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Shooting ‘an act of cowardice’

Mayor decries violence after 13 injured at memorial gathering

BY ALICE YIN, KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS, JESSICA VILLAGOMEZ AND WILLIAM LEE

Chicago police are questioning a person of interest after 13 people were wounded, four of them critically, during a shooting inside a memorial gathering early Sunday in Englewood, authorities said.

More people were wounded in the shooting than at any other in the city

since at least 2013, when 13 people were shot in the Back of the Yards, according to data gathered by the Tribune.

The violence began about 12:40 a.m. at a house party in the 5700 block of South May Street commemorating the birthday of a man who died in a previ-

ous shooting. Someone at the party opened fire, sending 13 people to area hospitals, according to Chicago police.

The injured ranged in age from 16 to 48, and a 16-year-old boy was one of those in critical condition, though it was later improved to “serious,” said Fred Waller, who heads the patrol division for Chicago police.

Two people remained in

critical condition as of Sunday afternoon, according to Officer Michelle Tannehill, a police spokeswoman: a 40-year-old man who’d been shot in the chest and was being treated at the University of Chicago Medical Center, and a 21-year old man suffering from a gunshot wound to the back, who was at St. Bernard

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ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
Mayor Lori Lightfoot addresses the media Sunday.



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
Ticket writers assist gamblers during the opening of The Book at the Horseshoe Hammond Casino in September.

Illinois going all in on gambling expansion

From sportsbooks to new casinos, state betting on a revenue bonanza

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

When Rivers Casino in Des Plaines opened its gleaming new sports bar earlier this month, it had everything a gambler could want, including 32 leather lounge chairs, a 47-foot-wide video wall topped by a sports ticker and five betting windows.

The only thing missing? The BetRivers SportsBar

can’t take bets on sporting events — at least not yet.

The Illinois Gaming Board formally opened the application process for a sports wagering license on Thursday, with plans to launch sportsbooks at casinos, racetracks and sports venues such as Allstate Arena and United Center next year. While Rivers and other applicants can be granted temporary permits

at any time, they will have to wait until the board issues operating rules, likely in early 2020, before betting can begin.

“We want to be primed to take advantage of that as soon as we can,” Corey Wise, general manager of Rivers, said during a recent tour of the new sports bar.

Sports wagering is one facet of the state’s sweeping gambling expansion

bill, which ushers in the biggest change in the gambling landscape since Illinois approved riverboat casinos in 1990. Signed into law in June, the legislation provides for six new casinos, 20 sportsbooks and thousands of new gaming positions like slot machines or seats at a blackjack table.

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‘Darth Vader on the bluff’ no more

After setbacks, statue restoration nearly complete

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY

Back in 2008, Frank and Charron Rausa read in a local newspaper about the deterioration of the famed Back Hawk statue that towers over the Rock River in western Illinois and persuaded a local organization to put up the \$10,000 required for an engineering study to determine the extent of the damage.

They didn’t know it at the time, but that initial investment would spiral into more than a decade-long process that would require hundreds of thousands of dollars to restore the 48-foot-tall, 270-ton concrete statue also known as the Eternal Indian.

That year, the married couple started a committee that raised funds and worked with the state of Illinois to begin renovations on the statue, which stands in Lowden State Park in Oregon, Illinois, and has attracted about 400,000 visitors each year. The project faced numerous setbacks over the years, including a dearth of state funding, bureaucratic challenges and delays contracting people for the work.

Now, funded by a state grant and donations from the community, the project is nearly complete, more

than 10 years after Frank and Charron Rausa saw the initial newspaper story. For Frank Rausa, the moment is bittersweet because Charron died in 2016 after battling lung cancer.

“This was 11 years of my life,” Frank Rausa said. “I regret that she couldn’t be around to see it.”

In recent years, the statue has been covered in tarp and scaffolding to protect it from the elements while the restoration was underway.

The project has been a joint effort of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, the Illinois Conservation Foundation and the wider community. The state and the conversation group anticipate unveiling the statue soon, possibly later this month, said Crystal Curfman, executive director of the conservation foundation.

The statue was designed by renowned Chicago sculptor Lorado Taft and erected in 1911, generating international news coverage at its dedication. Taft created it to honor the Native American tribes that populated that area and designed the figure to be a composite of men from several Native American tribes that populated the region.

Though called the Black Hawk statue, it does not look like Black Hawk, the

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Immigration adviser Stephen Miller has long argued that the HHS Office of Refugee Resettlement is being exploited.

ICE to use data from migrant kids

White House plan aims to deport adults

BY NICK MIROFF
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — The White House sought this month to embed immigration enforcement agents within the U.S. refugee agency that cares for unaccompanied migrant children, part of a long-standing effort to use information from their parents and relatives to target them for deportation, according to six current and former administration officials.

Though senior officials at the Department of Health and Human Services rejected the attempt, they agreed to allow Immigration

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STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE
Fifth graders from Isaac Fox Elementary School in Lake Zurich gather around The Eternal Indian statue on April 6, 2018, in Oregon, Illinois.

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This Christmas, I'm remembering my mother and her mink coat

The gift that keeps on giving



DAHLEEN GLANTON

One Christmas morning many years ago, my mother walked out of the kitchen as she had done since I was a little girl and took her place on the living room sofa, next to a sparsely decorated tree with a small stack of gifts underneath.

On this important day, she always rose earlier than everyone else to start breakfast. As children, my brother and I would awaken to the smell of hot biscuits, scrambled eggs with cheese and country ham cooking on the stove.

In some ways, the ritual seemed the same as it had always been. Only I was an adult, and the tradition was no longer about her children. That year, it was all about my mother.

I shall never forget her smile and the look of anticipation on her face as I handed her a perfectly wrapped box. She opened it slowly, gently peeling away the paper so that it could be used to wrap gifts another year.

Inside were a mink jacket and a matching pillbox hat.

A mink coat was one thing she always wanted — a luxury my father could never afford on his salary at the Uniroyal factory and something she would never have considered using her hard-earned Avon income to purchase for herself.

But her daughter, for whom she had sacrificed every nice thing she ever wanted for herself so that I could have everything I needed as a child, was grown up. I was in my early 30s and had a good job at a newspaper in California. It was time to give back.

The coat wasn't brand-new, but it looked like it. I had bought it at a resale shop a few years before but never had any use for it while living in California. So I had it restyled to fit my mother's petite frame. The hat was custom-made.

My mother eased her arms into the coat, pulled the lapels close into her chest and pranced around the room like a model on the runway. I don't recall ever seeing her so gleeful. She was in her 70s then, but she was acting like a giddy schoolgirl.

My father wasn't the kind of man who openly showed emotion, but on this morning he sat and watched, flashing a broad smile as a sign of approval.

Mama never would have asked me to give her a mink. In fact, if she and my dad had known it was in my plans, they would have insisted that it was too extravagant and demanded that I choose a different gift.

In our family, we always have exchanged gifts out of pure love. My parents taught my siblings and me that the value of the gift does not matter. The most important thing is that someone cared enough to think about you at Christmastime.

Most years now, after the family



FAMILY PHOTO

Dahleen Glanton's mother, Annie Ruth.

has finished dinner on Christmas Day, we carry out a tradition that began decades ago. When the time comes to open gifts, the children are called one by one to the "hot seat" — a chair placed in the middle of the room — to open their gifts as the adults, seated in a circle around them, watch.

The kids are taught to appreciate all gifts, large and small. The adults rave equally over a \$200 pair of Uggs boots as a \$10 bottle of cologne. That's the legacy of our parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles.

I knew that my mother would love any gift from me. But I also knew how she felt about mink.

She had come into womanhood during the era when mink was a fashion statement and the ultimate status symbol. In our small town, where most of the good jobs were in the cotton mill, women left work at the end of the day covered with white specks. Putting on a mink to go to church on Sunday morning made them feel special.

A few of my mother's friends had mink coats or a stole or, at the very least, a hat. A couple of my aunts — neither of whom had children — owned them too.

But for my mother, who earned her money selling lipstick and lotions, such an indulgence was off-limits. She could only watch longingly as other women strolled down the aisle to their pew wearing mink coats.

Years before she began selling Avon, Mrs. Broom, the white lady my mother once cooked and cleaned for, gave her a full-length mink coat that was nearly in shreds. Most of the pelts were dry and peeling — too disgusting to even touch.

But my mother graciously accepted it anyway. An excellent seamstress, she would figure out a way to put it to good use, lining jackets and trimming coats. Nearly

every coat I had as a young girl had a little piece of that mink on the collar and cuffs.

My mother cut off the top and redesigned it to make a cape that she often threw around her shoulders when she attended special events.

But she had never had a real mink coat of her own — until that Christmas in the 1980s. And the times were already changing by then. Increasingly, it was becoming politically incorrect to wear fur. Animal rights activists publicly shamed women who did.

But that didn't stop my mother. She wore hers nearly everywhere, even when the temperature was much too warm for it. As far as she was concerned, mink coats weren't supposed to be hidden away in a closet. They were meant to be flaunted.

Mink coats aren't my style, but I don't criticize women who wear them, especially African Americans. Black women were just becoming financially self-sufficient enough to buy furs as they were falling out of favor among white women, who were the only ones who could afford them for centuries.

I suppose my mother might be disappointed that her mink jacket is now hanging in a coat closet in my home. It's tucked inside a garment bag along with the full-length mink coat and another mink jacket my godmother left me after her death last year.

Occasionally, I pull my mother's jacket out and prance around the house in it the way she did that Christmas morning so long ago. It brings back many fond memories of her and of holidays past.

At that moment, I am thankful that I once gave her a gift that keeps on giving.

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Amanda Fabian, plays with her son Jack, 2, at home in Aurora on Thursday.

‘Is it a lie or the magic of Christmas?’

Some parents want to stop Santa from coming to town

By KATE THAYER

When Amanda Fabian thinks about Christmases past, she recalls realizing around age 5 that it was her parents, and not a jolly old man in red, placing wrapped gifts under the tree.

While uncovering the myth of Santa Claus could devastate some kids, Fabian, now a 27-year-old mother, remembers feeling relief when she discovered unwrapped gifts in her parents’ closet.

“For me, it was just a lot better that I knew,” said Fabian, of Aurora, who grew up in a working-class family with seven kids. While Christmas presents were thoughtful, they often weren’t the hottest, most expensive toys or gadgets.

“When Santa was involved, you look at your friends or even family members and see them getting relatively expensive gifts or toys that you wanted,” she said. “It’s really hard to accept a theory that even though I was good, I didn’t get the same level of stuff as somebody else.”

Now that Fabian’s 2½-year-old son is starting to recognize Santa in picture books, she and her husband have decided to take a different approach: Santa isn’t real.

“For us, we’ll focus more on Christmas is about family,” Fabian said. “Your gifts come from your family, and we’ll be grateful for those and your family.”

“Also I just feel dishonest to bring up my kid and lie to him all the time,” she added. “It just feels kind of wrong.”

Fabian isn’t alone in her thinking. Some parents wrestle with the idea of Santa Claus. Is it a tradition that instills the magic and wonder of the holiday and boosts a child’s imagination? Or is it a far-fetched, dishonest tactic some use to ensure good behavior?

There are parents on both sides of the debate, and ultimately, it’s a decision families must make for themselves, said Jacqueline Woolley, a psychology professor at the University of Texas at Austin who researches children and mythical beings, including Santa.

In her work, she’s found that kids’ belief in Santa peaks around age 5 or 6, and then there’s an uptick in the number of children who stop. Woolley said she’s also found that Santa represents an exception in the way children distinguish between real people and fantastical beings. Typically, kids realize the people in their lives don’t have magical powers, she said. Yet, Santa does, and they continue to believe he exists.

Woolley said she’s also seen parents sound off on social media about their misgivings and uncertainty surrounding the tradition of Santa Claus.

“You don’t want to lie to your child, because it’s unethical, but also perhaps you’re concerned your child will lose trust in you,” she said. “It’s up to each parent in how they want to think about it. Is it a lie or the magic of Christmas?”

Research shows that when children discover Santa is a myth, they don’t lose trust in their



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Wyatt, 4-months, and Hayden Baines, 1, meet Santa on Thursday at the Woodfield Mall in Schaumburg.

“It’s not like we’re a bunch of Grinches. We’re still going to have a great time. We’re still a part of the cultural norms with the very fine caveat that I will not cross this line and lie to my children.”

— Elizabeth Bromley, 36

parents, and the angst they feel is fleeting, Woolley said. Ultimately, they react positively.

“One of the cool things about finding out about Santa Claus is you might engage in parents keeping the myth alive” for younger siblings, she said. And it helps “kids feel empowered in the adult world.”

“If a kid manages to find out for himself or herself, that can have positive benefits as well — that feeling of figuring it out,” she added.

Woolley said that as long as families aren’t forcing their own choices and beliefs onto others, either scenario is OK for a child. If parents don’t carry out Santa in the traditional way, children can still have memorable Christmases. And if they do, it’s not lying, just as reading about Disney characters and watching them in movies aren’t dishonest parenting.

However, when children begin to inquire about Santa’s existence, it’s best to ask them what they think to get a sense of if they’re “ready to let go of the belief,” Woolley added.

Elizabeth Bromley, 36, has also decided, with her husband, not to teach traditional Santa beliefs to their 5-year-old son and 2-year-old daughter. She said she felt duped when her own parents came clean about the Santa myth years ago, and she vowed to take a different approach with her own family. Her husband agreed.

“We’ve always just come from the angle that Santa is not to be taken literally,” she said. While the children still open gifts under the tree, and Bromley and her husband joke about Santa being in the house, they’ve made it clear to their children that he’s simply a character that some

families believe in, even if his overnight sleigh-bound mission is unrealistic.

“Use your head. That doesn’t make any sense,” Bromley said. “I don’t like raising my kids to not use their critical thinking skills.”

Bromley’s son has autism, which didn’t drive her Santa explanation but has made it more convenient. “He interprets information quite literally.”

The Bromley kids still enjoy Christmas and happily sing songs featuring Santa, thinking of him as a character. Besides, Bromley said, Santa “is not what Christmas is about. It’s not about a magical guy from the North Pole.”

Although Bromley instructs her kids not to ruin any beliefs of other children and to respect preferred traditions when in family members’ homes, she’s gotten some flak for her decision.

“There’s been some arguments about it,” she said, explaining that her mother-in-law made a rule: “If you’re in my house, Santa is real.”

“I think maybe she has the opinion we’re robbing our kids of their childhood,” Bromley said. “That’s where I explain, it’s not like we’re a bunch of Grinches. We’re still going to have a great time. We’re still a part of the cultural norms with the very fine caveat that I will not cross this line and lie to my children.”

Courtney Bruner, of Naperville, said she doesn’t think of Santa as a lie, or even a mythical being. It’s an encapsulation of “the magic of Christmas.” In fact, she continues to keep Santa alive in her family, even as her children have grown to 14, 17 and 19.

“My kids never asked me outright,” she said. “They know; I’m sure they know, but it’s just one of those little things. (Santa) made it fun, and that’s what brought great memories.”

“Santa” still brings presents, and the whole family goes along with it, Bruner said. As a child, Bruner remembers learning the truth and then missing the mystery surrounding Santa, like thinking she heard reindeer hooves on the roof and listening for Santa in her home.

She doesn’t want that to end in her house.

“Life is hard,” Bruner said. “As the kids get older, there’s little corners in your life that are precious and innocent.”

“It’s something nice to hold on to.”

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It’ll be years before most see an electric bus on their route

It’s complicated, involves upgrading infrastructure



MARY WISNIEWSKI
Getting Around

Most CTA customers will have to wait years before riding an electric bus, which offers a quieter, smoother ride that’s also environmentally friendly.

Some other big-city transit agencies, including Philadelphia, Toronto and New York City, already have electric buses carrying customers. Even the transit agency that serves the Quad Cities area in western Illinois has the buses. But the CTA has just two electric buses that are still in testing, with plans to buy additional electric and diesel buses.

Why isn’t Chicago upgrading its fleet faster, when electric buses can save the agency money in fuel and maintenance costs, while also giving the city cleaner air? And why is the agency still planning to buy diesel buses?

CTA officials say that upgrading to an electric fleet is complicated, and involves not just acquiring the buses but upgrading the agency’s infrastructure to build charging stations. It also needs to be sure the buses work in all weather conditions, and over long distances, the CTA said.

“It requires a significant commitment of planning, engineering, design, construction — basically creating a whole new bus system,” CTA spokesman Brian Steele said. “There’s also an equipment, repair, maintenance and training component.”

Environmental advocates wish the agency would move more quickly in its quest for a battery-operated fleet, considering the health and climate hazards posed by diesel. Transportation contributes almost 30% of the nation’s greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

“We need to do more, given the threats we’re seeing,” said Brian Urbaszewski, director of environmental health policy at the Respiratory Health Association. “I want to see a transition made as soon as possible for a battery-powered, clean bus fleet.”

But experiences at other transit agencies that have tried electric buses show why caution is needed, especially in places that get cold weather, which tends to shorten the distance a bus can go on an electric charge.

Philadelphia, for example, has 25 extended-range electric buses in service. The buses, charged at the garage overnight, had adequate range during the summer months, but haven’t been able to go as far on a charge in cold weather, said Erik Johanson, director of innovation for the Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority, also known as SEPTA.

“We’re starting to think about what are the types of things that can be done to extend the range,” Johanson said. He said he can “completely understand” why Chicago is taking its time.

“Battery electric buses are still in their infancy, in terms of deployment,” Johanson said. “Everyone is trying to figure out what the right balance is, between range capacity of the bus and the capability of the bus to charge overnight, or on an ongoing basis during the day.”

Indianapolis’ “IndyGo” system also found that its electric buses travel lower-than-expected distances on cold days. It has reached an agreement with its bus supplier BYD for wireless charging infrastructure.

In western Illinois, MetroLINK general manager Jeff Nelson said the transit agency will not be able to switch to an all-electric fleet until battery life lasts longer — service time for its 8 electric buses drops to 8 hours in the winter from 10 hours in the summer.

“You can’t get 24 hours, primarily because of the front defroster,” Nelson said.

The CTA has pledged to have an all-electric bus fleet by 2040. Since 2014, it has had two electric buses in testing, but not carrying customers. It has purchased 20 new electric buses from the California-based company Proterra, which also supplied SEPTA and MetroLINK, but the buses are not yet on the streets. The CTA will test them through three seasons before rolling them out for customers on the busy No. 66 Chicago route sometime next year, Steele said.

CTA paid about \$900,000 for each bus in the recent order, plus charging stations, for a total of \$32 million, Steele said. A new diesel bus costs about \$500,000. The CTA said that the electric buses bought in 2014 have saved more than \$54,000 annually in fuel and maintenance costs compared with diesel buses, so over a 12-year life span the electric buses could end up being cheaper.

The CTA said it will place an order for another 35 electric buses, probably by the end of next year, using \$39 million in federal funds. It also plans to buy between 50 and 400 “clean diesel” buses over the next several years, likely through 2028, spokesman Steve Mayberry said.

Steele explained that the diesel buses are needed to replace old buses. Of the agency’s more than 1,800 buses, close to 1,000 will need to be replaced in the next two to three years, he said. The agency uses both diesel and 300 hybrid diesel-electric buses.

The good news for transit agencies is that lithium-ion batteries for buses have improved dramatically in recent years, becoming both cheaper and more reliable, said Hanjiro Ambrose, a doctoral candidate at the University of California at Davis who specializes in sustainable transportation.

As batteries have improved, the number of zero-emission buses in the U.S. has grown nearly 37% since 2018, with 2,255 buses now operating, on order or pending order, according to an October report from Calstart, a nonprofit clean-transportation advocate. More than half are on the West Coast, where the climate is gentler.

“I generally see that the cities that have winter have a more conservative timeline,” said Ryan Popple, president and CEO of Proterra.

Target dates for all-electric fleets vary. Los Angeles plans to be all-electric by 2030; Indianapolis wants it by 2035; while New York, like Chicago, aims for 2040. Mayor Lori Lightfoot said she wanted the 2030 goal during her campaign.

Urbaszewski said he found the CTA’s plan to buy up to 400 more diesel buses “extremely disappointing,” and doubted that these buses will actually be gone by 2040.

“Our hope is that they minimize diesel bus purchases,” said Susan Mudd, senior policy advocate for the Environmental Law & Policy Center, an environmental advocacy group. She said she hopes the CTA is consulting with other cities that are moving faster toward all-electric fleets “to figure out any and all barriers that can be overcome,” as well as to learn from mistakes.

U.S. transit agencies overall have been much slower to convert to electric buses than China, which reportedly has more than 400,000. Popple said this has to do with the nature of China, which is centralized and nondemocratic. If the buses don’t work right in China, riders are less likely to complain, Popple said.

Sam Schwartz Engineering, a transportation planning and engineering firm, is doing a study for the CTA to help it create a “road map” for an all-electric fleet, the CTA’s Mayberry said. Similar studies have been done in Seattle and Los Angeles.

But Urbaszewski noted that the CTA has been studying electric buses for five years already.

“At some point we’re going to have to stop studying this and make a commitment that we’re going to do this,” Urbaszewski said.

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Transportation song quiz

■ The song in our last quiz told of walking 804.67 kilometers for love. “The song is ‘I’m Gonna Be (500 miles)’ by The Proclaimers. Marty Bourke, of Bloomingdale, was the winner.

■ This week’s Brit hit is about something a lot of us are going to be doing this week, inching through traffic. Lots of red lights and memories. What’s the song, and who did it? The first person with the answers gets a Tribune pen, and glory.



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Right, Kyle Krause, of Valparaiso, Indiana, places a \$500 bet on the Bears for the Super Bowl with ticket writer, Maricela Estrada, during the official opening and ribbon cutting for “The Book” at the Horseshoe Hammond Casino in Indiana.

Gambling

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The new gaming opportunities are projected to increase the state’s annual gambling tax revenue by \$350 million — and make Illinois something of a Midwest gambling mecca. “You’ve got about 45,000 gaming positions,” gambling industry consultant Frank Fantini said. “I don’t know that any other place has that many.”

Illinois already has a lot of places to place bets. Since video gaming terminals were launched in 2012, the standalone slot and poker machines in bars, restaurants and truck stops have flourished, more than tripling the number of gaming positions across the state. Illinois generated more than \$1.4 billion in gambling tax revenue for the 12 months that ended June 30, up 3.5% from the previous year.

Fantini said there’s still room for casinos in the Chicago area to grow by adding more gaming positions, and said sports betting in particular will lure new customers to casinos.

Sports betting

The Illinois Sports Wagering Act allows the state’s 10 casinos, three horse tracks and seven of the largest sports venues to acquire a sports gaming license, with three additional online-only licenses to be issued 18 months after the first on-site license is issued. Eilers & Krejcik Gaming, a California-based research and consulting firm, projected annual revenues of \$756 million in Illinois within five years.

Sports betting locations will be able to offer online betting as well, which generates the lion’s share of action in other states. Gaming Board officials declined to say Thursday if that feature will go live when on-site betting begins.

Enabled by a 2018 U.S. Supreme Court ruling, 20 states have legalized sports gambling.

Illinois has been slow off the starting blocks, however, since sports wagering became law in June. Indiana approved legislation in May and launched sportsbooks at casinos statewide in September. Mobile sports wagering went live at Ameristar East Chicago in October, with two more Indiana casinos coming online last month.

“While we respect our Hoosier neighbors, at the same time Illinois is a different state, and we have to do what’s in the best interest of Illinois,” Illinois Gaming Board administrator Marcus Fruchter said Thursday. “We’re doing what we need to make sure that we roll it out in a proper manner.”

Indiana casinos generated nearly \$30 million in adjusted gross receipts — revenue after winnings are paid — from sports wagering during the first three months of operation, according to the Indiana Gaming Commission.

“There is a lot of action on the Bears,” said Dan Nita, regional president of Caesars Entertainment, the parent of Horseshoe Hammond, located just across the state line from Chicago in northwest Indiana. “More than half of all the action is on football.”

Perhaps more important

is the instant boost online sports gambling brought to Indiana. In November, more than 60% of sports betting revenue was generated online, according to a monthly report by the Indiana Gaming Commission.

Under Illinois law, consumers will have to create a sports wagering account in person before they can gamble online or through a mobile app. Operators are required to use geofencing technology in their mobile apps that tracks where the bets are placed, cutting off access outside the state.

Whether Bears fans will be able to stay home and bet on the team by next season remains to be seen. In its December sports betting report, Eilers & Krejcik Gaming said Indiana may enjoy a year or two of “meaningful out-of-state inflation” from Illinois gamblers.

Casino expansion

When Illinois legalized riverboat gambling 30 years ago, it meant driving to places like Joliet, paying an admission fee and taking a two-hour ride down the Des Plaines River in the bowels of a floating casino.

By the time Rivers Casino opened in 2011 as what was to be the state’s 10th and final casino, it was a boat in name only. A 144,000-gallon man-made pool beneath the foundation technically qualifies the casino as a riverboat. While patrons never see the water, there is a maintenance closet where the pool, only 6 inches deep, is visible through a small plexiglass window in the floor.

Now, as part of the gambling expansion law, the state’s busiest casino can drain the pool. Rivers paid \$250,000 for the state’s first land-based license in November, a designation that enabled it to add 123 gaming positions to parts of the facility not located above water.

The casino is planning a \$150 million expansion onto adjacent dry land to add the rest of the 800 new gaming positions allowed under the law, bringing its total to 2,000. It’s also doubling its parking garage to more than 1,500 spaces, work that is expected to be completed by next summer.

Harrah’s Joliet & Metropolis, the Casino Queen in East St. Louis and the Grand Victoria in Elgin also seek to add 800 gaming positions, the Gaming Board’s Fruchter said.

New casinos

In a bid to reverse declining casino revenues, the state is looking to add six new casinos from the Wisconsin border to southern Illinois. Rivers, which is a partnership between Chicago-based Rush Street Gaming and Louisville, Kentucky-based Churchill Downs, is among three casino operators vying to build a new casino in Waukegan.

In the south suburbs, four applicants are competing to build a casino in either Calumet City, Homewood/East Hazel Crest, Lynwood or Matteson. There are also proposals for new casinos in Rockford, Danville and Williamson County in southern Illinois.

In total, the Illinois Gaming Board has received 10 applications for five of

the six new casino licenses. Plans for a sixth casino in Chicago have been stalled as lawmakers reconsider a proposed 33.3% city gambling tax that may be prohibitive for developers.

The Gaming Board has 12 months from the Oct. 28 application deadline to process and award the licenses. Operators will be allowed to open in temporary facilities for two years while building permanent locations, but there may not be enough time for the new casinos to get up and running in 2020, even in temporary digs, according to Rivers Casino spokesman Patrick Skarr.

Racinos

The state’s three horse racing tracks had the opportunity to add casino gaming under the new bill, but Churchill Downs, the owner of Arlington International Racecourse in Arlington Heights, decided to pass — at least for 2020.

Hawthorne Race Course in Stickney and Fairmount Park in downstate Collinsville both applied to the Gaming Board by an Aug. 27 deadline to open so-called racinos. The Gaming Board had 120 days to determine whether to grant the racino applications, but Fruchter said the clock hasn’t started, because the applications haven’t been deemed complete.

Under the law, Arlington could add up to 1,200 slot machines and table gaming positions at its racetrack, but surprised racing officials and industry observers when it chose not to apply.

While horse racing interests in Illinois have long lobbied for casino gambling at racetracks as a way to boost purses and better compete against other forms of gambling, the requirement that Arlington pay as much as 20% more in taxes on gaming revenues than existing casinos to fund horse racing purses makes a racino financially untenable, Churchill Downs executives said.

Churchill is, however, planning to apply for a sports betting license at the racetrack.

Video gaming

Illinois is the unofficial video gaming terminal capital of the U.S., with nearly 33,500 slot and poker machines at licensed bars, restaurants, truck stops and fraternal organizations. The gambling expansion law will no doubt enhance its status after lawmakers Tuesday agreed to expedite the rollout of potentially thousands of new terminals in 2020.

Seven years after video gaming launched in Illinois, the stand-alone machines generate more revenue than the state’s 10 casinos. For the 12 months that ended June 30, adjusted gross receipts topped \$1.59 billion, while casinos brought in \$1.35 billion, according to the state.

Under the expansion law, the state’s 7,241 video gaming locations can operate six terminals, up from five, while larger truck stops can have up to 10 machines. The maximum wager doubled to \$4, and the maximum cash award increased to \$1,199 from \$500.

