of the other actors. And while I’m talking I hear my cue on the speaker in my dressing room. And I’m wearing a corset and a full-length Elizabethan costume — this thing must have weighed 8 pounds — and I’m a level, a hallway and a door away from the stage!

“So I gather *allllll* the yardage of my costume and hike it up right above my hip and start *booking it* through the dressing room, through the hall, up the stairs, through the other hall, through the door — and all but do a Tom Cruise slide from backstage onto my place on stage.

“It’s the place in the play where the knights from the surrounding kingdoms are presenting themselves to me for my hand, and the gentleman who’s my scene partner — he was playing the jester — he’s looking at me like: Nice of you to show up (*laughs*)!

“So the first knight

comes and he’s twirling on stage and I explain to the audience what he’s wearing and what his robes mean and where he’s from. Cue the next knight and I do the same for him. And then cue the next knight and ... I can’t remember who the hell he is or what the hell he’s wearing. My greatest nightmare is now unfolding before me. Because showing up late for my cue wasn’t bad enough (*laughs*).

“And I can’t improvise in iambic pentameter — and I can’t just say, ‘Yeah, that’s Joe from down the street.’

“So in that moment it occurs to me to whisper in the ear of my scene partner, David. Now, David was a little person, so I literally folded myself up and crouched down and said in his ear, ‘I don’t know my line. Just stand here with me and play along.’ And we bought a little time, because while I was whispering in his ear I was sort of gesturing toward this poor knight who was standing there waiting to be presented and he had no idea what was going on (*laughs*) and we’re just pointing at him and laughing until my line *finally* comes into my brain. And then I popped up and I said my lines and I go on with the play as if nothing happened.

“It just so happened that the director had popped in — we were full-on into our run and usually at that point, the director isn’t there every night — but she just decided to pop in that night. And she said, ‘What the hell was that?’ And I said, ‘I’m sorry! I know!’ And she said, ‘That was a really interesting choice.’ And I said, ‘What?’ And she said, ‘No, that was great. It really worked. Did you guys decide that you were

going to do that? Or were you up (forgetting her line)?’ And I said, ‘No, I was up.’ And she said, ‘Wow, I would have never known. Good for you.’

“It probably unfolded in a third of the time that it took me to tell this story. But when you’re on stage and your life is flashing before your eyes, it feels like two hours.”

Has she performed Shakespeare since?

“Nope (*laughs*)!

“Which is probably exactly why I should do it, because the thought of it is terrifying — which is what all actors like to say: ‘Yeah, I did it because it scared me!’

“But me? I want to have a good time, I don’t want to be scared all the time.”

The takeaway ...

“The theater angels were on my side that night. But also, in any moment of panic you owe yourself a breath. Just slow everything down for a moment, because it’s in there. I *knew* it was in there because I worked so hard to memorize all those lines — I knew it back and forth — it was just that sprint that took me off guard.

“So take a breath and trust that you know what you’re doing. Trust that you have it in you.

“At the end of the day, it really didn’t matter that I didn’t study Shakespeare for years, or that this wasn’t my 15th play. Everybody has to start somewhere, and as an actor I had to believe that the most important thing was to tell the story with passion and truth. So I just had to remember in that moment: I belong here.”

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Brooks

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— and then was off and running.

Most of the set list would be the Garth Brooks Spotify top tracks if Brooks weren’t one of the holdouts from the streaming music service. But there were a couple of deeper cuts prompted by requests he took from the audience, including the 1994 single “The Red Strokes,” which Brooks said was “gonna suck,” even as the verse and chorus he summoned up didn’t.

In reality, Joe’s is no Dive Bar except, perhaps, by current Garth Brooks stadium mega-concert standards. Before being reincarnated as Chicago’s top country bar about a decade back, it was a sort of faux-beach club joint called “Banana Joe’s,” and the room’s details are still more warehouse than woodcraft.

But it is also a venue where the furthest patron is maybe 50 feet away from the stage, plenty close enough to see the Bob Seger T-shirt Brooks was wearing and all the times he and the audience pointed back at each other: You! No, you!

Seger “has influenced my music so much,” Brooks said, before playing the highly Seger-influenced “That Summer,” a tune about a teenage boy, an older woman and, well, nature. Later, he would do passable imitations of other heroes he and his band used to cover in their actual dive-bar days, including Merle Haggard (“Mama Tried”) and George Strait (“Amarillo By Morning”).

For Brooks, the Dive Bar Tour is a stroke of showmanship meant to reconnect with his honky-tonk roots and/or push his new single off of the forthcoming LP, “Fun.” Co-written with Mitch Rossell and Bryan Kennedy, the tune “Dive Bar” is a short, highly affable homage to smaller watering holes where people can find fellowship or forget its loss.

I’m not sure yet that it stands up amid the Brooks canon, but it’s got a big, sing-along chorus about being in said bar’s deep end on the weekend. And I’d certainly listen to “Dive Bar,” a duet with fellow Oklahoman Blake Shelton, over most of the 46 songs currently ranked above it on Billboard’s country chart.

The tune has been avail-

able to country radio since mid-June, but the full promotional push really started Monday, with the kickoff of the Dive Bar Tour coinciding with the song first being made available to the public via Amazon (on Prime Day, naturally).

Brooks and Shelton are scheduled to perform it live together in Boise on Friday night, a performance which will, of course, yield a video. And Monday’s performance of the tune at Joe’s, as mentioned, was shown on “Kimmel.”

Plus, there are scheduled to be six more dive-bar shows amid his current stadium tour. In each case, as happened in Chicago, venues will be announced on local country radio, which will also dole out the tickets.

“You’re gettin’ to play stadiums and you’re gettin’ to play dive bars,” Brooks said in his July 7 Facebook live chat announcing the mini-tour. “And trust me, man, there’s no difference other than the size.”

Well, yeah.

There was, in fact, a big difference in seeing him Monday at Joe’s versus seeing him at the Allstate Arena in Rosemont back in 2014. Brooks apparently likes starting things in



Rob Grabowski/Rob Grabowski/Invision
The marquee for Garth Brooks’ appearance Monday at Joe’s on Weed in Chicago, the first stop of his Dive Bar tour.

Chicago because the shows in north suburban Rosemont began a tour with a run of 11 sold-out, relatively affordable shows, and at a hockey rather than football stadium.

It was his return to full-time touring after, essentially, a 17-year hiatus to focus on raising his kids, he said.

Brooks showed then he could still bring the big-stadium energy, the fervor for playing the greatest hits, the showmanship to take off his hat in humility over the warm reception he got, a gesture that, naturally, generated an even warmer reception.

He was, I wrote then, “at least 50 percent country

ham,” and I did not mean it disparagingly. The guy radiated enjoyment at being on stage, no matter how far away that stage might be.

And like the veteran performer he is, he gave the impression of enjoying it even more on Monday’s much closer stage. As the show was winding down, he pulled out another crowd favorite, Billy Joel’s tune “Shameless,” which Brooks took to No. 1 in 1991.

Fittingly for Monday’s setting, it is a song that, instead of being one of Brooks’ more typical anthems, has an easy, old-school, honky-tonk feel to it. Even more fittingly for this performer, it is a song

Set list:

- “Two of a Kind, Workin’ On a Full House”
- “Dive Bar” (twice)
- “Friends in Low Places”
- “The Red Strokes” (partial)
- “That Summer”
- “All-American Kid”
- “Much Too Young (To Feel This Damn Old)”
- “Two Pina Coladas”
- “The Dance”
- “Callin’ Baton Rouge”
- “The Beaches of Cheyenne”
- “Mama Tried” (Merle Haggard, partial)
- “The Race Is On” (George Jones, partial)
- “Amarillo By Morning” (George Strait, partial)
- “Uncle Pen” (Ricky Skaggs, partial)
- “I Told You So” (Randy Travis, partial)
- “Don’t Close Your Eyes” (Keith Whitley, partial)
- “Fishin’ in the Dark” (Nitty Gritty Dirt Band)
- “Rodeo”
- “Ain’t Goin’ Down (’Til the Sun Comes Up)”
- “The Thunder Rolls”
- “Shameless”
- “Standing Outside the Fire”
- “The River” (encore)

about being hopelessly, unabashedly shameless.

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ANALYSIS

Loss of control not just based on gender

Andrea Arnold isn't 1st film director frustrated by TV

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Los Angeles Times

Steven Soderbergh did it. So did Jane Campion, Park Chan-wook, Ava DuVernay and Spike Lee.

In recent years, an increasing number of film-makers have turned to television for long-form storytelling opportunities that are harder to find in the franchise-obsessed movie business. Networks get bragging rights — and sometimes awards — for working with prestigious artists; directors get richer material and more space to explore it.

Last year, British writer-director Andrea Arnold, a three-time Jury Prize winner at Cannes known for her gritty, immersive style, was tapped to direct the second season of the acclaimed HBO series “Big Little Lies,” starring Nicole Kidman, Laura Dern, Reese Witherspoon and Meryl Streep. Known for films such as “Fish Tank” and “American Honey,” about young women on the economic margins, Arnold represented an exciting, out-of-the-box choice for a soapy murder mystery set among a group of affluent mothers in Monterey, Calif.

HBO will show the season finale Sunday.

But a controversy surrounding the Emmy-winning drama illustrates the conflicts that arise when artists accustomed to the director-driven world of feature film move into television, where writers traditionally control the creative process — especially when that director is a woman.

A report published earlier this month by IndieWire alleges that writer David E. Kelley and Season 1 director Jean-Marc Vallée, both executive producers on the series, wrested creative control last fall from Arnold, hiring a second team of editors to recut her work and ordering reshoots so that it more closely matched the aesthetic of the show's original run.

“The optics were not lost on many associated with ‘Big Little Lies,’ ” wrote Chris O’Falt, citing unnamed sources close to the executive producers.

“A show dominated by some of the most powerful actresses in Hollywood hired a fiercely independent woman director — who was now being forced to watch from the director's chair as scenes were shot in the style of her male predecessor.”

In a statement, HBO said: “There wouldn’t be a Season 2 of ‘Big Little Lies’



JENNIFER CLASEN/HBO

Shailene Woodley, left, Zoë Kravitz, Reese Witherspoon, Nicole Kidman and Laura Dern in a scene from “Big Little Lies.”

without Andrea Arnold. We at HBO and the producers are extremely proud of her work. As with any television project, the executive producers work collaboratively on the series and we think the final product speaks for itself.”

The response did little to quell the frenzy on social media, where many noted the irony of a female director being allegedly undermined by male producers on a show about (among other things) female empowerment. A hashtag, #FreeTheArnoldCut, was trending over the weekend.

Several prominent women in the industry weighed in.

“We are lucky to have you,” tweeted “When They See Us” director DuVernay. Rachel Bloom, the co-creator and star of “Crazy Ex-Girlfriend,” castigated Kelley and Vallée for acting like “weird Hollywood robots” in their alleged treatment of Arnold. “If you wanted her to replicate a directing style, just ... tell her. If you don’t like the dailies coming in, just ... tell her. Open your flesh mouths and communicate.”

While the gender dynamics certainly compounded HBO’s woes, the network, which helped ignite the trend of well-known filmmakers migrating to TV, has dealt with creative turf wars before.

Director Michael Mann and writer David Milch reportedly butted heads so fiercely that they had to divvy up control of the ill-fated horse-racing drama “Luck.” Similarly, director Cary Fukunaga and writer Nic Pizzolatto reportedly feuded over the first season of the anthology series “True Detective,” which, like “Big Little Lies,” was an Emmy-winning, popular and critical success, but in later seasons was helmed by different directors.



VALERY HACHE/GETTY-AFF

Andrea Arnold directed Season 2 of “Big Little Lies” but allegedly lost creative control.

Such tensions are all but inevitable as filmmakers pursue work in television. The line between the two continues to blur, thanks to streaming platforms such as Netflix and the rise of single-director limited series such as “Big Little Lies.” But the hierarchies and processes within each medium are not entirely compatible.

In film, screenwriters have long taken a backseat to directors, who give shape to the raw material of a script and are in charge of major aesthetic decisions. In television, showrunners customarily call the shots, and directors are hired to help realize their vision — typically for just an episode or two rather than an entire season.

It is rare for a director of episodic television to get final cut. The single-director limited series is a relatively new form, one without a well-established creative process, increasing the potential for conflict.

With an array of complicated female characters, many over 40, and sensitive storylines about domestic abuse, motherhood and

friendship, “Big Little Lies” was hailed as a triumph for women in television. There was just one catch: Though based on a novel written by a woman, Liane Moriarty, the series was written and directed by men.

In interviews ahead of Season 1, Kelley and Vallée described an unusually collaborative process between two artists known for being hands-on. Vallée (“Wild,” “Dallas Buyers Club”), who edits his own films under a pseudonym, said he took a pass on Kelley’s scripts, something he does on all his projects because “writers, they’re not always directors.”

One of the most successful television producers of the ’90s and early 2000s, Kelley has long been known to maintain a tight grip on his shows. Both his mentor Steven Bochco and writer David Mills related to The Times in 1997 that the wordsmith’s penchant for writing his own scripts caused consternation in the “Picket Fences” and “Chicago Hope” writers rooms.

But as Kelley told The Los Angeles Times in 2017, he had to cede some con-

trol on “Big Little Lies,” even though he wrote every episode.

“The process usually is, you shoot something with all the best intentions, then you get the first cut or second cut back,” he said. “You see what you have to work with, and you adjust your writing going forward. (‘Big Little Lies’) didn’t allow for that opportunity. By the time I could see a cut piece, it was all done.”

Once editing had begun, the show was Vallée’s “baby.”

By hiring a woman for the second season, HBO earned goodwill. And by hiring Arnold in particular, the network generated enthusiasm about the continuation of a show that many argued should have ended after its first season.

“The new iteration of ‘Big Little Lies’ is in perfect hands,” wrote Vanity Fair.

Not only did Arnold have an Oscar of her own — for her short film “Wasp” — but she also had experience in television. She’d directed episodes of “I Love Dick” and “Transparent” for Jill Soloway, suggesting that she was comfortable work-

ing within a visual style and tone set by another director — even if, in a statement announcing the news last year, HBO touted her as a “visionary” director.

HBO programming chief Casey Bloys told The Times that the network had been pleased with Arnold’s work: “As soon as we saw even the earliest cut, we thought, ‘OK, this show will be great.’ ”

It’s not unusual for writers and directors to tussle over creative control of a project. But the alleged version of events described in the IndieWire report is depressingly familiar in what remains a male-dominated industry: A female director of distinctive independent films is hired to work on a high-profile project with A-list stars, only to have her vision undermined.

Among the most striking assertions in IndieWire’s story is that Kelley and Vallée planned all along for the latter to “become re-involved” with the project after finishing his other HBO limited series, “Sharp Objects” — a plan of which Arnold was reportedly unaware. (A representative for Arnold did not respond to a request for comment.)

Ironically, some promising female filmmakers, such as Karyn Kusama and Kimberly Peirce, say alleged interference such as this is what led them away from studio movies into the seemingly kinder waters of television, where women have found more opportunities to direct. (Women directed 25% of episodes in the 2017-18 season, according to a Directors Guild report). The difference in this case is that Arnold was working on a prestigious HBO drama, not a studio tentpole.

Then again, “Big Little Lies” is a tentpole of sorts — a premium cable “Avengers” with superheroes such as Streep and Dern instead of Iron Man or Captain America. And in recent years, there is nothing Hollywood has been more invested in — or more willing to protect — than a lucrative franchise: Indie filmmaker Edgar Wright (“Baby Driver”) left Marvel’s “Ant-Man” over creative differences, and Phil Lord and Christopher Miller were fired from the “Star Wars” spinoff “Solo” after failing to mesh with screenwriter Lawrence Kasdan.

In that regard, the alleged dust-up over “Big Little Lies” is a reminder that, despite lingering debates over authorship and final cut, film and TV may be more alike than ever.

(Times staff writer Yvonne Villarreal contributed to this report.)

71ST EMMY AWARDS

‘Game of Thrones’ makes history with 32 nominations

Associated Press

HBO’s “Game of Thrones” slashed its way to a record-setting 32 Emmy nominations Tuesday for its eighth and final season, leading HBO back to dominance over Netflix, the streaming service that bumped it last year from atop the increasingly crowded television heap.

The bloodthirsty saga’s total eclipsed the all-time series record of 27 nods earned by “NYPD Blue” in 1994.

If “Game of Thrones” successfully defends its best drama series title and claims a fourth trophy, it will join the quartet of most-honored dramas: “Hill Street Blues,” “L.A. Law,” “The West Wing” and “Mad Men.”

A wealth of acting nominations for the cast and guest stars, including the show’s sole previous winner, Peter Dinklage, helped boost “Game of Thrones” to a new record of 160 total nominations — breaking its own previous record of 128.

Series star Emilia Clarke’s decision to seek a best actress nomination after a series of supporting



HBO

Emilia Clarke, shown in a scene from the final episode of “Game of Thrones,” was nominated Tuesday for an Emmy Award for outstanding lead actress in a drama series.

actress bids paid off. She’s competing in a category that’s notable for its diversity, including past winner Viola Davis for “How to Get Away with Murder” and repeat nominee Sandra Oh for “Killing Eve,” who has another chance to become the first actress of Asian descent to win the trophy. She lost last year to Claire

Foy for Netflix’s “The Crown.”

Last year’s best comedy series, “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel,” led the comedy pack with 20 bids, including for its star and defending champion Rachel Brosnahan.

She’ll vie with Emmy record-holder Julia Louis-Dreyfus of “Veep,” who

didn’t compete in last year’s awards because her breast cancer treatment delayed production of the political satire.

Louis-Dreyfus, who with Cloris Leachman shares the record for most Emmys won by a performer, eight, has a shot at solo glory if she wins again.