So far, the Gaming Board has received 1,626 requests for a sixth machine.

Holiday a time for remembrance



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Frank Lopez’s close friends and family Francesca Lopez, from left, Julio Vazquez-Mellado Jr., Julio Vazquez-Mellado, Daniel Rodriguez and Alicia Salazar speak to Christmas carolers outside of Lopez’s home during a memorial in Logan Square on Sunday. Lopez, 85, died last month, a few days after surgery for a lung tumor, his daughter, Francesca “Peggy” Lopez, told the Tribune on Thursday.

Statue

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respected and martyred leader of the Sauk and Fox tribes, who were nearly wiped out after bloody battles in the area in 1832.

It was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2009.

The restoration was quoted as costing about \$440,000, Curfman said. The project secured a \$350,000 commitment from the state, as well as \$270,000 raised by the community. Any leftover funds will be placed in an account to cover future rehabilitative costs. Frank Rausa’s committee also had previously raised more than \$200,000 for engineering studies and other costs leading up to the restoration, he said.

“Hopefully it will never get back to the point where it was previously,” Curfman said. “As we see cracks or major areas of concern, we would address those right away instead of waiting 70 years.”

The state is planning to have an official unveiling ceremony to remove the tarp and scaffolding once the statue restoration is complete, Curfman said. Workers, though, will still be repairing the foundation around the statue into next year.

The deterioration mostly stems from damage from weather and being outdoors in the elements, Curfman said. Workers had

to remove all the damaged concrete and restore it to match the original texture and shape of the statue. Most of the damage was around the statue’s folded arms, she said.

When Charron Rausa was diagnosed with cancer late in 2014, she was determined to see the completion of the statue. At the time, the completion was tentatively set for late 2015. At one doctor’s appointment, she laughed, according to a Tribune article, shook her finger at the doctor and said she needed to be well by autumn.

“I’ve got some place to be. I’ve worked too hard on him (the statue) not to be there,” Charron Rausa recalled telling the doctor, according to the article.

But the project was delayed several times, and Charron Rausa died on Nov. 30, 2016. Frank Rausa said a number of factors stalled the restoration, including the Illinois budget impasse when the state was without a budget from 2015 to 2017. They also faced delays related to the state contracting a conservator for the project, as well as continuing deterioration that created more conservation work.

Frank Rausa eventually got burned out, and others in the community picked up the torch, he said. A lifelong community member, Jan Stilson, gathered interested community members together and formed a nonprofit in September 2018 to raise money

“Hopefully it will never get back to the point where it was previously.”

— Crystal Curfman, executive director of the conservation foundation

to finish the project.

Stilson, who grew up in Oregon, recalled picnicking at Lowden State Park under the eyes of the statue when she was young. The park is about 100 miles west of Chicago. For much of her adult life, Stilson passed the statue to and from work every day.

“It’s like having a good friend in the neighborhood,” she said.

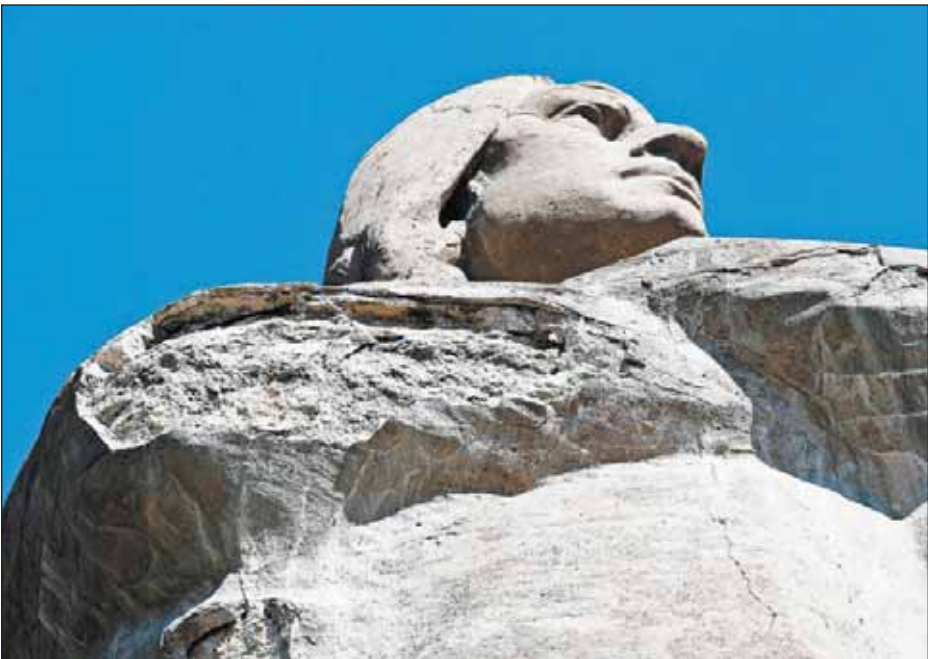
But it bothered her seeing the statue wrapped up in black tarp, a hulking shadow on the horizon instead of the familiar landmark.

“In October 2017, two full years had gone by that he was wrapped in black tarp,” she said. “He looked like Darth Vader on the bluff.”

Now, she hopes the statue will be unwrapped soon, as a “nice Christmas present.”

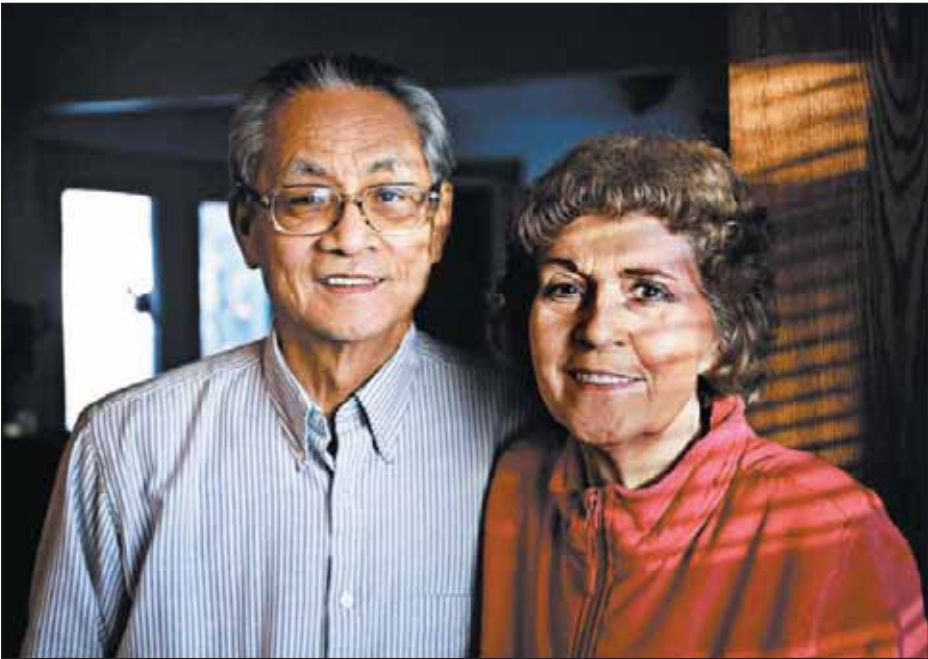
Frank Rausa’s feelings about the near completion are more complicated. He’s glad the statue will soon tower over the Rock River again, but wishes Charron could be there to see it.

“That’s the bittersweet part of it,” he said.



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The 50-foot cement statue of Black Hawk stands above the Rock River at Lowden State Park in 2013, in Oregon, Illinois. The statue, by Laredo Taft, is called the Eternal Indian.



Frank and Charron Rausa, shown in 2014, spearheaded the effort to restore the statue. The restoration suffered from a series of setbacks, and Charron Rausa died in 2016, but the project is now nearly complete.

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Alternative to the knife for your knee pain? Non-Surgical treatment success rate soars after using new digital technology

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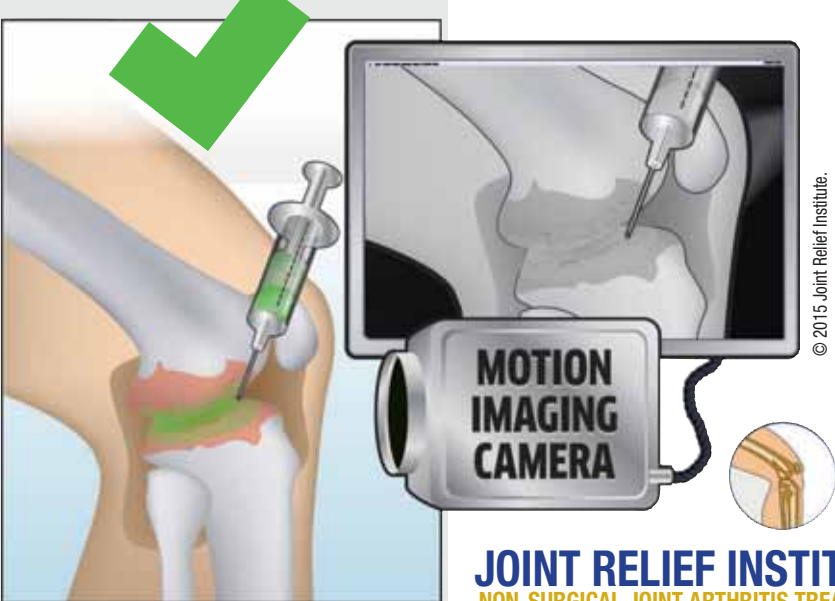
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Warren builds Illinois staff as primary nears

Filing for March election begins with new year

By Rick Pearson

Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren is building up her Democratic presidential campaign organization in Illinois as filing for the state's March 17 primary ballot begins right after the new year. "Elizabeth Warren understands the importance of organizing and knows that the way we'll win in 2020 and make big, structural change come January 2021 is by organizing a grassroots movement," Stephen Campbell, Warren's Illinois director, said in a statement Saturday.

"Our team has prioritized investing early and recruiting staff who could help build an infrastructure with a presence in communities across Illinois," Campbell said.

Warren's senior staff includes Campbell, who has been the political director for the Senate Democratic Victory Fund, a campaign fund for the Illinois Senate majority. Campbell also previously worked for the state Senate's Democratic caucus.

Also part of Warren's Illinois team is Maggie Seppi, who is serving as organizing director for the state. Seppi had served a similar role in New Hampshire for New York Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand's unsuccessful presidential effort. Before that, Seppi worked for the North Carolina Democratic Party as the deputy field director.

Jason Lee is Warren's community organizing director in Illinois after serving as political director for United Working Families, a progressive labor-backed group that recruits black, Latino and women candidates. Lee also worked for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, and has been an adviser and field director for the Chicago Teachers Union.

Others on the team include Tonantzin Carmona, who previously worked for the Chicago Community Trust and the Chicago city clerk, to serve as political outreach director; Emma LaBounty, a union organizer who worked for the 2016 Illinois Democratic coordinated campaign, as training director; Daniel Curtis, who served as chief of staff



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Presidential candidate Elizabeth Warren speaks during a town hall event in Chicago on Nov. 30.

for the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Artificial Intelligence Policy for World Project, as data director; and Erica Sagrams, an adviser to non-profits, foundations and unions on digital strategy, as mobilization director.

The Warren campaign said it has 20 staffers now working in Illinois and that it plans to open more offices beyond its current Chicago location in the near future.

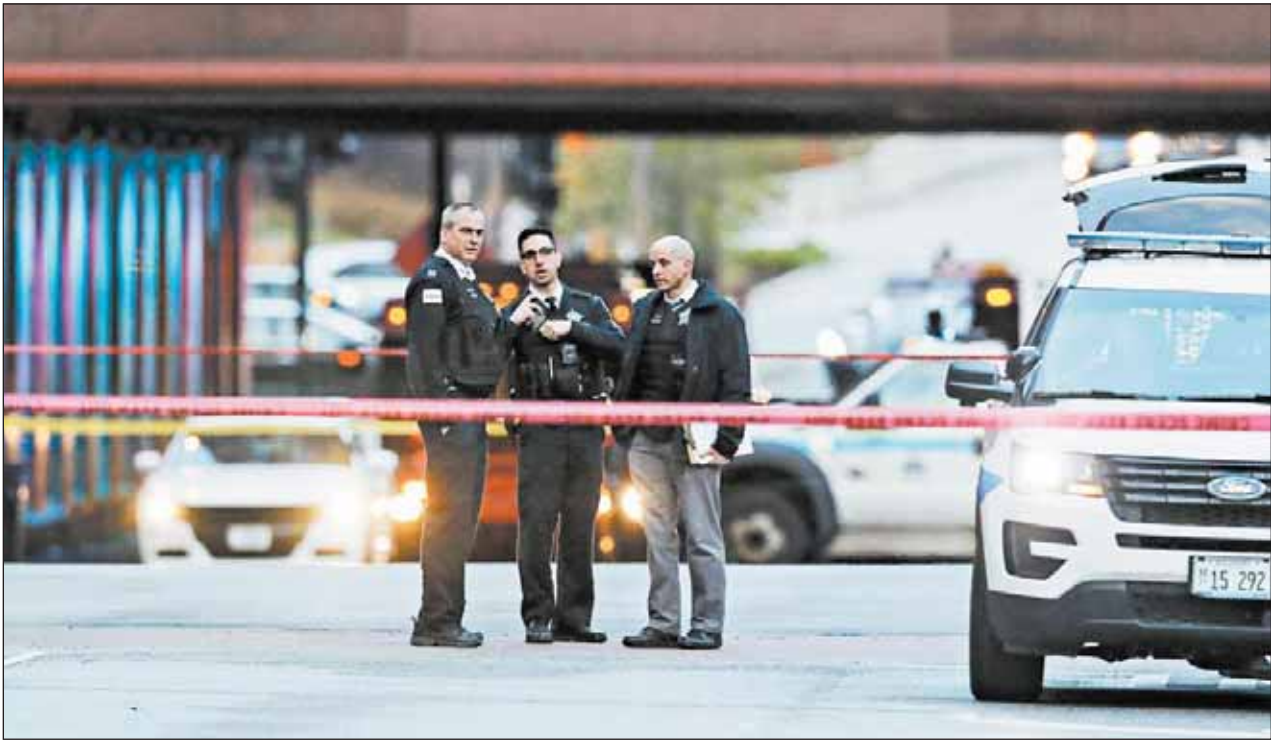
Warren has made three trips to Illinois, including two large town hall events as well as joining CTU teachers during their strike against the Chicago Public Schools.

The staffing announcement comes as the Democratic presidential contenders and their choices for convention nominating delegates face a Jan. 3 deadline to file for the March primary ballot.

Democratic voters will elect 110 convention delegates, apportioned in part by how the candidates for president fare in each of the state's 18 congressional districts. Another 59 delegates of the 184-member delegation will be selected later, also based on results of the presidential preference balloting.

Previously, New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg, who has been blanketing TV sets across the country with commercials, announced his Illinois campaign team, which includes senior adviser Tom Bowen, who has consulted on the campaigns of Mayor Lori Lightfoot and her predecessor, Rahm Emanuel; and state director Kara Highfill, who ran state Treasurer Michael Frerichs' reelection campaign last year.

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Chicago police investigate the fatal shooting of Lonell Irvin on West Ida B. Wells Drive and South Clark Street on April 26. Thirteen people were shot early Sunday during a party in Englewood honoring Irvin.

Shooting

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Hospital.

Two people initially were detained and questioned after the shooting. On Sunday night, police announced a charge of unlawful use of a weapon by a felon against Marciano White, 37, saying that he was seen leaving the scene holding a bag across his body and attempted to flee when officers tried to talk to him. No other charges have been announced.

The party was in honor of Lonell Irvin, a 22-year-old man fatally shot near the intersection of State Street and Ida B. Wells Drive during an attempted carjacking April 26 in the Loop, according to multiple people at the scene.

Authorities said Irvin was wielding his own gun when he attempted to carjack a man with a license to carry a concealed handgun, who police said grabbed his weapon from the glove compartment and shot Irvin in the head. Authorities at the time categorized the shooter, who likely was rear-ended in a ploy to steal his 2015 BMW, as the victim in the incident.

Waller said there was a dispute during the party and someone started shooting. Once people started running outside, video surveillance from a city police camera captured images of someone firing more shots outside the home.

A different person also was caught on surveillance video shooting at a vehicle, Waller said.

"From outside, definitely there was two different shooters," Waller said. "It looked like they were just shooting randomly at people as they exited the party."

Mayor Lori Lightfoot spoke to reporters outside the University of Chicago Medical Center at 11 a.m. after visiting some of the victims being treated there, though she did not say how many people she met with or share details about their conversations. She was joined by Waller, in his second address to reporters in five hours, as both urged anyone with information to contact authorities.

"It's a terrible tragedy and frankly an act of cowardice," Lightfoot said.



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Police tape is at the scene where 13 people were shot in the 5700 block of South May Street early Sunday in Englewood.

"People in that house know what happened, and we urge them to overcome their fears and come forward with information."

She asked those who witnessed the shooting to go to www.cpdtip.com to anonymously share what they saw.

"We can't normalize this kind of behavior and tragedy in this city," she said.

Lightfoot said police got to the scene quickly and are working to uncover more from the scene captured on video. She also spoke about the city's ongoing violence, adding, "Solving disputes with a gun is never the right answer."

According to Tribune records, the last shooting with 13 or more people injured happened in September 2013 in the Back of the Yards neighborhood. Seven defendants were convicted in the Cornell Square Park shooting, the last of whom was sentenced in October of this year. Authorities said it was a "miracle" no one was killed in that shooting, during which at least one of the gunmen fired at a basketball court with an AK-47 rifle.

Shootings at vigils or memorials often can leave wounded a large number of people since so many mourners are gathered in one place. After Sunday's shooting and the Cornell Square Park shooting, in which 13 people were shot each time, Tribune data show the next-highest number of victims in a single shooting was in 2017 when 10 people, including a brother and sister, were shot while visiting a Brighton Park memorial.

In that shooting, Adriana Williams, 27, and her brother, Michael Williams, 24, were killed and eight other people were wounded. The siblings' old-

er brother, Willie Glover Jr., at the time, said: "They were just coming to pay their respects. You expect people to respect that."

However, a law enforcement source said the investigation into Sunday's shooting has not found evidence to suggest it was the result of rivals targeting the memorial party. Instead, it's possible an internal fight among acquaintances at the party turned violent, officials said.

Waller previously categorized Sunday's shooting as an "isolated" event.

On May Street early Sunday, some women huddled outside the red crime scene tape wearing colorful shirts with Irvin's face printed above his birth and death dates. They expressed anger at how the party was violently crashed by gunmen who were not invited.

"They were just celebrating a memorial for somebody that passed away, and this is what they do," said a 29-year-old woman who declined to give her name, citing safety concerns. "Your kids can't grow up, you can't do nothing. This is what our life is going to be about."

The 29-year-old woman stood for more than an hour next to where she found one of her friends clutching her chest on the northwest corner of West 57th Street and May. She had been shot but was able to talk and, before she was loaded into an ambulance, asked that someone call her daughter.

It became difficult for residents on the block to keep track of all the victims. As the 29-year-old talked about her friend who was shot, another woman, who just finished talking about watching her male friend bleed from a gunshot wound on the stairs, let out

a deep sigh and accused the woman of lying.

"She was lying right here," the 29-year-old said, gesturing to the patch of grass in front of her. The other woman immediately got on the phone and paced down the block.

Ald. Stephanie Coleman, 16th, said she was alerted to the shooting by about eight phone calls from residents. She said there was chaos when she arrived, but she was also grateful to see so many people wanting to help.

"I saw disappointment," Coleman told reporters Sunday morning. "I saw frustration. I saw fear. I saw lots of concerned neighbors getting to the bottom of it."

Terence Daniely, a 57-year-old who lives nearby, said he awoke to the sound of at least five gunshots. When he looked outside, it was as if the entire police district had swarmed the block, he said. With squad cars and ambulances clogging the street, some officers parked farther away and sprinted south toward the house where the memorial was held.

Daniely, who's lived on the block for about four years, said he hopes for stiffer penalties for gun offenders and more support for at-risk youth.

"It's so real, that lack of caring for life," Daniely said. "It's reckless, just reckless. How does it continually happen? When is it going to stop?"

Citywide, shootings and homicides are projected to drop by double-digit numbers for the third consecutive calendar year, according to Chicago police data.

The 29-year-old woman was less optimistic that there was a solution to all the violence. She understood why her neighborhood was frustrated and felt police weren't helping, but she increasingly feels there's little authorities can do to stem the violence.

"Y'all can try your best to stay out here and watch these streets all night, but no matter how they do it, it's going to be multiple deaths, multiple shootings, innocent people getting shot," the 29-year-old said. "I cannot wait to leave Chicago."

Coleman said despite the gun violence Sunday, the 5700 block of South May Street was teeming with good people. She said she had faith that 7th District Chicago police officers will work to protect the neighborhood this holiday season.

"I saw children out at 12:30 in the morning," Coleman said. "Could you only imagine? Children, out because it was just that much activity going on. We don't want this for our children, not on their Christmas break."

Community members, including Renee Collins, who said she makes it a point to be visible when gun violence happens, walked the neighborhood early Sunday afternoon. Many others gathered outside the home, chatting among themselves.

Collins said she wants her neighbors to see a presence outside after a violent event like Sunday's so people know it's still safe.

"They have to know that somebody is watching that cares," Collins said. "This is Christmas. How dare these young men do this."

Chicago Tribune's Liam Ford contributed.

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After call, aide said to ‘hold off’ Ukraine aid

Email: Keep the request to only those who need to know

By **TOLUSE OLORUNNIPA**
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — An official from the White House budget office directed the Defense Department to “hold off” on sending military aid to Ukraine less than two hours after President Donald Trump’s controversial phone call with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, according to internal emails.

Michael Duffey, a senior budget official, told Pentagon officials that Trump had become personally interested in the Ukraine aid and had ordered the hold, according to the heavily redacted emails, obtained by the Center for Public Integrity on Friday in response to a Freedom of Information Act request. He also asked the Pentagon not to discuss the hold widely.

“Given the sensitive nature of the request, I appreciate your keeping that information closely held to those who need to know to execute the direction,” Duffey wrote in a July 25 email to Pentagon Comptroller Elaine McCusker and others.

The new emails shed light on the process by which the Trump administration withheld almost \$400 million in aid from Ukraine at the same time the president and some of his political allies were pushing Zelenskyy to investigate Democrats. On Wednesday, the House of Representatives voted to impeach Trump for abuse



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, left, and President Donald Trump met Sept. 25 in New York.

of power and obstruction of Congress, charging the president with leveraging U.S. military aid to solicit foreign interference in the 2020 election and blocking congressional attempts to conduct oversight.

The White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

In one of the emails, Duffey indicated Trump began asking about the aid Congress had appropriated for Ukraine after seeing a June 19 article in the Washington Examiner with the headline “Pentagon to send \$250M in weapons to Ukraine.”

The haphazard process continued throughout the

summer, the emails show, including on the same day that Trump spoke with Zelenskyy and requested a “favor” after the Ukrainian president said he was ready to purchase anti-tank missiles from the United States. That phone call, which took place at about 9 a.m. on July 25, was followed by Duffey’s email directing the hold at 11:04 a.m.

Some administration officials testified that they had learned of the hold, which blocked money from being appropriated by the State Department and the Defense Department, in early July.

The emails also show

some Pentagon officials were concerned that withholding the aid from Ukraine, which relied on the money to defend itself against Russian aggression, was ill-advised policy and potentially unlawful. Mark Sandy, a career budget official who testified before the House Intelligence Committee during last month’s impeachment hearings, told lawmakers he was concerned that withholding the aid Congress had approved could be a violation of the Impoundment Control Act. The 1974 law restricts how a president can suspend congressionally approved funds.

Sandy testified that two

budget officials resigned in part due to frustration about the freeze, a sentiment that was shared within the Pentagon, according to the emails.

Sandy was removed from his position and replaced by Duffey, who proceeded to sign documents implementing the hold on aid during the summer. The aid was released in September, after a whistleblower came forward to allege that Trump had pressured Zelenskyy to interfere in the 2020 election by launching investigations into former Vice President Joe Biden and his son Hunter, as well as into a conspiracy theory about Ukrainian election

interference in 2016.

“Glad to have this behind us,” Duffey wrote in a Sept. 11 email to McCusker informing the Pentagon that the hold on the aid was being released.

Lawmakers in the Senate, where Trump could face a trial in January on both impeachment articles, responded with differing views.

“This email from Michael Duffey — approximately 90 minutes after President Trump’s call with the president of Ukraine — is all the more reason why we need Duffey and others to testify in a Senate trial,” Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., wrote on Twitter on Saturday.

But Sen. Ron Johnson, R-Wis., said the emails “don’t shed any new light” on Trump’s rationale for withholding the aid.

“The president was concerned about the — whether or not America’s hard-earned taxpayer dollars should be spent into a country where there has been proven cases of corruption,” he said Sunday on ABC News’s “This Week.”

Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., who is running for president, cited the emails Sunday during an interview on CBS’ “Face the Nation.” She said the documents were further proof that the Senate should conduct a “thorough” trial, with major witnesses including Duffey, White House acting chief of staff Mick Mulvaney and former national security adviser John Bolton.

“If the president is so innocent and shouldn’t be impeached, why is he afraid to have these people come forward?” she said.

‘The power of the gavel’ cementing Pelosi’s legacy

2019 marks a series of legislative wins for House speaker

By **LISA MASCARO**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nancy Pelosi promised as speaker she would “show the power of the gavel.”

This year, she laid it out for all to see.

The past week alone, the Democratic leader delivered a \$1.4 trillion government funding package to avert a shutdown, pushed through the bipartisan U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement and passed her party’s plan to lower prescription drug costs. In between, she led a congressional delegation to Europe for the 75th anniversary of the Battle of the Bulge.

And on Wednesday, she impeached the president.

As the first year of Pelosi’s second stint as speaker draws to a close — she is the only woman to hold the office, and the first speaker in 60 years to reclaim the gavel after losing it — the California Democrat took stock of whether she fulfilled her campaign trail promise.

“Donald Trump thinks

so,” Pelosi said in an interview last week at her office in the Capitol.

“He just got impeached. He’ll be impeached forever. No matter what the Senate does. He’s impeached forever because he violated our Constitution,” she said.

“If I did nothing else, he saw the power of the gavel there,” Pelosi told the AP. “And it wasn’t me, it was all of our members making their own decision.”

Not since an earlier era of leaders — like Sam Rayburn, whose name is on a building at the Capitol, or Newt Gingrich, who defined a political movement — has the House speaker wielded such influence.

“She has governed with force and authority,” said Julian Zelizer, a professor of history and public policy at Princeton.

Zelizer said Pelosi has accomplished with Trump what others have not, which is to build a coalition strong enough to hold the president accountable, through impeachment, while also muscling through big bills. This, on top of what she did during her first term in the office.

“She is likely to go down in history as one of the most effective Speakers,” he said.

Congress often runs toward a big year-end finish as lawmakers try to rack up accomplishments for the elections ahead. Lame-duck sessions, which this year is not, are often particularly robust as members capitalize on the narrow calendar window after the election but before the new Congress forms.

Former Speaker Paul Ryan delivered the GOP’s sweeping tax cuts package in December 2017. Former Speaker John Boehner tried to secure the fiscal cliff deal of tax and spending cuts at the end of 2012, and it was eventually approved at New Year’s.

Pelosi’s earlier term as speaker, from 2007-2011, saw Democrats approve the signature achievement of the Obama era, the Affordable Care Act, during Christmas in 2009, though most of the action by that stage in the legislative process had moved in the Senate.

She regained the gavel in January of this year, emerging from a contentious internal party election, after sweeping House Democrats to the majority in the 2018 midterm elections.

Pelosi’s ability to steer the agenda is shaped in part by her decades in office. She



Nancy Pelosi is the only woman to hold the office as House Speaker and the first in 60 years to reclaim the gavel after losing it.

immodestly calls herself a master legislator; but there’s truth in the brag — she brings more legislative experience to her job than those immediate predecessors. Particularly during the start of Obama’s first term, when her party controlled both chambers, she ushered health care, financial reform and other major items to passage in what historians say was the most productive session of Congress since Lyndon Johnson’s Great Society years.