“Veep” received a total of

Partial list of the nominees

Drama Series: “Better Call Saul” (AMC), “Bodyguard” (Netflix), “Game of Thrones” (HBO), “Killing Eve” (AMC/BBC America), “Ozark” (Netflix), “Pose” (FX), “Succession” (HBO), “This Is Us” (NBC)

Comedy Series: “Barry” (HBO), “Fleabag” (Amazon Prime), “The Good Place” (NBC), “The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel” (Amazon Prime), “Russian Doll” (Netflix), “Schitt’s Creek” (Pop), “Veep” (HBO)

Lead Actor in a Drama Series: Jason Bateman (“Ozark”), Sterling K. Brown (“This Is Us”), Kit Harington (“Game of Thrones”), Bob Odenkirk (“Better Call Saul”), Billy Porter (“Pose”), Milo Ventimiglia (“This Is Us”)

Lead Actress in a Drama Series: Emilia Clarke (“Game of Thrones”), Jodie Comer (“Killing Eve”), Viola Davis (“How to Get Away With Murder”), Laura Linney (“Ozark”), Mandy Moore (“This Is Us”), Sandra Oh (“Killing Eve”), Robin Wright (“House of Cards”)

Lead Actor in a Comedy Series: Anthony Anderson (“Black-ish”), Don Cheadle (“Black Monday”), Ted Danson (“The Good Place”), Michael Douglas (“The Kominsky Method”), Bill Hader (“Barry”), Eugene Levy (“Schitt’s Creek”)

Lead Actress in a Comedy Series: Christina Applegate (“Dead to Me”), Rachel Brosnahan (“The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel”), Julia Louis-Dreyfus (“Veep”), Natasha Lyonne (“Russian Doll”), Catherine O’Hara (“Schitt’s Creek”), Phoebe Waller-Bridge (“Fleabag”)

nine nominations for its final season, a warm farewell and one that wasn’t to be for “The Big Bang Theory,” the long-running sitcom that failed to cap-

ture a best comedy nod or any for its actors.

The 71st Emmy Awards will air Sept. 22 on Fox, with the host yet to be announced.

WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



“Suits” (8 p.m., 12:05 a.m., USA): This legal dramedy opens its ninth and final season, which finds Harvey and Donna (Gabriel Macht, Sarah Rafferty) trying to balance their new relationship with efforts to salvage their law firm, which took a hit last season when Robert Zane (Wendell Pierce) sacrificed himself to the bar association to save Harvey. Rick Hoffman, Dulé Hill, Katherine Heigl and Amanda Schull also return to their familiar series roles.

“grown-ish” (7 p.m., 9:31 p.m., FREE): A frustrated Zoey, Ana and Nomi (Yara Shahidi, Francia Raisa, Emily Arlook) have the shared epiphany that they’ve been far too kind and tolerant to their significant others, even when that has come at a stiff cost to themselves, in a new episode called “Nice for What.” Each of them plucks up the courage to take a stand for her own happiness, although that resolve leads to some changes in their relationships.

“Jane The Virgin” (8 p.m., CW): Jane’s (Gina Rodriguez) editor suggests a decidedly dark twist for her book, prompting Jane to wonder whether the idea might be based on one of the other woman’s actual experiences in the new episode “Chapter Ninety-Seven.” While Rogelio (Jaime Camil) is helping River (Brooke Shields) bond with her daughter, River makes things difficult for him. Xo (Andrea Navedo) tries to focus on smoothing things over between Jane and Alba (Ivonne Coll).

“The Wonderland Murders” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., ID): The Pacific Northwest is justifiably celebrated for its grandeur and unspoiled beauty, but the region’s vast stretches of dense forests and rugged coastlines also have earned it a far more dubious reputation as a dumping ground for serial killers. This true-crime series returns for its second season with “Terror in the Pines.”

“Match Game” (9 p.m., ABC): Host Alec Baldwin welcomes a new slate of celebrities to join in the fill-in-the-blanks fun, including actor and comic Mario Cantone (“Sex and the City”), Raven-Symoné (“Raven’s House”), Hasan Minhaj (“Patriot Act With Hasan Minhaj”), actress and comic Caroline Rhea, Las Vegas entertainer Wayne Newton and actress Sandra Bernhard (“Pose”).

“Man vs. Shark” (9 p.m., 12 a.m., NGeo): In this new special, marine biologist Jeremiah Sullivan gets up close to hungry hammerheads and deadly tiger sharks to measure how much damage they can do to his specially designed armored diving suits, including their bite force, body strength and ability to chew through his advanced materials.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actors James McAvoy, Jessica Chastain, Bill Hader, Isaiah Mustafa, Jay Ryan, James Ransone and Andy Bean.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Joel McHale; comic Marc Maron; comic Dusty Slay.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Sofia Vergara; comic David Cross; Tove Lo performs.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Sen. Kamala Harris (D-Calif.); comic Lenny Clarke; Offset and Cardi B perform.*

* Subject to change

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	NBC	5	Ellen's Game of Games: "Beauty and the Boots."		Songland: "Kelsea Ballerini." © HD		The InBetween: "The Length of a River." (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC	7	Press Your Luck: "102." (N) © HD		Card Sharks: "101." (N) © HD		Match Game (N) © HD		News at 10pm (N) ♦
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Univ	66	La reina soy yo (N)		La Rosa de Guadalupe		Por amar sin ley (N)		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	Wahlburgers ©		Wahlburgers (N) ©		The Employables (N) ©		Wahlburg ♦	
	AMC	The Shawshank Redemption (R,'94) ★★ ★★ Tim Robbins. ©				Perfect Strm ♦			
	ANIM	North Woods Law: Uncuffed (N)				North Woods Law ©		North-Law ♦	
	BBCA	Galaxy Quest (PG,'99) ★★ ★★ Tim Allen. ©				(9:15) Galaxy Quest (PG,'99) ★★ ★			
	BET	♦ (5) Get Rich or Die Tryin'		Higher Learning (R,'95) ★★ ★ Omar Epps, Kristy Swanson. ♦					
	BIGTEN	♦ Michigan Football Classic		Maize & Purdue Football Classic					
	BRAVO	Southern Charm ©		Southern Charm (N) ©		Southern Charm		Watch (N)	
	CLTV	News at 7		News (N)		SportsFeed ©		Politics	
	CNBC	Deal or No Deal ©		Deal or No Deal (N) ©		Deal or No Deal ©		Deal or No ♦	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦	
COM	South Park		South Park		South Park ©		Daily (N)		
DISC	Expedition Unknown ©		Expedition Unknown: Rediscovered ©		Expedition ♦				
DISN	Just Roll (N)		Roll With It		Coop		Sydney-Max	Roll With It	
E!	Something Borrowed (PG-13,'11) ★ Ginnifer Goodwin. ©				Enchanted (PG,'07) ★★ ★				
ESPN	♦ MLB Baseball: Rays at Yankees (N)				SportsCenter (N) (Live) ©		SportCtr (N)		
ESPN2	The 2019 ESPYS ©				ICC (N) ♦				
FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News		
FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Guy's Grocery Games		Grocery ♦		
FREE	grown-ish		(7:31) Sixteen Candles (PG,'84) ★★ Molly Ringwald.		grown-ish		700 Club ♦		
FX	♦ (6) Logan (R,'17) ★★ ★ Hugh Jackman. ©				Snowfall (N) ©		Snowfall ♦		
HALL	The Nine Lives of Christmas (NR,'14) ©				The Christmas Cottage (NR,'17) © ♦				
HGTV	Property Brothers ©		Property Brothers (N) ©		Hunters (N) Hunt Intl (N)		Property ♦		
HIST	Forged in Fire (N)		Forged in Fire (N) ©		Strongest Man (N)		Ax Men ♦		
HLN	Forensic		Forensic		Lies, Crimes & Video ©		Forensic		
IFC	♦ (6) X-Men 2 (PG-13,'03) ★★ ★ ©		(8:45) X-Men		Origins: Wolverine (PG-13,'09) ★★ ★				
LIFE	Married (N)		Married at First Sight (N) ©		Marrying Millions (N) ©		Millions ♦		
MSNBC	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)		
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show (N)		Are You the One? (N) ©		Ex on the Beach ©		Are You ♦		
NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: Chicago White Sox at Kansas City Royals. (N) (Live) ©				Postgame				
NICK	Alvin and the Chipmunks (PG,'07) ★★ Jason Lee. ©		Friends ©		Friends ©		Friends ♦		
Ovation	♦ (6) Man on Fire (R,'04) ★★ Denzel Washington, Dakota Fanning.				Days of Thunder ★★				
OWN	Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Sugar ♦		
OXY	NCIS: "Kill Chain."		NCIS: "Double Back."		NCIS: "Monsters and Men."		NCIS ♦		
PARMT	♦ (6:30) Top Gun (PG,'86) ★★ ★ Tom Cruise. ©				Yellowstone (N) ©		Top Gun ♦		
SYFY	♦ (6:05) Jurassic Park (PG-13,'93) ★★ ★ Sam Neill.				Krypton (N) ©		47 Ronin ♦		
TBS	Big Bang		Big Bang		Big Bang		Full (N)		
TCM	The Grapes of Wrath (NR,'40) ★★ ★★ Henry Fonda, Jane Darwell. ©				Alice Doesn't Live Here ♦				
TLC	Dr. Pimple Popper (N) ©		90 Day Fiancé (N)		90 Day ♦				
TLN	Liberty Univ. Convocation		Diane		The Three		Life Today		
TNT	Horrible Bosses (R,'11) ★★ Jason Bateman. ©				(9:15) Horrible Bosses 2 (R,'14) ★★				
TOON	Amer. Dad		Amer. Dad		Burgers		Burgers		
TRAV	UFOs: Uncovering		UFOs: Uncovering (N)		Alien Highway (N) ©		Ripley's ♦		
TVL	Raymond		Raymond		Younger (N) King		King ♦		
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Suits (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Pearson (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Suits ♦		
VH1	Basketball Wives (N) ©		Black Ink Crew: Chicago		Basketball Wives ©		Hip Hop ♦		
WE	Law & Order: "Precious."		Law & Order: "Virtue." ©		Law & Order ©		Law ♦		
WGN America	JAG: "Death Watch." ©		JAG: "The Imposter." ©		JAG ©		JAG ♦		
PREMIUM	HBO	Behind Closed Doors: "Part 2." (N)				Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald ★★ ♦			
	HBO2	Thoroughbreds (R,'17) ★★ ★ ©				(8:35) Euphoria ©		Divorce ©	
	MAX	The Lost Boys (R,'87) ★★ ★ Jason Patric.				(8:40) Van Helsing (PG-13,'04) ★★ Hugh Jackman. ♦			
	SHO	The Loudest Voice ©				The Mechanic (R,'11) ★★		(9:35) City on a Hill ♦	
	STARZ	♦ Prince of Persia: Sands				The Lone Ranger (PG-13,'13) ★★ Johnny Depp. © ♦			
	STZENC	♦ The Spy Who Loved Me				The Others (PG-13,'01) ★★ Nicole Kidman. ©			

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (July 17): Energy feeds your work, health and vitality this year. Tight collaboration enables high-powered accomplishments. Reach a personal peak this summer, before your partnership takes a turn. New love feeds you both next winter, inspiring you to restyle. Personal growth comes through connection and teamwork.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Lay low with a team effort, and wait for better conditions. Avoid arguments with sensitivity. Communication barriers require patience. Don't force things. Take it easy.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 6. Make backstage preparations, and handle urgencies at work. Work your way around opposition or blockages. Track orders and accounts.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Stay frugal. Avoid traffic and crowds. Unexpected expenses or delays could arise. Find a beautiful view, then rest and recharge.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Revise the budget and pay bills. Manage financial obligations, and stay in communication. Expect delays and miscommunications. Keep your cool.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Provide cheerful service, even with a grump. Stand outside a controversy. Listen to what others want. Anticipate opposition or discord. Avoid big decisions.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Slow the action to avoid accidents. Unexpected barriers require a strategy shift. Keep equipment in good repair. Nurture your health with rest and good food.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 6. Relax, and avoid controversy or confrontation. Beware contradictions and trite solutions. Avoid provoking someone you love. Prioritize family.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Consider domestic renovation consequences before beginning them. Avoid financial arguments with family. Tried and true methods work best.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 6. Put in a correction. Communication breakdowns require adaptation and clarification. Listen before you advance. Notice emotions as well as intellect to anticipate changes. Follow breaking news.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Costs may be higher than expected. Increase organization and coordination to save money. Avoid arguments. Find what you need nearby.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Keep a respectful tone. Stay out of someone else's argument. It's not a good time to gamble. Pumper yourself with hot water and music.

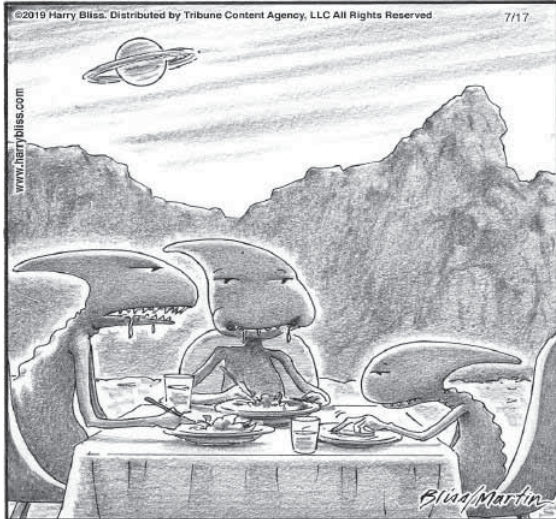
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 6. Private meditation recharges you and releases tension. Contemplate your next move, and keep your objective in mind. Consider a puzzle and craft a backup plan.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North		East	
♠	AK 6 3 2	♠	5
♥	10	♥	K 8 4 2
♦	Q 7 2	♦	J 10 8 6 3
♣	A Q 9 7	♣	J 3 2
South			
♠	Q J 9 8 7 4		
♥	A Q J 3		
♦	Void		
♣	6 5 4		

North-South used the Jacoby Two No Trump convention to learn about South's distribution and then normal cue bidding to reach the sound slam. This was a nice mixture of relatively new methods blending with old familiar ones. West cannot be faulted for his lead, but a club lead would have worried declarer for a moment. However, the friendly location of the king of clubs would have resolved the outcome in declarer's favor.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
3♦**	Pass	3♠	Pass
4♦***	Pass	5♣	Pass
5♥	Pass	6♣	All pass

*Game-forcing spade raise

**Shortness in diamonds

***Void in diamonds

Opening lead: Ace of ♦

South needed three tricks from the heart suit, and they were readily available. Declarer showed his class by playing both opponents for the king of hearts! He ran the 10 of hearts, successfully finessing against East. He then crossed to his hand with a trump, cashed the ace of hearts to discard a club, and then ran the queen of hearts for a ruffing finesse against West. Another club was discarded from dummy.

One of the opponents had to have the king of hearts and the ruffing finesse lost to East. South ruffed the diamond continuation and discarded dummy's queen of clubs on the established jack of hearts. This clever two-way finesse was also a blend of old and new. It has been done many times over the years.