Critics contend Pelosi strong-armed bills through the House, resulting in 2010 Democratic midterm election losses that cost the party its majority and her the

gavel.

Trump said Democrats are on a “suicide march” toward electoral defeat once again with impeachment.

“Crazy Nancy Pelosi’s House Democrats have branded themselves with an eternal mark of shame,” Trump told a rally crowd in battleground Michigan on the night he was being impeached.

The Republican leader of the Senate, Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, said Pelosi’s House isn’t accomplishing much because she is wasting time on impeachment.

But she notes that it’s McConnell who calls himself the “grim reaper” in his

Senate graveyard of House-passed bills he refuses to bring forward for a vote.

“The time is not up,” Pelosi said Thursday, a reminder that all those pieces of legislation carry over to 2020, because Congress runs in two-year cycles and this session doesn’t conclude for another year.

The impeachment vote will be what history remembers most from last week. But passing the trade bill is a major win for both parties. And approving the government funding counts too. Last year at this time, the government was heading toward what would become the nation’s longest-ever federal shutdown.



Protesters march with symbolic coffins during an anti-government demonstration Sunday in Baghdad.

Iraqis protest against interim PM nominee

By **QASSIM ABDUL-ZAHRA**
Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Thousands of protesters poured into the streets of Baghdad and Iraq’s southern provinces on Sunday, rejecting the nomination of what some call an Iran-backed candidate for the prime minister’s post.

The demonstrations came ahead of a looming midnight deadline for naming an interim prime minister, but without a solution

being reached.

The protesters closed roads in southern provinces including oil-rich Basra saying they won’t accept the nomination of the outgoing higher education minister, Quayy al-Suhail.

Iraq’s leaderless uprising has roiled the country since Oct. 1, and at least 400 people have been killed since. Thousands of protesters have taken to the streets in Baghdad and the predominantly Shiite south.

They’re decrying corruption, poor services and a lack

of jobs, while also calling for an end to the political system that was imposed after the 2003 U.S. invasion.

Pressure from the demonstrations led Prime Minister Adil Abdul-Mahdi to resign late last month. That was after Iraq’s most powerful religious authority, Grand Ayatollah Ali al-Sistani, withdrew support for Abdul-Mahdi’s government.

On Friday, al-Sistani, in his weekly sermon delivered by a representative, called for political blocs to

form the government quickly. The Iran-born al-Sistani said that the new prime minister should be accepted by the public.

Iraq’s constitution requires parliament’s largest bloc to name a candidate for the premiership within 15 days of accepting the prime minister’s resignation. That deadline expired last Thursday, but was extended until midnight Sunday.

The deadlock has been worsened by a dispute over which of two blocs is the largest in parliament.



NASA and US Army personnel work around the Boeing Starliner spacecraft after its successful landing Sunday morning in White Sands, New Mexico.

Successful landing for Boeing spacecraft ends flawed testing

BY CHRISTIAN DAVENPORT
The Washington Post

Boeing’s Starliner spacecraft landed softly in the New Mexico desert Sunday morning, successfully finishing a flawed test mission that went awry shortly after the capsule reached space.

Floating under three parachutes, the spacecraft, which was carrying no astronauts, touched down at 7:58 a.m. Eastern time at the White Sands Missile Range.

Boeing and NASA celebrated the return of Starliner as a triumph, the first time an American capsule built to send humans to orbit touched down on land instead of in the ocean.

At a news conference after the landing, Jim Chilton, Boeing’s senior vice president for space and launch, said, “Today couldn’t have gone any better. ... We are just as pleased as we can be with the design.”

The soft landing capped a mission that had suffered a significant failure when the spacecraft’s timing system prevented it from performing a key test objective: reaching the International Space Station and docking with the flying laboratory in orbit at 17,500 mph.

NASA and Boeing officials said that now that they have recovered the space-

craft they would investigate what went wrong and why.

Chilton said Sunday that the timer was significantly off — an 11-hour discrepancy between what the spacecraft’s internal clock was reading and what the actual time was.

“Make no mistake, this did not go according to plan in every way that we would have hoped,” NASA Administrator Jim Bridenstine said at the news conference. But he added that the mission still achieved a number of key objectives, including the landing, which he said was “an absolute bullseye.”

NASA is relying on Boeing and SpaceX to design and build spacecraft capable of flying its astronauts to the space station. Before they undertake missions with NASA astronauts on board, both companies were to fly uncrewed missions to test how their capsules operate in space.

SpaceX completed a successful flight without astronauts on board in March. But a month later its Dragon spacecraft exploded during a test firing of its emergency abort system engines. The company says it has since fixed that problem and is hoping to perform a test of the abort system in-flight next month.

Boeing’s mission got off to a good start, when the

Starliner launched successfully early Friday morning on an Atlas V rocket, operated by the United Launch Alliance from Cape Canaveral in Florida.

But when the spacecraft was released, a problem with its timing system caused the engines not to fire as expected. That put the spacecraft in the wrong orbit where it was between communications satellites. Because it was in the wrong location, its antennae were unable to receive commands from the ground to correct the error, Chilton said.

As the spacecraft struggled to put itself on the correct flight path, it fired thrusters that burned up fuel, and NASA and Boeing decided the spacecraft should not attempt to dock with the station.

Starliner had been scheduled to spend about a week attached to the space station but instead was forced to come home early. Early Sunday, Starliner fired its engines to slow it down to re-enter the atmosphere. The spacecraft slammed into the atmosphere at about 25 times the speed of sound. Its heat shield withstood 3,000-degree temperatures, as the spacecraft was engulfed in a fireball generated by high-speed friction with the increasingly dense atmosphere.

Aide defends Trump after magazine’s scathing editorial

BY ROBERT COSTA
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A top Trump administration official responded Sunday to an evangelical magazine’s editorial that called for President Donald Trump’s removal from office and described him as a “near perfect example of a human being who is morally lost and confused.”

Speaking on NBC’s “Meet the Press,” Marc Short — Vice President Mike Pence’s chief of staff — defended Trump and expressed confidence about Trump’s bond with evangelical voters, who remain a critical bloc inside the Republican Party.

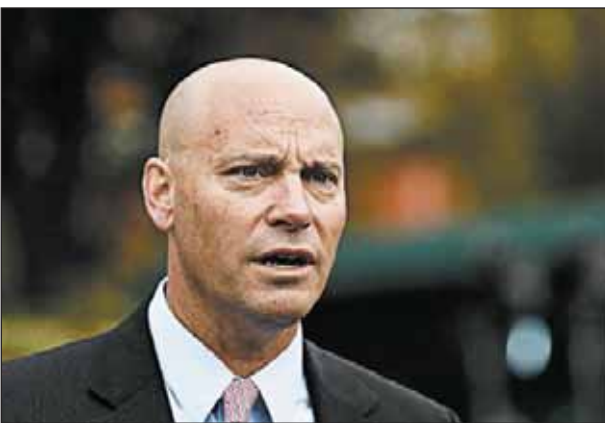
“It’s no surprise to you that evangelicals are not monolithic in their political viewpoints,” Short said of the scathing article by Christianity Today’s retiring editor, Mark Galli.

Galli wrote that Trump’s removal from office “is not a matter of partisan loyalties but loyalty to the Creator of the Ten Commandments.” And, he added, to the “many evangelicals who continue to support Mr. Trump in spite of his blackened moral record, we might say this: Remember who you are and whom you serve.”

Christianity Today, founded by the late Rev. Billy Graham, published the editorial Thursday. It sparked immediate outrage from Trump and his allies, with the president tweeting that the publication is a “far left magazine ... which has been doing poorly.”

Short, who for decades has worked with Pence and alongside evangelical leaders, cast Galli’s comments as unrepresentative of evangelicals’ appreciation for Trump and his policies, from anti-abortion efforts to overhauling the judiciary.

“A lot of us who will celebrate our savior’s birth this week, we acknowledge that there is a president in this administration who is



SUSAN WALSH/AP
Marc Short said Sunday that many Christian voters “take great gratitude” that Donald Trump is president.

also protecting thousands of other unplanned pregnancies in defense of life,” Short said, noting his own faith.

Short then argued that Trump has “stood up for Israel” and for religious liberty — policies and positions that give “a lot of comfort to Christians across our country.”

When “Meet the Press” moderator Chuck Todd asked Short whether evangelicals have concerns about Trump’s behavior, Short again said Christian voters are “not monolithic” and said many of them “take great gratitude that he’s our president.”

Elsewhere, on “Fox News Sunday” with Chris Wallace, Short again defended Trump’s conduct, this time Trump’s suggestion during a campaign rally last week that John Dingell — the late longtime lawmaker and husband of Rep. Debbie Dingell, D-Mich. — might be “looking up” from hell.

Despite an uproar from Democrats and some Republicans, Trump has not apologized.

“Chris, I’m sorry that she’s hurting ... But, you know, in light of where we were on Wednesday night, I think the president’s saying John Dingell was not exactly a wallflower. John Dingell called the president ‘imbecile’ in his closing

months,” Short said of the congressman.

Trump also tweeted Friday that he assumes that Christianity Today supports a Democrat, and he noted the transactional relationship he has had with evangelicals.

Galli told The Washington Post on Friday morning that Trump had mischaracterized the magazine, which considers itself centrist or possibly center-right.

“Nobody considers us as far left,” Galli said. “We don’t comment on larger national issues except when they rise to a level of moral influence.”

Galli said the magazine struggled financially during the recession, as did many media outlets, but is on strong footing with donations and subscriptions now.

He agreed that Trump has pleased the evangelical community when it comes to policy decisions on abortion and religious freedom. But Galli compared evangelicals to a wife in an abusive marriage where the husband is a reliable provider.

An NPR-PBS NewsHour-Marist poll from earlier this month found 75 percent of white evangelical Christians approved of Trump, compared with 42 percent of U.S. adults overall.

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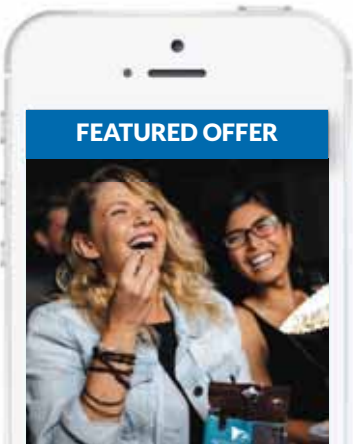
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A chain-reaction crash Sunday morning on a Virginia interstate involved 69 vehicles. At least 51 people were injured.

69 vehicles involved in Virginia pileup

Associated Press

WILLIAMSBURG, Va. — A pileup involving nearly 70 cars on a major interstate in Virginia on Sunday morning injured dozens of people, some critically, according to state police. The accident happened on Interstate 64 in York County near Williamsburg and for a time shut down traffic in both directions, Virginia State Police Sgt. Michelle Anaya said in a statement. The agency tweeted that

there was fog and ice along a bridge when what was described as a chain-reaction wreck began. Photos from the scene showed a tangled mass of metal, with car hoods crumpled, windows smashed and a red truck plopped on top of another vehicle. Ivan Levy said he and his wife were both headed to Williamsburg, where they work, in separate vehicles around the time of the crash. Levy told The Associated

Press he started slowing his truck down and turned his hazard lights on when he saw thick fog. “Next thing I know I see cars just start piling up on top of each other,” he said. Levy was able to stop in time but got a call from his wife saying she had been in the wreck. Sixty-nine vehicles were involved in the crash, and 51 people were transported for treatment of injuries, Anaya said late Sunday morning. She said an unspecified number of those

people had injuries considered critical. There were no immediate reports of fatalities. Eastbound lanes eventually reopened, but westbound lanes remained closed hours after the crash, according to the Virginia Department of Transportation. Ivan Levy said the car his wife had been driving was a Christmas gift. “She was all upset about the vehicle, and I was like, ‘Look, honey, it’s just metal,’” he said.

Fix elusive for backlog of employment green cards

Overall quota for obtaining one hasn’t changed since 1990

BY ABIGAIL HAUSLOHNER
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — An estimated 800,000 immigrants who are working legally in the United States are waiting for a green card, an unprecedented backlog in employment-based immigration that has fueled a bitter policy debate but has been largely overshadowed by President Donald Trump’s border wall and the administration’s focus on migrant crossings from Mexico. Most of those waiting for employment-based green cards that would allow them to stay in the United States permanently are Indian nationals. And the backlog among this group is so acute that an Indian national who applies for a green card now can expect to wait up to 50 years to get one. The wait is largely the result of an annual quota unchanged since 1990, and per-country limits enacted decades before the tech boom made India the top

source of employment-based green card-seekers. The backlog has led to competing bills in Congress and has pitted immigrants against immigrants, setting off accusations of racism and greed and exposing a deep cynicism about the prospects for any kind of immigration reform in a polarized nation. The debate centers on the potential benefits of a quick fix to alleviate the wait times for those already in the backlog versus a broader immigration overhaul that could allow more workers to seek permanent residency, address country quotas and expand the number of available green cards. Among those pushing for a quick resolution are business leaders, who worry that a congressional stalemate — doing nothing at all — could push Indian workers out of the United States and cause other skilled workers to seek easier paths to citizenship in other countries. The crisis of employment-based green cards burst into the open in October after a narrow bill to address the issue nearly passed the Senate in a unanimous consent motion, after sailing easily through

the House. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Illinois, stepped in and blocked it. The bill’s supporters cast it as an easy and obvious fix — and one that “arguably has wider and more bipartisan support than any other immigration bill that’s been considered in this body in recent years,” its Senate sponsor, Mike Lee, R-Utah, said after Durbin objected. “The reason for that is it’s focused on a single, serious, solvable problem that I think we can all agree needs to be solved.” But Durbin and other critics of the Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act, which aims to provide relief to Indians by eliminating the country quotas for employment green cards, said it isn’t so simple. Because the bill did not increase the overall number of green cards, they argue the backlog will worsen, wait times for all nationalities will extend to 17 years, and a trickle-down effect will make it difficult for working professionals from anywhere other than India to come to the United States. Durbin proposed his own bill, the Relief Act, which eliminates the country quotas but also raises the



JAHI CHIKWENDU/WASHINGTON POST
Skilled immigrants, including doctors and engineers, rally in 2007 on Capitol Hill in Washington to protest long delays in getting green cards. Now, the delays are longer than ever.

number of both employment and family-based green cards. Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., also proposed a comprehensive bill. Lee has circulated an amended version of the bill that would not increase the number of green cards but would add provisions Durbin has sought to protect families in the backlog. It is unclear if other Senators would be on board with the new language. Families are a significant element of the backlog, as spouses and children of green card applicants count toward the annual cap of 140,000 employment green cards. Under Durbin’s bill, spouses and minor children would not count against the

total quota, and children of applicants would no longer age out at 21, which has made them ineligible for green cards. The Cato Institute, a libertarian think tank, declared Durbin’s bill “the best legal immigration reforms overall” and found that it would “virtually double” the total number of legal immigrants receiving permanent residence during the next decade while reducing wait times for everyone to less than a year. But Indian tech workers have responded with desperate fury, protesting Durbin’s actions because they say they think his bill doesn’t have a chance in a Republican-controlled Sen-

ate. “The point is it cannot pass. Not with Trump in office,” said Aman Kapoor, the leader of Immigration Voice, an activist group that backed the original legislation and has led a weeks-long campaign against Durbin, calling him a “racist” and accusing him of “ethnic cleansing” for stopping the Fairness for High-Skilled Immigrants Act. “You can’t add one green card now under Trump.” A green card is the final step in the legal immigration process — before becoming a U.S. citizen — and the government doles out about 1 million per year, 140,000 of which are employment-based.

ICE

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and Customs Enforcement agents to collect fingerprints and other biometric information from adults seeking to claim migrant children at government shelters. If those adults are deemed ineligible to take custody of children, ICE could then use their information to target them for arrest and deportation. The arrangement appears to circumvent laws that restrict the use of the refugee program for deportation enforcement; Congress has made clear it does not want those who come forward as potential sponsors of minors in U.S. custody to be frightened away by possible deportation. But, in the reasoning of senior Trump administration officials, adults denied custody of children lose their status as “potential sponsors” and are fair game for arrest. The plan has not been announced publicly. It was developed by Stephen Miller, President Donald Trump’s top immigration adviser, who has long argued that HHS’s Office of Refugee Resettlement is being exploited by parents who hire smugglers to bring their children into the United States illegally. The agency manages shelters that care for underage migrants who cross the border without a parent and tries to identify sponsors — typically family members — eligible to take custody of the minors. Previous Trump administration attempts to give ICE more access to the refugee program have generated significant opposition, because it potentially forces migrant parents to choose between reclaiming their children and risking arrest. Administration officials acknowledge the arrangement will instill fear among migrant parents, but they say it will deter families from having their children cross into the United States illegally. Officials at ICE and HHS said the information shared



WILFREDO LEE/AP
Children line up to enter a tent at the Homestead Temporary Shelter for Unaccompanied Children in Florida in February.

with enforcement agents primarily would be used to screen adults for criminal violations and other “red flags,” and that it would not be focused on capturing parents and relatives who come forward to claim what the government calls “unaccompanied alien children.” Bryan Cox, an ICE spokesman, said his agency will help HHS ensure that children are not placed with sponsors until the sponsors have been thoroughly vetted, a review process that includes using biometric data. Cox said his agency has more-powerful screening tools at its disposal than HHS has, “including better capabilities to identify fraudulent documents or documents obtained by fraud.” After the Trump administration began a similar information-sharing initiative last year, which predictably led to fewer sponsors coming forward and created a massive backlog of children in U.S. custody, Democrats fought to put a firewall between ICE and ORR. Language in the 2019 funding bill specifically prohibited the Department of Homeland Security from using child sponsor data — addresses, names, phone numbers — to generate ICE target lists. According to those provisions, no federal funds “may be used by the Secretary of Homeland Security to place in detention, remove, refer for a decision whether to initiate removal proceedings, or initiate removal proceedings against a sponsor, potential sponsor, or member of a household of a sponsor or potential spon-

sor of an unaccompanied alien child.” HHS officials have generally tried to keep ICE at a distance, insisting that their agency’s mission is to safeguard children and not to facilitate the arrest of their relatives. Cox defended the legality of the program, citing the technical wording of the law: When a potential sponsor’s application is rejected, “that individual is no longer considered to be a sponsor or potential sponsor” and is therefore open to ICE arrest, he said. While acknowledging the program could leave children in government custody for longer periods, Cox said better screening “should take precedence over speed of placement to what may ultimately be an unsafe environment for the child.” ICE officials said their enforcement priority would be adult sponsors with criminal records. Mark Weber, a spokesman for HHS, which oversees ORR, said in a written response that no ICE personnel are stationed at the agency and that there are “no plans for ICE personnel to be placed at HHS.” Weber did not address questions about the legality of the new information-sharing agreement with ICE. Three officials familiar with Miller’s plan said it was part of his broader effort to chip away at congressionally mandated barriers between ICE and the refugee program. The White House did not respond to requests for comment.

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N. Korean leader holds party meeting to bolster military

SEOUL, South Korea — North Korea said Sunday that leader Kim Jong Un has convened a key ruling party meeting to decide on steps to bolster the country's military capability. The meeting came amid speculation that the North could abandon diplomacy with the U.S. and launch either a long-range missile or a satellite-carrying rocket if Washington doesn't accept its demand for new incentives to salvage faltering nuclear ne-

gotiations by year's end. The Korean Central News Agency said Kim presided over a meeting of the Central Military Commission. It cited Kim as saying the meeting would determine "important organizational and political measures and military steps to bolster up the overall armed forces as required by the fast-changing situation and crucial time of the developing Korean revolution."

Texas man to be exonerated after DNA leads to new arrest

HOUSTON — Authorities said they will begin the process to exonerate a Houston man who was convicted in a 2010 fatal stabbing that investigators now believe was committed by someone else. Lydell Grant, 42, was freed on bond last month after a new analysis of DNA found on the victim's fingernails pointed to his innocence in the killing of 28-year-old Aaron Scheerhoorn. Authorities under-

took a new investigation, and the Harris County District Attorney's Office said Friday that Grant has been eliminated as a suspect and another person has been arrested. Grant has served seven years of a life sentence. Authorities now believe 41-year-old Jermarico Carter is the killer. Harris County District Attorney Kim Ogg said Carter has admitted to killing Scheerhoorn.

Shark reportedly bites surfer off Southern California coast

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — A shark reportedly bit a surfer Saturday afternoon off Southern California in a "truly terrifying situation," the Coast Guard said. The 37-year-old man had been surfing near Santa Rosa Island, one of the Channel Islands, during the attack, according to a news release. A friend aboard a nearby boat applied a tourniquet to his leg and

called the Coast Guard for help, the release stated. A helicopter crew flew the man to the Santa Barbara airport for treatment and he was in stable condition Saturday evening. Coast Guard video posted on Twitter shows the man, in a full-body wet suit, being hoisted into the helicopter. "This was the best possible outcome to a truly terrifying situation," the Coast Guard said.



A man wearing a mask of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi waves the Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party flag during a rally addressed by Modi on Sunday in New Delhi.

India's leader defends new citizenship law amid protests

NEW DELHI — Protesters angered by India's new citizenship law that excludes Muslims defied a ban against demonstrations on Sunday, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi used a rally for his Hindu nationalist party to defend the legislation, accusing the opposition of pushing the country into a "fear psychosis." Twenty-three people have been killed nationwide since the law was passed in Parliament earlier this month in protests that represent the first major roadblock for Modi's Hindu nationalist agenda

since his party's reelection. Most of the deaths have occurred in the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, where 20% of the state's 200 million people are Muslim. Police, who deny any wrongdoing, said that among the 15 people killed in the state was an 8-year-old boy who died in a stampede in the city of Varanasi, the heart of Modi's parliamentary constituency. Since last week, police in Uttar Pradesh have taken nearly 900 people into custody for engaging in violence. Authorities across the country have scrambled to

contain the situation, banning public gatherings under Section 144, a British colonial-era law, and blocking internet access. India's Ministry of Information and Broadcasting issued an advisory Friday night asking broadcasters across the country to refrain from using content that could inflame further violence. A group of politicians from the opposition Trinamool Congress party who traveled to Uttar Pradesh on Sunday to meet with families of those killed in the violence were not permitted to leave the airport runway, police said.

Fire damages 2 empty passenger buses at LAX

LOS ANGELES — Firefighters quickly extinguished a blaze that burned two empty passenger buses near a ride-hailing lot at Los Angeles International Airport on Saturday night, temporarily snarling traffic on one of the busiest travel days of the year. The fire erupted about 9

p.m. and engulfed the liquid propane-powered buses near the new ride-hailing pickup area, Los Angeles fire officials said. The flames also caused some damage to a third bus parked nearby. It took 25 firefighters less than 20 minutes to fully extinguish the blaze,

officials said. There were no injuries reported. The cause of the fire remains under investigation, but officials said "there is no reason to consider it suspicious at this time." The ride-hailing facility was temporarily closed, officials said.

Syrian state media: Israel fired missiles into Syria

BEIRUT — Syrian air defenses opened fire Sunday night on missiles fired from inside Israel, state media reported. Syrian state TV gave no further details but residents of Damascus said explosions could be heard near the capital. State TV said one of the Israeli missiles was shot down near the Damascus suburb of Aqraba. There was no immediate comment from Israel. The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, an opposition war monitoring group that has activists around the country, said the missile attack targeted Iranian and Syrian military positions near Damascus. There were no immediate reports on casualties. In neighboring Lebanon, Israeli warplanes could be heard flying in the country's airspace at the time of the airstrikes in Syria.

In Australia: Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison apologized Sunday for taking a family vacation in Hawaii as deadly bush fires raged across several states, destroying homes and claiming the lives of two volunteer firefighters. Morrison cut short a vacation with his wife and adult children amid public anger at his absence during a national crisis, and arrived home Saturday night. He spoke to reporters Sunday morning at the headquarters of the Rural Fire Service in Sydney. "As prime minister, you have other responsibilities, and I accept that and I accept the criticism," he added. Morrison said this was not a time for political point-scoring, but a "time to be kind to each other."

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EDITORIALS

Sell the Thompson Center for the highest price possible

The James R. Thompson Center, originally known as the State of Illinois Building, has evoked many reactions since its inauguration in May 1985. Indifference has seldom been one of them.

Before its official unveiling, Tribune architecture critic Paul Gapp described Helmut Jahn's creation, with its 17-story, glass-enclosed atrium, as "easily the most spectacular building ever constructed in the Loop." But once opened, the building's functional problems — notably, a grossly under-powered air-conditioning system — and idiosyncratic design generated a chorus of complaints. By 1986, you could buy greeting cards with a cartoon of the building and the message: "Forgive Me ... Everyone Makes Mistakes."

Today, the Thompson Center is widely regarded as on par with parachute pants, big hair and other 1980s relics. The cash-starved government in Springfield has skimped on maintenance and cleaning, and upper-level office workers complain of the noise and food aromas rising from the ground floor.

The state is eager to unload the building, both for the revenue a sale would bring and the renovation costs it would avoid. This month, Gov. J.B. Pritzker's administration chose Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors to help sell it. A price of \$300 million is possible.

Among the options that might appeal to a potential buyer is demolition. Located in the heart of downtown, housing one of the busiest "L" stops, the site has excellent potential. The opportunity to remake an entire block in the center of Chicago doesn't come along every day.

But not everyone likes that prospect. In May, the National Trust for Historic Preservation put the building on its list of the country's most endangered historic places. Landmarks Illinois has urged Pritzker to impose on any buyer a "requirement for retention and reuse of this irreplaceable building." The city could also block it from being razed by designating it a landmark.

That would be a mistake. It's tempting to think that someday, this building will be widely beloved by locals. But after 34 years, the chances are low. And the state's poor fiscal condition means Illinois leaders are obligated to seek the highest return on this



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ill-starred investment. Thankfully, the Pritzker administration appears to agree. "We are very open to whatever combination of ideas will lead to the best deal for taxpayers," said Ayse Kalaycioglu, one state official involved in deliberations. Perhaps the preservationists can con-

vince some buyer to adopt Jahn's renovation plan, commissioned by Landmarks Illinois, which envisions incorporating a new "super tower" and making major improvements in the interior of the existing structure. The burden should be on them to make the case that saving it would

be the most economically valuable option. Restricting the choices available to the next owner would inevitably mean the governor would leave money on the table. A state flush with revenue and blessed with strong economic growth could afford to be choosy. Does that sound like Illinois?

Chicago has a great flag. Why doesn't Cook County?



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The flag of the city of Chicago is a thing of beauty. Its elegant, arresting design makes it easy to recognize and hard to forget. Locals fly it from porches, wear it on T-shirts and hats and even tattoo it on their bodies.

The North American Vexillological Association ranked it No. 2 of all city flags, behind Washington, D.C., but we feel no compunction in calling it the best by far.

The Cook County flag is ... well, not all that. Most residents couldn't tell you what it looked like, and if they saw it, they'd be able to identify it only because it says, in red capital letters, "Cook County." At the center of a white field is a gold map of the county, including township lines, surrounded by two blue circular stripes which enclose 39 stars. It has all the charm of a metal file cabinet.

But that may change. Last week, Cook

County Commissioner Scott Britton called for replacing this mediocre emblem. The cost would be minimal. He proposed a competition for high school students to come up with a new version.

County Board President Toni Preckwinkle was receptive to replacing what she called the "pedestrian" flag with something "modernizing our presentation to the world." And she liked the idea of enlisting young people in the effort.

Britton praised the Chicago flag as a model to match or even surpass. At the risk of offending our neighbors to the north, Britton said the Milwaukee flag is just the opposite. Its riot of images includes a stalk of barley, a gear resembling a Ferris wheel, smokestacks, a clock tower, a ship, an Indian head, a stadium and the date "1846" — everything but a partridge in a pear tree. It's not a flag; it's a warehouse.

Milwaukeeans didn't need to be told. A few years ago, they had a competition to design a new flag, and the winner was much better, featuring the sun rising over Lake Michigan. But the "people's flag" has yet to be officially adopted. The basic elements of a beautiful banner have been set down by the flag fans (OK, vexillologists) at NAVA. They include being simple enough for a child to draw from memory, with two or three basic colors, some meaningful symbolism and no writing. The creators of the current Cook County flag were conspicuously neglectful of these guidelines.