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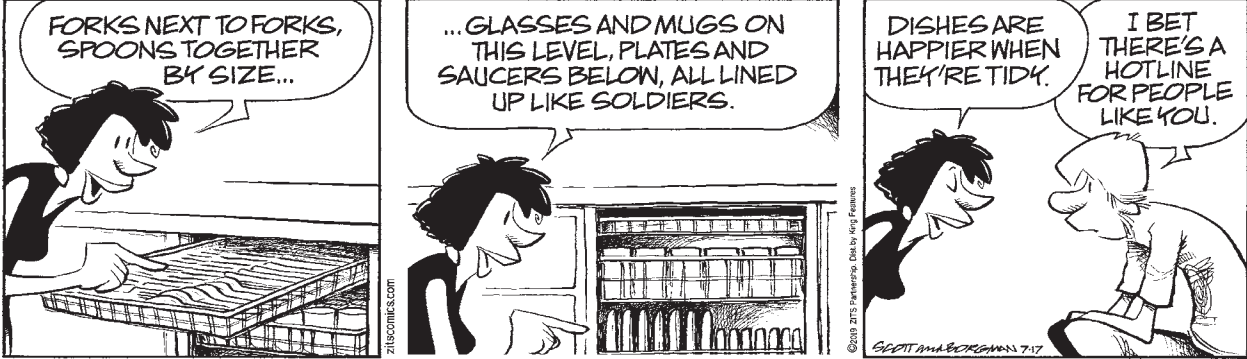
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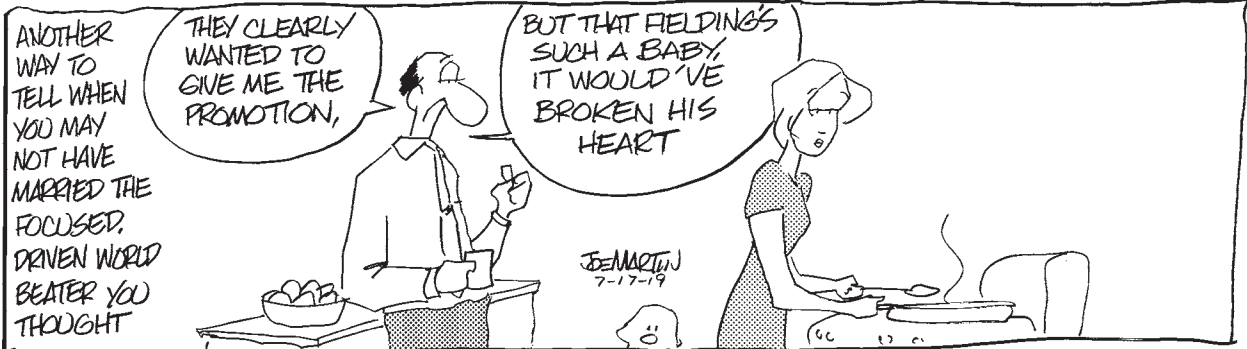
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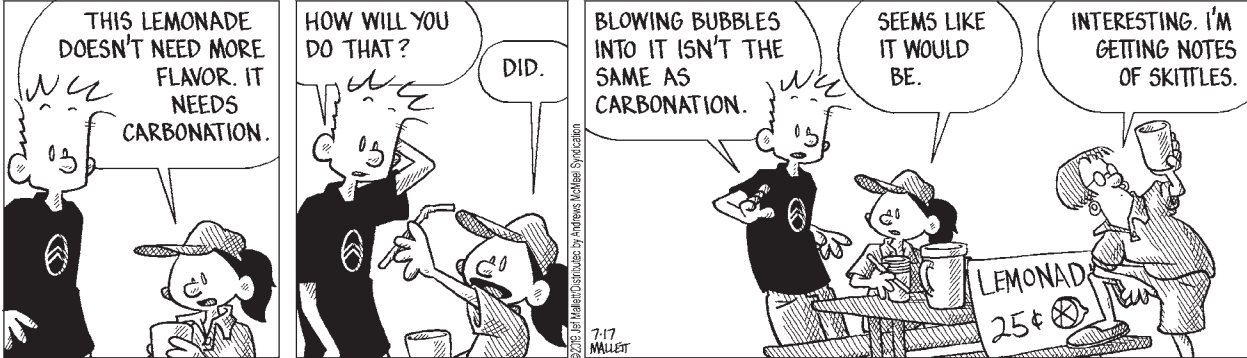
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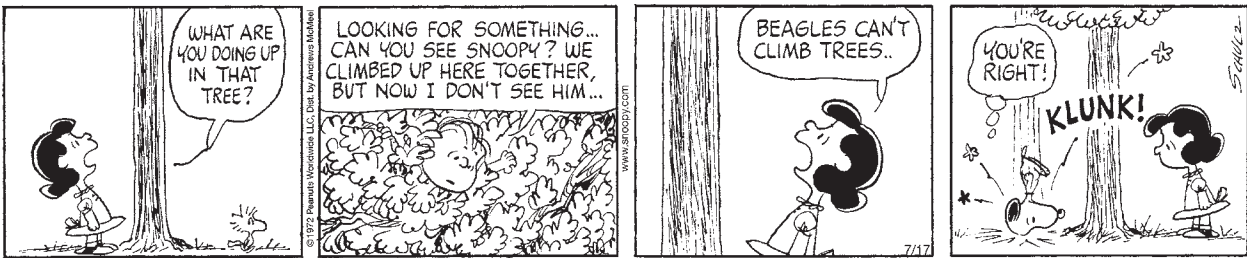
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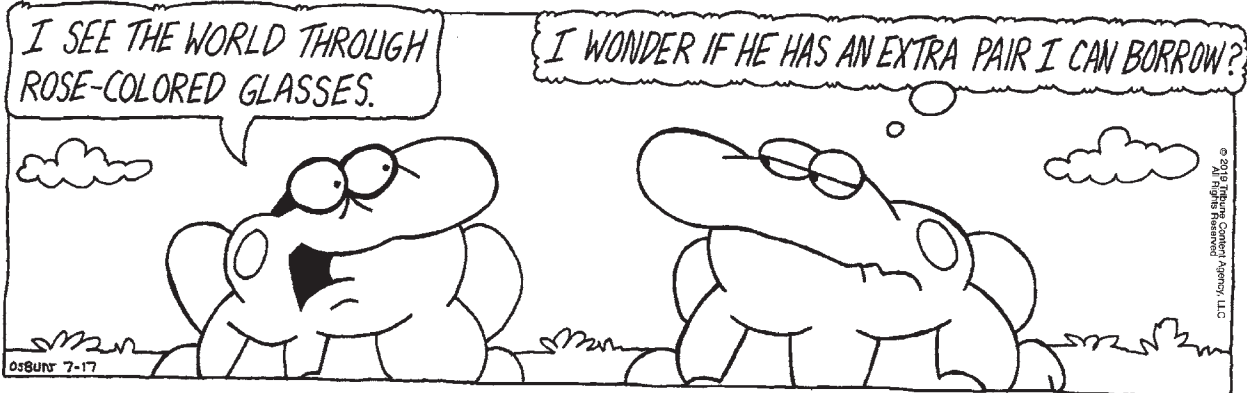
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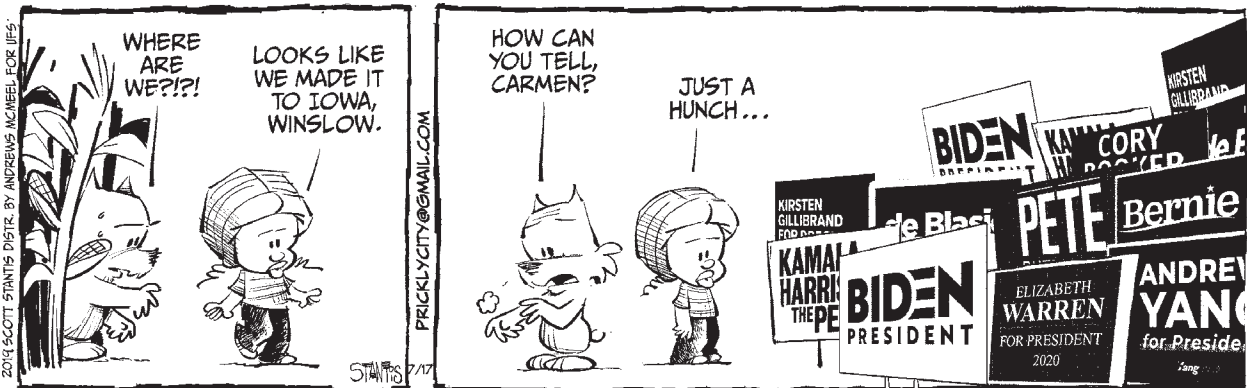
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Animal Crackers By Mike Osburn



Prickly City By Scott Stantis



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WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 NORMAL HIGH: 84° NORMAL LOW: 64° RECORD HIGH: 100° (1942) RECORD LOW: 51° (1985)

Chicago area facing an excessive heat watch

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH

LOW

91

74

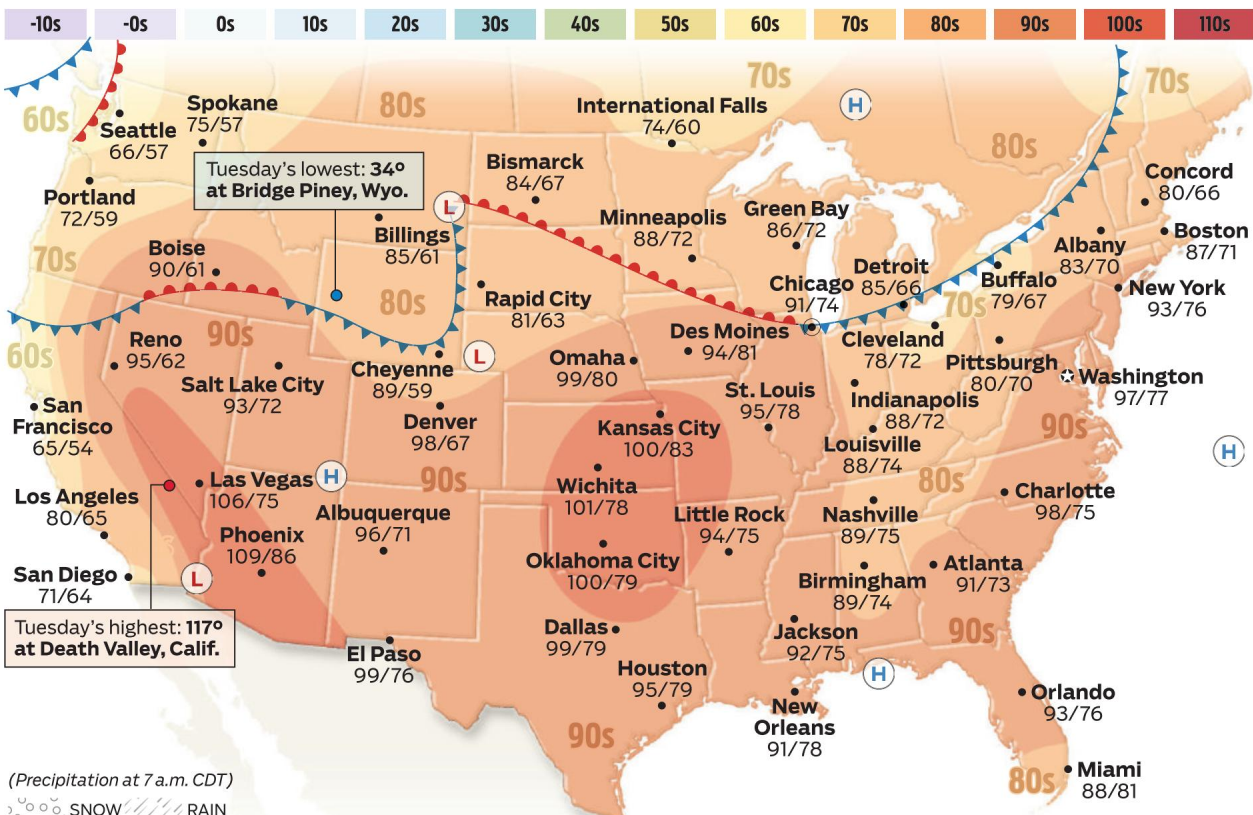
■ Excessive heat a day away, but temps still 10 degrees higher than Tuesday. Warm front at the nose of high pressure will move through our area from west later Wednesday night and Thursday morning, likely triggering t-storms.

■ Some morning clouds, then partly sunny, very warm and humid. Chance of isolated t-storms late.

■ Light winds turn E/SE around 10 mph. Afternoon high temps in lower 90s inland. On-shore flow keeps readings closer to 80 at the lakefront.

■ T-storms possible overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Chicago is under an excessive heat watch from Thursday through Saturday, with daily high temperatures close to the 100-degree mark and heat indices in the very dangerous 105- to 115-degree range. Minimum temperatures Thursday and Friday night likely will not fall below 80 degrees in many areas. This could mean a life or death situation for those susceptible to heat, the very young and elderly, unless they are able to get air conditioning relief.

Before the heat hits, it will become increasing warm and humid Wednesday with a warm front moving through our area from the west on the leading edge of the hot air triggering a band of showers and thunderstorms Wednesday night into Thursday morning. As the front heads east, the heat will ride gusty southwest winds into our area.

THURSDAY, JULY 18

HIGH

LOW

96

80

Chance of early morning t-storms. Mostly sunny, breezy, hot, humid. Temps peak in mid-upper 90s. Heat index readings in 105-108 range possible. SW winds 15-25 mph. No relief at night. Temps in the 80s.

FRIDAY, JULY 19

HIGH

LOW

101

80

Mostly sunny. Continued dangerously hot and humid with no night time break in temps. Temps reach 100 degrees with heat indices of 105-115. SW winds 15-25 mph. Warm and muggy overnight, temps in the 80s.

SATURDAY, JULY 20

HIGH

LOW

100

75

Intense heat wave continues. Sunshine, SW winds 15-25 mph send temps to around 100 degrees area-wide with heat indices up to 112 degrees. Muggy with little or no relief at night, low 75-80.

SUNDAY, JULY 21

HIGH

LOW

91

65

SW-W winds keep the area in a hot and humid air mass, but increasing clouds and chance of afternoon t-storms hold high temps in the lower 90s. Good chance of t-storms overnight and turning cooler.

MONDAY, JULY 22

HIGH

LOW

80

65

Cold front moves off to the east followed a cooler much less humid Canadian-source air mass. High temps around 80 degrees. Fair skies overnight. Northwest winds

TUESDAY, JULY 23

HIGH

LOW

82

64

Mostly sunny with afternoon highs in the lower 80s. Clear skies overnight. Northwest winds.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
The diary of artist Edwin Willard Deming tells about a big storm in Englewood in 1886 that destroyed his studio. Any details?
Gene Meier
Sycamore

Dear Gene,
The Chicago area was hit by a severe windstorm on October 14, 1886; the result of two low pressure systems combining into an intense storm in north-west Illinois. The storm's strong southwest winds, gusting as high as 65 mph, began about 8 am and continued into the early afternoon. In addition to the destruction of Deming's Englewood studio, a Lockport home was demolished, a 20-foot diameter, 100 ton water tower was blown over — crushing several buildings — and numerous trees, haystacks and sheds were blown away. The storm created havoc on the Great Lakes where many vessels were damaged or blown ashore.

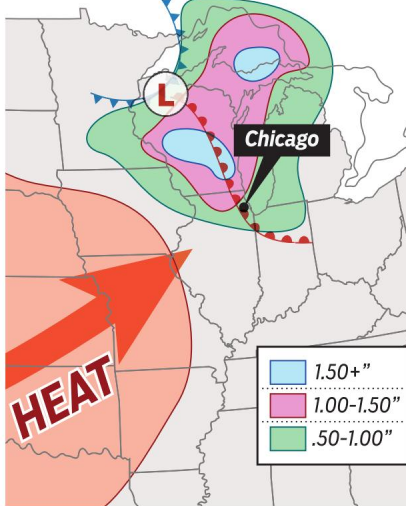
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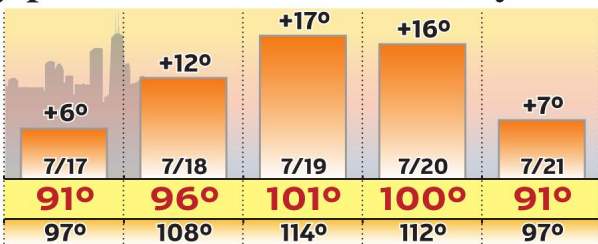
Some gusty thunderstorms may precede hottest air in 7 years

POTENTIAL RAINFALL
Wednesday evening into Thursday morning
Thunderstorms along warm front/low pressure
Heat follows out of central/southern Plains



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

FORECAST CHICAGO HIGH TEMPS
Peak heat index temperatures and temp departures from normal



THE NATION'S HEARTLAND BAKES!
Predicted Thursday heat indices and active warnings for HEAT



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MIDWEST CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois						
Carbondale	pc	92	75	su	96	76
Champaign	pc	89	73	su	97	76
Decatur	pc	90	75	su	96	77
Moline	pc	93	79	su	99	81
Peoria	pc	90	76	su	96	78
Quincy	pc	95	79	su	98	79
Rockford	pc	91	75	su	97	79
Springfield	pc	92	76	su	97	77
Sterling	pc	91	76	su	97	79

Indiana						
Bloomington	ts	88	72	pc	93	74
Evansville	pc	90	75	su	96	76
Fort Wayne	ts	89	71	pc	94	78
Indianapolis	ts	88	72	pc	94	76
Lafayette	pc	89	73	su	96	76
South Bend	pc	88	72	su	94	77

Wisconsin						
Green Bay	pc	86	72	su	91	76
Kenosha	pc	85	73	su	96	80
La Crosse	pc	90	74	su	94	80
Madison	pc	89	73	su	93	79
Milwaukee	pc	86	73	su	96	80
Wausau	pc	83	68	su	86	72

Michigan						
Detroit	ts	85	66	pc	91	78
Grand Rapids	pc	90	72	su	94	79
Marquette	pc	90	72	su	94	79
St. Ste. Marie	pc	82	63	su	77	67
Traverse City	pc	85	69	su	88	77

Iowa						
Ames	pc	91	78	su	97	79
Cedar Rapids	pc	90	77	su	97	79
Des Moines	pc	94	81	su	99	82
Dubuque	pc	91	74	su	96	79

OTHER U.S. CITIES

Albany	ts	83	70	sh	81	66
Albuquerque	pc	96	71	su	97	70
Amarillo	pc	98	73	pc	100	73
Anchorage	pc	90	78	su	96	75
Asheville	ts	89	68	su	96	75
Aspen	su	83	51	pc	85	50
Atlanta	pc	91	73	su	90	74
Atlantic City	pc	87	77	su	85	74
Austin	pc	96	76	su	98	77
Baltimore	ts	96	77	su	93	78
Billings	pc	85	61	su	86	57
Birmingham	ts	89	74	su	93	75
Bismarck	ts	84	67	su	88	63
Boise	pc	90	61	su	86	56
Boston	ts	87	71	sh	73	66
Brownsville	pc	96	80	su	96	80
Buffalo	ts	79	67	pc	85	75
Burlington	ts	81	62	pc	84	66
Charlotte	pc	98	75	su	95	76
Charlottesville	pc	90	79	su	90	79
Charlottesville	ts	82	71	su	89	73
Chattanooga	ts	84	74	su	89	73
Cheyanne	su	89	59	pc	90	61
Cincinnati	ts	85	71	su	82	75
Cleveland	ts	78	72	su	88	79
Colorado Spgs	pc	93	61	su	95	64
Columbia MO	pc	97	78	su	97	76
Columbia SC	pc	99	77	su	96	76
Columbus	ts	85	70	su	93	76
Concord	pc	80	66	su	74	59
Corpus Christi	pc	92	80	su	93	81
Dallas	pc	99	79	su	98	79
Daytona Bch.	ts	91	75	su	90	75
Denver	pc	98	67	pc	100	68
Duluth	ts	66	60	su	84	68
El Paso	pc	99	76	su	99	76