We're not sure that Cook County residents would ever embrace a flag the way Chicagoans do theirs. But we're happy anytime the commissioners occupy themselves with things that don't require higher taxes. And if the county is going to have a flag, it might as well be a good one.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

This is the most important argument to emerge from the 2020 Democratic contest so far: whether the party stands for giving public benefits (free college, government provided health care, child care) only to people with the fewest resources, or for making them available for all. It's a worthy debate. But the winning argument, particularly for the big, important programs that candidates have proposed, is with those who want to provide them equally to everyone. ...

There are administrative costs that come with delin-eating who gets benefits and who doesn't. Programs that are narrowly targeted can be less effective. And, most important for presidential candidates, they lack political support. Universal programs, on the other hand, not only cultivate strong support but also tend to get recipients more politically involved.

Social Security is an exemplar universal program. We all contribute to it, we all rely on it, and its broad scope has given it equally broad appeal and strength. President Franklin Roosevelt, who signed Social Security into law, designed it this way for this very reason. As he told an adviser, the taxes everyone pays in gives people "a legal, moral, and political right" to the benefits, which means "no damn politician can ever scrap my social security program."

The G.I. Bill, passed during World War II, had a similar effect. Veterans who took advantage of education, job training and mortgage assistance under the law felt valued as citizens, and that, subsequently, made them more involved in politics and civic life.

Bryce Covert, The New York Times



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A child takes in the scene while attending the annual Christmas tree-lighting ceremony in Chicago's Millennium Park on Nov. 22.

A teacher's assignment to write a letter about a memorable Christmas goes awry

By DAVID MCGRATH

I had been teaching English II at Chicago Vocational High School for enough years that I could smile in front of my students without losing class control. But not confident enough yet in the 1970s to turn my back and write on the blackboard for more than 10 seconds. Christmas vacation would begin the next day, and I needed the three-week break.

Sophomores were hardest. Four or five of my students wanted to be anywhere else but were too young to legally drop out. Near the end of the period, I announced: "There is something you can do over the holidays for extra credit"

I explained that the Chicago Daily News had invited readers to send a letter to the editor describing their most memorable Christmas. And if any of their stories were published in the paper, I would add 100 bonus points to their semester grade.

"What if you ain't had nothing memorable?" It was not meant as a surly question. He was, in fact, a thoughtful kid. An "A" student, though too often forgetting to raise his hand.

"Memorable" was a neutral term, I explained, so it could describe a Christmas that was happy or sad. Or just different. As an example, I mentioned the Christmas when my brother Patrick came home from Vietnam. I added that they should use their storytelling ability and include details like smells and sounds that make the reader feel like they were there.

"How we supposed to remember sounds and whatnot?" said a young

lady in the first row, which I found encouraging, since she seldom spoke in class.

"Well, that's the whole idea," I told her: To pick a Christmas she did remember. Get the beginning, middle and end down on paper. And if she couldn't recall when something occurred or exactly what someone said, just add whatever details were needed to complete the story.

I further explained that doing so was called "poetic license," without which things like biographies of historical figures often could not be written.

The rest of the day was quiet. No fights in the lunchroom. No incidents when we loaded buses at 3 o'clock. Frank Cahill, the plastics shop instructor and another of our bus monitors, joked that it was a miracle of the season. But Officer Grissett said it was the cold weather keeping the gangs away.

After school, half a dozen of us agreed to meet at McNally's Pub on Western for a holiday drink. Outside, it smelled like snow. Inside, we tried to feel the holiday spirit.

"Good cookies, McGrath," said Tom, a PE teacher. "Macadamia?"

"A Christmas present from a girl in my division (home room)."

"Uh oh," he said, holding the half-eaten cookie up to the light. "You on good terms with her?"

"Don't worry. Her mother makes her give them to me. Did last year too."

I told the group about the holiday extra-credit assignment, and Tom bet me a beer that no one would follow through.

"There may be one or two who write it," he said. "But for 15-year-olds

to get a stamp and an envelope and walk to a mailbox, that's a tall order."

On Christmas Eve, we had the family party in our basement: My parents and my five brothers and two sisters with their kids. Santa had to come early since a snowstorm was predicted, so we finished the gifts and the mostaccioli and meatballs Marianne made, all before 8 p.m.

After putting our children, Michael, 4, and Jackie, 2, to bed, my wife and I settled into the living room. I finally had a chance to open the day's paper.

I turned to the letters to the editor: "My favorite Christmas" was the headline on one; "Old fashioned holiday" from someone in Berwyn; "Christmas Miracle" from a name that looked familiar.

I read the last one quickly: two short paragraphs about a blind girl who regained her sight in time for Christmas.

I read it a second time and felt something warm spilling and spreading in my chest. She made the whole thing up. My "quiet" student in the first row.

Poetic license. Damn. It was my fault for misleading her. Misleading them.

The day classes resumed, I still wasn't sure what to do. I thought about using the fiasco as a teaching moment for the entire class. I wondered if I should tell somebody at the paper? Or the head of my department? Or just forget the whole thing.

Eighth period, she arrived early and walked to her seat. She took off her coat and sat down, then looked across the room at me with a wide grin.

I decided I would talk to her after

class.

Then the "A" student walked through the door, uncharacteristically on time.

"McGrath, you know that memorable Christmas story?"

Uh-oh. What's next, I thought. "Did you write one?" I smiled feebly. "I was fixin' to."

But he said his mother asked him what he was working on at the kitchen table, and he shook his head, telling her how he couldn't think of a memorable Christmas. She tried to prompt him, but he reminded her that once he turned 8, his father stopped coming for birthdays and holidays.

"Long story short," he said, "she got hold of him, and he shows up last week. Sittin' in his old chair on Christmas morning"

"That's wonderful," I said.

"Yeah, well, I don't know. It was weird."

Maybe something good came from this after all, I thought. A Christmas miracle that wasn't fake.

In the end, the Chicago Daily News stopped printing in 1978, and the student whose letter was published received her bonus points along with a lecture.

You lose some, you win some. It would never get easier at Chicago Vocational School, but once in a while, like Christmas time that year, I could think of nothing else in the world I'd rather be doing.

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The problem with the 'impeachment is partisan' argument



JONAH GOLDBERG

The new normal is to worry about impeachment becoming the "new normal."

On Wednesday, during the interminable "debate" on articles of impeachment, one Republican House member after another warned, threatened, lamented or just plain promised that the Democrats' decision to impeach President Donald Trump would make partisan impeachments more likely in the future.

It's not a trivial concern. Indeed, I largely agree. Impeachment is becoming a partisan weapon because just about everything that can be turned into a partisan weapon is "being weaponized."

As my friend and former National Review colleague Andrew McCarthy puts it in the New York Post, we are working under a new theory these days "that elections are won not by broadening a coalition, reaching out to attract or convincing opponents and undecideds. No, they are won by stoking grievance on one's own side and electrifying one's base — which is never more united and enthusiastic than when it opposes a political enemy."

The Democrats, according to McCarthy, are feeding their base a heaping bowl of impeachment because that's what the base craves.

To a large extent, I think he's right.

But I have a problem with this analysis, because it leaves out the fact that Trump invited this — and so many other problems — on himself.

I should be fair to McCarthy, whom I respect. He

opposes impeachment, and that's a reasonable point of view. But he's also perfectly willing to criticize the president's behavior in the Ukraine scandal — also reasonable. McCarthy may not be as critical as I am, but that's OK, because reasonable people can disagree about how bad Trump's conduct was with regard to Ukraine or anything else.

But here's the thing: Reasonableness is not what the president demands, particularly from GOP members of Congress. If you listened to them Wednesday, you heard not only that Trump did absolutely nothing wrong, but that his innocence is so profound, and the Democrat-run process so cruel and unfair, that no one has been so wronged since Jesus was sentenced to death.

No, wait, scratch that. Rep. Barry Loudermilk, R-Ga., actually said Jesus

got off easy compared with Trump.

"During Jesus' sham trial, Pontius Pilate afforded more rights to Jesus than the Democrats have afforded this president in this process," Loudermilk explained on the House floor, displaying a shocking disregard for both public ridicule and blasphemous-seeking divine lightning bolts.

Let's get back to the point. I have no problem entertaining the idea that partisanship plays a significant role in what the Democrats are doing. But the notion that they impeached him purely for partisan reasons ignores a glaring fact: Trump gave them the excuse they were looking for. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi spent months fighting impeachment efforts within her own caucus. If she's the deranged partisan her detractors claim, why do that? What changed?

The answer is obvious: Trump's behavior. Whatever you think about what he did with regard to Ukraine, if he's the master strategist some bizarrely still claim he is, his actions were a political mistake. Why? Because they at least appeared so atrocious that Pelosi could no longer fight back the impeachment effort (an effort half the country supports, by the way).

Similarly, Trump's total refusal to cooperate with an impeachment investigation may or may not be an impeachable offense. But if he were as innocent as Jesus, he wouldn't be behaving as if he has something to hide.

This is a good example of a larger dynamic of the Trump years. He breaks rules, precedents and norms out of contempt or ignorance, and the response from his defenders is that he has a mandate to behave churlishly or worse because he's a "disruptor." But when other actors,

some of whom were elected to be a check on Trump, behave in partisan fashion or in defiance of norms, the president and his defenders are shocked and dismayed by the terrible precedents being established and the rules being violated. So much of it boils down to, "My bull was elected to destroy the china shop; how dare your bull get in on the action."

I agree that impeachments might be more frequent in the future, and that may be a bad thing. But there might be an upside as well: We might get more presidents who say to themselves, "I better stop behaving like a jackass because I don't want to give them an excuse to impeach me."

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PERSPECTIVE



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A sign alerting customers about SNAP food stamps benefits is displayed at a Brooklyn grocery store on Dec. 5 in New York.

New SNAP rules ignore realities of food insecurity, poverty

BY MARC PAULHUS

As a child, I often walked the short distance from my family's tenement house in Woonsocket, Rhode Island, to the neighborhood store to buy milk and bread.

I paid with food stamps, which my family needed until we didn't just a few short years later. With four growing boys in the family, we were always running out of milk and bread.

Today, I'm the president of a national financing and leasing firm. I worked hard to go from a working poor upbringing to where I am today, but I didn't do it alone. I've been fortunate to have some people guide and lift me up over the years.

And when we needed them, my family also had food stamps.

I've reflected on all of this in light of recent rule changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, the federal food assistance program that helps lift millions of Americans out of poverty. Come April, more than 688,000 struggling Americans will be at risk of losing their SNAP benefits, formerly known as food stamps, if they can't meet an onerous work requirement.

The changes affect able-bodied adults under 50 who don't have children or other dependents. That's 7% of SNAP recipients nationwide; children, the elderly and people with disabilities, who are the vast majority of SNAP participants, aren't affected. As of April 1, many of those affected will be limited to three months of food aid over a three-year period unless they're working, in job training or volunteering for 80 hours a month.

I don't understand this change and not just because we're approaching the holidays, a time when people are typically more tenderhearted toward their neighbors in need. Hunger is a year-round problem for millions of families. Reducing

food assistance doesn't help address hunger.

To be clear, I believe in the dignity of work. My father, a grocery store clerk, instilled in me a belief that anything could be accomplished through hard work. But I've also seen enough to know that many people experiencing poverty and food insecurity have barriers to work that are difficult to understand unless you've been there.

Challenges such as lack of transportation, insufficient education and undiagnosed health conditions aren't just difficult hurdles to clear. In many cases, they're insurmountable.

I know because I've been there. Growing up, we bounced from tenement to tenement. I was in second grade when I'd run to the store for my family, peeling off food stamps from the booklets they had back in those days. I learned what you could use them for and what you couldn't. For example, I paid in cash, not food stamps, for my dad's Winston cigarettes.

Mostly, we used the food stamps to buy the type of food that could sustain us for cheap — pasta and cereal and the like. It must have been a hard time for my parents, but they sheltered my brothers and me from that reality. I had no idea that we were that poor.

Eventually, my family's situation improved, at least enough to not need food stamps. My parents qualified for a loan to buy an \$18,000 house that my mother still lives in today. Working two newspaper delivery routes, I saved enough money to go study French in Paris for a year. That life-changing experience opened my eyes to what was possible.

When I returned home, my former Little League baseball coach connected me to a bank teller job that paid minimum wage. I worked in the day and went to college at night. Eventually, my superiors

at the bank recommended managerial training for me. The rest, as they say, is history.

I worked extremely hard to make it out of poverty, but I was also fortunate to have helpers — mentors, teachers, coaches and friends who gave me a boost. Some of my friends and family weren't so lucky.

How might my life have turned out if we didn't have food stamps when we needed them?

Earlier this year, a report from the National Academies of Science, Engineering, and Medicine, produced at the behest of Congress, concluded that SNAP improved health outcomes for both children and adults. It also found that work requirements are at least as likely to increase child poverty in the long term as they are to reduce it.

Today, I serve on the board of directors for the Greater Chicago Food Depository, the food bank serving Chicago and all of Cook County. While I'm proud of the work that we do, there's simply no way that charity can replace SNAP.

For every meal provided by the Food Depository in Cook County, SNAP provides the equivalent of seven meals.

This is not a political issue. This is about being human. No one should go hungry.

And if you still don't think that it's important to protect food assistance, I recommend that you go volunteer at one of the hundreds of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters in our great city.

Go talk to your neighbors who need help. Listen to their stories.

You might have a change of heart.

Marc Paulhus is president of Citizens Asset Finance, a subsidiary of Citizens Bank that's headquartered in Chicago. He's also a board member for the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Important lesson at Marshall Field's

I was born at Mount Sinai Hospital in 1940 and lived on the West Side. When I was 13, around Christmastime, my mother had to return an item at Marshall Field and Co. in the Loop and sent me with it. I took the "L" train, and at that time there were open platforms between the cars. The people running the trains were not happy when people like me stood outside and let the wind blow through their hair.

At Marshall Field's, I went up to the department to return the item. The clerk was having a difficult time with an elderly woman who wanted a refund on a very short, very old, rickety, paint-covered wooden ladder. The clerk kept telling her she must have bought it elsewhere as Field's didn't sell ladders. She was adamant, and the clerk called for the manager. When he arrived, he heard what the trouble was about and then asked the lady how much she paid for the ladder: \$5. The manager said the clerk would be happy to refund her the money.

That example of how a business reacted in an untenable situation stayed with me when I moved to Tucson, Arizona, and built a store to sell used major appliances. My business became the largest in the state, and I treated my customers with respect based on the lesson I learned at Marshall Field and Co. That was something you didn't need a college education for.

— Barry Wasserman, Huntington Beach, California

Fight poverty with renters tax credit

America has a housing crisis. Since 1960, renters' median earnings have gone up 5 percent while rents have risen by more than 60 percent (both figures adjusted for inflation). And for every 100 households of extremely low-income renters, only 37 affordable and available rental homes exist. However, because of inadequate funding, only 1 in 4 eligible households can get rental housing assistance.

Stable housing makes our lives and our communities better. It improves job performance and helps our children stay happy, healthy and safe. Kids do better in school when they have a reliable place to come home to.

Everyone deserves a home. I call on our senators and representatives in Washington to shift tax resources to support a "renters tax credit" for low- and moderate-income families. We must address the affordable housing crisis and end poverty.

— LTarez Sweetie Martin, Wheaton

Making city less deadly for birds

Hundreds of millions of birds die each year in North America from striking windows of buildings. New York recently became the first large city to pass an ordinance requiring new construction to include features that reduce bird mortality. We hope that Chicago will soon show leadership in joining this club.

Recent research shows that Chicago is the most dangerous among all U.S. cities for migrating birds because of glass-clad skyscrapers, light pollution and the number of birds that migrate through the city. The Chicago Bird Friendly Design ordinance introduced by Ald. Brian Hopkins, 2nd, currently has six co-sponsors. The zoning committee will be taking up the ordinance in the coming months.

Native birds are in trouble. We can make a dramatic difference for them, right here in our city.

— Judith Pollock, Chicago Audubon Society; Matthew Cvetas, Illinois Ornithological Society; Carl Giometti, Chicago Ornithological Society; and Annette Prince, Chicago Bird Collision Monitors

Give veterans the right care

While watching TV last night, I was bombarded with commercials and solicitations from the Wounded Warrior Project. This is a noble and self-explanatory organization, seeking donations for wounded veterans.

It then dawned on me: Why are these noble men and women, who sacrificed life and limb for our country, lacking resources for their rehab? Why is the federal government not putting their wellness front and center? Our dysfunctional Congress better start taking care of those who afford them the freedom to continue acting like the fools they are.

— Mike Rice, Chicago

A lot of voices are piping up

What's this country coming to? Years ago, it was safe to be for "Mom and apple pie." Today, if anyone expressed support for these, I fear dads would object, saying that being for Mom denigrates the importance of fathers in the family. And the apple orchard workers would say they are being exploited with low pay and abusive working conditions. I guess it's a step in the right direction that everyone has a voice.

— Steven M. Schwartz, Deer Park

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8 gifts family caregivers can give themselves

BY PETER ROSENBERGER

For family caregivers, the normal stresses and challenges experienced by most during the holiday season can be amplified exponentially. Rather than enjoying the season, many caring for chronically impaired loved ones settle for enduring the holidays.

Aside from family get-togethers (that often present accessibility issues or other challenges), there remain the usual medical difficulties, extra shopping, special meals and added pressure of making it special for others.

"It may be our last time ..." weighs heavy on the minds of many caregivers. And, while trying to meet a loved one's expectations, many caregivers end up sacrificing their own peace of mind at the altar of nostalgia.

Sadly, an overwhelming number of caregivers wearily mutter a "thank God it's over" each Jan. 2.

The magic of Christmas can quickly disappear when you're being cursed at while changing an adult diaper.

Christmas Eve in the ER is no picnic. Neither is dealing with a family member with the chronic impairment of addiction. Wrapping presents for someone who can't remember your name doesn't usually inspire a sudden desire to sing carols.

These scenarios and more represent the reality for millions of Americans who put themselves between a vulnerable loved one and a potential disaster.

Is there holiday joy for caregivers? While requiring some creativity, the short answer is "yes!"

Here are ways caregivers can reintroduce

some festive spirit into their weary hearts and bodies.

■ **Commit to seeing a doctor.** More than 70% of caregivers don't see a doctor. How is this a good thing? Make an appointment to see a primary care physician, get a physical and let that doctor know that you are a caregiver and under significant stress. If the physician seems ambivalent, get another doctor. Caregiver stress is significant and deserves respect.

■ **Do something that lightens or stirs your heart.** It doesn't have to be exotic: See a good movie, watch a stand-up comedian, read a good book, paint, play an instrument — engage in something that speaks beauty and joy to you in the middle of your circumstances.

■ **Make a list of people you resent.** Read it slowly and then forgive them — and then burn the list. Forgiveness doesn't lessen the offense, but it helps take our hands off someone else's throat. While boundaries remain important, we can lose the grudges.

■ **Make one change in your diet.** For instance, substitute water for soda. Grab a banana instead of a candy bar. Substitute a salad for a burger. Bypass butter and use olive oil instead.

■ **Pick out a card your loved one would send if he/she were healthy emotionally and physically — and send it to yourself.** While you're at it, slip a \$10 bill in the card!

■ **Do something physical, even if it's just to walk around the house.** Alan Alda marches around to John Philip Sousa music to fight against Parkinson's disease. Something that simple can also benefit caregivers. Weight gain is common in caregivers. I once got so big myself

that it took two dogs to bark at me! Extra pounds cripple caregivers. Let's shed that weight.

■ **Isolation devastates caregivers.** Go to church or other places of worship. Slip in and listen to the music of the season. Find a support group or a 12-step recovery-type group. Be around others, and particularly learn from those wrestling with something they can't control.

■ **Call a trusted friend and tell them you're struggling.** Take a leap of faith that they will listen. Don't ask for solutions — and try to speak in first person singular. Avoid sharing your loved one's "chart" and instead, speak from your own heart.

The reality of most caregivers' lives will probably not appear in a Hallmark Christmas movie. Frankly, they're too bleak. Yet, we caregivers can experience a calmer, healthier and even a joyful holiday season. It doesn't mean the absence of tears, but they don't have to be tears of rage or despair.

The goal cannot be to "feel better." For most of us, our challenges are simply too great for that. Yet, we can be better as we face our difficulties. In the process, we might discover moments of such beauty and magic that we exchange our "Bah Humbugs" for a heartfelt "Merry Christmas!"

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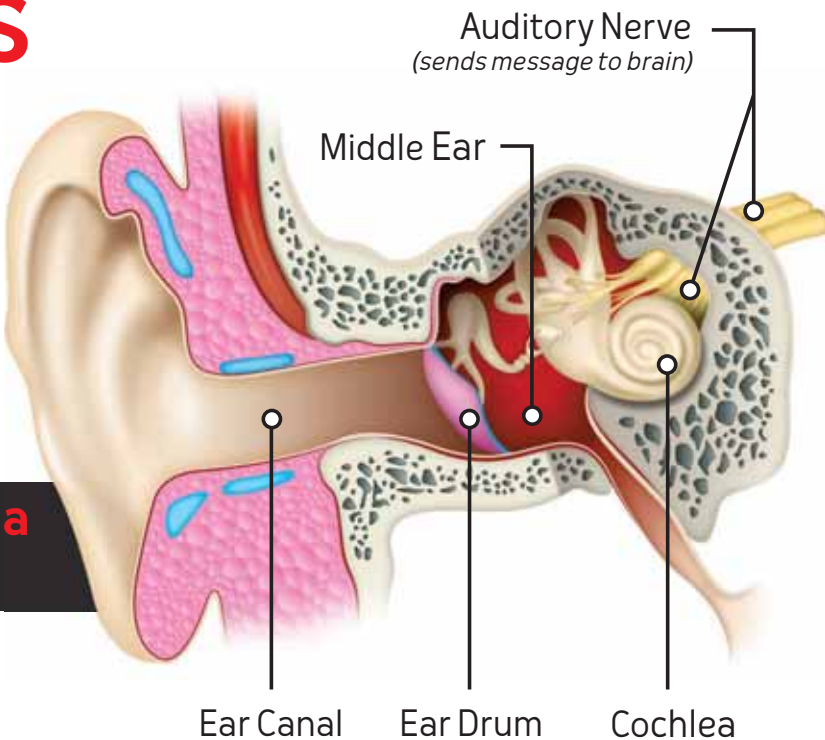
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Good reads this holiday season

If you are seeking interesting books for the holiday season, consider the following options that have stuck with me throughout the year. If you want a deeper dive, you can listen to the interviews I conducted with the authors on my podcast, *Jill on Money*.

“Digital Minimalism: Choosing a Focused Life in a Noisy World” by Cal Newport

If you have tried to turn off notifications or limit your email check-ins to a set period of each day, you may have felt as though those actions don’t go far enough to take back control of your technological life. Newport’s book helped me discover a more thoughtful and purposeful method to decide what tools to use, for what purposes and under what conditions.

“When: The Scientific Secrets of Perfect Timing” by Daniel H. Pink

Drawing on a rich trove of research from psychology, biology and economics, Pink shows us how to use the hidden patterns of the day to build the ideal schedule. He also tackles larger issues, like the ideal time to quit a job, switch careers or get married. Pink’s practical takeaways provide compelling insights into how we can live richer, more engaged lives.

“What It Takes: How I Built a \$100 Million Business Against the Odds” by Raegan Moya-Jones

This is a tell-all and brutally honest tale that offers advice to entrepreneurs, especially women, about how to succeed despite all odds. Moya-Jones doesn’t hide from her own shortcomings and digs into topics most entrepreneurs shy away from, even the prickliest of things like parental guilt, butting heads with investors (or co-founders), what to really do when you’re running out of money and how to leave with your head held high.

“Range: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World” by David Epstein

In an examination of the world’s most successful athletes, artists, musicians, inventors, forecasters and scientists, Epstein discovered that in most fields, especially those that are complex and unpredictable, generalists, not specialists, are primed to excel. Epstein argues that people who think broadly and embrace diverse experiences and perspectives will thrive.

“The Economists’ Hour: False Prophets, Free Markets, and the Fracture of Society” by Binyamin Appelbaum

As obituaries and words of remembrance flowed after revered economist and Federal Reserve Chairman Paul Volcker’s death, I thought about this engaging journey through modern economic history. Applebaum traces the rise of economists who believed in the power and the glory of free markets. Their policies transformed global governments and businesses, though in the end, they have failed to deliver on their promise of broad prosperity.

“Don’t Be Evil: How Big Tech Betrayed Its Founding Principles — and All of Us” by Rana Faroohar

It’s been a long time since technology companies have lived up to the founding philosophy “don’t be evil,” espoused by Google co-founders Sergey Brin and Larry Page. Faroohar focuses on dominant companies like Google, Facebook, Apple and Amazon, who have essentially figured out how to monetize our data and our attention, sidestepping out-of-date regulations along the way. Faroohar also provides fixes to the current state of play.

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Boise’s BIG RISE

City luring entrepreneurs from costly coastal areas

BY EMILY CANAL | Inc.

After graduating from Y Combinator’s summer program in San Francisco, the three co-founders of Lumineye made a choice that might seem surprising: They went to Idaho.

The trio moved back to Boise, where they had started the business, which builds portable wall-penetrating radar to help first responders locate people.

“Staying in the Bay Area,” says Megan Lacy, one of the founders, “didn’t seem as necessary as it might have 10 years ago.”

Idaho’s capital city has long been an attractive place, given its rich music scene and proximity to stunning nature. But it has routinely been ignored in favor of its cooler, and bigger, regional siblings, Seattle and Portland, Oregon.

Today, though, Boise is luring talent from those northwestern giants and other expensive coastal competitors, attracting entrepreneurs with a newly thriving business scene and a good quality of life.

“Now there’s a group of (business leaders) who are doing cool things and celebrating one another,” says Nick Crabbs, co-chairman of Boise Startup Week and partner at Boise-based software and digital product development firm Vynyl. “That’s the seed of change.”

Boise is making its debut on Inc.’s list of Surge Cities, a ranking of the best American hubs to start a business, at No. 5, a notch above San Francisco. Call it one of those overnight successes that was years in the making.

“Five years ago, Boise was struggling,” says Crabbs.

Local leaders were bemoaning the fact that other small cities were gaining reputations as entrepreneurial havens. So in 2014, he and about 20 key area players met to determine what Boise should do to become the next Austin, Seattle, or Portland for business owners.

They settled on two major goals: broadening the talent pipeline and increasing access to capital, and local institutions began to borrow tactics from other cities.

That same year, Boise State University, which was already working on doubling its number of computer science graduates, opened Venture College, which teaches classes in entrepreneurship, arranges internships at local startups, and hosts an on-campus incubator.

Co-working and innovation space Trailhead also launched in 2014, followed by coding school CodeWorks and developer boot camp Coding Dojo.

Meanwhile, founders realized they could attract out-of-state talent by touting the city’s low cost of living. Though Boise’s housing prices are rising, a visit to real-estate database Zillow shows that you can still buy about four houses there for the price of one in San Francisco.

In 2010, before the community’s initiatives began, Boise had 616,566 residents, according to U.S. Census data. In 2018, that number had grown to 732,257, an increase of 18.8%.

While high-level occupations continue to draw some people to expensive cities like New York and San Francisco, fewer job seekers are migrating to areas where housing isn’t affordable, says Jenny Ying, an

economist at LinkedIn. She points out that in the past four years, for every LinkedIn member leaving Boise, 1.57 members were moving in to take their place.

Jessica Rolph, a longtime Boise resident, chose to launch her second company in the city because of its lower costs for starting a business, access to the outdoors, and shorter commutes — factors that make for an easier lifestyle, she says. But she braced herself for the same recruitment and fundraising challenges that she faced in 2006, when she co-founded baby food company Happy Family in Boise.

By 2017, though, when Rolph and her co-founder, Roderick Morris, launched Lovevery, a maker of child-development toys and play products, the community’s efforts had changed the city’s landscape, and the duo had few problems drawing talent from Seattle and the Bay Area or raising \$32 million in funding.

As for the city’s other goal — broadening access to capital — in 2014, Boise-based startups closed eight venture capital deals totaling \$18.4 million, according to PitchBook, a data and research company.

To increase those figures, community leaders met with firms outside the state, invited them to Boise, and cultivated relationships. Local companies have closed 15 deals with a total value of \$70.2 million in 2019. Also in 2019, StageDotO launched the city’s first venture fund, with a target of \$50 million, to invest in Boise tech startups.