Fairbanks	pc	75	56	pc	76	56
Fargo	ts	82	65	su	88	67
Flagstaff	su	83	53	su	85	53
Fort Myers	ts	91	75	su	89	75
Fort Smith	pc	97	76	su	96	75
Fresno	pc	98	69	pc	100	67
Grand Junc.	su	98	65	su	99	64
Great Falls	cl	79	59	pc	77	48
Harrisburg	ts	95	74	su	90	73
Hartford	ts	92	73	sh	75	65
Helena	cl	76	57	su	70	49
Honolulu	pc	89	77	su	88	78
Houston	pc	95	79	su	94	79
Int'l Falls	ts	74	60	su	83	61
Jackson	pc	92	75	su	93	74
Jacksonville	ts	94	78	su	93	78
Janeau	sh	65	55	sh	64	55
Kansas City	pc	100	83	su	100	82
Las Vegas	su	106	75	su	105	75
Lexington	ts	85	72	su	91	74
Lincoln	pc	101	77	su	102	81
Little Rock	pc	94	75	su	93	74
Los Angeles	pc	80	65	su	76	62
Louisville	ts	88	74	su	93	78
Macon	pc	98	75	su	93	74
Memphis	ts	91	77	su	93	75
Miami	pc	88	81	su	88	81
Minneapolis	ts	88	72	su	90	75
Mobile	pc	93	78	su	92	78
Montgomery	pc	94	75	su	95	75
Murphy	ts	89	75	su	93	75
New Orleans	pc	91	78	su	90	77
New York	ts	93	76	su	93	72
Norfolk	pc	98	77	su	90	75
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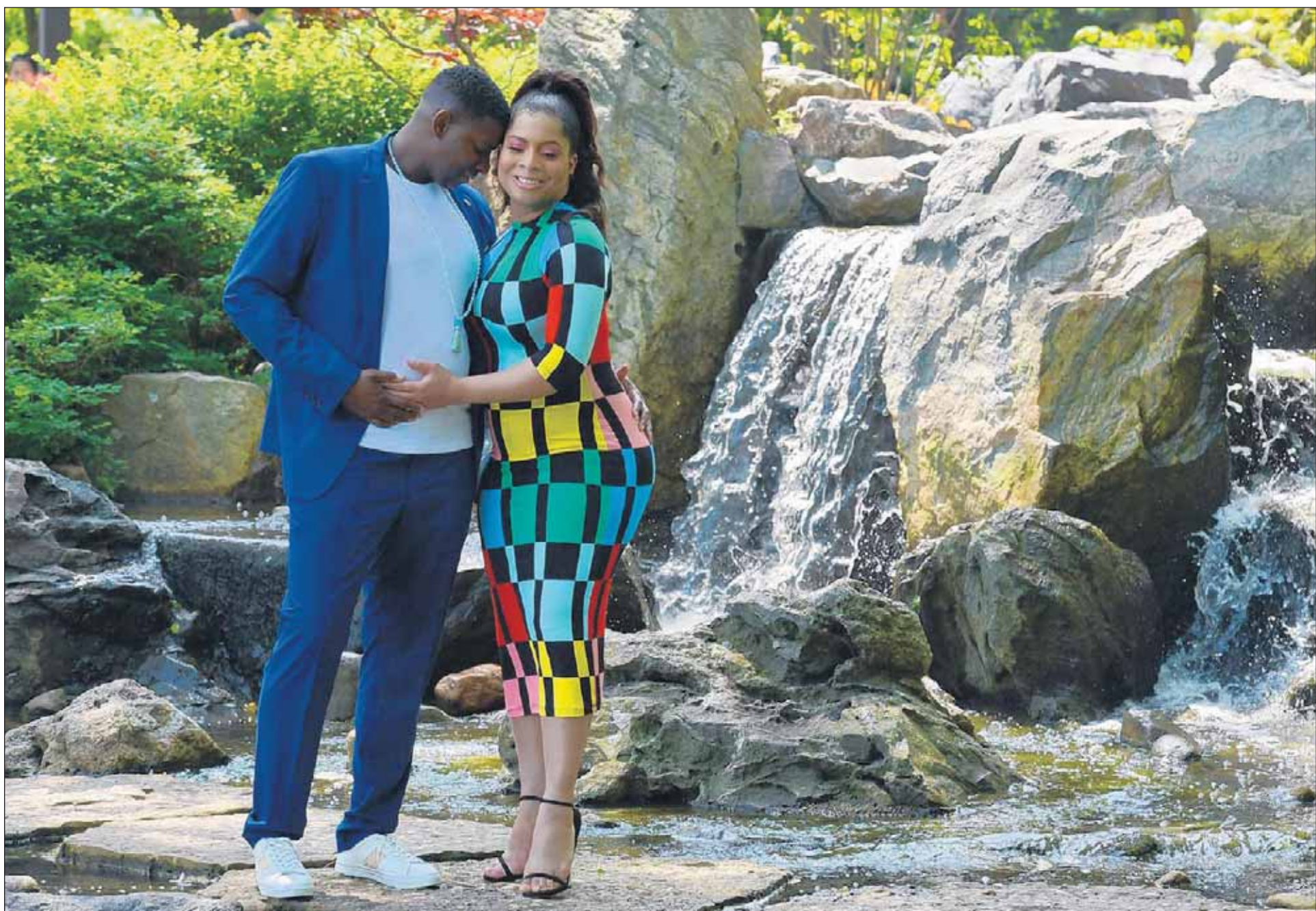
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Palm Springs	su	108	74	su	107	74
Philadelphia	ts	96	77	su	88	74
Phoenix	su	109	86	pc	108	86
Pittsburgh	ts	80	70	su	88	74
Portland, ME	ts	81	64	su	72	58
Portland, OR	sh	72	59	su	75	53
Providence	ts	92	72	sh	74	65
Raleigh	pc	98	76	su	94	75
Rapid City	ts	92	73	sh	75	65
Reno	pc	95	62	su	94	60
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Rochester	ts	79	68	su	85	73
Sacramento	pc	95	61	su	88	57
Salem, Ore.	cl	74	59	su	78	51
Salt Lake City	pc	93	72	su	96	70
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San Diego	pc	71	64	su	73	64
San Francisco	pc	65	54	cl	62	54
San Juan	pc	88	78	su	87	79
Santa Fe	pc	89	62	su	91	61
Savannah	ts	96	76	su	96	76
Seattle	sh	66	57	pc	70	56
Shreveport	su	96	78	su	95	77
Shreveport	ts	91	70	su	94	75
Sioux Falls	ts	91	70	su	94	75
Spokane	sh	75	57	su	77	50
St. Louis	pc	95	78	su	98	78
Tucson	ts	80	68	su	87	72
Tallahassee	ts	95	75	su	94	75
Tampa	ts	89	77	su	90	77
Topeka	pc	100	80	su	99	80
Turkey	pc	102	78	su	100	78
Tulsa	su	99	79	su	98	79
Washington	pc	97	77	su	93	77
Wichita	pc	101	78	su	100	78
Wilkes Barre	ts	83	67	su	79	66
Yuma	su	107	80	pc	107	80

WORLD CITIES

WEDNESDAY	SH	HI	LO	WEDNESDAY	SH	HI	LO
Acapulco	su	89	79	Kingston	su	89	79
Algiers	su	96	70	London	su	89	79
Amsterdam	pc	74	60	Lisbon	su	89	79
Ankara	sh	80	59	Madrid	su	89	79
Athens	pc	85	70	Mexico	su	89	79
Auckland	pc	58	53	Monterrey	su	89	79
Baghdad	su	106	78	Munich	su	89	79
Bangkok	ts	91	79	Nairobi	su	89	79
Barbados	pc	87	79	Nassau	su	89	79
Barcelona	pc	83	71	New Delhi	su	89	79
Beijing	ts	92	74	New Orleans	su	89	79
Beirut	su	94	79	Paris	su	89	79
Berlin	pc	75	57	Perth	su	89	79
Bermuda	pc	84	79	Rio de la Plata	su	89	79
Bogota	cl	66	49	Riyadh	su	89	79
Brussels	pc	76	59	Rome	su	89	79
Bucharest	pc	83	63	Sofia	su	89	79
Budapest	pc	80	57	Taipei	su	89	79
Buenos Aires	pc	62	47	Tel Aviv	su	89	79
Cairo	su	108	81	Tokyo	su	89	79
Cancun	ts	89	79	Trinidad	su	89	79
Caracas	cl	77	64	Unionville	su	89	79
Casablanca	pc	75	67	Winnipeg	su	89	79
Copenhagen	pc	71	56				
Dublin	sh	66	54				
Edmonton	ts	74	54				
Frankfurt	pc	70	54				
Geneva	pc	84	60				
Guadalajara	ts	85	61				
Havana	ts	93	73				
Heilbronn	pc	70	54				
Hong Kong	ts	93	73				
Istanbul	pc	79	67				
Jakarta	su	96	69				
Jerusalem	su	63	43				
Johns Hopkins	ts	71	52				

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MYSTIC IMAGES PHOTOGRAPHY

Myles Brady Davis and his wife, Precious, are expecting a baby in December. Both the Brady Davises are transgender.

‘We’re pregnant!’

BY NARA SCHOENBERG

When Myles Brady Davis found out he was pregnant, he rejoiced with his wife, Precious. They held hands, they teared up.

They sank to the living room floor and melted into each other, just savoring the moment.

“Yeah, it was beautiful,” said Brady Davis. “But then I didn’t believe it, and I went to Walgreen’s and I bought, like, 12 tests.”

Brady Davis, 37, of Chicago, had reason to be cautious; both he and his wife are transgender, and he’s one of maybe a few thousand transgender men worldwide who have gotten pregnant. The couple’s pregnancy comes after considerable struggle; an initial round of IVF failed, and both Myles and Precious — the first transgender bride on the “Say Yes to the Dress” franchise on TLC — had to go off the hormones that reinforce their gender identities to get pregnant.

Still, the LGBTQ power couple — he’s communications director for Equality

Illinois, she’s a communications manager for the Sierra Club — are thrilled to be expecting.

“To see that he is the one who is carrying my child is the most beautiful thing in the world,” said Precious, 33.

“I am so excited to see a version of us.”

Myles comes from a long line of men who knew their soulmates at first sight, he said, and he was no different. In 2014, he’d recently returned to Chicago and was volunteering for an LGBTQ organization on the South Side. The executive director gave him a list of people to contact for help with a project, and the last name on the list was Precious Davis, then an LGBTQ youth outreach coordinator at the Center on Halsted.

The first time he saw her,

she was coming down the stairs at her workplace to meet him.

“I just saw my future flash before my eyes,” he said. “I saw her in the park with kids. I saw the life we live now. I just saw my happiness in her.”

Precious didn’t initially buy into the vision; she told Myles she was too busy with her career to date.

“Like all legendary people, I persisted,” Myles said with a chuckle. A year later, they started dating, and they say they never looked back.

Myles always knew he wanted to have children. Precious, who was given up for adoption when she was 4 and has lived in foster care, said motherhood wasn’t on her radar. In many ways, she felt she already had kids: the homeless LGBTQ youth she mentored at the Center on

Halsted. Asked what changed her mind, she answered in one word: “Myles.”

“My husband is the most beautiful person I have ever met in my entire life,” she said. He cares deeply, she said. He’s passionate about social justice. “And he sees me in a way that no one has before. The way that Myles loves me is unconditional.”

Stopping their gender-reinforcing hormones was difficult for both of them.

“I started to watch my body change in ways that were really triggering for my gender dysphoria,” said Myles, referring to the psychological pain of living with a body that doesn’t match your gender identity.

“But because I had a partner who understood what I was going through, it made it really bearable.”

When Precious had been off her hormones long enough, her body was able to produce healthy sperm, which was combined with an egg from Myles’ body. The embryo was implanted in Myles’ uterus.

The Brady Davises’ fertility specialist at Fertility Centers of Illinois, Brian Kaplan, said transgender pregnancies are still unusual, and treating the Brady Davises was satisfying on multiple levels — societal, medical and personal.

“They’re just such a nice couple,” he said.

The government doesn’t track transgender pregnancies, but Trystan Reese, director of family formation at the nonprofit Family Equality, said via email that he estimates there are hundreds, if not thousands, of transgender men who have given birth worldwide. Reese runs a secret Facebook group with 278 transgender members from around the world, all of whom have given birth.

Reached by phone in New

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Instagram recently announced new features to protect against bullying.

Instagram is trying to stop online bullying

BY KATE THAYER

After Instagram last week rolled out new protections against bullying on the platform, experts say that while the move could help, there’s still more parents can do to promote good online experiences for their kids.

Instagram announced the new features, vowing to “lead the fight against online bullying” — a problem that especially affects adolescents, a group that uses the platform heavily.

One of the newly available changes uses artificial intelligence to sense when people are about to post offensive comments, and asks if they’re sure they want to do so, giving them

time to reconsider. Another feature will be introduced soon that allows users to “restrict” someone, meaning they can delete comments from or block the other person from posts without that person knowing. The company said it arrived at the concept after hearing feedback that users are reluctant to outwardly block a bully because it could escalate the situation, especially if they also interact with the bully “in real life.”

“I really believe companies have a responsibility to do this,” said Jonathan Singer, associate professor of social work at Loyola University Chicago and president

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How are you feeling? Check your wristband

Device could help patients manage mood disorders

By DENNIS THOMPSON
HealthDay

Remember the “mood ring” craze of the 1970s? A high-tech wristband is being developed along the same lines, potentially helping people who struggle with mood disorders. The smart wristband would use a person's skin to track their emotional intensity. During a mood swing, either high or low, the wristband would change color, heat up, squeeze or vibrate to inform the wearer he might be in the throes of depression or anxiety, the researchers said. “As the feedback is provided in real time, our devices encourage people to become more aware of their emotions, name them, potentially reflect on what causes them, and even learn how to control their emotional responses in order to change the visual or tactile feedback provided by the device,” said researcher Corina Sas. She is a professor of human-computer interaction and digital health at Lancaster University in the U.K. About 10% of U.S. adults struggle with a mood disorder, such as depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder or seasonal affective disorder, according to the National Institute of Mental Health. Part of the treatment for a mood disorder involves becoming more aware of emotions, and then learning to regulate emotional response, the study authors said in background notes in their report. Co-author Muhammad Umair, a Lancaster research associate, explained, “We wanted to create low-cost, simple prototypes to support understanding and engagement with real-time changes in arousal. The idea is to develop self-help



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technologies that people can use in their everyday life and be able to see what they are going through,” he said in a university news release. To that end, the U.K. researchers are developing wristbands that use sensors to detect changes in a person's emotional intensity by tracking the electrical conductivity of their skin. The devices then communicate those emotional changes either through materials that change color, heat up, vibrate or squeeze the wrist, the researchers said. “Depression has a range of emotions, but if we talk about sadness, then as this is associated with low arousal — or what we call emotional intensity — the device will most likely reflect low arousal,” Sas

said. “On the other hand, anxiety tends to be associated with high-intensity arousal, so that device will most likely reflect this.” However, Sas noted, the device does not differentiate between positive or negative emotions, but between high- and low-intensity ones. The researchers tested six wrist-worn prototypes with 12 people who wore them over two days. Participants said the wristbands effectively prompted them to evaluate their emotions. One participant told the researchers: “When I see the feedback, I feel present, I start to reflect what I was doing before and try to think how I am feeling at that moment.” Another said: “It made me more aware of my feel-

ings and made me think what feelings I have. But if I didn't have the device, I wouldn't be probably as aware.” But participants were also concerned that negative feedback from the device might pose a hazard. One said it could “be used as a trigger and might push you down the negative path.” That's a concern shared by Jessie Warner-Cohen, a health psychologist with Long Island Jewish Medical Center in New Hyde Park, New York. “I caution against letting a device dictate to a person their own emotions,” she said. On the other hand, such a device is consistent with a long-established tradition of biofeedback, in which people use “physiological

cues to help us actively try to regulate our minds and bodies,” Warner-Cohen said. The device could help people recognize specific habits or tics that occur when they have a mood swing, she added. “For example, if a person can identify that they clench their jaw when stressed then, in reverse, noticing when they clench their jaw can help a person recognize they are getting stressed and take proactive steps to alleviate such,” Warner-Cohen explained. Dr. Victor Fornari, a psychiatrist with Zucker Hillside Hospital in Queens, New York, said the wristbands may be the beginning of “a new frontier” in helping to identify and regulate anxiety and

depression. “Increasing awareness about emotional reactions and improving the way individuals can self-regulate their emotions can be very helpful and important for everyone, but particularly for individuals with a mood or anxiety disorder,” Fornari said. The technology is not yet patented, Sas said, and it is some ways off from being available to consumers. “We need about another year to develop a more robust version of our research prototypes so that we can integrate both visual and tactile feedback,” she said. “At that stage, we will look into running clinical trials to explore its value for people living with affective disorders, such as depression or anxiety.”

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York, where they were enjoying a short “baby-moon,” or pre-baby romantic getaway, the Brady Davises, who are due in December, said Myles has what looks like a beer belly and his chest has grown. Used to being seen as a man, he now has to deal

with uncomfortable moments in public bathrooms, where people are no longer as sure about his gender. As a black man, he said, he already had safety concerns about racially motivated violence, but now he also finds himself assessing risk based on perceptions of his gender. Still, he said, he's having a great time, due to the support of family, lifelong friends and his wife, who

gives him daily pep talks. “I feel like *the man*, because she really affirms me,” he said. “He's my seahorse,” Precious said. Asked if his wife says that because of the seahorse's gently protruding midsection, Myles said no. “The male seahorses,” he said, “are the ones who give birth.”

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Drive-in theaters give simplicity to summer



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The Middle Ages

For the record, I hate when things change. If it were up to me, Babe Ruth would still be in Boston; Sonny would still be with Cher.

Riverside's Van Buren Drive-In plays right into such sappy traditionalism. Smells of childhood and warm pie. Probably belongs in the Smithsonian, in a special section where you don't have to exit your car.

You remember drive-in movies, right? Like dreamcatchers, like sacred hoops, where love, longing, ambition and romance all tumbled together in flickering rat-a-tat-tat light beams out on the edge of town.

God save the queen and drive-in theaters. God save summer.

Let me take you on a date to this humble Van Buren, with the ranch-themed snack stands and prairie sunsets. So soothing, so redolent of simpler times.

To me, the 55-year-old Van Buren ought to be a protected landmark, guarded on horseback by a bronzed and sneering Clint Eastwood, though to look at it tonight you'd never think it was in any sort of distress.

No, the Van Buren is jumping this summer evening, with lines of cars waiting to enter and a sellout looming an hour before showtime. Kids dart among parked cars, playing tag. Moms and dads relax in lawn chairs, chatting with neighbors, sipping cold drinks while admiring the blazing Riv-

On the marquee, a slew of summer releases: “Toy Story 4,” “Secret Life of Pets 2,” “Child’s Play,” “Men in Black International,” everything a sequel or spinoff. We have reached the point where we are watching the sequels of sequels of sequels.

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I won't rant much more over them; they have pluses, but mostly minuses. I just have to say I dread the prospect of “Toy Story 47” when Sheriff Woody gets a new hip while lamenting how Andy's great-grandchildren have abandoned him so completely.

Naturally, many of us remember movies before sequels, when everything was an original, a passion project, like lasagna made from scratch. Of course, back then drive-ins provided a genre all their own: “Smokey and the Bandit,” “Last House on the Left” or Cheech & Chong's hugely prescient “Up in Smoke.”

I remember seeing “Soylent Green” at a suburban Chicago drive-in, another flick that seemed to clearly sketch the future. (I also took it as a subversive swipe at snack-bar food.)

I fondly recall the sensational “Billy Jack” series too, which quenched America's never-ending

thirst for quick and stupid justice.

Drive-ins, which continue to offer double features, is where binge-watching all began. Tonight, everyone seems to have a memory.

“We used to go to the one in Anaheim, which was right where the stadium is today,” recalls Milton Abrera, while waiting at the snack stand with his two daughters, who are at a drive-in for the first time and presumably will one day bring their own kids.

The mind mellows on nights such as this. Memories ping and they pong. The pulse slows. Someone pops the top of a beer.

Up on the screen, Buzz Lightyear is typically flummoxed, a goofy sidekick in need of always proving himself. And Sheriff Woody is lamenting about how quickly life passes. He suffers, as the French used to say, from “hypochondria of the heart.”

Ironically, he is voicing this to a packed drive-in where kids are spilling out of backed-in cars, in joyous scrums of blankets and sleeping bags, amid young parents who must wonder themselves how long these family moments can last.

Forever, that's all. Thanks to drive-ins. Thanks to summer.

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of the American Association of Suicidology. “Tech companies have a responsibility to use technology to address the ways in which the technology can be used to hurt other people.”

Singer said the new features are a good idea, but tech companies alone cannot solve the problem with algorithms. And there are other precautions parents can take to try to combat bad online behaviors.

Cyberbullying, like other forms of harassment, can lead to higher rates of anxiety, depression and other mental health issues in teens, Singer said. But eliminating social media, which is often the way young people socialize and communicate, isn't a realistic option.

He said parents should “start early” with kids already interested in social media platforms, but not by letting them get their own account. “This might look like starting an Instagram account for the family dog,” he said.

That way, Singer said, kids and parents can talk about good social media behaviors and online safety together in a shared experience.

It's also helpful for parents to talk with other parents in their kids' peer group about shared online philosophies and rules, and to share those discussions with the kids, he said. That

way, friends can hold one another accountable and all play by the same rules. Jackie Rhew, a licensed clinical professional counselor with Amita Health who works with adolescents, called the move by Instagram “a good start.” “Kids, in general — especially adolescents — are so impulsive,” she said, praising the new feature that allows users to reconsider a disparaging comment.

She said these safeguards are important because kids don't always tell their parents about cyberbullying for fear their electronics will be taken away.

Instead, it's important for parents to be proactive in talking with their kids about expectations online and how to respond to a bully, Rhew said. She advises parents to tell their kids to report and not to retaliate. And parents should also talk about the consequences of bullying someone, she said. “Take the time to educate and monitor.”

But Bart Andrews, St. Louis psychologist and board member of the American Association of Suicidology, thinks the new protections could actually do more harm than good.

Instead of building an algorithm to prevent an offensive comment, parents and the community should be teaching kids to “handle stress and inappropriate behavior,” Andrews said.

“Things that used to be

normal, we now try to protect our kids from,” he said.

While there are extreme situations of bullying that need intervention, Andrews said, learning to handle more benign offensive comments on their own helps kids build resilience.

Andrews also said these protections could just push people to other social platforms with fewer restrictions.

Adrienne Massanari, associate professor of communication at the University of Illinois at Chicago, said she's skeptical about the effectiveness of Instagram's new features.

“This seems a little bit like it's too little, too late. (Bullying) behavior is already ingrained in these platforms,” she said.

“While this is not terrible — any attempts platforms are doing to address these issues on a whole is a good thing — I worry ... this may not be effective.”

“Human beings are incredibly creative,” Massanari added.

“If someone wants to circumvent (the protections), there are ways to do that.”

The moves also seem like a simple solution to a complicated societal problem, Massanari said.

While technology companies can only respond in technological ways, she said, “I don't think it's going to be the only thing that solves this problem.”

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Moms exposed to solvent chemicals were 1.5 times more likely to have a child with autism.

Women’s exposure to solvents at work tied to autism in kids

HealthDay

Children of mothers who are often exposed to solvent chemicals in the workplace appear to have an increased risk of autism, a new study finds.

The study of almost 1,000 families can’t prove cause and effect, but researchers report that mothers of autistic children had more frequent exposure to solvents than mothers of children without autism. Overall, moms exposed to solvents were 1.5 times more likely to have a child with autism.

Exposure to other workplace chemicals seemed to have no effect on autism risk in offspring, the study found.

The study “results are consistent with earlier reports that have identified solvents as a potential risk factor for (autism spectrum disorders),” said a team led by Erin McCanlies. She’s with the Health Effects Laboratory at the U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health.

One autism expert who wasn’t involved in the study said it does give pause for thought.

“The fact that there was a weak association between solvents and autism spectrum disorders is concerning and should not be dismissed,” said Dr. Andrew Adesman, who directs child

and adolescent psychiatry at Cohen Children’s Medical Center in New Hyde Park, New York.

He stressed, though, that the association failed to reach statistical significance “when needed adjustments were made for this analysis.”

On the other hand, the study sample was relatively small, so a larger population might reveal a stronger connection, Adesman said.

In the study, McCanlies’ team analyzed the personal, health and job history information of parents of 537 children with autism, as well the parents of 414 children without autism.

That included examining 750 mothers’ and 891 fathers’ exposure to 16 workplace chemicals or other substances linked to neurological and/or congenital abnormalities from three months before pregnancy through to the birth of the child.

The agents included medicines, metals, pesticides, anesthetics, asphalt, brake fluid, plastics and polymers, radiation, cleaners/disinfectants and solvents such as paints, degreasers and other chemicals.

Mothers of autistic children had more frequent exposure to solvents than mothers of children without autism. Long-term, moderate-level exposure to

solvents at work among women was associated with a near doubling in the risk of having a child with autism, the team noted.

Exposure among mothers and fathers to the other workplace agents was not associated with an increased risk of having a child with autism, even when exposures of both parents were combined, according to the study. The findings were published online in late June in the journal Occupational & Environmental Medicine.

Solvents can be absorbed through the skin and lungs, and many remain in the body, including in the brain, the researchers explained in a journal news release.

Dr. Kenneth Spaeth is chief of occupational and environmental medicine at Northwell Health in Great Neck, New York. Reviewing the new study, he said it “adds important information to the body of scientific literature on the potential role of environmental risk factors for autism spectrum disorders.

“While many of these solvents are well-known to be damaging to the brain and nervous system, the precise mechanism as to how parental exposure could result in autism spectrum disorder has not been worked out,” Spaeth added.

PEOPLE’S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Spoonful of cinnamon can help blood sugar go down

BY JOE GRAEDON
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Q. My husband was having blood sugars in the 200s, even though he was taking metformin and cutting his carb intake down to 15 to 30 grams per day. He was becoming insulin-resistant. We had bought some cinnamon sticks in Mexico, where they are called canela. He ground up some and started taking a ¼ teaspoon of the powder. His sugars immediately dropped into the low 100s and stayed there.

A. A review of research on the effects of cinnamon concluded that it is probably helpful (together with medication) in controlling blood sugar (Clinical Nutrition ESPEN, October 2018). The “canela” used in Mexican cuisine is Cinnamomum zeylanicum, or Ceylon cinnamon.

Q. In my refrigerator, I have a bottle of beer, and in the freezer, a small carton of milk. Either one will wash off poison ivy plant oils, just as they each soothe the fire of hot Mexican peppers. I have lots of poison ivy here in the mountain woodlands. I’m surprised no one else has mentioned these remedies. Just thaw the milk in hot water if there is none in the fridge.

A. Washing the urushiol resin of poison ivy off the skin within 15 minutes of exposure is the best way to prevent the rash. Readers have offered a wide variety of strategies for this purpose including Fels-Naptha soap, witch hazel, rubbing alcohol, hydrogen peroxide, jewel weed or good old-fashioned soap and water. Many readers also recommend over-the-



Ground cinnamon along with medication can help lower blood sugar.

counter products such as Zanol poison ivy wash or Tecnu Outdoor Skin Cleanser. Yours is the most unusual solution for washing off poison ivy oil promptly.

Q. I sometimes get hiccups right after eating. If I’m in a restaurant, I can’t always stop them with any of the tricks that usually work. One night, our waitress told me of an acupressure technique. She worked as a massage therapist for her day job and had studied pressure points. She told me to pinch the sides of both index fingertips at the same time. This requires a bit of finger gymnastics, but it can be done. My hiccups stopped almost immediately. I’ve used that technique multiple times since and it has worked every time.

A. Thanks for sharing this unusual hiccup remedy. Many home cures for hiccups involve drinking something, sometimes in an unusual posture (e.g., to drink from the far side of the cup, you have to bend over it). In a restaurant, you might be able to get an olive to eat or some dill pickle juice to sip. These are other favorites, similar to sucking on a lemon wedge sprinkled with

Angostura bitters. A teaspoonful of sugar swallowed straight also should be available in a restaurant and is a classic hiccup remedy.

Q. More than a decade ago, I had a colonoscopy. Not liking that procedure, I chose to use Cologuard at the usual recommended 10-year retest. Both times, the tests were negative. Now, three years later, I asked my doctor to give me a referral to a gastroenterologist for my next Cologuard. She said her medical group is no longer using Cologuard because of “the inability to correlate the information provided by that test with the outcomes of a colonoscopy.”

My only option if I want a noninvasive screening would be to use an immunochemical fecal occult blood test yearly. Is this test reliable?

A. People at high risk of colorectal cancer due to family history or previous polyps should have regular colonoscopies. Other folks may benefit from a FIT (fecal immunochemical test). This over-the-counter home test reveals blood in the stool. A study published in the Annals of Internal Medicine (Feb. 26, 2019) showed that such tests detect up to 80 percent of cancers.

A colonoscopy detects up to 95 percent of colorectal cancers. FIT can be adjusted to pick up 91 percent of tumors, but it will also flag false positive cases. Anyone who tests positive on a FIT will need a follow-up colonoscopy.

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Man with Parkinson's on a building mission

Shaking stops when he picks up hammer to make dollhouses

By JOSH SHAFFER
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RALEIGH, N.C. — In 2012, doctors handed Barry Roberson a grim forecast: Parkinson's disease would likely kill him in four to seven years.

So he rolled his wheel-chair into the field behind his house for a conversation with God, asking for direction for his last days, explaining that he couldn't work, couldn't drive and fell down three times a day.

"He said, 'Build dollhouses,'" said Roberson, 61. "I think I said, 'You've got to be kidding me.' I told him, 'God, I came out here for an answer. Dollhouses is silly.'"

Seven and a half years later, Roberson has built more than 120 miniature houses, some of them 4 feet across, detailed down to the tiny bricks in the chimneys and the elephant patterns on the wallpaper.

Each one of them took at least a month to assemble and cost upward of \$800 in supplies, but Roberson has given them all away. Most he gives to children with terminal diseases — the majority of whom he has never met.

He credits this hobby with extending his life beyond doctors' most generous calculation. When he walks with his crutch to the back bedroom, sits down at his workbench and picks up a hammer, his hands stop shaking. His mind locks in on roof shingles and bushes made from a sponge, and he forgets that he has broken 37 different bones.

"This is the best thing that's ever happened to me, this disease, and it's hard to say that," he said. "I'm supposed to be dead now."

Nearly 1 million people are living with Parkinson's disease in the United States, the majority of them



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Barry Roberson has built and donated more than 120 dollhouses since his Parkinson's disease diagnosis, a hobby he credits with extending his life.

older than 50, according to the nonprofit Parkinson's Foundation in Florida. A progressive disorder of the nervous system, its symptoms come on gradually, often showing up first when a patient's face stops showing expression or arms no longer swing while walking. Tremors are common.

Neither a cause or a cure is known, but patients — Roberson included — take many medications to ease the effects of the disease, and doctors often recommend aerobic exercise, massage, yoga and even pet therapy.

Roberson had worked three decades for AT&T, raising a family in Monroe, N.C., 20 miles southeast of

Charlotte. Both his parents had ALS, better known as Lou Gehrig's disease, and he knew he bore some genetic risks. But the disease sneaked up on him, striking one day while he was on a roof cleaning gutters and just felt off. Soon he lost short-term memory and began to fall frequently. He was 55 at the time.

"I thought Parkinson's was just something old people got, and they shook a little bit," he said. "I broke every rib. Some of them have been broke two or three times."

His neurologist endorsed Roberson's instructions from above, so the grandfather of four started tack-

ling together his first dollhouse from a kit. But his heart wasn't in it until his wife, Dawn, told him he wasn't building for the right reasons. He should make a house for Kate Zidanic, a girl at their United Methodist church, who had cancer.

He hasn't stopped building since, sometimes going all day without a pause, even when it can take 10 seconds just to take the first step away from his work stool.

Kate, he reported, is now six-plus years cancer-free.

"She would spend hours just sitting in the corner, just putting things in it," said her mother, Cindy. "It's one of the best things ever.

People don't think little things can be so big. But when you're confined to the house ..."

Roberson never sought attention. His reputation grew from his Facebook page, where he posts pictures of his work, and his website: mrbarrysminiatures.com. Friends of friends found him and asked for houses, sometimes from as far away as Oklahoma or Florida.

Roberson constructed a miniature baseball stadium for Joe Ferebee, the N.C. Hall of Fame coach from Pfeiffer University, on his 100th birthday.

He built a near-perfect replica of All-Pro Carolina Panthers tight end Greg

Olsen's house, inspired by the player's charity work for cancer research.

Olsen wrote him back by hand. "You have an amazing gift," Olsen wrote in a letter Roberson framed, "and an eye for great detail."

Roberson has a helper sometimes, and after they built a particularly large house, the helper asked, "Why do you give these away? I know you put \$1,000 in this."

He just recalls his conversation in the field.

"God didn't tell me to make money on it," he said. "I worked 33 years at AT&T and I didn't do anything that mattered, I don't believe. But this does."



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Summer quick breads can go sweet or savory. Our versions include a loaf with bacon and cheese, left, and another with cherries and almonds.

Summer's stars: Quick breads

Sweet or
savory,
they make
good use
of season's
bounty

BY ROBIN MATHER

Need something easy to add to an otherwise mundane menu? Or something simple to take to a potluck, cookout or another social occasion?

What you need is a good quick bread. They're called quick breads because they're quick to make, at least compared with yeast-risen breads, and they fall halfway between cake and bread. Whether sweet or savory, quick breads can incorporate the best of summer's fruits and vegetables.

Quick breads have a rich history in American foodways. Life changed for home cooks back in 1846, when baking soda — often called “saleratus” at the time — was marketed, making the first quick breads easy to bake at home. Mixed with acidic soured milk or buttermilk that might otherwise have gone to waste, baking soda created a chemical reaction that made possible the gas bubbles that leaven these breads.

Further innovation came 10 years later, when baking powder, a mixture of a carbonate or bicarbonate and a weak acid (such as tartaric acid, for instance) became available. Baking powder leavens without an acidic ingredient, further expanding the home cook's repertoire.

The quick-bread family is big. Its members are baked goods made with

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The zucchini and tomato cornbread incorporates summer's vegetables and gets some heat from chile powder. Up the chile powder if you want more heat.



MICHELLE KANAAR/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Pizzeria Uno and teacher Lupe Soto provide a tray of ingredients for filling the pizzas.

Love deep-dish pizza? This class shows you how to make it at home

BY LOUISA CHU

If you think pizza for breakfast is a good idea, then a deep-dish class may be the best idea ever.

But even at Pizzeria Uno in the Near North Side neighborhood, where it's widely believed the Chicago-style pie was invented in 1943, it still took one employee a few years to convince the company to let her lead a class.

“I didn't invent deep-dish pizza, but I'm the creator of the cooking class,” said Lupe Soto, laughing one morning recently at

the pizzeria. Her family has been working at Uno since the 1970s, said Soto. As Mexican immigrants, they once lived just a few blocks away when the neighborhood was not yet filled with shiny, tall buildings. The grandmother of three has worked at the Italian American restaurant for 11 years. She started the class three or four years ago but can't remember when exactly. Her memory lapse should be forgiven because three times a week she arrives around 7

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Pizza

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a.m. to make the dough and assemble ingredients for the class, then works a double shift as a server.

I joined a small class of nine. The maximum capacity is 60 students. Classes do sell out during Uno's busiest season from November to March.

The morning includes the hands-on making of your own individual-size, deep-dish pizza, salad with the house red wine vinaigrette and a beverage, from soft drinks, draft beer to prosecco.

A take-home booklet lists recipes for the dough, pizza sauce and vinaigrette. If you take the class, do listen carefully to Soto's tips.

For example, the dough recipe says to let it stand for 30 to 45 minutes to proof, but she suggests a minimum of four hours and prefers overnight at home. Also, oil the pan not with vegetable oil as printed, but a mix of corn and olive oil, she says. You can buy seasoned deep-dish pans in all sizes at the restaurant.

One of the biggest misconceptions of Chicago-style deep-dish is that the dough fills the pan. What you learn hands-on in the class is that in fact you press the dough until it's thin across the bottom and the sides. When baked, a deep-dish pizza crust should be crispy and crunchy, not heavy and bready.

Soto offers plates of fillings: thick slices of low-fat mozzarella cheese, fresh spinach, pepperoni, sliced onions and green peppers, plus bowls of whole tomatoes in puree.

There are rules to building a Chicago-style deep dish pizza. First, add the mozzarella. Second, add one large sausage patty, if desired. We did not use sausage in the class because it goes on raw and requires an extra step.

Pizzeria Uno and many of the best pizza places around town use the distinctive fennel sausage from Anichini Brothers, wholesalers open since 1925 in Chicago.

"The sausage meat is raw so it has to cook all the way through," said Soto. "After the meat is cooked, they pull the pizza out of the cooking oven and put the rest of the toppings on for the finish oven."

"Here, the ovens are 600 degrees," she said. "When you use your oven at home, it's going to be 400 degrees. If you don't have two ovens it's not a problem. You can cook the pizza at the bottom of the oven right on top of the flames. Then you can put a rack up near the top and that can be your finish oven."

You can buy the Anichini fennel sausage from Restaurant Depot in Chi-



Lupe Soto created the deep-dish pizza class about three or four years ago.