But even when local funding and out-of-state talent were harder to come by, Rolph was a big Boise believer.

“I don’t know if I could have co-founded two companies, had three babies and been a daughter, wife, mother and CEO if I had lived somewhere else.”

Elderly scam alert

BY MIRIAM CROSS
Kiplinger

Many scams are universal, but some target older adults specifically or affect them disproportionately. We spoke with experts to see what to look out for.

Sweepstakes or lottery

You hear by phone, mail or online that you have won, or have the potential to win, a jackpot. But you need to pay a fee, or cover taxes and customs duties, to receive your prize. Or, the scammer may send you a bogus check that you need to deposit before sending a portion back. Even if the contest carries a legitimate name, stay away from schemes that require you to pay to claim your prize.

This was the third-most-reported scam

in 2018, according to calls received by the Senate Aging Committee’s Fraud Hotline (IRS impersonation and robocalls took the top two spots).

Tech support

A so-called tech support representative calls and claims that your computer is infected with a virus. Once you hand over remote access, he or she digs into your personal files or requests payment for services. Seek tech support only from the contact information provided with your devices.

Call from grandchild

Someone claiming to be your grandchild calls you in the middle of the night, startling you awake. He or she sounds frantic, because he or she needs fast cash to deal



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with a medical emergency, a travel disaster or to get out of jail. He or she begs you not to alert his or her parents. The con artist may have extracted enough details about your grandchild from the internet, such as name, city and school, to weave together a believable story, and may explain that his or her strange voice is a result of a bad cellphone connection or a broken nose.

Hang up right away and call your grandchild or another relative to check.

Romance

You get a message on an online dating site or through social media that says something like “Don’t you remember me? I’m your second-grade crush. You look so good,” says Amy Nofziger, director of fraud victim support at AARP. The seducer may spend weeks or months building a relationship, then ask for money, perhaps to help him or her travel to you. “Some victims can lose hundreds of thousands of dollars, and the dream a scammer created for them,” says Nofziger.

Social Security

Someone claiming to be a Social Security staffer contacts you and tries to extract money or personal details. He or she may pretend there is a problem with your account, that your Social Security number has been suspended, or that you’re owed a cost-of-living benefit increase. If you’re not sure whether a call is legitimate, don’t rely on your caller ID; hang up and call 800-772-1213 to speak with a real representative.

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Roth penalty confusion

Also, widow benefits for same-sex marriage



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The Savings Game

Q: I recently passed 70 1/2. I am a little confused about penalties associated with withdrawals from Roth accounts that were converted less than five years ago. I established my first Roth IRA more than five years ago. However, I also have traditional IRA accounts, which I have been gradually converting to Roth accounts, in order to limit tax liability on the conversions.

If I make withdrawals from my Roth accounts, will I be subject to any penalties? Also, will the beneficiaries of my traditional IRAs be able to convert to Roth accounts?

A: Good questions. According to Ed Slott & Co. (www.ira-help.com), these are very common concerns.

The good news for you is that because you are now over 59 1/2, and because you initially established a Roth more than five years ago, you are not subject to any penalty or income taxes on distributions from your Roth accounts.

People who establish Roth IRAs (not conversions) can always withdraw their Roth contributions free of taxes or penalties at any time.

However, to withdraw the earnings from a Roth IRA without taxes or penalties, a person must be 59 1/2 and have satisfied the five-year rule. (Note: There are conditions, such as becoming disabled, that obviate the age qualification.) The five-year rule simply states that five tax years must pass from the first contribution to a Roth account.

There is a five-year rule for Roth conversions that works differently. The 10% early distribution penalty is not assessed at the time of a Roth IRA conversion.

However, it can be assessed if any of the converted amounts are distributed to the Roth owner within five years of the conversion when the owner is under the age of 59 1/2 at the time of the distribution. There is no penalty if the owner had already satisfied the five-year rule because of prior contributions to a Roth account.

Regarding your second question, non-spouse beneficiaries cannot convert an inherited traditional IRA to a Roth account.

Q: I was widowed from a same-sex marriage partner. We were married in a state that allowed same-sex marriage. We moved to Virginia, which did not sanction same-sex marriage at the time my spouse died. I want to know if I will be entitled to widow's benefits when I reach age 60, which is several months away. I want to quit my job but cannot

do so if I am not entitled to widow's benefits.

My wife had worked long enough under Social Security to receive Social Security benefits. I have been receiving mixed messages regarding my eligibility for widow's benefits. Am I eligible?

A: According to the Social Security website (www.socialsecurity.gov/people/same-sex-couples/), you are eligible for widow's benefits. That web page specifies that Social Security recognizes same-sex marriage in all states.

At age 60, if you are currently unmarried, you are eligible for survivor benefits — 71.5% of your deceased spouse's full benefit amount. If you wait until your full retirement age to apply for survivor benefits, you will be entitled to 100% of your spouse's full benefit amount.

You can re-marry after age 60 and still be entitled to survivor benefits. I suggest you set up an appointment with a local Social Security Administration representative within 60 days of your age 60th birthday and confirm you will be eligible for survivor benefits. Bring your marriage certificate. Additional information is available in another SSA document online; search "What same sex couples need to know."

Postscript: The writer confirmed with me that SSA agreed she will be eligible for widow's benefits at age 60. She filed the appropriate papers, and SSA confirmed she will be receiving survivor benefits.

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TERRY SAVAGE
The Savage Truth

Holidays are great time to do finance check

This year, the midweek holidays create a nice opportunity to take some time off and focus on your finances. You may be tempted to watch Netflix instead, but you can jump-start your financial health for the new year.

Figure out what's inside your 401(k)

It's easy to check your account balance online, and this year you'll probably get a nice warm feeling. The market is near all-time highs, and the comparisons are great because last year ended on a low note. Just remember: Never confuse genius with a bull market.

But it's not enough to know the bottom line. Can you name and explain your investments inside the plan? Or have you just defaulted to a target-date retirement fund, figuring the pros can handle this asset allocation decision for you?

That laissez-faire mentality is a mistake for two reasons. When you're younger, you want the most exposure to the broad market indexes, such as the S&P 500. There's never been a 20-year period when this choice would have lost money, with dividends reinvested.

For those closer to retirement, it's a big mistake to assume that the target date fund will protect you from a market decline.

The target date allocations reflect a long-term horizon of your life expectancy and the need for growth to offset inflation. So you may be more exposed to stock market volatility in your target date fund than you imagined. A market decline could impact your ability to take withdrawals to maintain your lifestyle.

So use this year-end time to look inside your 401(k) and consider some changes. And contact the HR department to increase your contributions for 2020 — at least enough to get all the match.

Organize your finances for the new year

The last few days of the year are the perfect time to download the latest version of Quicken at Quicken.com. This is more than a matter of organizing your budget and tracking your spending. Quicken integrates your entire financial plan, including investments and longer-term goals.

You also can download the Mint app to your smartphone. It does most of the same things for free. The app can notify you when bills are due, when your spending is exceeding your budget and when your investments change value significantly.

Look at the big picture

You'll never get where you want to go if you don't know where you're starting from. It's a Savage Truth that time is money, so the sooner you start looking objectively at where you stand, the sooner you can make some adjustments.

Are you on track for retirement at your hoped-for date? Go to www.ChooseToSave.org and click on "calculators." Then choose the "ballpark estimate." If you input your current status, along with some estimates of future savings and returns, it will instantly tell you how much more you should be saving.

You may also find out how far your standard of living will drop in retirement if you don't save more. That's the Savage Truth.

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Broaching family money talk

Holiday gathering may be ideal time to discuss plans

BY KAITLIN PITSKER
Kiplinger

Holiday get-togethers can be good times to lay the groundwork for future family money conversations.

If your family gathering is on the small side, you may be able to find a relaxed time to discuss some details. With a larger group, or in a family where emotions or tension can run high, it's usually best to introduce the topic and plan to have more substantive discussions in the new year.

Start by identifying the key people who should know about your plans and which aspects are most important for others to know, says Betsy Simmons Hannibal, a lawyer who writes about estate planning for Nolo.com.

Talking to your family about how you plan to divvy up property and other assets can head off sibling squabbles and uncertainty.

Even if you prefer not to provide specifics, it's important for your heirs to understand the basics of how they'll receive any inheritance, along with the reasoning behind your decision.

You might, for example, explain that you plan to divide assets unequally among your children because one has a lower earning potential due to a health condition, say, or one has made a financial sacrifice to help you in retirement.

As you review your decisions, make



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sure your will and beneficiaries listed on financial accounts are up to date. You should also broach the subject of what you'll likely expect from your family as you get older. Let your adult children (or others who will be involved in your care) know if you have a long-term-care insurance policy or if you will be relying on other resources or family assistance to cover costs as you age.

To head off any legal or financial problems if an illness or accident occurs, make sure your family knows where you keep estate-planning documents, including a will, powers of attorney for finances and health care, and any health care

directives. Check in with anyone you've named as an executor or health care proxy to make sure they're aware of the responsibility and your wishes.

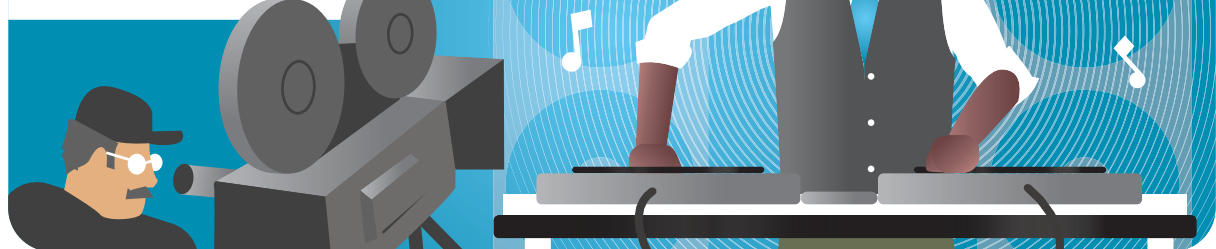
If you're having this discussion with your adult children, ask about their plans as well. Pertinent questions include whether they've drafted a will or made updates since having children, and whether they have enough life insurance and long-term-disability insurance.

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Idris Elba on blocking out time

The actor, director, producer and DJ tells Fast Company how he envisions his schedule.

"I've been keeping busy my whole life. I'm primarily an actor, but I've been DJing since I was a teenager. I'm a producer and a director. I've done fashion collaborations, and I have a music label.



"Imagine you're a farmer with a piece of land, and you're growing crops. Some vegetables need a full cycle to grow, others grow quicker. You realize you have to juggle each one's seasonal pattern. That's how I think of my projects. I like having some variety.



"I don't think in terms of minutes or hours or days or dates, especially because I'm traveling between time zones. My home base is London, but I could be working anywhere around the world. I pretty much know my schedule for the whole year, and I think of it in terms of blocks of time, where each project is a block."

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The benefits of a small business 401(k)

Offering plans can help snag top talent and retain employees

By RHETT POWER | Inc.

Health insurance, pensions, stock options, bonuses, paid time off, free meals — job candidates young and old depend on perks to plan, enhance and manage their lives.

The classic 401(k) may not be as sexy as unlimited PTO or a fat travel stipend or a gym membership, but as young people hopefully save more for retirement than their parents and grandparents did, a 401(k) may be the most coveted benefit of all.

Businesses of all sizes must now compete for talent in every industry. Clothing stores need tech-savvy developers; technology companies need suave customer service specialists.

The best of the best get to be choosy about their employers, which means employers can't afford to overlook the basics when creating benefits packages.

Most big companies offer 401(k) services to employees, but small businesses can stand out and snag top talent by including financial perks in their plans, too. Even if you only have a few employees, consider the serious benefits of offering a small-business 401(k):



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Higher retention rates

According to a study from MetLife, around 40% of employees name retirement benefits as a primary reason to stay with their current employer. When nearly half your workforce wants help with retirement savings, you can't afford to ignore the need.

Give your employees the 401(k) options they deserve, and they'll reward you with longer tenures. Better employee retention leads to all sorts of positive outcomes, including not having to spend time and money hiring and training new people, so don't miss an easy opportunity to keep your team together, happy and productive.

Tax deductions

Employees who contribute to a 401(k) enjoy certain tax perks, but they aren't the only ones. Businesses, too, can take advantage of preferential tax treatment by offering (and contributing to) employee 401(k)s.

Tax deductions make it easier for your

business to offer a higher employee match, which could be the difference between landing a top candidate and losing that candidate to another employer. If you're on the fence, remember that the money you spend on 401(k) contributions will be less than the money you'd spend trying to fill an open position.

Financial security

Many people, even people with good paychecks, struggle to save money. By offering a 401(k), you can take some of the burden off your employees by automating the savings process. They won't miss money they don't see, and as their savings accounts grow, they'll feel more comfortable about their future.

In times of hardship, employees can even borrow against their 401(k) balance, providing an extra lifeline for emergencies.

Once in place, your 401(k) plan will continue to pay dividends in both recruitment and retention. But not all 401(k) plans are created equal. It's not enough to

offer any old 401(k) with any old 401(k) provider — you have to vet potential deals and partnerships to find the right fit.

Today's workers, especially young ones, have grown wise to fees in financial products. Millennials are far less likely to stick with a fee-happy bank than their Baby Boomer parents, and the same mindset applies when it comes to 401(k) plans. Young workers want low fees, even if they have to hunt them down themselves.

Small businesses can offer 401(k) plans with low fees by vetting potential providers carefully. Some unscrupulous salespeople will try to push higher-fee plans on business owners who don't know any better. Check out multiple providers, and ask to see the different investment options they offer. If all their funds start with fees above 1%, run the other direction.

Employees also want easy access to their money, even if penalties prevent them from withdrawing it directly. Find a 401(k) plan provider with a clean user interface and helpful customer service. When people can't log in to view their investments and

performance, they get nervous about what might be happening behind the scenes.

With the provider set, the best thing you can do as the employer is offer a contribution match. Doing so may hurt your bottom line initially, but with some companies offering no-match 401(k) plans, you'll stand out through your commitment to your workers' futures.

With higher retention rates and a larger pool of eager candidates, you'll more than make up for your short-term expenses in long-term gains.

Put beer kegs, beanbag chairs and pinball machines in the break room if you want, but don't neglect the benefits that keep employees feeling secure. Your health insurance, PTO and 401(k) plans make up the foundation of your benefits package in employees' eyes.

Skimp on those, and you may have trouble persuading your biggest stars to stay.

Rhett Power is the CEO of Power Coaching and Consulting and the author of "The Entrepreneur's Book of Actions."

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OBITUARIES

BONNIE ROBERTS 1944-2019

Music teacher was founder, artistic director of Naperville Men's Glee Club

By Bob Goldsborough

Bonnie Klee Roberts founded the Naperville Men's Glee Club in 1988 and was the group's artistic director for 30 years.

"She was a unique person, in that she was a woman, leading a group of men," said John Bodine, a group member and a former president of its board. "She had to be sort of nurturing and also demanding at the same time. And sometimes women struggle with that, but the combination was pretty well-suited (for her)."

Roberts, 75, died of complications from colon cancer Nov. 17 at Edward Hospital in Naperville, said her husband, Fred. She had lived in Naperville since 1981.

Born Bonnie Traum in Rockford, Roberts moved with her family to the North Shore when she was a youngster, and graduated from New Trier High School. She attended the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where she received an undergraduate degree in music in 1968.

Roberts worked as a music teacher in Boston and San Francisco before moving back to the Chicago area in 1981. Through much of the 1980s, she was a music teacher, offering private piano and voice lessons in her home. She also held jobs as the choir director at a Dowers Grove church and later, at a church in Mokena.

In 1988, some friends urged her to form a glee club, her husband said. She concluded that her community had men who had sung in school or in other organizations in the past and would like to do so again.

So, Roberts displayed posters around town seeking interested participants, and she also sent letters to 27 church pastors and placed an ad in the Naperville Sun newspaper. The Naperville Men's Glee Club had its first practice on Jan. 9, 1988.

Under Roberts' leadership, the group held its first full concert in June 1988



NAPERVILLE MEN'S GLEE CLUB

and by the end of that year had done seven performances. The group's broad repertoire of music was established at its weekly Saturday morning practices, always held at Naperville's Church of the Brethren.

Roberts soon established a charter for the group and established it as a nonprofit organization.

"She had a terrific capacity for channeling music to people in a way that inspired them and comforted them," Bodine said "She didn't have an advanced degree but she had an advanced capability that was instinctive and natural."

After a tornado struck Plainfield in August 1990 and destroyed Plainfield High School, Roberts organized a concert called "Voices for Relief," aimed at raising money to help Plainfield High's choral department rebuild.

"She talked about having a vision but not letting herself get held back by anything," said Stuart Anderson, a glee club member for 31 years. "She was always overcoming challenges for the group."

The group sang the national anthem before a ballgame at Comiskey Park in the summer of 1990, and continued to occasionally perform the anthem at games for the next 15 years.

The glee club has appeared for close to 30 straight years at the annual U.S. Marine Corps Ball in Naperville, performed at Naperville Municipal Band concerts and also has given

performances in St. Louis, at Lincoln Center in New York City and at the National Cathedral and at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. Today, the group has about 30 members.

"She would tell you she was more the artist than the businesswoman, but it's clear that she had a good grasp of (business) as well, because otherwise (the club) wouldn't have lasted," said current Naperville Men's Glee Club board President Dave Mueller.

In 2018, Roberts retired as the glee club's artistic director. At that time, she had been on kidney dialysis for eight years and also had had a hip replacement and double heart bypass surgery. Amid all those health complications, she stepped back, although even after retiring, she remained involved with the group, her husband said. She directed her final performance in April, which was the group's semiannual "Voices of Hope" performance, in which cancer patients are invited to sing with the club.

"She was very entrepreneurial, and she was challenging and quietly devoted," her husband said. "She was not a person looking for a pat on the back, but she enjoyed opening the door for people to come in and through music establish fellowship with each other and friendships and also to serve the community."

Naperville's mayor presented Roberts with the key to the city in 1998. She was named the grand marshal of Naperville's 2018 Labor Day parade.

A first marriage ended in divorce. In addition to her husband, Roberts is survived by a daughter, Gretchen Musa; a son, David Klee; her father, Paul Traum; and stepmother, Marilyn Traum, a retired Tribune features editor; and two grandchildren.

Services were held.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

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Cecola, Mark M.

Mark M. Cecola; Loving son of Terry and Angela Cecola; Dear brother of Tara Ann (David) Thomason and Melissa; Loving nephew of Michael (Carol) Caringella; Dear uncle of Taylor and Paige; Dear Godfather, cousin and friend of many; Long time best friend of Damon Cheronis and to a legion of loyal friends who were at his side until the end. Services were private according to Mark wishes. Donations in Marks memory can be made to the American Heart Association. Arrangements handled by Salerno's Galewood Chapels. For info 773-889-1700.



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Coppins, Martha

Martha Coppins (nee Smith) Age 81



Passed away peacefully surrounded by her family. Beloved mother of Karen (Louis) Benedetto, Steven, Kevin and the late Christopher. Loving grandmother of Colleen, Cristi, Randy, Anthony, Erica, Jon, Karen, Scott, Colleen and Allison.

Cherished great grandmother of Lyric, Trever, Madelyn, Emily, Noelle and Conner. Memorial Visitation 1:00 pm till time of services 3:00 pm Thursday, December 26th at the Petkus Lemont Funeral Home 12401 Archer Ave. Lemont, IL. In lieu of flowers donations appreciated to Gift of Hope or Make a Wish Foundation.

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Gordon, Albert

Albert Gordon, 98, WWII veteran, passed away on Friday, December 20th. Husband of Carol of blessed memory. Loving father of Bobbi, (Steven), Sandi (Wayne). Proud grandfather of Sara and David, Beloved brother of Ernie (Marcia) and Roy (Gail). For shiva details, contact Sandi Gordon. If inclined, donations to the Veterans Administration appreciated.

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Halter, Patricia J

Patricia J. Halter nee Mueller age 85. Loving mother of Kathleen and Kenneth (Mary Duffy). Preceded in death by Charles D. Halter. Dearest sister of Joy and "Peggy" (late Fred) Moore. and the late Billy Mueller. Dear aunt of Pamela (Jack) Scheid, great-aunt of Amy (Antonio) Marques and great-aunt and godmother of Jason King. Great-great-aunt of Victoria and Gabriella Marques. Past employee of V. Mueller Medical Instruments and Baxter International. Visitation Thursday Dec. 26th from 3:00 PM to 9:00 PM and funeral services Friday Dec. 27th 11:00 AM from TOHLE FUNERAL HOME 4325 W. Lawrence Ave. to St. Edward Church 4350 W. Sunnyside, Funeral Mass 11:30 AM. Inurnment private at All Saints Cemetery. Info 773-685-4400 or tohlefunealhome.com

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Kleine, Adele P.

Adele P. Kleine (nee Pincus), age 95. Born in Chicago, Illinois July 11, 1924. Beloved wife of the late Alexander E. Kleine. Loving mother of Susan (Jack) Genicoff and Nancy Kleine (Larry) Kekst. Loving sister of late Phyllis Pincus Degginger. Beloved grandmother to Jamie (Jeff) Simon, Jason (Tara) Sussman, Carolyn Ross, Allison Ross, Pamela Kekst, Hailey



Greenfield and Dara (Adam) Singer. Dear great grandmother of Zachary and Tyler Simon, Jaxon Sussman, Ava Greenfield, and Austin and Ellie Singer. Dear sister-in-law of Harry Klein. Adele's family wishes to express their gratitude and appreciation to all of her caregivers, and to the staff of North Shore Place and Accord Hospice. A graduate of Northwestern University, Adele became a Master Gardener, Teacher and Floral Judge for the State of Illinois. She earned a teaching degree from the Misho Kai School of Japanese Floral Arts. She also earned a Certificate in Ornamental Plant Materials from the Chicago Botanic Garden, where she was involved from its inception as a teacher from the 1960's. She volunteered for many years at the Chicago Botanic Gardens, and was devoted to the Lenhardt Library. Expanding her career as a writer, she joined the Garden Writers Association and traveled the world. She wrote stories for National Gardener, Garden Design and American Gardener. She was also a contributing writer and the Q and A columnist for Chicagoland Gardening for 15 years. Services will be held at North Shore Congregation Israel at 10:00 am on Monday, December 23 in the Perlman Chapel, 1185 Sheridan Road in Glencoe. Interment at Memorial Park. Shiva will be held at the Kekst residence. Memorial contributions to the Chicago Botanic Garden Lenhardt Library Rare Book Fund, 1000 Lake Cook Road, Glencoe, IL 60022 (https://www.chicagobotanic.org/library/rarebooks) or North Shore Congregation Israel Adult Education Fund, 1185 Sheridan Road, Glencoe, IL 60022. (https://www.nsci.org/payment.php) Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals, Skokie Chapel, 847-229-8822 (www.cjinfo.com).

CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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Pace, M.D., Beverly Glas

Beverly Glas Pace M.D.; beloved wife of John B. Pace, M.D; loving mother of Randall F. Pace, Lauren M. Pace D.O.; Rebecca L. (John) Tolle; grandmother of Blaise Baker, Samuel and Flynn Tolle; dear daughter of the late Charles and Dorothy Glas, and sister of the late Charles Glas. Visitation Friday December 27th from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Funeral Saturday 11:00 am at Sullivan Funeral Home 60 South Grant Street, Hinsdale, IL. 60521. Interment Bronswood Cemetery. Memorial Service Saturday January 4th 1:00 PM at Fourth Presbyterian Church 126 E. Chestnut Street, Chicago, IL. 60611. 630/323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com



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ON DECEMBER 23 ...

In 1783 George Washington resigned as commander-in-chief of the Army and retired to his home at Mount Vernon, Va.

In 1788 Maryland voted to cede a 100-square-mile area for the seat of the national government; about two-thirds of the area became the District of Columbia.

In 1823 the poem "A Visit from St. Nicholas" by Clement Moore was published in the Troy Sentinel.

In 1867 businesswoman and philanthropist Sarah Breedlove Walker, considered to be the first black female millionaire, was born near Delta, La.

In 1928 the National Broadcasting Co. set up a permanent, coast-to-coast network.

In 1941 during World War II, American forces on Wake Island surrendered to the Japanese.

In 1968 82 crew members of the U.S. intelligence ship Pueblo were released by North Korea, 11 months

after they had been captured.

In 1986 the experimental airplane Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, completed the first non-stop, nonrefueled, round-the-world flight as it landed safely at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1997 a jury in Denver convicted Terry Nichols of involuntary manslaughter and conspiracy for his role in the Oklahoma City bombing, declining to find him guilty of murder.

In 1998 Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat freed Hamas spiritual leader Sheik Ahmed Yassin from house arrest, a move denounced by Israel.

In 1999 President Bill Clinton pardoned Freddie Meeks, a black sailor court-martialed for mutiny during World War II when he and other sailors refused to load live ammunition following a deadly explosion at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine near San Francisco that had claimed more than 300 lives.

In 2003 the government

announced the first suspected (later confirmed) case of mad cow disease in United States.

In 2004 Democrat Christine Gregoire won the Washington governor's race by 130 votes out of 2.9 million ballots cast, according to final recount results announced from Seattle's King County.

In 2005 South Korean researcher Hwang Woo-suk resigned from his university, which said he had fabricated his stem-cell research once hailed as a breakthrough.

In 2007 the New England Patriots set an NFL record with their 15th win, the best start in league history, as they beat the Miami Dolphins 28-7. Also in 2007 jazz pianist Oscar Peterson died in Mississauga, Ontario; he was 82. Also in 2007 Britain's Queen Elizabeth II launched her own special Royal Channel on YouTube.

In 2013 an amnesty law allowed two members of the Russian rock group Pussy Riot to leave prison, two months before the end of their two-year sentences for a performance against President Vladimir Putin. Also in 2013 Mikhail Kalashnikov, who is credited with creating the AK-47, died in Izhevsk, Russia; he was 94.

In 2014 Sony Pictures reversed its decision to pull the film "The Interview" after coming under criticism from President Barack Obama and others for caving into pressure from North Korea. Also in 2014 the Dow Jones industrial average surged past the 18,000 milestone, fueled by evidence of the strongest U.S. economic growth in 11 years.