These pizzas are ready to go into the pizzeria's 600-degree oven — 400 degrees if you're making them in your kitchen.



MICHELLE KANAAR/PHOTOS FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Tony and Tenisha Washington make deep-dish pizza at Pizzeria Uno last month. Tenisha gave Tony the class as a gift for his birthday.

cago, a wholesale market that allows anyone to buy with a day pass, but be forewarned, it's a lot of sausage — it's sold in 10-pound packages.

Finally, add the rest of your toppings. If you are trying to re-create a signature Numero Uno pizza, you add a dash of a Romano cheese and oregano mix, tomato sauce, pepperoni, onions, green peppers and mushrooms — in that order.

How was my own pizza? As a trained chef, but greedy deep-dish student, I found it was kind of terrible. I added too much tomato so it had a soggy bottom. The crust, however, baked so beautifully thin and crisp around and up the pan that it redefined the potential of the much-maligned pie. Plus it may have meant redemption with my very forgiving deep-dish teacher. "It's



David Weinberg passes around a deep-dish pizza to demonstrate how heavy it is.

OK!" said Soto laughing. "Now you know for next time."

After we finished our pizza class feast, Soto in-

vited us into the surprisingly small kitchen. We squeezed in around the pizza-making line, across from the ovens and next to

boxes stacked high with San Benito brand San Marzano-style pear tomatoes in puree.

By the time I left with

my leftovers, Soto was not only starting her next shift but training a new server too. How does she maintain her considerable humor and energy?

"I enjoy people, so this is what I love to do," she said laughing. "That's why I come to work, to have a lot of fun."

Soto teaches the Pizzeria Uno deep-dish cooking classes on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 8:45 to 10:45 a.m. in the dining room. She will have help for bigger groups. You'll work seated at a table wearing plastic gloves. Reserve in person (\$35) or online (\$45). The restaurant is mobility accessible and kid friendly.

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Chocolate pudding pops will take you back to childhood

BY ELLIE KRIEGER
The Washington Post

No matter how old I get, I will always have a child-like enchantment with summer and all its joys: jumping waves in the ocean, biking around town, biting into big wedges of

watermelon, watching the fireflies come out at dusk.

One of those pleasures is the refreshment of a frosty frozen pop on a hot afternoon. I remember my mom used to put orange juice into paper cup pop molds and freeze them for us, and I loved those. But it was the

occasional splurge on the package of chocolate pops that really excited me.

This recipe taps that same summertime thrill in a way that is fairly healthful, as desserts go, since it is made with low-fat milk (or plant milk), minimal added sugar and dark chocolate.

The chocolate mixture is essentially a simple pudding (albeit somewhat thinner than a typical pudding) that is poured into pop molds. Once frozen, they come out creamy, icy and refreshing, amply rich with the intensity of good dark chocolate, and clock in

Chocolate pudding pops

Prep: 25 minutes **Cook:** 4 minutes

Freeze: 6 hours **Makes:** 8 frozen pops

You will need eight 2-ounce frozen pop molds or small paper cups and wooden craft sticks.

1/4 cup sugar

1 tablespoon unsweetened cocoa powder

1 tablespoon cornstarch

2 cups cold, low-fat (1%) milk, or unsweetened plant-based milk such as coconut, almond or oat

2 ounces dark or semisweet chocolate (about 60% cocoa solids), finely chopped

1 teaspoon vanilla

1/4 teaspoon kosher salt

1. Whisk together the sugar, cocoa powder and cornstarch in a medium saucepan. Gradually whisk in the milk until the mixture is smooth.

2. Set the saucepan over medium heat. Cook, whisking constantly, until mixture is gently bubbling and thickens slightly, about 3 minutes. Reduce heat to low; continue to cook, stirring, 1 minute. Remove from the heat.

3. Add the chopped chocolate; stir until it has melted, then stir in the vanilla and the salt until well incorporated.

4. Distribute the mixture evenly among your frozen pop molds or paper cups; transfer to the freezer. If using paper cups, place a frozen pop stick in the center when the mixture is set enough for the stick to stand up straight, about 1 hour. Allow to freeze completely, about 6 hours.

Nutrition information per pop: 100 calories, 4 g fat, 2 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 15 g carbohydrates, 12 g sugar, 3 g protein, 75 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

at just 100 calories apiece. Although enjoying one in the shade on a sweltering day brings me right back to my childhood, they taste so much better than the store-

bought ones I remember, and they make me glad I'm all grown up.

Ellie Krieger is a nutritionist and cookbook author.

Bottle weight weighs on winemakers

BY DAVE MCINTYRE
The Washington Post

Making and marketing wine requires lots of energy. Producing and transporting glass bottles (empty and full), cooling wineries and warehouses, running tractors in vineyards, sanitizing fermentation tanks and barrels all consume considerable amounts of electricity, fuel and water. Some wineries are taking substantial measures to reduce the environmental impact of all that energy use.

Jackson Family Wines began auditing its energy and water use and carbon footprint in 2008. The family-owned company includes 40 wineries — the Kendall-Jackson and La Crema lines are the best known — in California, Oregon, France, Italy, Australia, Chile and South Africa. Total annual production is about 5 million bottles.

Katie Jackson, senior vice president for corporate and social responsibility, described her company's efforts during a climate change symposium at Vinexpo in Bordeaux in May, and subsequently in an interview. The company began installing solar panels on winery roofs in 2012 and now produces 71 megawatts of electricity each year, a third of its electricity needs. Jackson said the company will install more solar panels to capture an additional 3 to 4 megawatts by the end of next year to achieve its goal of being self-reliant for 50% of its energy needs.

Other efforts include using ultraviolet light instead of water to sanitize fermentation tanks, wind power instead of water for frost protection, installing cooling towers for barrel rooms and capturing rainwater. The company has reduced water use by 60%, averaging 29 million gallons saved annually since 2008.

Perhaps the greatest impact came from reducing bottle weight by 2 ounces over the Kendall-Jackson and La Crema lines. The bottle for the K-J Vintner's Reserve Chardonnay went from 19.5 ounces to 17.5 ounces, and the La Crema chardonnay and pinot noir bottles dropped from 20.5 to 18.4 ounces.

"Looking at our greenhouse gas emissions, we found that nearly half of our carbon footprint was from bottles, because the energy



JACKSON FAMILY WINES PHOTOS

By installing solar panels at its wineries, Jackson Family Wines hopes to produce 50% of its electricity needs by the end of 2020.

used in producing glass is very high," Jackson said. By reducing bottle weight, "we were able to reduce our overall emissions by 4%." And even though the company was concerned about market impact because consumers supposedly think heavier bottles signal higher quality, "nobody seemed to notice," she said.

Such efforts require investment, of course, but they ultimately result in savings. "We buy glass by the metric ton, not by the bottle," said Julien Gervreau, vice president of sustainability for Jackson Family Wines. "Shaving 2 ounces per bottle off 85% of our production saved us about \$1 million a year." The solar panels save about \$9 million over four years, he added.

"We look for areas where sustainability and good business practices intersect," he said.

These efforts are not just looking inward, but globally as well. After wildfires in late 2017 devastated Santa Rosa, California, where Jackson Family Wines is headquartered, Julia Jackson, Katie's sister, launched a foundation called Grounded to spread awareness of the need for corpo-



The winery trimmed 2 ounces off the weight of bottles, right, for savings of about \$1 million a year.

rations and individuals to take action against climate change. Grounded held a two-day conference in Sonoma County in March.

Also earlier this year, Jackson Family Wines joined forces with Familia Torres, one of Spain's leading wine companies, to create International Wineries Against

Climate Change, to promote best practices and standard metrics for measuring progress.

Miguel Torres, the fifth generation (and the fourth Miguel) to lead his family company, spoke at the Vinexpo symposium about his family's efforts to reduce its environmental impacts at its wineries in Spain, Argentina and Chile. Those efforts include installing 59,000 square feet of solar panels, reducing bottle weight and recycling, he said.

The Porto Protocol is another wine industry group fighting climate change. Based in Porto, the city at the mouth of the Douro River in Portugal famed for port wines, the group was founded by Adrian Bridge, CEO of the Fladgate Partnership, which includes the Taylor Fladgate, Fonseca and Croft Port houses. Bridge credits the inspiration for the effort to Britain's Prince Charles, who required the Fladgate group to conduct a carbon footprint assessment as a condition for continuing to sell its ports to the British royal family, as it had for generations. Former President Barack Obama spoke at the group's initial conference in

2018, and former Vice President Al Gore at the follow-up conference in March.

The efforts I've described are aimed at reducing energy use and carbon footprint in wineries, and telling others of their success. These companies are also changing the way they farm. That's for another article.

You may have noticed a theme: These are all family companies, concerned about heirs rather than stockholders, that have grown to a size where they can be leaders and influence the way their industry approaches an existential threat.

"We are a 327-year-old company," Bridge told me this year during a visit to Washington. "We are used to looking at the long term. Despite globalization, wine is still a family-oriented business, often passed down through generations. It is the only branded agricultural commodity where you know where it came from and who made it — it's right there on the label.

"We have to take care of it."

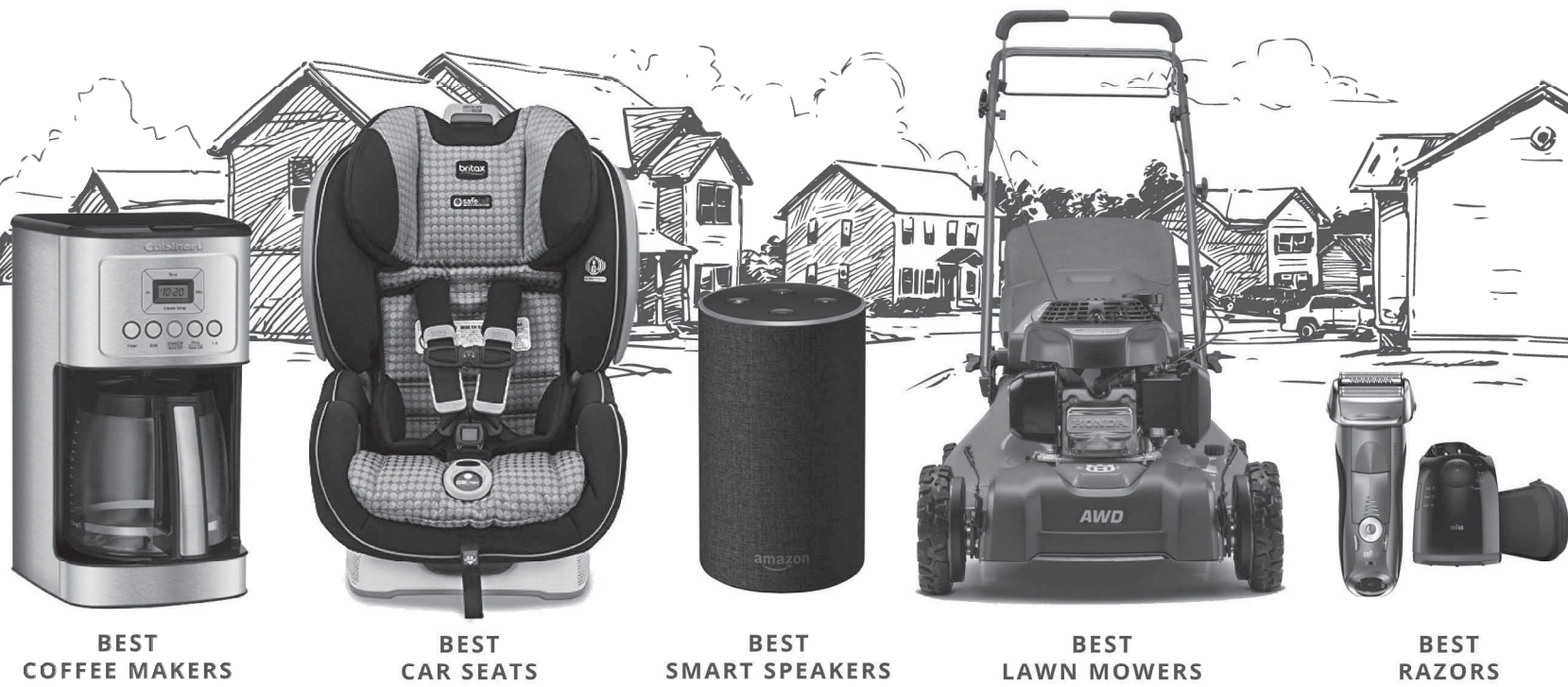
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Cheeses, clockwise from top left: Bucheron, Beemster X-O Gouda, St. Agur, Brebrousse and Piave Vecchio.

Expand your cheese palate

How to pick new ones to love (Hint: Sample a lot)

By BECKY KRYSTAL
The Washington Post

When I was a kid, if you asked me to name my favorite cheese, I probably would have answered “pizza.” Eventually — like, very eventually — I edged my way into grilled cheese with American or even cheddar, but it probably took longer than it should have for me to appreciate cheese on its own and in more of its many delightful, wide-ranging varieties.

These days, I’m making up for lost time, and even though I’m up for pretty much any type from anywhere, I can still find myself turning to familiar favorites. Standing in front of an array at the local cheese shop can be as paralyzing as it is exciting.

But first, there’s nothing wrong with the classics: cheddar, mozzarella, brie and other staples. “They are delicious,” says Amanda Parker, managing director of Cowgirl Creamery, the California-based cheese producer and family of shops. There’s no shame in staying within your com-

fort zone, and you’ll find plenty of room for a little experimentation within those categories.

Even if you’re interested in expanding your palate, it’s easy to feel intimidated by the options and stick with what you know. Parker attributes that in part to the fact that Americans typically haven’t grown up with the European experience of eating lots of cheeses lots of times.

There’s also this, according to Scott Freestone, cheese and charcuterie manager at Arrowvine in Arlington, Virginia: “People don’t want to feel stupid.”

The good news is, you don’t have to have all the answers. Here’s how to pick a new cheese to enjoy — or let someone else pick the right one for you.

Know what you like — and don’t. Freestone says Arrowvine has 200 cheeses in its store, so often the first thing a customer gets asked is what they don’t like. Eliminating options from the start can be useful. But then be prepared to talk about what you do like. If

you favor a particular cheese, great. It doesn’t have to be specific, though. Parker says you can talk about whether you like the flavor mild or funky, the texture creamy or crumbly or the milk to be from cows, sheep, goats or a blend. Also helpful is talking about how you plan to use it: whether you will eat it as is, eat it with a favorite condiment or cook with it.

Think about how to branch out. After you have your starting point, you can go any number of paths, according to Lauren Toth, training and curriculum manager at New York-based Murray’s Cheese. You can stick with something in one family (i.e. fresh, semisoft, washed-rind) by trying a new cheese with a different age, production process or flavor profile. Or stay in the same family but expand your geography to a different country or region. “Different countries/regions have different approaches to making cheeses, so try branching out to see how a different country does it,”

Consider these suggestions

I picked the brains of the cheesemonger at my go-to local shop, Cheesetique, as well as those of Parker and Toth for ideas on alternatives to the classics.

Cheddar: I was steered toward an aged (more than 2 years) Dutch Gouda, which boasted the vibrant color, crumbly texture and crunchy crystals I love in cheddar. For a similar intensity of flavor, you could go with an Alpine-style cheese, such as Comte or Gruyere, Parker says. Toth recommends Lincolnshire Poacher, a raw cow’s milk cheese that is like a cross between the cheddar and Alpine styles.

Mozzarella: This is one of the most accessible cheeses. For an even more decadent experience, go with burrata, which boasts a creamy center. Or Toth says you can skip right to that creamy center by trying stracciatella. If you’re mostly used to cow’s milk mozzarella, trying buffalo mozzarella is a must, according to Toth.

Brie: My colleagues and I were blown away by Cheesetique’s recommendation here, which was Brebrousse. Boasting a funky orange rind and nuttier flavor thanks to sheep’s milk, it was gooey to the point of being almost liquefied, in the best possible way. Taleggio and Camembert are typical next steps up from brie. Toth recommends two hy-

brid cheeses: New York’s cow-goat Nettle Meadow Kunik and Italy’s cow-sheep Robiola Bosina.

Chevre: Take chevre and wrap it in the gooey center and surface rind of brie, and you get Bucheron, my pick from Cheesetique. Rather than something more aged, you can go very fresh with Westfield Farm’s Capri, a fluffy, delicate, one-week-old goat cheese from Massachusetts that Toth suggests.

Blue: Try a creamy cambozola or St. Agur, a French variety that manages to be buttery and spicy at the same time. For crumbly and potent, a British Stilton is Parker’s pick, although Colston Bassett is a creamy Stilton option.

Parmigiano-Reggiano: Cheesetique didn’t steer me wrong with Piave Vecchio, which has a lot in common with Parm. Parker says you can branch out into sheep’s milk Pecorino, and not just Romano — there are varieties that are bathed in olive oil (Oro Antico) as well as balsamic vinegar and juniper (Ginepro). Toth recommends the similarly named Roomano, which is actually a very firm, very aged Gouda.

Toth says.

You can also choose to explore the variations within one country. Lastly, Toth says, “If you like a particular style of cheese, look out for varieties from that family that have a similar texture but different milk type, which will affect the aroma and flavor.”

Sample, sample, sample. The best place to get cheese is somewhere you can not only talk to a person but

also actually try before you buy. “If the monger’s not willing to give you a taste of something, you should walk out,” Freestone says. After figuring out what a customer might like, his staff will typically offer two cheeses to sample. At that point, no need to overthink. “It really only matters how you react to it in that moment,” he says. Do you like it or not? If you do, congrats. If not, keep on trying. Remember that your

opinions one day might be different if you try the same cheese another day.

“Cheese is seasonally driven, and artisan cheeses will generally taste and even look different at different points during the year,” Toth says. “That’s why it’s important to always taste the cheese when you can — even if you know it well. What you liked last week, last month or six months ago might not taste the same this week.”

Key to a crisp chopped salad is salting ahead of time

By America’s Test Kitchen

A chopped salad, where every ingredient is cut into pieces of about the same size, offers the perfect mixture of flavors and textures in every bite. However, some vegetables get watery and soggy when you chop and dress them, and they require extra attention.

In this summery salad, we first salted the tomatoes and cucumbers to draw out their excess moisture before adding them to the salad. Seeding the cucumbers and quartering the tomatoes exposed more surface area to the salt for even better results.

Letting all the vegetables marinate in the vinaigrette for a few minutes before adding the lettuce intensified their flavor. Along with cucumbers and tomatoes, we chose sweet yellow bell pepper, red onion and peppery radishes and tossed them all with chopped romaine lettuce hearts. Be sure to add the lettuce just before serving, or it will turn soggy.

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Summer vegetable chopped salad

Servings: 4

Start to finish: 30 minutes

3 cucumbers, peeled, halved lengthwise, seeded and cut into 1/2-inch pieces

1 1/2 pounds cherry tomatoes, quartered

Salt and pepper

1/4 cup red wine vinegar

1 garlic clove, minced

1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil

1 yellow bell pepper, stemmed, seeded, and cut into 1/2-inch pieces

1 small red onion, chopped fine

8 ounces radishes, trimmed and sliced thin

3/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

1 romaine lettuce heart (6 ounces), cut into 1 inch pieces

1. Toss cucumbers and tomatoes with 1 teaspoon salt and let drain in colander for 15 minutes.

2. Whisk vinegar, garlic, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon pepper together in large bowl. Whisking constantly, drizzle in oil. Add drained cucumbers and tomatoes, bell pepper, onion, radishes and parsley and toss to coat. Let salad sit for at least five minutes or up to 20 minutes.

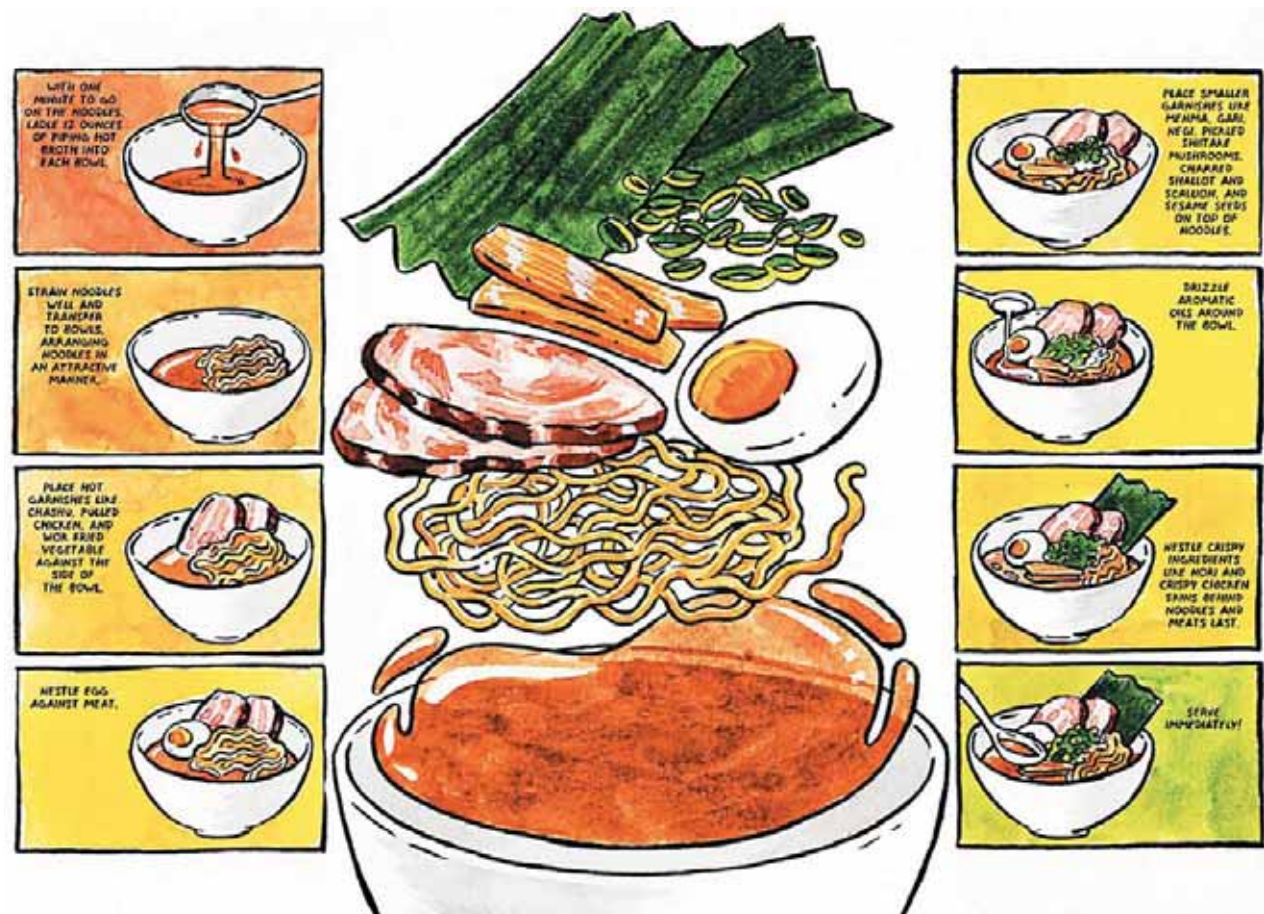
3. Add lettuce and gently toss to combine. Season with salt and pepper to taste, and serve.

Variations:

■ **Mediterranean chopped salad:** Reduce cucumber to one cucumber and substitute 10 ounces grape tomatoes for cherry tomatoes. Reduce vinegar to 3 tablespoons and olive oil to 3 tablespoons. Omit bell pepper and radishes. Reduce onion to 1/2 of an onion and parsley to 1/2 cup. Add 1 (15-ounce) can chickpeas, rinsed, and 1/2 cup chopped pitted Kalamata olives with cucumber and tomatoes in step 2. Add 1 cup crumbled feta with lettuce.

■ **Pear and cranberry chopped salad:** Omit tomatoes. Reduce cucumber to one cucumber. Substitute 3 tablespoons sherry vinegar for red wine vinegar and reduce olive oil to 3 tablespoons. Substitute red bell pepper for yellow bell pepper. Omit radishes and parsley. Reduce onion to 1/2 of an onion. Add one ripe but firm pear, halved, cored and cut into 1/2-inch pieces, and 1/2 cup dried cranberries with cucumber in step 2. Add 1 cup crumbled blue cheese and 1/2 cup chopped, toasted pistachios with lettuce.

Nutrition information per serving: 215 calories; 129 calories from fat; 15 g fat (2 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 334 mg sodium; 19 g carbohydrate; 6 g fiber; 9 g sugar; 4 g protein.



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The components of ramen from “Let’s Make Ramen” by Hugh Amano and Sarah Becan, with illustrations by Becan.

Comic book teaches you to make ramen at home

BY NICK KINDELSPERGER

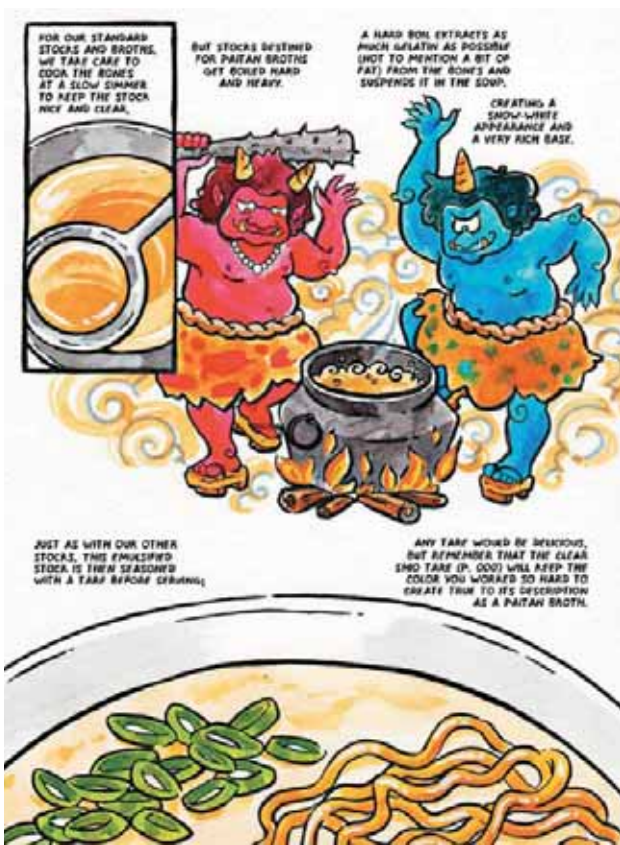
“Let’s Make Ramen,” from Ten Speed Press, isn’t the first cookbook about making ramen at home. But there are very few, if any, that look anything like this one. If you’re expecting a traditional cookbook, complete with lots of text with a few glamour shots of precisely prepared bowls of ramen, you’re in for a surprise.

Instead, Hugh Amano and Sarah Becan have created a comic book cookbook, which is exactly what it sounds like. Amano and Becan even appear as characters throughout the book, where they guide the reader through a short history of the Japanese dish before showing how to prepare it at home, complete with step-by-step illustrations.

This isn’t the first book the two have appeared in together. Amano co-authored “The Adventures of Fat Rice” with the acclaimed Chicago restaurant’s partners, Adrienne Lo and Abraham Conlon. While the book featured a lot of photographs, one of its distinguishing features was Becan’s drawings, including some that showed step-by-step cooking instructions.

After the success of the Fat Rice book, Ten Speed approached the two about creating a guide for ramen. “They were really impressed how graphics were able to convey the recipes in a way they hadn’t before,” says Becan.

This is even though the two didn’t have an extensive background of cooking ramen at home. “I am not a chef,” says Becan. “I don’t have a professional degree in the culinary arts.” Although Amano was a sous-



To prepare for the comic book, Amano traveled to Japan, where he says he ate four to six bowls a day for 2 ½ weeks.

chef at Fat Rice when it opened, he’d never actually run a ramen restaurant. So what makes him qualified to author a book about the subject?

“I just love ramen,” says Amano. “As I boy, I ate a ton. My dad’s family is in Japan, so I’ve gone and spent a lot of time there.” To prepare for the book, he returned to Japan for a marathon eating tour where he claims to have eaten four to six bowls a day for 2 ½ weeks. “I felt pretty sluggish when I got home,” admits Amano.

To create the book, Amano would test recipes at home and take pictures of each step of the cooking process. Then he would send those to Becan, along with detailed notes. “Hugh’s really good at

explaining things, and that made it easy to draw it clearly,” says Becan. “We communicated very well over the years.”

The comic book format allows the two to approach the ramen world in dramatic, unexpected ways. Of course, that explains why you’ll find Becan and Amano sailing a ramen sea inside a massive stock pot. But it also allows them to compare the process of making the extra thick tonkotsu broth to two colorful monsters stomping in front of a boiling cauldron.

While the recipes aren’t simple (most ramen recipes have half a dozen components) the format makes it easy to follow the step-by-step instructions. Ever wanted to try to make your own ramen noodles? You’ll



need to bake your own baking soda (seriously) and have access to a pasta maker, but you can do it.

Mixed in with more than 40 recipes are some tangents about how to eat ramen in Japan and what goes into creating a balanced bowl. Respected ramen chefs make an appearance, including David Chang and Ivan Orkin, along with a local Chicago ramen obsessive, Mike Satinover, who I previously profiled for the Tribune.

But you can tell that Becan enjoys drawing ramen most of all. “If it’s a food that I really love, it makes it easy to draw,” says Becan. “Plus, the composition of a ramen bowl is so aesthetically pleasing.” The only part she admits was a little difficult was drawing all the noodles. “I had to draw every single noodle in the bowl, because I liked the way that looked.”

That contagious excitement makes the book a rare tutorial that’s fun to read. It was also apparently fun to work on, too. “This (book) was such a joy,” says Amano. “I’m so proud of the ‘Fat Rice’ book, but God it was hard. This was so fun.”

“We definitely had a lot of fun,” adds Becan.

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How Haitian spirit clairin is more like mezcal than rum

BY LISA FUTTERMAN
Chicago Tribune

Experiencing Haiti’s rough-hewn culture can resemble time travel, and the culture around clairin, the local spirit, is no exception. Clairin, known as the rum of the people, is an un-aged clear cane spirit produced by 500 to 600 micro distilleries that dot the countryside, each with its own taste and terroir, where locals drop by with plastic jugs to fill for their households.

Haiti’s distinct culture is due, in no small part, to the 1791-1804 slave rebellion and subsequent independence from France. Sugar cane was brought by Columbus, and the non-monoculture style of agriculture — where mango trees, corn stalks, banana bushes and manioc plants grow right next to sugar —

results in super-rich soil. The cane is cut by hand, and no chemical fertilizers are used.

Undiluted cane juice ferments naturally in the hot tropical climate — the open tanks attract natural yeasts. A trick Haitian distillers have learned to lengthen fermentation time in such hot weather is to control the pH with the addition of acidic ingredients, such as lemongrass or citrus, which add complexity and their own specific hints of flavor. The distillate is also left unfiltered, resulting in even more complexity of taste.

Often compared to the rhums agricoles of Martinique, in many ways this wild spirit is more similar to mezcal, with its use of archaic production methods, indigenous yeasts, wild cane (instead of agave) and pot stills, created region by

region based on local tastes and traditions.

In 2017, the first clairin was officially exported to the U.S., and in April 2018, Slow Food launched a presidium in Haiti to protect and promote the traditions around its production.

You can now find several examples of this spirit here in the States. Vaval, on the southern Haitian coast, has been made the same way since 1940, using French methods similar to cognac production. The distillery’s location by the sea imparts briny seaweed notes, but the spirit’s taste is distinctly floral with slate minerality.

Le Rocher, a distillery at a higher elevation, makes clairin from syrup produced by boiling the wild cane juice, in a more Jamaican single pot “dunder” style. Bottled at still proof of 47.2% alcohol, like all clairin it is high in alcohol,

but it offers an undiluted taste of the region’s terroir, showing aromas of cooked banana and spice.

Kevin Beary, beverage director at Chicago’s Three Dots and a Dash, first tried clairin about four years ago when mixologist Kate Perry (now a representative for clairin importers La Maison & Velier) had a stash behind the bar where she worked. “It was so exciting to me, to be able to taste the diversity in rums from Haiti. The fact that they come from mom and pop operations allows for so many variables in production, from distillation to fermentation.”

Beary likes to play with clairin in stirred cocktails, especially in an inverted martini style. He mixes 1 ounce Vaval clairin with 2 ounces of blanc vermouth and adds just a teaspoon of sweetened rhubarb or pomegranate juice for a lift of acidity, plus a drop of saline. He serves the pale pink drink straight up.

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Stir quick bread add-ins, such as bacon and cheese, into the batter just before pouring it into a baking pan.

Breads

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leaveners other than yeast. The family includes muffins, biscuits, scones, tea cakes and many other siblings. Cornbread is a quick bread, and so is banana bread.

The whole friendly family requires the simplest equipment to prepare. You'll need two bowls — one for dry ingredients, one for wet ingredients — and a wooden spoon or spatula.

Whatever kind of quick bread you're making, take care not to overmix the batter. When you stir the wet ingredients into the dry ones, combine with only 10 to 12 quick strokes.

The batter should still show wisps of flour and will be lumpy. Overmixing causes quick breads to deflate after baking, and the baked bread's interior will have tunnels or holes. Stir add-ins such as nuts or cheese into the batter just before putting it into its baking vessel.

Quick breads can bake in loaf pans, square pans or heavy skillet, whatever is easiest. Baking time will vary depending on the baking vessel. Expect a loaf to take an hour or more to bake, while a round or square pan or a skillet-baked bread may take just 30 to 40 minutes. Choose your baking vessel to suit your schedule.

Whatever you'll bake your quick bread in, it should go into a preheated 350-degree oven on the center rack. Start to check if your quick bread is done

about 10 minutes before you expect it to finish.

Quick breads are done when a pick inserted in the middle comes out clean or with a few moist crumbs. It's normal for quick breads baked in loaf pans to have a crack in their tops. Under-baked breads will collapse; over-baked quick breads will be tougher and dryer than they should be.

Summer fruits star in a cherry-almond sweet bread that's terrific as a breakfast or afternoon treat. But don't stop there. Substitute any summer fruit for the cherries, change out the nuts and choose a different extract. Try blueberries or blackberries with pistachios and lemon extract, or peaches with pecans and rum extract. Ice it with a simple glaze of powdered sugar and milk if you wish.

Bacon and cheddar cheese combine in an ever-green-favorite quick bread. Our version has a bit of cayenne for a lively lift. Vary it by substituting diced ham for the bacon and shredded Swiss for the cheddar, or make a vegetarian version with a Mediterranean bent with chopped Kalamata olives and feta.

Zucchini bread is a summer classic, and we have one for you here. But it's not a sweet treat. Ours is a savory version with fresh tomatoes, cornmeal and chile powder.

It's a fine accompaniment to a light supper of soup or grilled meat.

Robin Mather is a longtime food journalist. Her third book, "The Feast of the Dove," will be published later this year.

Zucchini tomato chile cornbread

Prep: 25 minutes, plus cooling time

Bake: 25-30 minutes **Makes:** 8 to 10 servings

If you don't have buttermilk in the house, make a substitute for this recipe by stirring 1 1/2 teaspoons vinegar or lemon juice into 1/2 cup whole milk. Let stand for 5 minutes at room temperature and stir before using.

1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter plus more for pan

2 large meaty tomatoes, such as roma

2 large eggs, lightly beaten

1/2 cup buttermilk

1 large zucchini (about 10 ounces), to yield about 2 cups grated

1 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 1/2 tablespoons sugar

1 teaspoon each: baking powder, chile powder

3/4 teaspoon fine sea salt

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 cup medium-grind cornmeal

1. Position a rack in the middle of the oven; heat to 350 degrees. Butter an 8-by-8-inch baking pan.

2. Dice the tomatoes. Salt generously and place them in a sieve; let drain, 15 to 20 minutes.

3. Melt 1/2 cup butter in a small saucepan over medium-high heat. Remove from heat and allow to cool slightly. Whisk in eggs and buttermilk.