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Dec. 24 Mega Millions: \$45M	
Dec. 25 Powerball: \$183M	

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Dec. 22	
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Pick 4	5533
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Daily 4 evening	3233 / 4
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Signore, Robert A.
Robert A. Signore, US Army Veteran, late of Blue Island, IL. Loving brother of Nancy Signore. Cherished uncle of many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by his parents George and Mary, siblings Rose Buhle, Michael, Daniel, and Albert, nephews Tim Signore, James Buhle. Lifetime parishioner of St. Donatus Church, Chairman of the Annual St. Donatus Feast & Carnival. Loyal friend of many. Lying in State Saturday, December 28, 2019, at St. Donatus Church, 8:30 AM until time of Mass of Christian Burial 9:00 AM. Interment to follow in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Friday December 27, 2019, 3:00-9:00 PM at St. Donatus Church 1939 Union Street, Blue Island, IL 60406. Arrangements handled by Vandenberg Funeral Home. For information on services, 708-532-1635 or www.vandenbergfuneralhome.com
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Staunton, Nancy
Nancy Staunton – mother of 6, former Oak Park Village Trustee, and constant presence in Oak Park civic life for more than 40 years – died November 24, 2019 at the age of 90. Born Anna Jean O'Malley, but known as Nancy from an early age, she was raised in Englewood as the youngest child of two Irish immigrants. She spent her first career as a nurse, earning her Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1951 from St. Xavier College, and working at Mercy Hospital and as a part-time courier nurse for the Santa Fe Railroad on trips between Chicago and Los Angeles. Mercy Hospital is where Nancy met her husband of 56 years, Patrick Staunton, who had arrived from Dublin as a new physician in 1952. They married in 1957, and had six children in less than five years starting in 1958. Nancy and Pat moved to Oak Park in 1965, and Nancy lived there for forty-one years, including several years after Pat's death in 2013. Nancy spent more than 30 years with the League of Women Voters working on a variety of issues, and in 2007, she was recognized for her contributions with the Hazel Hansen Award. She also returned to school, earning a Master of Public Health from the University of Illinois Chicago in 1976, which led to work in health care planning, primarily with the Chicago Suburban Health Services Agency. In 1985, she was elected to the first of two terms on the Oak Park Village Board. Nancy's father Thomas died when she was a teen, and her mother Mary, brother John, and sisters Sarah Margaret and Mary have also all passed away. Nancy is survived by her children Kevin (Maria), Mary, Anne, Brian (Liz), Jane (Max), and Tom, and her grandchildren Jack, Kyle, Luke, Will, Van, Kevin, and Finn. Services are set for Saturday, December 28, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena - St. Lucy, 38 N. Austin Boulevard, Oak Park. Donations to St. Catherine – St. Lucy School (online at <https://www.givecentral.org/location/364/event/11764> or by check to the School at 27 Washington Blvd. in Oak Park) or your preferred local hospice.
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Stevens, JoAnn C.
JoAnn C. Stevens, nee Holli of Westchester age 87. Beloved wife of the late Richard J. Szczepaniak; loving mother of Pat Gaillard, Dr. Susan Stevens; proud grandmother of Katie and Shannon; dear sister of the late Kitty (Egon) Menz. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**; 10501 W. Cermak Rd.; Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Monday December 23, 2019 from 4 to 8pm. Funeral Tuesday at 9:30am. from the funeral home to Divine Providence Church 10am. Mass. Interment St. Peter and Paul Cemetery. Memorials would be appreciated to stjude.org. For further info. call 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L
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STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND
CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

The stakeholder, general public consultation and citizen participation process for the Fifth Substantial Amendment conforms to Cook County's currently adopted Citizen Participation Plan, which was most recently amended in September 2014 with a CDBG-DR specific addendum. The Citizen Participation Plan is designed to improve compliance with HUD regulations, as well as more effectively engage the public in Cook County programs. This Substantial Amendment to the Action Plan will be made available for public review and comment for the required public review/comment period as prescribed by the related regulations. This draft Substantial Amendment is being made available to the public for review and comment for 15 days December 23, 2019 through January 6, 2020 per HUD requirements via the Cook County website (<https://www.cookcountytill.gov/service/public-notices-planning-and-development-0>), as well as onsite at Cook County offices located at 69 West Washington Street, Chicago, IL 60602. Written comments will be accepted during this period and should be directed to Barbara Maloof, Public Information Officer, at the aforementioned address or via email at barbara.maloof@cookcountytill.gov. 12/23/2019 6552855

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Avant Anderson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Delissa Anderson
(Mother) AKA Delissa Anderson

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01048

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Victor Carter (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 19, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/13/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

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IN THE INTEREST OF
Camron Baptiste

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Brandi Baptiste
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01415

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Robert Eatman (Father), Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on December 03, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Buford in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/13/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 4 COURTROOM D, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 10, 2019 6551999

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Chance Alyssa Abraytis AKA Alysa Evans AKA Chance Alyssa Abraytis AKA Chance Alyssa Abraytis AKA Baby Girl Abraytis

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Alysa Abraytis
(Mother) AKA Alysa Abraytis

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01148

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Alysa Abraytis AKA Alysa Abraytis (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on December 17, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 11:00 AM in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 17, 2019 6552090

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Christin Doyle AKA Christian Doyle

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Tabitha Doyle
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00755

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on July 17, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/13/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, 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 YOUR CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 19, 2019 6552340

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Hector Pillaado

A MINOR
NO. 2019JD01336

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Jesus Pillaado (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on August 22, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Terrence Sharkey in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, IL, on 01/07/2020 at 9:00 AM in CALENDAR 63 COURTROOM 13 ,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
November 20, 2019

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
S. Auyeung, L. Martin
ATTORNEY FOR:
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612
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ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT,
COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS
November 20, 2019 6553226

LEGAL NOTICES
GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT
OPPORTUNITY

COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY: DRAFT PLAN
The Cook County Department of Planning and Development (CCDDP) housed within the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development, in partnership with the Center for Neighborhood Technology, has developed Cook County's next Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), a draft strategy plan that will guide investments, initiatives and partnerships over the next five years related to economic development. Applicable Public Comment Period: 30 days - December 23, 2019 through January 22, 2020
PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITIES
An important part of the process of developing the draft CEDS is to promote stakeholder and citizen participation and to solicit input. The draft plan may be reviewed at the CCDDP offices at 69 West Washington Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, or online at the Cook County website during the applicable public comment period specified above at this link: <https://www.cookcountytill.gov/service/public-notices-planning-and-development-0>
All interested parties are encouraged to provide written comments. Written comments on the draft CEDS are being accepted during the applicable public comment period specified above and must be received by 4 p.m. on the last day of the aforementioned public comment period in order to receive consideration. Written comments must be directed to Dominic Deputy Director, Cook County Department of Planning and Development, 69 West Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, dominic.tocci@cookcountytill.gov. Additionally, the draft plan will be reviewed and considered for approval at upcoming public hearings conducted by the Cook County Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC). Please see this link for upcoming meeting details and agendas: <https://www.cookcountytill.gov/service/economic-development-advisory-committee-edac>
12/23/2019 6550386

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Javier Torres

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Priscilla Torres
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01176

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Pancho Perez (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 04, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF 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 01/14/2020, at 11:00 AM in CALENDAR 13 COURTROOM M, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 11, 2019 6552100

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Jose Figueroa

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Maria Figueroa
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01353

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Jose Villanueva (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 19, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/07/2020, at 10:00 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, 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 YOUR CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 16, 2019 6551966

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Khadija Branch

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Khadija Campbell

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00885

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Kariem Branch (Father), Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 14, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Bernard Sarley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 1:30 PM in CALENDAR 9 COURTROOM I, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
November 14, 2019 6525383

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
Kristopher Johnson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Pamela Huff
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01447

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on December 06, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick T Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 9, 2019 6548798

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
La Alice Brown AKA Laalice Brown

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Alice Brown
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 18JA01063

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Alice Brown (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on July 23, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 17, 2019 6552072

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
La Miracle Brown

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Alice Brown
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01017

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Alice Brown (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on July 23, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
December 17, 2019 6552084

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF
Makiyah Alexander

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Rachel Eddings
(Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 15JA00614

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Michael Alexander (Father), Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 13, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Bernard Sarley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 01/14/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 9 COURTROOM I, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
November 27, 2019 65486

TAKE NOTICES

LLC, Steven M. Driscoll; Asset Acceptance, LLC, Kenneth Driscoll, Oakwood Hills Condominium Association, Occupant, 1007 Lincolnshire Ct., #C, Elgin, IL; Cook County Clerk, 60601-1987; and for General Taxes, 2019-2021, sold by Cook County, Illinois. UNKNOWN OWNERS AND OCCUPANTS. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004487. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/3/2014. Notice No. 15-000958. Sale for General Taxes. 2019-2021. This notice is given pursuant to Affirmative (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 1704 Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 06-19-210-020-1152. 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 12/19/2023. The amount of the redemption fee to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing interest, penalties, costs, expenses, fees, taxes, property or other 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 would allow the County Clerk to foreclose on this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/20/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60601, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM. Case Number 1704 Clark Street, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/20/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois or by paying the redemption fee to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee.

12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546015

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LCC, Dorcas Chan; City Habitat Properties LLC, Occupant, 1711 W. Jarvis Ave., Unit P-3, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 11-30-415-939-1016. N/A. No bid. N/A. 2019 TAKE NOTICE. county of cook. Date Premises Sold 4/6/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002992. Sold for General Taxes (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment of (County). Tax Deed No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 1711 W. Jarvis Ave., Unit P-3, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 11-30-415-939-1016. This notice is to advise all interested parties that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may further increased as interest accrues over time. All persons assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe prior to redeeming.

This notice also advises you that your 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 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing at the Circuit Court of Cook County in the Third Judicial District, 800 Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at anytime after the auction by paying according 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 ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. You are urged to pay your taxes to the One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.
12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546110

TO: Lottie Barkley, Alan Barkley, Marilyn Barkley, Thomas Kelly, Debbie Villafane; Bank of America, N.A. Occupant, 4909 N. MERRIMAC AVE, 1st Floor, Chicago, IL 60602. Occupant, 4909 N MERRIMAC AVE, 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. Tax DEED NO. 2019COTD004877. FILED: December 12, 2019. DEED: December 12, 2019. Deed Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006351. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warranty: N/A. Inlet No. 15-0006351. HAS DELINQUENT DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at, 4909 N MERRIMAC AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 13-08-319-018-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold to redeem delinquent taxes. The right of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased on or after April 2, 2020. You are hereby assigned pay any subsequently accruing taxes and 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. If you do not wish to redeem, a redemption 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 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1000, Daley Plaza, 225 S. Dearborn St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or after April 2, 2020, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County in Room 1000, Daley Plaza, 225 S. Dearborn St. at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. ATTORNEY: APR 2, 2020. MTAC CLST ATTCF III, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.

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Shilo: Alanya Properties, Inc.; And/Or Cozma, Silvio Runcan, Cornelius Streanga, Doinita Toranzo; Medallion Financial Corp., Murphy & Hourihane, LLC, Balmoral Courts Condominiums II, Occupant, 2405 W. Balmoral Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60626, County Clerk, Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019C02D040526. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook, State of Illinois. Premises Sold: 2405 W. Balmoral Ave., Chicago, IL 60626. Sale for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sale for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 2405 W. Balmoral Ave., Chicago, Illinois 60626, County of Cook or Property Interest No. 13-12-226-021-1010. 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 4/20/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at the time of redemption. The amount may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you will need to pay to redeem. We would also 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 4/20/2020. This matter is set for hearing on 12/18/2019 at 10:00 AM in the County of Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/20/2020 by applying to the County Clerk, Office of the County Clerk, the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. 12/18/2019 20:23/19 6545895

TOR. Antalya Properties, Inc., Octavian
Indries, Cresteian Alexandrescu, Cristian
Ionut; Medallion Financial Corp.; Murphy
& Hourihan, LLC, Balmoral Courts
Condominium V, Occupant, 2411 W.
Balmoral Ave. Unit 2E, Chicago, IL, Cook
County Clerk, Illinois State Land Surveyor,
possession any unknown owners and
occupants. Tax DEED No. 019-09070404527.
FILED: November 19, 2019. TAX NOTICE
County of Cook. Date Premises Sold
4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006393. Sold
for \$100,000.00. The County of Cook has
Special Assessment of (Municipality) and
special assessment number N/A Warrant
No. N/A inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY
HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES.
Property located at: 2411 W. Balmoral Ave.
Chicago, IL, Cook County, Illinois. This
property or Property ID No. 13-1226-0221
this notice is issued to you because the above
property has been sold for delinquent
taxes and that the period of redemption
from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The
amount to redeem is subject to increase at
the discretion of the County of Cook and may
be further increased if the purchaser
at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays
any subsequently accruing taxes or special
assessments to redeem the property from
subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check
with the County of Cook Treasurer's Office
you owe before redeeming. This amount
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
4/2/2020. The hearing is set for hearing
in the Circuit Court of this county in the
Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington
St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/2/2020 at
9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
time prior to the date 4/2/2020 by paying
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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602,
Cook County, Illinois. If you are a
One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee,
DATED: December 12, 2019.
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Peter Leyden, Peter Leyden, Margaret Leyden, The Leyden Living Trust, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Peter Leyden, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Margaret Leyden, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Maureen Leyden, City of Chicago, Rivers Edge Condominium Homeowners' Association; Cook County, 3742 N. Nora Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners are hereby notified TAKE NOTICE THAT THIS IS FILED: November 20, 2019, TAKING NOTICE County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017, Certificate No. 15-0006483. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. 15-0006483. THE PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 3742 N. Nora Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 13-19-121-044-000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes. The right of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her heirs or assigns pays all taxes, redeeming 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 person has been awarded a tax deed to the property and has the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., IL 60602, on 4/2/2020 at 10:00 AM. YOU ARE ORDERED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in the County Clerk's Office, 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645; Cazzenovia Creek Funding II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.

John Rutka, Virginia Rutka, Becky Rutka, Kimberly Rutka, Roberta Smock, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of John Rutka; Mirthalina Navarrol; Occupant, 3012 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in Interest and Owners of the Property, and the owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004545. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date: 11/19/2019. 4/5/2021. Certificate No. 2019000071. Amount of Special Assessment: \$0.00. Special Assessment (Tax) of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A. Warrant No. N/A. Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 3012 N. Knox Ave., Chicago, IL 60641. Description or Property Index No. 13-27-110-036-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption is 6 months from 4/5/2021 to 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing interest and taxes. The amount to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures 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 redemption period of 6 months from 4/5/2021 will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County in the Richard J. Daley Center, on 4/2/2020 at 10:00 AM. THE COUNTY OF COOK WILL REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia Capital Funding II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Page: 1 of 1. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544433

TAKE NOTICES

The Stanley Burek, Judith Burek, Chicago Title Land Trust Company, as Successor Trustee to Harris, N.A., as Trustee, v/o T'n 184, Trust Dated August 25, 1988, Bit O'Tronics, Inc., a corporation having its principal office at 600 North Halston, Apartment #H-1111, Oakbrook Hills, Illinois 60067; URS Corporation, a corporation having its principal office at 1000 North Dearborn Street, Suite 1000, Chicago, Illinois 60610; and J. Edgar Harris, Jr., Attorney General, State of Illinois, County Clerk of Illinois, Occupant, 5550 W FULLERTON AVE, Chicago, IL, Occupant, 5550 and 1/2 W FULLERTON AVE, Chicago, IL, Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners or tenants, do hereby certify that the following is true:

FILED December 3, 2019, TAKE NOTICE.

County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 5/4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006594. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and (City) 2015. Tax Parcel ID# 00004393. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 5550 W FULLERTON AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 13-28-324-037-0000.

Notice is hereby given that the purchaser of the above described premises has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase to \$6 month intervals from the date of sale and may further be increased if the purchaser fails to pay the balance of the assigned taxes and any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is being published pursuant to the provisions specified for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the City of Chicago, Illinois, at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, March 11, 2020, at 60602, on 2/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the Office of the County Clerk, County of Cook, Illinois, at the County Clerk's Office, 118 North Clark Street, Room 432, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUSC 12/19/19 LLL, LLC, Purchaser. Auctioneered: DATED: 12/19/19

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2168 N. Goldensale Realty Group, Inc., Occupant,
2168 N. Parkside Ave., Chicago, IL: Cook
County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and
possession; any unknown owners and
occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004546.
FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE.
That on 11/19/2019, the County Clerk of Cook
County, Illinois, filed Certificate No. 15-0006674. Sold
for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for
Special Assessment of (Municipality) and
Special assessment number N/A Warrant No.
N/A nst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN
SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. PROPERTY
INDEX NO. 13-32-217-011-0000. This notice is to
advise you that the above property has been
sold for delinquent taxes and that the period
of redemption from the sale will expire on
12/19/2019. If you wish to redeem the property,
to redemption at 6 month intervals from the
date of sale and may be further increased if
the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her
assignee pays any subsequently accruing
taxes or special assessments to redeem the
property from subsequent forfeitures. The tax
amount you must pay to the County Clerk is 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
by 12/19/2019. If you wish to file a petition
hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in
the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W Washington
St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/22/2020 at 9:30
AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS
OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at
the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, IL
to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois.
For further information contact the
County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
Clerk's Office Phone: (312) 674-2222. Cazanova
County Clerk Funding: If you are the Purchaser or Assignee,
dated: December 12, 2019.
12/19/2019, 20, 23/2019 6544427

Estelle Mayfield, Ira Lee Kirkwood,
and Unknown Heirs and Legates of Ira Lee
Kirkwood; Mans Hawkins, Bubba Charles,
Christen Jefferson, Buddy Talton, Milton
Talton, and others.
1740 N. Monitor Ave. 1st Floor, Chicago, IL;
Occupant, 1740 N. Monitor Ave. 2nd Floor,
Chicago, IL; Occupant, 1740 N. Monitor Ave.
Basement, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk;
Parties in possession and possessor; and
all persons claiming or asserting an interest
in the above described property.
NO. 2019COTD04821. FILED: December
3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook.
Date Premises Sold 4/3/2017 Certificate
No. 15-006681. Sold for General Taxes of
\$15,000.00. Sold for Special Assessment
of \$15,000.00 and Special Assessment
Number A/W Warrant No. N/A Inst. No.
N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR
DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at
1740 N. Monitor Ave., Chicago, Illinois.
Legal Description: Lot 10, Block 1, Subdivision
#1, C/O #227-0000. This notice is advise
you that the above property has been sold
for delinquent taxes and that the period
of redemption from the sale will expire on
4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject
to the terms of the tax sale. The total cost
of the sale and may be further increased
if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her
assignee pays any subsequently accruing
taxes or special assessments to redeem the
property from subsequent forfeitures or tax
sales. You are hereby notified that you must
contact 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 4/2/2020. A public hearing is
being held in the Circuit Court of this county
in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W Washington
St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30
AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
APPEAR AT THE HEARING TO PROTECT YOUR LOSS
OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at
any time on or before 4/2/2020 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's Office, 600 North Dearborn
Street, Room 433, Chicago, Illinois 60610.
TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645, Tower B/DV
TSTW 2017-1, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated:
December 16, 2019.

1734 West Wabansia LLC; Taxpayer of 1734 West Wabansia Ave., Chicago, IL; James Athanasopoulos, Diana Athanasopoulos; Occupant, 1734 W. Wabansia Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy of property. TAX DEED NO. 2019C0004556, occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019C0004556, FILED: November 19, 2019, TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Illinois. Sold 11/19/2019, Certificate No. 15-009830. Sold 11/19/2019, Certificate No. 15-009830. Special Assessment (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 1734 W. Wabansia Ave., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/22/2020 at 9:30 AM. 10-31-42-040-050-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 12/19/2020. The redemption period will increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property. Please contact the County Clerk for 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 be heard by the Circuit Court of Cook County of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/22/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/22/2020 at 9:30 AM. REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/22/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 663-5645. Cazenovia County, Illinois. Clerk of Court or Assignee. 12/19/20, 20, 23/2019 6544391

TAKE NOTICES

ETTA J. Cole, Michael J. Cole; Michael J. Cole, as Trustee of the Etta J. Cole Trust; Jack Shoemaker; The 2130 Lincoln Park West Condominium Association, Michelle Cole, Trustee of the Michelle Cole Trust; Etta J. Cole, Unit 7N, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners or owners. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD040557. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE, County of Cook, State of Illinois, that the following is a Notice of Sale of Real Estate for the County of Cook, Illinois, No. 15-000969-96, Notice for General Taxes of (year) 2015, Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR THE COUNTY OF COOK, ILLINOIS, TO THE 2130 N. LINCOLN PARK WEST, UNIT 7N, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Legal Description or Property Index No. 14-33-206-046-1022. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption has ended on or before 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing interest and taxes. Failure 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 redemption hearing will be held on or before 4/2/2020 at which you will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Chicago, IL, Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, IL 60602, 4/4/2020 at 3:30 PM in Room 404. YOU ARE ORDERED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia Creek Funding II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. 12/18/2019 10:23:07 AM EST

121. John C Fleming, Spanish Peaks Ranch, 121. John C Fleming Properties, Inc., Robin Van Boxsel, Andrea Van Boxel, Kristiania Lackey, Walter I. Fleming, as Trustee of the "Walter I. Fleming Declaration of Trust, Trust Agreement, dated 11/1/2007, recorded in Cook County, Illinois, Book 15, Page 100, as amended, Town Bank, N/A, Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Koenigblough Realty Group, Julie Sachs Capps, US Trustee, Office of The U.S. Trustee, Zana Michelle Scarlett, Joshua Lamphear, Bradley Stralberg, Thomas V. Stralberg, as Trustee of the "Stralberg Trust", dated 11/1/2007, recorded in Cook County, Illinois, Book 15, Page 100, as amended, Ranch 118, LLC, Spanish Ranch Ranch 120, LLC, Randall & Kenig, LLP, City of Chicago, Egan & Alaiay, LLC, Edwards Maxso & Macaulay LLP, Occupant, 1814 N. CLEVELAND AVE., Chicago, IL, and County of Cook, Illinois, as occupants, or possibly any unknown owners or occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004836. FILED: December 3, 2019. TATE NOTICE. Office of Cook State Premises Sold 4/6/2017. Tax ID No. 0009073. Sold for General Taxes of (Municipality and Special Assessment of (Municipality and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. NOTICE TO THE PROPERTY OWNER: The property is located at 1814 N. CLEVELAND AVE., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 14-33-309-036-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the date of sale will be 180 days. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments. The amount of the redemption 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 to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, 60602, on 4/2/2020 at 10:00 AM. NOTICE TO THE PROPERTY OWNER: TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ID: 118-20-00000000000000000000. DATE: 12/03/2019. 20-73726-0054597

TO: Louis M. Corolla, Ilmae Mugabonihila, Occupant, 1010 S 22ND AVE, Bellwood, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown parties in possession; 2019 COTD00444444-FILED: December 9, 2019, TAKE NOTICE. Cook County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002216. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and (Municipality) of (Municipality) and (Municipality) N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 1010 S 22ND AVE, Bellwood, Illinois. Legal Description of Property: Index No. 15-15-113-019-0000. This property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and until the redemption period expires. The owner at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount to be paid for redemption of this sale. It is also advised 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 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing before the Circuit Court of Cook County on December 12, 2019 at 10:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the Cook County Clerk, 1010 S. Dearborn Street, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the Cook County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUSC is the person or persons assigned. Dated: December 12, 2019.

Abnaco Financial Services, LLC; Armando
 Moreno, Jr.; Credit-Based Asset Servicing
 and Securitization LLC, Credit-Based Asset
 Servicing and Securitization LLC, Taxpayer
 of the City of Lawndale, City of Chicago,
 Occupants of 1 N Lawndale Ave.,
 Chicago, IL, Cook County Clerk; Parties in
 occupancy and possession; any unknown
 owners and occupants. Tax DEED NO.
 2019COTD04596. FILED: November 27,
 2019. Tax Notice: County of Cook, Date
 of Sale 12/19/2019, County of Cook, Date
 of Redemption 12/19/2019, County of Cook,
 175-0005464. Sold for General Taxes of (year)
 2007-2015. Sold for Special Assessment
 of (Municipality) and special assessment
 number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No.
 N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR
 DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at:
 175-0005464. City of Chicago, Cook County,
 Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index
 No. 16-02-305-043-1004. 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
 12/19/2020. The amount you must pay in
 order to increase at month intervals from the
 date of sale and may be further increased
 if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her
 assignee pays any subsequently accruing
 taxes or special assessments to redeem the
 property from subsequent forfeitures or tax
 sales. You must pay the full amount you owe
 in 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 4/22/2020. This matter is set for
 trial on 4/22/2020. The Clerk of the Court is
 Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W Washington
 St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/22/2020 at 9:30
 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
 REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS
 OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at
 the County Clerk's Office, 118 North Clark
 St., Chicago, IL 60602, or by mail, according
 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
 Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Urban Property
 Department, County of Cook or Assignee, Dated:
 12/19/2019.

TAKE NOTICE

To: Albank Bank & Trust Company, as Successor Trustee to Metropolitan Bank and Trust Company, as Trustee, U/I #1685, Trustee. Dated: October 15, 1987, Joel Aere, Laura Aere, and Joseph Aere, as Assignees. Polanco, Alexandria Aranda; Tropical Optical Company, Town of Cicero; Occupant, 6141 W. Cermak Rd., Cicero, IL; Cook County Clerk. Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED. No. 15-0007372. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality) and special assessments of (Municipality) and special assessments of (Municipality). No. 15-0007372. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality) and special assessments of (Municipality) and special assessments of (Municipality). N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 6141 W. Cermak Rd., Cicero, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-29-004-002-0000. This notice is to advise you that the County Clerk is offering to sell the delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased by the County Clerk. If you, the County Clerk 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 the property. If you do not wish to redeem, 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 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the RICARD COURT CENTER, 501 N. Dearborn St., Chicago, IL 60602. 2/27/2020 AT 10:30 AM in room 1704. 2/27/2020 AT 10:30 AM REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk, 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia, Joseph Aere, IL, Successor or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544110.

TO: Jovanka Stevanovich, Chicago Title Land Trust Company, as Successor Trustee to American National Bank and Trust Company
SC: Cook County Clerk's Office
Trust Dated: 8-1-1990, European American Bancorp Hall/M&J Financial Inc., Bank of America N.A., Fifth Third Bank; Albany Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee, v/n 11-567 dated June 16, 1990, from FRM Attorney General, U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, Sladjan Stevanovich, Emmett McCarty III, Fitzgerald Law Group, P.C.; Accused Parties are: Fremont County, Cook County Clerks' Offices in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners or occupants TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD04846.
FILED: December 9 , 2019. TAKE NOTICE, County Clerk Date Promises Sold 2019COTD04846 Certificate 15th day of January for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD TO THE COUNTY CLERK OF COOK COUNTY located at 3121 S 48TH CT, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 16-33-209 - 023-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold by redemption from the sale will expire on April 15, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if there are additional taxes due. You must assign pay or subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the current status of your property. If you wish to appeal 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 April 15, 2020. The matter is set for hearing in Circuit Court of the county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM YOUR PROPERTY BEFORE LOSS OCCURS. Redemption can be made any time on or before April 2, 2020 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's Office at 3121 South Dearborn Street, Room 443, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST# ATCF # II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. DATED December 12, 2019.

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Re: Florence Dimico, Joanne Dimico; Sam Dimico, Janet Dimico, and City of Chicago; Occupant, 2601 W. 43rd St. 1st and 2nd Floor, Chicago, IL. Cook County Clerk: Parties in occupancy of property at 2601 W. 43rd St. 1st and 2nd Floor, occupants Tax DEED NO. 2019COTD00000299 FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold: 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006788. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and (Municipality) N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 2601 W. 43rd St., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 19-01-04309-0000. This notice is to advise the Purchaser of the property of the taxes for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased by the Purchaser. The Purchaser shall be assigned, or pay any subsequently accrued taxes, or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. The Purchaser shall also advise the County Clerk that he or she has received the petition has been filed for a tax deed and which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 505 Washington Street, 12th Floor, Chicago, IL 60601, on 4/2/2020 at 10:00 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by paying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois the amount of taxes and interest due on the property. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Date: December 12, 2019. 12/19/2019 12:58:49 PM

TO: Herman Rodriguez; Solveda Rodriguez, City of Chicago, HGR Plumbing, Inc.; Occupant, 4537 S. Springfield Ave., Chicago, IL Cook County Clerk. Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. DEED NO. 2019SCOTD04530. 4/5/2017. November 19, 2019. N/A. N/A. County of Cook Date Expires Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate NO. 15-00066796 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and (Municipality) and (Municipality) N/A Inst. NO. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 4537 S. Springfield Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index NO. 19-02-306-013-0000. This notice is to inform the public that the County of Cook has sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased by the County of Cook. The County of Cook assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. The County of Cook advises that the 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 4/2/2020. This matter is set for a hearing on April 2, 2020 at 10:00 AM in the Richard J. Daley Center, 500 Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time after the date of sale 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. If you are the owner, contact the County of Cook One Real Estate LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Date: December 12, 2019
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to: Steven J. Bandusky, Tiffany Valicento, Vincente Rojas; ABS Real Trust V, ABS Real Trust V, c/o Select Portfolio Servicing, LLC; Date of Sale: 11/14/2013; County: Cook; Valicento, T.; Occupant, 4806 S. Kilpatrick Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners or assignees; TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD00453. FILED: November 19, 2019. DEED OF CONVEYANCE. Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006828. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 4806 S. Kilpatrick Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 19-10-108-023-0200. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold to satisfy the taxes due on the property of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased by the purchaser at the sale or his or her subsequent day. Subsequent delinquent 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 to advise you that your petition has been filed for the tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1011, 101 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in Room 1740. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk, Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley is the name of the Trust or Assignee. Date: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545867

To: Chicago Title Land Trust Company, as Trustee, U/L# 80023593403, Trust Dated: May 1, 2012; Jani Fish & Chicken; Chicago Title Trust 22, Jose Ortiz, Juan Ortiz, Jose L. Hernandez, Jose Luis Hernandez, Schuchman & Kutsulis, LLC, James A. Bubben, Joseph M. Hernandez, Occupant, 2444 W. 71st St., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. Tax DEED NO. 15-0007053. Sold for General Taxes No. 15-0007053. Sold for General Taxes (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment of (Municipality) Warrant No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 2444 W. 71st St., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 19-24-4273-04-0000. This notice is to advise you that your property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. 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 sale has no other liens on the property. Subsequently, the owner pays 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. If you do not wish to redeem, the expectation 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 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Room 1000, 100 North Dearborn Street, 1st St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/2/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk's Office, located at the office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley Building, Suite 100, Treasurer or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.

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TO: Edward Reynolds; Jennifer Gunter, Mohamed Abdel Rahman, Jennifer Abdel Rahman; Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Illinois Attorney General, Capital One Bank (USA), N/A, Karen Reynolds, Village of Oak Lawn; Cook County Clerk, Cook County Treasurer, Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004545
 NOTICE: November 19, 2019-2020 NOTICE. 4/4/2020. Certificate No. 15-50-7000. 4/4/2020. Certificate No. 15-50-7000. For General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD TO THE COUNTY OF COOK, ILLINOIS, located at: 5753 S. 88th St., Oak Lawn, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 24-05-210-041-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption has expired on 4/2/2020. 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes and interest on the property sold. 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 Certificate of Redemption has been issued and you will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, 15th Floor, Room 1500, Chicago, IL 60601 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, 111 N. La Salle Street, 11th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazzenovia Williams, Funded IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Date of Sale: 11/19/2019. 12/19, 20/ 23/ 2019 6544306.

To: Cheryl Casal, Jolene Bojko; Shibu Conderumyann Association, Joseph Casal, and FirstService Residential Illinois, Inc.; Occupant, 9720 S. Pulaski Rd., Unit 305, Oak Lawn, IL, Cook County Clerk; Parties in Interest: Any and all persons, including owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004832. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE, County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0004335. Sold for General Taxes of (year 2015). Sold for Special Assessments of Municipality of Chicago. Special assessment number: 0000000000. N/A. N/A. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 9720 S. Pulaski Rd., Unit 305, Oak Lawn, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 24-10-226-065-1024. The property is subject to delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and the amount to be paid to the County Clerk at the tax sale or his or her assignee pay 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. 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 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the County Clerk's Office at 170 Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk at the County Clerk's Office at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 663-5645. MTAG CUST 0000000000. County of Cook or Assignee. Dated: December 16, 2019.

TO: Juliette Cherry; Javon Cherry, Jennifer Cherry, Central Credit Union of Illinois; Occupant, 12049 ANN ST, Blue Island, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession of the above property are N/A. Tax Accountants: TAX DEED NO. 17-19COTD004830. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0004459. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments (Municipality and District) Assessment number N/A Grant N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 12049 ANN ST, Blue Island, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100-101-102-103-104-105-106-107-108-109-110-111-112-113-114-115-116-117-118-119-120-121-122-123-124-125-126-127-128-129-130-131-132-133-134-135-136-137-138-139-140-141-142-143-144-145-146-147-148-149-150-151-152-153-154-155-156-157-158-159-160-161-162-163-164-165-166-167-168-169-170-171-172-173-174-175-176-177-178-179-180-181-182-183-184-185-186-187-188-189-190-191-192-193-194-195-196-197-198-199-200-201-202-203-204-205-206-207-208-209-210-211-212-213-214-215-216-217-218-219-220-221-222-223-224-225-226-227-228-229-230-231-232-233-234-235-236-237-238-239-240-241-242-243-244-245-246-247-248-249-250-251-252-253-254-255-256-257-258-259-260-261-262-263-264-265-266-267-268-269-270-271-272-273-274-275-276-277-278-279-280-281-282-283-284-285-286-287-288-289-290-291-292-293-294-295-296-297-298-299-300-301-302-303-304-305-306-307-308-309-310-311-312-313-314-315-316-317-318-319-320-321-322-323-324-325-326-327-328-329-330-331-332-333-334-335-336-337-338-339-340-341-342-343-344-345-346-347-348-349-350-351-352-353-354-355-356-357-358-359-360-361-362-363-364-365-366-367-368-369-370-371-372-373-374-375-376-377-378-379-380-381-382-383-384-385-386-387-388-389-390-391-392-393-394-395-396-397-398-399-400-401-402-403-404-405-406-407-408-409-410-411-412-413-414-415-416-417-418-419-420-421-422-423-424-425-426-427-428-429-430-431-432-433-434-435-436-437-438-439-440-441-442-443-444-445-446-447-448-449-450-451-452-453-454-455-456-457-458-459-460-461-462-463-464-465-466-467-468-469-470-471-472-473-474-475-476-477-478-479-480-481-482-483-484-485-486-487-488-489-490-491-492-493-494-495-496-497-498-499-500-501-502-503-504-505-506-507-508-509-510-511-512-513-514-515-516-517-518-519-520-521-522-523-524-525-526-527-528-529-530-531-532-533-534-535-536-537-538-539-540-541-542-543-544-545-546-547-548-549-550-551-552-553-554-555-556-557-558-559-560-561-562-563-564-565-566-567-568-569-570-571-572-573-574-575-576-577-578-579-580-581-582-583-584-585-586-587-588-589-590-591-592-593-594-595-596-597-598-599-600-601-602-603-604-605-606-607-608-609-610-611-612-613-614-615-616-617-618-619-620-621-622-623-624-625-626-627-628-629-630-631-632-633-634-635-636-637-638-639-640-641-642-643-644-645-646-647-648-649-650-651-652-653-654-655-656-657-658-659-660-661-662-663-664-665-666-667-668-669-670-671-672-673-674-675-676-677-678-679-680-681-682-683-684-685-686-687-688-689-690-691-692-693-694-695-696-697-698-699-700-701-702-703-704-705-706-707-708-709-710-711-712-713-714-715-716-717-718-719-720-721-722-723-724-725-726-727-728-729-730-731-732-733-734-735-736-737-738-739-740-741-742-743-744-745-746-747-748-749-750-751-752-753-754-755-756-757-758-759-760-761-762-763-764-765-766-767-768-769-770-771-772-773-774-775-776-777-778-779-780-781-782-783-784-785-786-787-788-789-790-791-792-793-794-795-796-797-798-799-800-801-802-803-804-805-806-807-808-809-810-811-812-813-814-815-816-817-818-819-820-821-822-823-824-825-826-827-828-829-830-831-832-833-834-835-836-837-838-839-840-841-842-843-844-845-846-847-848-849-850-851-852-853-854-855-856-857-858-859-860-861-862-863-864-865-866-867-868-869-870-871-872-873-874-875-876-877-878-879-880-881-882-883-884-885-886-887-888-889-890-891-892-893-894-895-896-897-898-899-900-901-902-903-904-905-906-907-908-909-910-911-912-913-914-915-916-917-918-919-920-921-922-923-924-925-926-927-928-929-930-931-932-933-934-935-936-937-938-939-940-941-942-943-944-945-946-947-948-949-950-951-952-953-954-955-956-957-958-959-960-961-962-963-964-965-966-967-968-969-970-971-972-973-974-975-976-977-978-979-980-981-982-983-984-985-986-987-988-989-990-991-992-993-994-995-996-997-998-999-1000-1001-1002-1003-1004-1005-1006-1007-1008-1009-1010-1011-

As: Beatrice Lockridge, Beatrice Lockridge, as Trustee of the Beatrice W. Lockridge Living Trust, Trust Dated: November 10, 2000, Beatrice W. Lockridge Living Trust, Trust Dated: November 10, 2000, unknown persons, Legatee of the Beatrice W. Lockridge Reginald Samuel, Tamara Williams, Linda Williams, Russell Garcia, Jasmine Williams, Ural Durant, Kyle Lockridge, Martha Lockridge, as Trustee, MTAG CUST MGR, LLC, MGD-IL, Inc., Occupant, 3230 S. Bennett Ave., Chicago, IL, Occupant, 3230 S. Bennett Ave., Cook Apt., Apt. 1 and Apt. 2, Chicago, IL, Cook Apt. Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004579. County of Cook, State of Illinois. BOST SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 9320 S. Bennett Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-01-321-019-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold to satisfy the taxes and the right of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/25/2021. 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 is his or her spouse or child. The purchaser will pay all 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 purchaser of the property for tax sales will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/25/2021. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the City of Joliet, Illinois on 4/25/2021 at 10:00 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/25/2021 by applying to the County Clerk in Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia, IL, Cook County, IL, Treasurer or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19/20, 20/23/2019 6544440

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THE ABOVE 245824048, Rachel Otey, Unknown Heirs and Legates of Rachel Otey; Sherman Orr, Brandon Hill; MidFirst Bank; Manorcare of Oak Lawn (East) LLC, LLC, Rachel Orr, Charles Jones, Occupant, 352 1/2 N1ST Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602, County of Cook, Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004799. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook, Illinois, Clerk of the Circuit Court, 111 N. LaSalle Street, 15th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60602. No. 15-0000000161. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant. No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR THE DEED OF THE COUNTY OF COOK, ILLINOIS, 352 E 91ST ST HSE, Chicago, Illinois, Legal-Description of Property: N/A. Illinois, No. 25-03-127-011-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption has expired on 04/01/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing interest and taxes due to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures 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 redemption hearing will be held on 04/01/2020. I will transfer title and the right of possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, 15th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60602. AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at 111 N. LaSalle Street, 15th Floor, Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF, N/A, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: 12/02/2019. 119. 2019.02.23/2019.6545075

Unique, Oneida, Beverly Woods, LLC; Sharice Rishing, Brian Davis, Shontae Blake, Samantha Stamps, Makiyah Ware, Deana Combs, Andrea Jackson; Occupant, 8934 S. Hermitage Ave Apt. 1A, Chicago, IL; Cook, Occupant, 8934 S. Hermitage Ave. Apt. 2A, Chicago, IL; Cook; Occupant, 8934 S. Hermitage Ave. Apt. 2B, Chicago, IL; Cook; Occupant, 8934 S. Hermitage Ave. Basement, Chicago, IL; Cook; Occupant, 8934 S. Hermitage Ave. 3rd Floor, Chicago, IL; Cook; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD04553. FILED: November 15, 2019. TAKE NOTICE, County of Cook, State of Illinois, that on 12/20/2020, the following property was sold to the County of Cook, Illinois, for the sum of \$20,000.00. The property is located at 8934 S. Hermitage Ave. Apt. 1A, Chicago, Illinois. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for the redemption of the sale and the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any taxes or other assessments or property taxes to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures 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 deed of redemption will be filed and the County will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Room 1704, on 12/19/2020. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois or the County Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazownia Cook Funding II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee, 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544422.

LILLIE DUKES, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Sarah Ivy, Taft Dukes, Geraldine Dukes; Occupant, 10106 S HOXIE AVE, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and redemption; and/or, County Clerk, Illinois County Clerk, Cook County, Illinois; Case No. 2019-000704042-FILED. December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook, Date Premises Sold: 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0005900. Sold for General Taxes for (year) 2015. Sold for General Taxes for (year) 2016. Sold for special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 10106 S HOXIE AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal description: Property index No. 15-0005900-0000000000. 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 April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is \$1,000.00. Accrue interest from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequent accruing taxes or special assessments to the County Clerk. The purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee shall be liable for all forfeitures or taxes to exact. 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 interest in the property to the County Clerk if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., 11th Floor, Room 1100, Chicago, Illinois 60601 AM on January 17, 2020. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois or the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 432, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MITAG CUSC: 15-0005900-0000000000. County or Assignee. Dated: December 2, 2019.

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TAKE NOTICES

Upper Bar, Presley Bar, Ether Bar, and
 unknown Heirs and Legatees of Upper Bar;
 City of Chicago, NHS REDEVELOPMENT
 CORPORATION, Lavonne Bar, Lovning Bar,
 Willie Mae Bar, and Vester Bar; Taxpayer,
 1505 S. LaSalle, Chicago, Illinois 60606, is
 the owner of the above property, occupied
 and possession; any unknown owners and
 occupants. Tax DEED NO. 2019COTD003810
 FILED: October 11, 2019. TAKE NOTICE
 County of Cook, Date Premises Sold
 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0005920. Sold
 for \$15,000.00. The County of Cook, Illinois
 Special Assessment of (Municipality) and
 Special assessment number N/A Warrant No.
 N/A. N/A. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN
 SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property
 located at: 10557 S Corliss Ave, Chicago,
 Illinois, 60606. The County of Cook, Illinois
 on 25-10-2020, 027-0000000, 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
 April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is
 subject to increase at 6 month intervals
 until the amount is paid in full. The amount
 increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or
 his or her assignee pays any subsequently
 accruing taxes or special assessments to
 redeem the property from subsequent
 forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the
 County Clerk of Cook, Illinois, for the exact
 amount, before redeeming. This notice is so
 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
 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing
 at the County of Cook, Illinois, at the
 Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington
 Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/15/2020 at
 10:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
 REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
 PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
 time by the County of Cook, Illinois, or by
 the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois,
 at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago,
 Illinois. For further information contact
 the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North
 LaSalle Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois
 60606. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. FVONE
 1-800-392-7674. County or Assignee.
 Dated: December 13, 2019.
 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544251

Re: Rosemarie N. Bush; Leonard Wash, Olman
Manly, Leon Wash, Jr., Old Second National
Bank; Shani McPherson, Sherman Bell, City
of Chicago, IRS, U.S. Attorney, Northern
District of Illinois, U.S. Attorney General,
Illinois State Board of Tax Appeals, Cook
County Clerk, Occupant, 734 E 103RD P
Floor, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties
in occupancy and possession; any unknown
owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO.
2019COTD04841. FILED: December 9, 2019.
Cook County, Illinois, County of Cook, Date Premises
Sold: 5/5/2020. Date of Sale: 5/5/2020.
Sold for General Taxes of Year 2015. Sold
for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and
Special Assessment number N/A Warrant No.
N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN
SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property
Address: 734 E 103RD P, Chicago, Illinois
Description of Property: No. 15-
15-205-030-0000. This notice is to advise
you that the above property has been sold
for delinquent taxes and that the period of
redemption from the sale will expire on April
2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject
to the date of sale and may be further increased
if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her
assignee pays any subsequently accruing
taxes or special assessments to redeem the
property from subsequent forfeitures or tax
sales. Check with the county clerk as to the
amount of taxes and special assessments.
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 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for
a hearing in Circuit Court of this County in
the Richard J. Daley Center, 500 Washington
Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30
AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying
to the County Clerk, Cook County, Illinois,
at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago,
Illinois. For further information contact the
County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST
ID: 111-2019-0007. Clerk or Assignee. Dated:
12/12/19 LC, 17-19, 65456501

to: Laward, McCray, Nastasia Simmons, Zachary Clark, Charles Kelly, United States Small Business Administration; Pearl Capital Ventures, LLC, U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, and U.S. Attorney General; Occupant, 10920 S EBERHART AVE, Chicago, Illinois 60602, and the above named owner and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004831. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE: The County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 04/05/2017, Certificate No. 15- 00005981. The County of Cook, Date of Sale 04/05/2017, for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and Special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A. N/A. Int. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 10920 S EBERHART AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal description: 10920 S EBERHART AVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602. Notice is hereby given 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 April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at the time of redemption and the exact amount may be further increased if the purchaser pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk's Office for the amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed to a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for trial on April 2, 2020 at 10:30 AM in the County of Cook, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 10:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time prior to the expiration of the redemption period 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Phone: 312.329.6545. FAX: 312.329.6545. E-MAIL: clerk@cookcounty.org. LPLC, Purchaser. Assessor. Dated: December 12, 2019.

David Schlessinger; City of Chicago, City of Cook County, Department of Water, JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Earlene Irons; Occupant 28 W. 108th Pl., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; and Unknown owner(s) and possession; any and all unknown or unrecorded claims, liens, judgments, etc. No. 2019COTD004609 Filed: November 22, 2019. TAKE NOTICE, County of Cook, State of Illinois, December 15/2017 Certificate of Sale Expires Sold 4/5/2017 Certificate No. 15-0008472. Sold for General Taxes of Cook County, Illinois. Special Assessment (of Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. 28 W. 108TH PL. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 28 W. 108TH PL. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Legal Description: 28 W. 108TH PL. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Parcel ID: 1410-024-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to change until the County Clerk's office receives date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent delinquency taxes. You must pay the County Clerk's office 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 to the County Clerk's Office effective January 1, 2020 or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W Washington Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 10:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO ATTEND HEARING AND MAKE PAYMENT OF LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk in Cook County, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk's Office at 312.664.5645, 312.664.5645, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 663-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee.

Dated: December 12, 2019

TAKE NOTICES

JAMES L. NANCE, ORA LEE NANCE, UNKNOWN Heirs and Legatees of James Nance, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Ora Lee Nance, David C. Nance, Charles P. Nance, Ora Beth Nance, Windoly Nance, Mary Ann Nance, John W. Nance, J. M. Nurrindin, and Bernice Walker, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Illinois Attorney General, Ora Beth Nance, Gwendolyn Nance, David C. Nance, Occupant, 133 W. 109TH St., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy of Special Assessment number N/A warrant No. N/A inst. No. N/A 2019COTD004524. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0008477. Sold for General Taxes of year(s) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments of (year)s 2016. Special assessment number N/A warrant No. N/A inst. No. N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 133 W. 109TH St., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-00-0000-0000-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased by interest and costs. You are required to assignee pays all 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. If no claim for redemption is made, the 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 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in room 107A at 9:30 AM on 4/2/2020 at 9:30 AM, in room 107A. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 by applying to the County Clerk, Office of the County Clerk at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 663-5645. Pine Valley Auctioneers Inc. Lic# 00000000 Seller or Assignee.

Date: December 12, 2019.
12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546074

BEL: Michael Gomez; Crystal Bell, Charles Bell, City of Chicago; Occupant, 50 W 110TH St, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004829. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook, State of Illinois. Notice is hereby given that the County Clerk of Cook County has been ordered to sell for General Taxes of year 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at, 50 W 110TH St, Chicago, Illinois. Parcel ID: 16-022-018-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 22, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to change, at 6:00 PM on the day of sale. The date of sale may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the date of sale. A petition has been filed for 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 April 22, 2020. This matter is set for hearing on April 22, 2020 at 9:30 AM at the County Clerk's Office, 50 Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 22, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk, 50 W 110TH St, Chicago, IL at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MITAG CUST 12/03/19 IL LLC, Pursuer or Assignee. Dated: 12/03/19. 119.

TO: Raymond Lester, City of Chicago, IRS, U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, Illinois Attorney General, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Tamarah Lester, Cook County Clerk, Cook County Treasurer, Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004843. FILED: December 9, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook, State of Illinois. Sole and Separate Interest of Raymond Lester, for General Taxes of 15-2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 335 E. 108TH ST. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-17-313-003-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption is 6 months from the date of April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently delinquent taxes. 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 in the Circuit Court of Cook County for the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Raymond A. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60601, on 12/9/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk, Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUSC 12/10/2019 10:00:00. County Assessor or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.

TBON: George Gordon, Jason Gordon, Everett Robinson, Shavone Brooks, Samantha Briggs, Rebecca Millard; Illinois Attorney General, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Robin L. Williams, Director, IL DPH & HC, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupation and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004845. FILED: December 9, 2019. TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Premises Sold by Special Assessment of Yearly Taxes for General Taxation of 2015-2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property sold as per Public Law 76-608, Chapter II, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-17-323-012-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period for redemption from sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to be redeemed subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently assessed taxes due on said property 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 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois for the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Honorable J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Room 400, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602, on APRIL 2, 2020 @ 9:AM IN room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUSP# 12190000000000000000 Assigned: Date December 12, 2019.

12/19/20, 20/23/2019 6545627

TAKE NOTICES

TO: Kevin Moriarty, Rent Collector/Managing Agent; City of Chicago, City of Chicago Dept. of Water, IRS, U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Illinois, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Illinois Attorney General, Illinois State's Attorney, Illinois Bar Association, Meineke Discount Mufflers, Rent Collector/Manager of 10527 S. Hale Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk. Parties in occupancy and possession; any and all creditors and occupants. Case NO. 2019CD000455. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0008522. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments of (year) 2015. Special Assessment number N/A. Warrant no. N/A. Install. no. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at, 10527 S. Hale Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-18-0000000000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold to the delinquent taxes and the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/22/2020. 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 pays for his or her own assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent foreclosures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. 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 4/22/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Chicago, Illinois, at the County Clerk's Office, St. Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/22/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/22/2020 by applying to the County Clerk, Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Cazenovia, IL 60110. County Clerk, Treasurer or Assignee. Date: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544046

To: James Robert Thomas, Felicia Moore; City of Chicago, Damisch & Damisch Ltd., Kamaron Jones; Occupant, 11317 S EGGLESTON AVE, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any other persons or entities who occupants may have.

DEED #00000000000000000000000000000000
December 2, 2019, TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook, Date Premises Sold 4/6/2019 Certificate No. 15-0008624. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and (Special District) N/A. The PROPERTY NO. N/A inst. NO. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 11317 S EGGLESTON AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property index No. 25-21123-005-0000. This notice is given to you because the property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. 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 does not pay his or her share of the property's 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 given to you so that you are aware of your right to file for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the County Clerk's Office, 174 West Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, 174 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATTY II L, LC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated:

12/19/2019 20.23/2019 6545088

TO: Liza aka Leska Sims, Liza aka Lesa Sims aka Lesla Simmons; Barbara McKay, Edsonha Williams, Yolanda McKay, Craig Gibson, Antonio Kimble, Mike Sims, City of Chicago, Willie Sims, City of Chicago, Dept. of Water,
FROM: County Clerk, Department of Public Cook County Clerk, Parties in occupancy
and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD00484

AUCTION: December 9, 2019. TAKE NOTICE.
County of Cook, Illinois, does hereby certify
that by its authority it has set aside \$150,000.00
for general taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for
Special Assessment of (Municipality) and
special assessment number N/A Warrant No.
N/A inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN
FORFEITED TO THE COUNTY OF COOK BY ORDER
OF A JUDICIAL SALE ON APRIL 2, 2017 at a location located at 113.W 113TH ST, Chicago, Illinois.
Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-
21-220-011-0000. This notice is to advise
you that the above property has been sold
for delinquent taxes and that the period of
redemption shall expire on April 2, 2020.
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/her
assignee pays any additional interest or
taxes or court 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
judicial assignee will take title to the property
and will transfer title and the right to possession
of this property if redemption is not made on
or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for
hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the
City of Daley, Room 102, at 120 North Dearborn
Street, Chicago, IL 60602, on Wednesday, April 30
AM in room 102. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying
to the County Clerk's Office located at the
Office of the County Clerk in Chicago,
Illinois. For further information contact the
County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
TELEPHONE: (312) 663-5645. MTAG CUSTO-
DIAIR ILL. CLERK OF COURT OR Assignee. Dated:
December 12, 2019.

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TO: R/VFM Series LLC, City of Chicago, Antonio Szkaradek, Occupant, 11411 S STEWART AVE, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; and the State of Illinois. (MAY) (COURT) (FILED). TAX DEED NO. 2019CT0004844. FILED: December 9, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Permitted Sale 4/6/2021 Certificate No. 15-0008652. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessments of (year) 2015. Property identification number (MAY) (COURT) (FILED). assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 11411 S STEWART AVE, Chicago, IL, 60625-2722. Parcel ID: 15-0008652-0000-0000-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is \$_____ to include interest accrued from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to bring the property back to current status. Forfeitures or liens. 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 interest to the successful bidder. If redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Room 1704, Chicago, IL 60601, at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at 11411 S STEWART AVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST SERVICE CENTER: (312) 603-5645. Taxpayer or Assignee, Dated: December 12, 2019
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N/A: Anthony Reed, Thomas Coleman, Rachel Knight, Gregory Green, Renee Walker, City of Chicago; Occupant, 11611 S LAFAYETTE AVE, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in this case have no possession, any interest known or unknown, or occupancy in 21-421-003-0000 and Occupant N/A: 21-421-003-0000. FILED: December 9, 2019. TAKE NOTICE: County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/6/2017. Certificate No. 15-000876-06. Sold for General Taxes of \$1,000.00. The amount of taxes is subject to increase. (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at 11611 S LAFAYETTE AVE, Chicago, Illinois. 21-421-003-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount of taxes is subject to increase. The month interval from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes and special assessments to redeem the property. The amount of taxes is subject to increase. 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 to the purchaser of the property on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM. REDEMPTION IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. COUNTY CLERK, ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 21-421-003-0000.

TO: Chicago Title Land Trust Company, as Successor Trustee to Seaway Bank & Trust Company, as Trustee u/v/n 201517. Trust Dated: October 27, 2015; Operation: Peace, Inc., Tom Harris; Seaway Bank & Trust Company, 118 North La Salle, Chicago, IL 60602. Chicago Title Land Trust & Trust, First Midwest Bank, City of Chicago, Jonathan Graber, Tisha Hedgeman, Kenneth Hedgeman, Denita Hedgeman, Kori Scourlock, Cecella Foster; Occupant, 11302 S. MICHIGAN AVE, Chicago, IL 60602. 11302 S MICHIGAN AVE, Chicago, IL 60602. IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019C02004815. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE: That the undersigned, CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST & TRUST, has been duly authorized by its 4/5/2017 Certificate No. 15-0005988. Sold for General Taxes of (year 2015). Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. The Property located at 11302 S MICHIGAN AVE, Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-22-109-026-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and interest. The sale of the property under this notice of sale will expire on April 2, 2020. 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 fails to pay the amount due. The purchaser may 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 being published in the Chicago Tribune newspaper for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the City of Chicago, Illinois, at 9:30 AM on 4/2/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time after the April 2, 2020, by applying to the County Clerk, 118 North La Salle, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST & TRUST, ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019.