4. Grate zucchini. Add to bowl with butter mixture; stir until well blended. Stir in diced tomatoes.

5. Sift flour, sugar, baking powder, salt and baking soda into a separate bowl. Whisk in chile powder and cornmeal. Add zucchini mixture; fold just to blend. Transfer batter to prepared pan; smooth top.

6. Bake bread until golden and a tester inserted into the center comes out clean, 25 to 30 minutes. Let cool in pan, 10 minutes. Remove from pan; let cool completely on a wire rack before slicing.

Nutrition information per serving (for 10 servings): 238 calories, 11 g fat, 6 g saturated fat, 63 mg cholesterol, 29 g carbohydrates, 4 g sugar, 6 g protein, 366 mg sodium, 2 g fiber

Cherry-almond sweet bread

Prep: 20 minutes **Cook:** 60 minutes

Cool: Overnight **Makes:** 1 loaf, about 16 servings

This bread will slice most easily the day after it's baked. Wrap the completely cooled loaf tightly in foil and refrigerate. After its overnight rest in the fridge, it can be stored at room temperature or in the refrigerator. You can also use an 8 1/2-by-4 1/2-inch pan here with good results.

2 1/4 cups flour

1/2 cup granulated sugar

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

1 tablespoon baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

1 egg

1 1/4 cups milk

3 tablespoons cooking oil

1/2 teaspoon almond extract

1 cup pitted, coarsely chopped sweet cherries

2/3 cup chopped almonds

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees. Prepare a 9-by-5-by-3-inch loaf pan with baking spray or lining with parchment paper.

2. In a large mixing bowl, stir together flour, granulated sugar, brown sugar, baking powder and salt. In a separate bowl, stir together egg, milk, cooking oil and almond extract until well combined.

3. Add egg mixture to flour mixture all at once. Stir until just moistened. Fold in the cherries and chopped almonds. Pour batter into prepared pan.

4. Bake until a wooden toothpick inserted near the center comes out clean, about 1 hour. Cool in loaf pan on wire rack, 10 minutes. Remove loaf from pan. Cool completely on the wire rack. Wrap and store overnight before slicing.

Nutrition information per serving: 180 calories, 5 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 13 mg cholesterol, 30 g carbohydrates, 15 g sugar, 4 g protein, 180 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Bacon-cheddar quick bread

Prep: 20 minutes, plus cooling time

Cook: 45 minutes **Makes:** 1 loaf, about 16 servings

This savory quick bread gets a little bump of spiciness from cayenne pepper, but you can omit it if you wish. You can also use a 8 1/2-by-4 1/2-inch pan here with good results.

6 slices bacon

2 1/4 cups flour

1 tablespoon baking powder

1 teaspoon coarse salt, such as kosher salt

1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper

3 large eggs

1 1/2 cups whole milk

6 tablespoons bacon drippings

1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese

1. Heat oven to 350 degrees; coat the inside of a 9-by-5-by-3-inch loaf pan with baking spray or by lining it with parchment paper; set aside.

2. Cook the bacon in a large skillet over medium heat until it is crisp. Remove the bacon and drain it on paper towels. Reserve the bacon drippings. When the bacon is cooled, crumble or chop it coarsely.

3. In a large mixing bowl, whisk together the flour, baking powder, salt and cayenne.

4. In a separate mixing bowl, whisk together the eggs, milk and bacon drippings. If you don't have 6 tablespoons of drippings, use a neutral cooking oil for the rest of the 6 tablespoons.

5. Pour the liquid ingredients into the dry ingredients. Use a spoon or a rubber spatula to stir the two together just until combined, about 1 minute. Fold in bacon and cheese.

6. Pour the batter into the loaf pan; bake until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out with moist crumbs, 40-45 minutes. Cool in the pan, 10 minutes, then tip the loaf onto a wire rack to cool completely.

Nutrition information per serving: 177 calories, 10 g fat, 4 g saturated fat, 51 mg cholesterol, 15 g carbohydrates, 1 g sugar, 6 g protein, 329 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Making better burritos

BY BECKY KRYSTAL
The Washington Post

Burritos may be one of the ultimate double-edged — ended? — foods. On one hand, you can put just about anything in them. On the other, you can put just about anything in them.

Their versatility is hard to beat, but that just means there is much opportunity for missteps. After all, who hasn't walked away from the line at Chipotle or a restaurant of its ilk with buyer's remorse about an overstuffed, flavor jumble of a log?

As you might expect me to say: You can do better, especially if you do it at home. Here are some things to consider before you get rolling:

The tortilla. I love a good corn tortilla, but in a burrito? No, thanks. As Christina Chaey points out on Bon Appétit, corn and other grain tortillas are more likely to tear thanks to their drier texture. Flour tortillas are more pliable, not to mention larger. A 10-inch tortilla is ideal, and assuming you don't typically bring a tape measure with you to the grocery store, look for labels that say large or burrito-size. My preferred brand, La Banderita, even makes a 12-inch "mega" size, although I stick with its smaller brethren. It helps to have the tortillas warmed

slightly (via skillet, microwave or even oven) so that they are flexible enough for rolling.

The filling. "Everything can go in a tortilla," says Louie Hankins, founder and owner of Rito Loco and El Techo in Washington. "We've done a salmon burrito before," and even one with spaghetti and meatballs. No matter what you choose, try to make the ingredients as fresh as possible, Hankins advises, although I won't be the one to discourage you from using your well-preserved leftovers, either.

When it comes to how much you put in, "less is better," according to Hankins. Too much inside and you not only dilute the flavors but also risk a burrito that breaks or sheds filling with every bite. Try to limit your filling to 1 1/2 cups for a 10-inch tortilla, Better Homes & Gardens says.

What your fillings are and the ratio you use is definitely a matter of preference. Hankins doesn't like to bite into a heap of rice and beans ("We find that when you put all that extra stuff in it, you lose that kick of the freshness of the burrito," he says), so at Rito Loco, the emphasis is on the meat or protein — 7 ounces of it to be exact, plus 3 1/2 ounces of pico de gallo and 2 ounces of cheese. If

you like rice and beans, try this formula offered by Peter Fox, one of the founders of Washington's Burrito Brothers, in The Washington Post way back in 1998: 1/4 cup salsa, 1/2 cup rice, 1/2 cup beans and 1/2 cup meat. Especially if your salsa is thin, you shouldn't end up with too much filling to break the 1 1/2 cup threshold (by much, anyway).

The flavors. If you're going with the less-is-more approach, you want to get the most flavor into every bite. For Hankins, that means delicious meat marinades and sauces. Take the time to give your protein a quick dip, or throw together a blender tomatillo sauce, and you'll be rewarded with something that tastes great. Plus, making your own sauce will give you extras for more burritos or other meals. I also like this tip from Sarah Larson at the Auguste Escoffier School of Culinary Arts, who suggests seasoning everything, including the rice, which you can jazz up with cumin, bay leaves or other spices. Making the rice with broth is another way to amp up the flavor. Fresh herbs — particularly cilantro, unless you are someone who can't tolerate it — are a high-impact addition that won't add too much bulk to your burrito. Pickled onions and jalapenos likewise pack a



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punch in a relatively small package.

The assembly. Now's the time to slow down and put everything together. Think about your burrito layers. As food writer Joyce Dodson Piotrowski wrote in The Post in 1996, "even if you put a whole bunch of things in, because you add them layer by layer, not mixing them, you can taste the layers of flavor in every bite, and different flavors in each bite." Because Hankins prefers his burritos longer and leaner as opposed to short and stubby, he likes making layers about the thickness of a pounded chicken breast. Cheese goes on first (and

also at the end if you love cheese like I do) so that it can be closest to the hot skillet and pico de gallo last to keep it from getting the tortilla soggy.

Using warm fillings where appropriate (meat, vegetables, beans, etc.) isn't just an indicator of freshly made ingredients. It will also make assembly easier. Warm ingredients placed on top of the cheese will help melt it in conjunction with the time you toast it in the skillet. They also mean you don't have to worry about trying to heat the filling all the way through without burning the tortilla.

Of course, then there's the matter of rolling. Different people have their pre-

ferred methods, but the principles are largely the same: Fold in the sides before rolling up for a secure pocket, and keep the roll as tight as you can so everything stays in place. I favor mounding the filling a bit off-center so that you have plenty of margin in the upper half of the tortilla when it comes time to the final roll and tuck of the tortilla underneath. Be sure to heat the burrito seam-side down first in the skillet (I've used both cast iron and nonstick with no problem over medium heat, each with a thin coating of oil,) so that it helps seal the burrito shut. No mess, no stress — and no need for a trip to that fast-casual shop.

THE DEAN OF BEANS

Stivers Coffee survives with loyal following and 'old-school' roasting

BY STEVE ZIMMERMAN

When it comes to coffee, Greg Stivers is a throwback. When he started roasting, the Bears had not yet won a Super Bowl, Walter Payton was still in uniform and Starbucks was just a small operation in Seattle. It was the 1980s and, after a trip to Europe, Stivers decided to start a coffee business, Stivers Coffee Inc., in Chicago.

Three decades have passed and Stivers still spends weekday mornings working with his Probat roaster, his German-built partner since the start, coaxing small batches from its gas-powered drum and getting the darkness of roasts just right.

"Everything is done by the eye," he said.

Stivers, 64, has seen just about everything that's happened on the Chicago coffee scene. Since 1985 he's been roasting, packaging and selling coffee, and he's helped others get their entrepreneurial footing by sharing beans or the use of his roaster, recently nicknamed "Smoky."

He doesn't own up to the title, but he's one of the deans of coffee roasting in the city and runs one of the few black-owned coffee companies in Chicago. He's quick to dismiss the thought of his being the only one, especially in the city's crowded field of coffee roasters, but he carries with him a proud swagger that he might be — and that he's been in business for decades.

"I've struggled," he admitted, "but I've always hung in there."

And he's old-school through and through, from the decor inside the warehouse in the shadow of the Dan Ryan Expressway to the music that plays while assistant Donnie Hunt ruffles through small batches.

"Oh heck, yeah, he's old-school," said Tim Coonan, founder of Big Shoulders Coffee. "Greg is a great man."

"Big Shoulders wouldn't be

here if not for him and his willingness to let me roast on his roaster as we were looking for and building our first shop. I've got the greatest respect for him."

So does Stivers' wholesale client base, the retail lifeline that has kept the business going. Though his roastery is located in Pilsen, he sells his beans throughout the South Side, reaching into Bronzeville, Chatham, Hazelcrest, Hyde Park, Washington Park and Woodlawn, and south suburban Country Club Hills.

While firmly rooted on Chicago's South Side, Stivers started the business with his then-wife on the North Side and opened a cafe/espresso bar at Sheffield and Wellington. ("We were before Starbucks.") He added another location and briefly had an on-site roastery at O'Hare International Airport in the 1990s before moving into the current warehouse space, just east of the Cermak Road exit off I-90, around 2000.

"We've had a few fires, but we've lived through them," Stivers joked.

It's been here where the company has found its groove and grown into a full-time team that includes Stivers, Hunt (with whom he's worked since the first cafe in 1985) and Stivers' son, Jason. Together they focus on wholesale and local orders from South Side restaurants, businesses and community members as well as online visitors to the company website.

In recent years, Stivers has added brewing training classes, a traveling barista service and visits to select farmers markets on weekends, including one in Wilmette, where his Purple Wildcat blend, in honor of Northwestern University, has been popular.

With dozens of coffee roasters now populating the city and suburbs, what's changed since he started?

"Attention to detail," Stivers said. "People really take coffee seriously and competition has been incredible, but we have so many local customers. We're constantly growing."

Stivers roasts coffee from all corners of the globe — Africa,



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Greg Stivers stands by his beloved Probat roaster, which he bought when he started Stivers Coffee in 1985.

South America, Central America and Asia — but primarily focuses on blends and flavored varieties. One of the company's signature blends is a Brazilian-Ethiopian combination named "Buffalo Soldier" in recognition of the all-black cavalry regiments — 9th and 10th infantries — created after the Civil War in 1866. Most roasts cost \$15, but the Jamaican Blue Mountain, Stivers' most exclusive, sells for \$70 a pound.

Flavored coffee, while not widely adopted by the city's higher-profile specialty companies, has been a crowd-pleasing revenue driver for Stivers Coffee. The process involves mixing and steeping freshly roasted whole beans with flavor extracts — such as chocolate, rum, hazelnut and even peach — for up to two days. Flavored coffees are featured at several popular South Side establishments, such as Peach's on 47th Street.

Clifford Rome, the chef and owner of Peach's, partnered with Stivers when he opened the restaurant 4 1/2 years ago and made incorporating a peach-flavored coffee central to its concept and goal of building community fellowship.

"The coffee became the back-drop," Rome said. "What we found in the African-American community is there's a trend toward flavored syrups and

creams. But we wanted a roasted coffee that just tasted better."

Peach's sells its flagship coffee, roasted by Stivers, at several Whole Foods stores on the South Side, including Englewood and Hyde Park. At the restaurant, Rome also sells coconut, Buffalo Soldier and Jamaican rum. He plans to bring two new roasts to market later this year.

"I love him as a person. He's an incredible human being," Rome said of Stivers. "And I say that because he's such a collaborator."

"We've built a coffee audience and it's created an opportunity for everybody to win. As we make moves, we move as a unit."

Reinvention has been a recurring theme for Stivers. He graduated from Chicago Vocational High School and Augustana College in Rock Island before earning his master's degree in urban planning from the University of Cincinnati. He later managed training employment programs for the city of Chicago before catching the roasting bug during a trip to Europe and a visit to Caffe Greco, a landmark coffee shop in Rome that dates to 1760.

He's also reinvented how he roasts. When Coonan was getting Big Shoulders off the ground, Stivers shared with him a Scandinavian method he found in a magazine that used a lower initial temperature and longer roasting

time — a low-and-slow technique akin to barbecue. Stivers has used it ever since.

"You get a more even roast and more control when you cook it slow," Stivers said. "And it tastes better."

Unlike Chicago-based Intelligentsia or Passion House, which specialize in lighter, brighter coffees and explore ranges of floral and citrus notes, Stivers' coffee is straightforward and has a robust, smoky finish.

"Coffee that tastes like coffee," he said.

The throwback vibe greeted all the senses on a recent visit to the shop: The smell of freshly-roasted Ethiopian three floors up was evident at street level, blues played on the single-speaker FM radio, a stained-glass pane with a steaming cup hung from the ceiling and a smoky haze from a particularly dark roast lingered throughout the dimly-lit facility — the late-morning yield produced by the well-worn 34-year-old Probat.

It was coffee Casablanca, in Chicago.

"I don't claim to be the best, but you can't get it any fresher," Stivers said. "I think I'm the baddest boy in Chicago."

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Johnnie Walker Double Black.....**\$32.99**
Don Julio Blanco Tequila.....**\$33.99**
Casamigos Reposado Tequila.....**\$34.99**
Bulleit Bourbon or Rye 1.75L.....**\$36.99**
Maker's Mark Bourbon 1.75L.....**\$39.99**
Johnnie Walker Black Label 1.75L.....**\$49.99**

TONIGHT! IN EVANSTON

**ORGANIC & BIODYNAMIC WINES
W/ CHRIS BENZIGER**

The Benziger Family Winery is an industry leader in organic and biodynamic practices. Chris Benziger leads these efforts. Meet Chris and taste his family's wines: Benziger, Imagery and the official launch of his newest brand, Tribute Wines.

Open House

Tonight from 5-7PM



Lindeman's
Chardonnay
\$2⁹⁹



Kim Crawford
Sauvignon Blanc

\$10⁹⁹



Kendall Jackson
VR Chardonnay

\$8⁹⁹



Meiomi
Pinot Noir

\$14⁹⁹

Beringer
White Zinfandel

\$2⁹⁹

Beringer
Chardonnay

\$2⁹⁹

Barefoot

\$3⁹⁹

Bogle
Chardonnay

\$5⁹⁹

Petit Petite

\$11⁹⁹

The Federalist
Cabernet
Sauvignon

\$11⁹⁹

Franciscan
Cabernet
Sauvignon

\$14⁹⁹

Santa Margerita
Pinot Grigio

\$14⁹⁹

Bonanza Cabernet
Sauvignon

\$17⁹⁹

UPCOMING EVENTS

BINNY'S HIGHLAND PARK

LOIRE WINE & FOOD PAIRING EVENT

Friday, July 19th • 6-8PM

Event Price: \$10

Purchase tickets at binnys.com/highland-park

BINNY'S HIGHLAND PARK

SIP & PAINT W/ SNOW LEOPARD VODKA

Friday, July 26th • 6-8:30PM

Event Price: \$15

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BINNY'S LINCOLN PARK

**PROJECT APOLLO RELEASE
W/ SOLEMN OATH BREWING**

Friday, July 19th • 4-7PM

Open House

BINNY'S LINCOLN PARK

LOIRE WINE & FOOD TRUCK NIGHT

Wednesday, July 24th • 6:30-8PM

Event Price: \$10

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BEER SPECIALS



Old Style
24/12oz cans

\$10⁹⁹



Truly Spiked Seltzer
6/12oz cans

\$5⁹⁹



Heineken
12/12oz btls or cans

\$10⁹⁹

Firestone Walker 6/12oz btls or cans.....**\$5.99**
Henry's Hard Sparkling Water 12/12oz cans.....**\$7.99**
Plus, get Binny's peanuts for 1¢
Michelob Ultra 12/12oz btls or cans.....**\$7.99**
Plus, get Binny's peanuts for 1¢
Shiner 12/12oz btls or cans.....**\$8.99**
Plus, get Binny's peanuts for 1¢
Blue Moon 12/12oz btls or 15/12oz cans.....**\$10.99**
Plus, get Binny's peanuts for 1¢
Miller High Life 30/12oz cans.....**\$10.99**
Smirnoff Spiked Seltzer Variety 12/12oz cans.....**\$10.99**
Pabst Blue Ribbon 30/12oz cans.....**\$11.99**
Lagunitas IPA 12/12oz btls.....**\$12.99**
Miller Lite 24/12oz cans**\$13.99**

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