TO: Georgia Foskaris, Unknown Heirs
and Legatees of Nicholas Foskaris, Jr.,
Citizens Bank, N.A.; City of Chicago,
Elizabeth G Foskaris, Peter Foskaris, Peter
R. Foskaris, Andrew P. Foskaris, Nicholas
Foskaris, Nicholas J. Foskaris, LLC, The
Contracting Services, LLC; Occupant, 11143 S
CHAMPLAIN AVE., 1st Floor, Chicago,
IL; Occupant, 11143 S CHAMPLAIN AVE.,
2nd Floor, Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk,
Parties in occupancy and possession; any
other persons claiming an interest in the
NO. 2019COTD004797. FILED: December
12, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook.
Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate
No. 15-0600602. Sold for General Taxes of
(year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment
of (year) 2015. Tax Map Number and
number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No.
N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR
DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at
11143 S CHAMPLAIN AVE, Chicago, Illinois.
Legal Description or Property Index No. 25-
08-000-0000-0000-0000-0000-0000-0000-
you that the above property has been sold for
delinquent taxes and that the period of
redemption from the sale will expire on April 2,
2020. The amount to redeem is subject to
increase at 6 month intervals from the date
of sale until the redemption period expires.
If the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her as-
signee 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
amount you owe before making payment.
This notice is to advise you that this
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 April 2, 2020. This matter is set for
hearing in the Circuit Court of this county at
the Courtroom, 501 North Dearborn Street,
St. Charles, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30
AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO
REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying
to the County Clerk in person or by mail at
the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago,
Illinois. For further information contact the
County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG COUNCIL
NOTICE: If you are Owner or Assignee. Dated:
December 12, 2019.
12/19, 20, 23/2019 #645083

JANE WATKINS; Delisha Hill, Juan Aucay,
Tina Laskis; Carerra Watkins; Occupant;
12456 S MICHIGAN AVE, Chicago, IL, Cook
County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and
possession of real estate are hereby notified
that the County of Cook has received the
occupants TAX DEED NO 19Y09COTD080400.
FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE.
County of Cook Date Premises Sold:
4/5/2017 Certificate No. 15-0006660. Sold
for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for
the sum of \$1,000.00. This sale was made at
special assessment number N/A Warranty
No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS
BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES.
Property located at: 12456 S MICHIGAN
AVE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60602.
Property Index No. 128-419-011-0000.
This notice is to advise you that the above
property has been sold for delinquent taxes
and that the period of redemption from
the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The
period of redemption shall be for a term of
6 month intervals from the date of sale and
may be further increased if the purchaser
at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays
any subsequently accruing taxes or special
assessments levied against the property or
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
to the County of Cook, Illinois, whether or
if redemption is not made on or before
April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing
in the Circuit Court of this county in the
Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W Washington
Street, Room 1700A, Chicago, Illinois 60602,
on 9:30 AM on Monday 1700A. YOU ARE URGED TO
REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF
PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any
time on or before April 2, 2020 by applying
to the County of Cook, Cook County, Illinois,
County Clerk, at the County Clerk's Office, Cook
Illinois. For further information contact the
County Clerk. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark
Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602.
TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST
NUMBER: 128-419-011-0000-CHASSOR or Assignee. Dated:
December 12, 2019

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TO: Claire Horvath, Steven Wagner, Monty Boatright, Stern & Associates, May Jurecki, Jill Jurecki, Lynn Johnson, Jennifer Irew, Melissa O'Donnell, Elizabeth Stroll, and Dina Georgeoules; Horvath & Co., Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services, Illinois Attorney General, City of Chicago, Adam Stern; Occupant, 8749 S. Commercial Ave., Chicago, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 15-000323. FILED: November 19, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/5/2017. Certificate No. 15-0006135. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 8749 S. Commercial Ave., Chicago, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 26-06-203-020-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545939

TO: Christina E. Thomas; Eugene G. Barnes; Lee Wilkins; JP Morgan Chase Bank, as Trustee under the Pooling and Servicing Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2002, among Credit-Based Asset Servicing and Securitization LLC, Financial Asset Securities Corp., Littion Loan Servicing LP and JP Morgan Chase Bank, C-BASS Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2002-CBS, without recourse to creditors, and Decree Creditors, if Any of The Above Described As "Unknown Owners"; Karen A. Yarbrough, Cook County Clerk; Parties in Occupancy Or Actual Possession Of Said Property; Unknown Owners or Persons Interested in Said Property. TAX DEED No. 2019 COTD 004541 FILED: November 19, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Illinois Date Premises Sold: July 19, 2017 Certificate No. 175-0006541 Sold for General Taxes of 2017. Scavenger Sale 2009-2015) Sold For Special Assessment of (Municipality) Not Applicable, And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. Warrant No. Not Applicable. Inst. No. Not Applicable. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 13222 Park Ave., Dolton, IL. Legal Description or Property Index No. 26-07-146-025-0000 Vol. 297 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 April 16, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 16, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois on May 01, 2020 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 April 16, 2020 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. Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 Telephone: (312) 603-5645. P.VONE PROPERTIES, INC., INCORPORATED, purchaser or assignee Dated: December 13, 2019 Judd M. Harris #55136 933 West Van Buren St Suite 304 Chicago, IL 60607 312-795-9600 harrisjudd@sbcglobal.net 12/19, 12/20, 12/23/2019 6543780

TO: Dwight Culbreath; Reginald Wilbon, Elizabeth Alton, Lenardo Smith, Imani Alston, Demeshia Smith, Evasia Smith, Jenaya Anderson, Bigger, LLC; Occupant, 13822 Park Ave., Dolton, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004489. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002982. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 13822 Park Ave., Dolton, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-03-032-021-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546036

TO: Eddie Willis, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Eddie Willis; Mike Hastings, Jonshanea Fort, Ayden Rodgers, Jayvon Hudson, Makcisia Fort, John Hudson; Earnest Willis, Illinois Energy, USA, LLC; Occupant, 13833 Park Ave., Dolton, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004491. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002983. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 13833 Park Ave., Dolton, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-03-104-009-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545888

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TO: Gerald H. Krueger, Dan Krueger, Janelle H. Krueger, Donna Krueger; Edwin Walter, Patricia Gordon, Dwayne Krueger; Donald A. Krueger, Rita Krueger; Occupant, 521 Washington St., Dolton, IL, Occupant, 521 Washington St., 2nd Floor, Dolton, IL, Occupant, 521 Washington St., 1st Floor Rear, Dolton, IL; Occupant, 521 Washington St., 2nd Floor Rear, Dolton, IL; Occupant, 521 Washington St., Rear Bedroom, Dolton, IL. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-03-111-005-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546279

TO: James Nelson III; America's Wholesale Lender, Bank of America, N.A., and The Bank of New York Mellon, F/K/A The Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificate Holders CWABS, Inc., Asset Backed Certificates, Series 2005-3; Nadelyn Jo Nelson; Occupant, 505 Monroe St., Dolton, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD003812. FILED: October 11, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002999. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 505 Monroe St., Dolton, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-03-311-002-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/15/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. PVONE PROPERTIES, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 13, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544178

TO: Arnethea Meakins and Michael Meakins; Tyrwon Mills, David Benfield, Leon Garrison, Brandi Chapman; Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of October 1, 2006 Securitized Asset Back Receivables LLC Trust 2006-WM2, Mortgage Investment Certificates, Series 2006-WM2, Reliant Loan Servicing, LLC; Illinois Attorney General, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, LINV Funding, LLC; Occupant, 14449 S. Murray Ave., Dolton, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004492. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003023. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14449 S. Murray Ave., Dolton, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-03-429-019-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545993

TO: Michael Van Drunen, Debroah J Van Drunen, Michael J Van Drunen, as Co-Trustee of the Van Drunen Trust, Trust Dated 12/17/2007, Debroah J Van Drunen, as Co-Trustee of the Van Drunen Trust, Trust Dated: 12/17/2007, Mary A Jackson, J Ellis, Antonio Gil, Yvonne Nettles, Rose Marie Tara Louis; Illinois Attorney General and Illinois Dept. of Revenue; Occupant, 13912 S. Edbrooke Ave., 1st Floor, 2nd Floor, and Unit G, Riverdale, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004561. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003049. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 13912 S. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-04-124-044-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546302

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TO: Catherine D. Beene, Catherine Beene, FNA Elm, LLC, First National Holdings, LLC, Illinois Attorney General, Illinois Dept. of Revenue, Village of Riverdale, Midland Funding, LLC, Douglas Pointe Apartments, Sir Francis L. Dixmoor, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004493. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003058. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14125 S. LaSalle St., Riverdale, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-04-229-013-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546133

TO: Frederick E. Schmidt III, Beverly Schmidt, Michael Duncas, Jori Boyes; JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., Citizens Bank, N.A.; Occupant, 14106 S. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004494. FILED: November 18, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003665. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14106 S. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-04-234-019-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545873

TO: Secured Investment Corp., Secured Investment Corp., Secured Investment Corp., Henry Stevenson, Dwayne Braden, Shaalene Hughes, Diana Doss, Henry Stevenson IV, and Doug Greybill; Jeffrey A. Burris, Kelly Burris, Jeffrey Allan Burris, Doug Greybill and Carleasa Bradford; Occupant, 14505 S. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD003808. FILED: October 11, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003108. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14505 S. Edbrooke Ave., Riverdale, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-04-431-003-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/15/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. PVONE PROPERTIES, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 13, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544158

TO: Judith Podgers, Edward Podgers, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Judith Podgers; Village of Riverdale, Midland Funding, LLC, Midland Funding, LLC, Illinois Department of Healthcare, Family Services, Illinois Attorney General, Capital One Bank (USA), N.A., Velocity Investments, LLC; Occupant, 705 W 144TH St, Riverdale, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004783. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003117. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 705 W 144TH St, Riverdale, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-05-406-044-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545106

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TO: Robert Roseborough; Will Evans and Alfredo Carino; Advanced Critical Transport, LLC, Advanced Critical Transport, LLC, Darrell Roseborough, Gwendolyn Roseborough, and Advanced Critical Transport, Inc.; Occupant, 45 LAWSON LN, Dixmoor, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004780. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003133. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 45 LAWSON LN, Dixmoor, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-06-425-012-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 16, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545104

TO: Ruby L. Logan, Darlene Clopton; Josh Chambers, Christina Chambers; Louis Coleman; Occupant, 57 LAWSON LN, Dixmoor, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession, any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004788. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003132. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 57 LAWSON LN, Dixmoor, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-06-425-010-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545478

TO: Jacqueline E. Jackson, WORTH Jackson; Sandra Freeman, Enjoli Freeman, Andrew Boone, Louise Frana, Ashawn Harris, Mome Lewis; Cal Union District Office; Occupant, 14632 Spaulding Ave., Apt. 1, Harvey, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004614. FILED: November 22, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003154. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14632 Spaulding Ave., Harvey, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-07-217-068-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546258

TO: Victoria Markewicz, Veronica Jakubiak, Richard Jakubiak, Chicago Title Land Trust Company, Successor Trustee to South Holland Trust & Savings Bank, as Trustee, U/I/n 10607, Trust Dated: August 18, 1992; Patricia Fugate; Occupant, 14539 VINE AVE, Harvey, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004786. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003181. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 14539 VINE AVE, Harvey, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-08-114-034-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545466

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TO: Lawrence Hunt, Janel Edwards, Victoria Edwards, Frank Vance, Joshua Edwards, Raymond Dennis, Latoya Dean, James Holden, Midland Funding, LLC, Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, LINV Funding, LLC; Occupant, 279 E 148TH St, Apt. 1, Harvey, IL; Occupant, 279 E 148TH St, Apt. 2, Harvey, IL; Occupant, 279 E 148TH St, Apt. 3, Harvey, IL; Occupant, 279 E 148TH St, Apt. 1R, Harvey, IL; Occupant, 279 E 148TH St, Basement, Harvey, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED No. 2019COTD004790. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003230. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 279 E 148TH St, Harvey, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-08-003-004-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545072</

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TO: Robert E. Dray and Shellica Hart; Senses to Soul School of Music, and Midwest Truck Safety Supplies, Inc.; Reginald Hart and Senses to Soul Studio Productions, LLC; Occupant, 150 W 168TH ST, South Holland, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004825. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003894. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 150 W 168TH ST, South Holland, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 29-21-401-074-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 16, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545538

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TO: Pattie Eaton; Arnold Horton; Donyell Robinson; Occupant, 314 153RD ST, Calumet City, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004826. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003894. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 314 153RD ST, Calumet City, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-08-321-038-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545474

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TO: John Cruz; Julie Baker, James Greer, Jennifer Cruz, Travis Collins; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, Norwest Mortgage, Inc., Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., GMAC Mortgage Corporation of Iowa; Occupant, 523 155th St, Apt. 1, Calumet City, IL; 523 155th St, Apt. 2, Calumet City, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004605. FILED: November 22, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003919. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 523 155th St., Calumet City, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-108-049-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 4/2/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 4/2/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before 4/2/2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. Pine Valley One Real Estate, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6546290

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TO: Matthew Gies, Irene Gies, as Trustee u/t/n 225, Trust Dated: June 21, 2004, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Irene Gies; City of Calumet City, Mark Gies; Occupant, 225 RUTH ST, Calumet City, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004827. FILED: December 3, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0003958. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 225 RUTH ST, Calumet City, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 30-17-309-007-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6545458

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TO: Karl Moore; Zuriel Johnson, Kendall Moore; Allan Moore, FRG Glen Elyn LLC; Occupant, 371 BLACKHAWK DR, Park Forest, IL; Cook County Clerk; Parties in occupancy and possession; any unknown owners and occupants. TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD004785. FILED: December 2, 2019. TAKE NOTICE. County of Cook. Date Premises Sold 4/4/2017. Certificate No. 15-0002697. Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2015. Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES. Property located at: 371 BLACKHAWK DR, Park Forest, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 31-35-204-019-0000. This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on April 2, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before April 2, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in the Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Chicago, IL 60602, on 4/20/2020 at 9:30 AM in room 1704. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY. Redemption can be made at any time on or before April 2, 2020 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. ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602. TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. MTAG CUST ATCF II IL, LLC, Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: December 12, 2019. 12/19, 20, 23/2019 6544539

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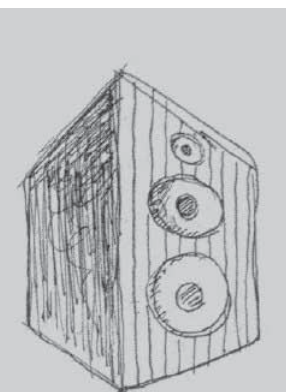
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It comes down to choices

The Mahomes team dominates Trubisky, Bears as Soldier Field fans see what might have been

By COLLEEN KANE

When Chiefs cornerback Charvarius Ward broke up Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky's fourth-down pass to Allen Robinson midway through the third quarter, the Bears' official Twitter account said it best. "sigh," the tweet read. Yep. The Bears' 26-3 loss to the Chiefs on "Sunday Night Football" was everything Bears fans feared it might be — a showcase of what



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Chicago has missed by drafting Trubisky over Chiefs quarterback Patrick Mahomes in 2017. Mahomes, whom the Chiefs drafted eight spots behind Trubisky at No. 10, threw for 251 yards and two touchdowns on 23-for-33 passing and also ran for a touchdown. The reigning league MVP used his array of offensive weap-

ons to boost the Chiefs to a 17-point halftime lead. Meanwhile, Trubisky and Bears coach Matt Nagy's offense didn't get into a rhythm until late going up against Nagy's mentor, Chiefs coach Andy Reid. Trubisky completed 18 of 34 passes for 157 yards, padding his stats on the Bears' meaningless final drive. He failed

ABOVE | Chiefs QB Patrick Mahomes opens the scoring on a 12-yard run late in the first quarter, and it didn't get any better for the Bears. ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

to connect on the Bears' best shot to get into the end zone — on the third-quarter drive that ended with the incompletion to Robinson. The Bears defense didn't play defensive lineman Akiem Hicks as he recovers from an elbow injury and lost nose tackle Eddie Goldman to concussion protocol in the first half. The group looked like it

was down several starters in an unimpressive showing. Nagy said early in the week that he expected the Bears to play to win despite being eliminated from playoff contention last week against the Packers. But it was clear the Chiefs were the team that will be moving on to play January football.

Money only part of discussion about Bryant's future with Cubs



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

With only seven weeks until spring training starts, the White Sox have crossed off most of the big needs on their offseason wish list while the Cubs remain in a state of suspended animation. An agreement reached with

left-hander Dallas Keuchel Saturday on a three-year, \$55.5 million deal with a vesting option for 2022 bookended a Sox winter that unofficially began with the signing of Yasmani Grandal to a four-year, \$73 million deal. While the Sox still have money to pursue bullpen and bench help, their rotation and everyday lineup are basically set. The only remaining question may be whether rehabbing starter Michael Kopech will be ready for opening day or will need more time to strengthen his arm at Triple-A Charlotte. The Cubs, meanwhile, continue

to play the waiting game on a potential Kris Bryant trade while acquiring low-cost, no-name relievers to compete for vacancies created by departing free agents Brandon Kintzler, Pedro Strop and David Phelps. The Athletic reported Bryant's grievance over alleged service-time manipulation by the Cubs in 2015 won't be decided until after Jan. 1, meaning they won't know until 2020 whether he'll be a free agent after next season or remain Cubs property through 2021.

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Cubs third baseman Kris Bryant, at spring training in February, could be suiting up for a different team by the time he reports in 2020.

TOP OF THE SECOND

DAVE CAMPBELL

Vikings all about revenge vs. Pack

MINNEAPOLIS — The Vikings had moved into position for the go-ahead touchdown in Green Bay in the fourth quarter of their Week 2 game against the Packers, with first-and-goal inside the 10-yard line.

Then one regrettable off-balance throw by Kirk Cousins thwarted their rally and seemingly threatened to cement his status as a so-so quarterback who couldn't be counted on in the most crucial moments.

Cousins and the rest of the offense have made a resolute recovery from the cringe-inducing decision and resulting end-zone interception that essentially sealed a 21-16 victory for the Packers.

Finally, the Vikings have the opportunity to avenge that damaging defeat when they host the rematch on Monday night. Having clinched at least a wild-card spot in the playoffs, the Vikings can also prevent their chief rivals from clinching the NFC North on their home turf.

In a testament to patience in this snap-judgment league, Cousins and his runners, blockers and receivers have performed well enough after an iffy September that scoring points and protecting the ball have become the least of the Vikings' problems. They've definitely come a long way since that day in Green Bay.

"It's hard going back and watching that tape," tight end Kyle Rudolph said. "We're so much better as a football team, so much better of an offense than we were."

Cousins was picked off twice in that game while going 14-for-32 for the second-worst completion percentage of his career as the Vikings fell behind 21-0 in the second quarter. Two weeks later, they lost 16-6 to the Bears at Soldier Field with a season-low 222 total yards as Cousins was sacked a season-most six times.

Coupled with his regression during the second half of 2018 that contributed to the Vikings missing the playoffs in his debut season, the fully guaranteed \$84 million contract the Vikings gave Cousins was beginning to look like a liability. As it turned out, Cousins just needed more time to settle in with the new system directed by offensive coordinator Kevin Stefanski and designed by offensive adviser Gary Kubiak.

The Vikings have averaged 294 points over the last 10 games, even with star wide receiver Adam Thielen absent for about two-thirds of that stretch. With a produc-



ROGER STEINMAN/AP

Kirk Cousins will need to be better if the Vikings are to beat the Packers on Monday night.

tive rushing attack as the foundation, Stefanski has put Cousins in consistently favorable situations by frequently using play-action, screen and rollout passes from under center. That has set up several well-timed deep balls to Stefon Diggs that Cousins has put in the right places for game-changing gains.

"It's always a work in progress, and I don't really like putting my stake in the ground and saying something or other about my performance," Cousins said, "but I do think the longer you play, the more comfortable you get in a system, the more comfortable you get with teammates, the better you can make decisions in split seconds."

In his fifth full season as a starter, Cousins still lacks a postseason win and has only a handful of victories on the road over winning teams. He has, however, begun this year to slay a few of those sports-talk-show-filler dragons with fourth-quarter comebacks, night-game victories and a significant reduction of turnovers.

Currently in the top five in the league in completion percentage, yards per attempt, passer rating and interception percentage, Cousins has unquestionably produced the best season of his career. Beating the Packers would be another notable accomplishment.

"Hopefully he has a great game and hopefully we win, but it's not all on him," coach Mike Zimmer said. "We have 21 other players, and they have to go out and execute just as much as he does."

Packers coach Matt LaFleur has long admired Cousins. He was the quarterbacks coach for Washington in Cousins' first two years in the league.

"If the play's there, he's making the play, period, every time," LaFleur said. "He's so accurate, and he's extremely intelligent."

LaFleur's current pupil, Aaron Rodgers, has long displayed such decisiveness, among many other elite attributes. With the Packers relying more on the run these days and a collection of mostly inexperienced receivers, Rodgers ranks behind Cousins in almost every statistical measure this year. Still, he hasn't thrown an interception in eight straight games, and he has helped the Packers reach the 11-win mark for the first time in five years.

"This is why we play the games, for times like these, to go on the road in a hostile environment and have a chance to lock up the North with a win," Rodgers said.

Dave Campbell writes for the Associated Press.

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ASK THE REPORTER BRAD BIGGS

I wonder what Patrick Mahomes would be like right now if he had been drafted by the Bears. I am curious about the inverse of that thought too. What would Mitch Trubisky be like today after spending most of three seasons with the Chiefs under Andy Reid?
— Tom H., Chicago

It's not a perfect apples-to-apples comparison. You're overlooking that Matt Nagy was the offensive coordinator in Kansas City when Mahomes was being developed as a rookie. We're talking about very similar playbooks, too, so the suggestion that Mahomes wouldn't be a star if he was with the Bears seems off the mark to me. I tend to doubt Trubisky would be significantly better had he landed in Kansas City.

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Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky is hit by Chiefs inside linebacker Anthony Hitchens (53) in the first quarter Sunday night at Soldier Field.

BEARS NOTES

Mahomes-Trubisky matchup proves to be 1st-half mismatch

BY RICH CAMPBELL

Bears coach Matt Nagy insisted last week that Sunday night's game against the Chiefs was not a matchup of quarterbacks Mitch Trubisky and Patrick Mahomes.

He was right as that applied to the first half, at least. It wasn't a matchup. More like a mismatch.

Mahomes rushed for a touchdown and threw for another as the Chiefs built a 17-0 halftime lead. It was the fourth time this season the Bears were shut out in the first half. They also were blanked by the Raiders, Eagles and Rams. It also was the ninth time this season that the Bears offense failed to score a touchdown in the first half.

Mahomes was 16-of-22 passing for 160 yards and a 6-yard touchdown to Travis Kelce. His passer rating was 108.1.

Meanwhile, Trubisky languished and the offense was inept, the same familiar problems that kept the Bears out of the playoffs.

He was 7-of-11 passing for 59 yards and a 77.5 rating. In the second quarter, he overthrew Allen Robinson on what would've been a 46-yard touchdown.

The Bears used play-action to move the passing point as Robinson leaked deep down the left side. Trubisky had time and space to throw, and Robinson had two steps on safety Tyrann Mathieu. But the ball was too far in front of Robinson for him to catch it inside the 10-yard line.

Flagging effort: Penalties undid the Bears in the first half. They were flagged six times for 40 yards.

On the Chiefs' first touchdown drive, which went 82 yards in 15 plays, Aaron Lynch's neutral-zone infraction on third-and-4 gave the Chiefs a new set of downs. Mahomes scrambled 12 yards for a touchdown three plays later.

It was Lynch's seventh offside or neutral-zone penalty this season.

Near the end of the second quarter, Kevin Pierre-Louis was penalized for running into the punter on fourth-and-4. That put the Chiefs offense back on the field, and Mahomes found Kelce for a touchdown five plays later.

Health report: Nose tackle Eddie Goldman left the game during the Chiefs' opening drive and entered the NFL's concussion protocol. He did not return.

The Bears already were without defensive lineman Akiem Hicks, who was ruled out Saturday with the left elbow injury that sent him to injured reserve for eight games earlier this season.

In other participation news, cornerback Price Amukamara (hamstring) started and split time with Kevin Toliver.

Big leg: Chiefs kicker Harrison Butker's 56-yard field goal was the longest at Soldier Field this season. He bested Lions kicker Matt Prater, who hit from 54 in the Bears' November victory.



Chiefs wide receiver Tyreek Hill eludes the Bears' Eddie Jackson after making a reception in the second quarter Sunday. Earlier in the game, he celebrated quarterback Patrick Mahomes' touchdown.

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x-Buffalo	10	5	0	.667	308	246	4-3-0	6-2-0	7-4-0	3-1-0	3-2-0
N.Y. Jets	6	9	0	.400	263	353	5-3-0	1-6-0	3-8-0	3-1-0	1-4-0
Miami	4	11	0	.267	279	470	3-5-0	1-6-0	3-8-0	1-3-0	1-4-0

SOUTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Houston	10	5	0	.667	364	350	5-2-0	5-3-0	8-3-0	2-2-0	4-1-0
Tennessee	8	7	0	.533	367	317	4-4-0	4-3-0	6-5-0	2-2-0	2-3-0
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	341	335	5-3-0	2-5-0	5-6-0	2-2-0	3-2-0
Jacksonville	5	10	0	.333	262	377	2-5-0	3-5-0	5-6-0	0-4-0	1-4-0

NORTH	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Baltimore	13	2	0	.867	503	272	6-1-0	7-1-0	9-2-0	4-0-0	4-1-0
Pittsburgh	8	7	0	.533	279	275	5-3-0	3-4-0	6-5-0	2-2-0	3-2-0
Cleveland	6	9	0	.400	312	360	4-4-0	2-5-0	6-5-0	0-4-0	3-2-0
Cincinnati	1	14	0	.067	246	397	1-6-0	0-8-0	1-10-0	0-4-0	0-5-0

WEST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	Home	Away	AFC	NFC	Div
y-Kansas City	11	4	0	.733	420	287	4-3-0	7-1-0	8-3-0	3-1-0	5-0-0
Oakland	7	8	0	.467	298	403	5-3-0	2-5-0	5-6-0	2-2-0	3-2-0
Denver	6	9	0	.400	266	301	4-3-0	2-6-0	5-6-0	1-3-0	2-3-0
L.A. Chargers	5	10	0	.333	316	314	2-6-0	3-4-0	3-8-0	2-2-0	0-5-0

WEEK 16

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Houston 23, Tampa Bay 20
New England 24, Buffalo 17

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Giants 41, Washington 35 (OT)
Miami 38, Cincinnati 35 (OT)
New Orleans 38, Tennessee 28
N.Y. Jets 16, Pittsburgh 10
Baltimore 31, Cleveland 15
Indianapolis 38, Carolina 6
Atlanta 24, Jacksonville 12
Oakland 24, L.A. Chargers 17
Denver 27, Detroit 17
Arizona 27, Seattle 13
Philadelphia 17, Dallas 9
Kansas City 26, Chicago 3

MONDAY'S GAME

Green Bay at Minnesota, 7:15 p.m.

WEEK 17

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Chicago at Minnesota, noon
Atlanta at Tampa Bay, noon
Miami at New England, noon
Tennessee at Houston, noon
Green Bay at Detroit, noon
Washington at Dallas, noon
Indianapolis at Jacksonville, noon
Cleveland at Cincinnati, noon
L.A. Chargers at Kansas City, noon
N.Y. Jets at Buffalo, noon
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, noon
New Orleans at Carolina, noon
Pittsburgh at Baltimore, noon
Oakland at Denver, 3:25 p.m.
San Francisco at Seattle, 3:25 p.m.
Arizona at L.A. Rams, 3:25 p.m.

WEEK 16 TOP PERFORMERS

PASSING					
Player, TM	CO-ATT	YDS	TD	INT	
R. Fitzpatrick, MIA	31-52	419	4	1	
A. Dalton, CIN	33-56	396	4	0	
M. Ryan, ATL	32-45	384	1	2	
D. Jones, NYG	28-42	352	5	0	
J. Winston, TB	25-48	335	1	4	
J. Goff, LAR	27-46	323	2	1	

RUSHING					
Player, Team	ATT	YDS	TD		
S. Barkley, NYG	22	189	1		
K. Drake, ARI	24	166	2		
P. Lindsay, DET	19	109	1		
L. Jackson, BAL	17	103	0		
S. Michel, NE	21	96	0		
M. Mack, IND	16	95	1		

RECEIVING					
Player, Team	REC	YDS	TD		
J. Jones, ATL	10	166	0		
Mic. Thomas, NO	12	136	1		
T. Boyd, CIN	9	128	2		
C. McCaffrey, CAR	15	119	0		
R. Woods, LAR	8	117	0		
D. Parker, MIA	5	111	1		

DEFENSE					
Player, Team	SACK	TCK	AST		
C. Jones, ARI	4.0	4	2		
J. Pierre-Paul, TB	3.0	4	0		
D. Fowler, LAR	2.5	5	1		
C. Jones, DEN	2.0	3	1		
A.J. Klein, NO	2.0	3	0		
W. Mercilus, HOU	2.0	3	1		

through Sunday

SUMMARIES

GIANTS 41, REDSKINS 35 (OT)

N.Y. Giants 14 14 7 0 6-41
Washington 7 7 7 14 0-35

First quarter A: 66:083.

NYG: Shepard 23 pass from Jones (Rosas kick), 12:21.
Was: S.Sims 10 pass from Haskins (Hopkins kick), 7:37.
NYG: Barkley 67 run (Rosas kick), 6:46.

Second quarter
Was: Hentges 6 pass from Haskins (Hopkins kick), 14:56.
NYG: Barkley 33 pass from Jones (Rosas kick), 9:16.
NYG: Latimer 10 pass from Jones (Rosas kick), :38.

Third quarter
Was: S.Sims 7 pass from Keenum (Hopkins kick), 6:38.
NYG: K.Smith 9 pass from Jones (Rosas kick), 3:40.

Fourth quarter
NYG: Peterson 1 run (Hopkins kick), 14:30.
Was: Keenum 1 run (Hopkins kick), :29.

Overtime
NYG: K.Smith 3 pass from Jones, 4:15.

TEAM STATS	NYG	WAS
First downs	28	25
Total net yards	552	361
Rushes-yards	26-206	26-80
Passing	346	281
Punt returns	1-7	3-20
Kickoff returns	3-96	1-25
Comp-att-int	28-42-0	29-38-0
Sacked-yds lost	1-6	3-21
Fumbles-lost	4-33-8	5-47-2
Penalties-yards	4-33	6-51
Possession time	31:57	33:48

Rush: NYG, Barkley 22-189, Jones 3-12, Was, Peterson 15-36, Thompson 8-34.

Pass: NYG, Jones 28-42-0-352, Was, Minshew 16-22-0-158, Haskins 12-15-0-133.

Rec: NYG, Tate 6-96, Shepard 6-76, Was, McLaurin 7-86, S.Sims 6-64.

Missed field goals: NYG, Rosas 53

FALCONS 24, JAGUARS 12

Jacksonville 0 0 3 3 6-12
Atlanta 14 3 3 0 7-24

First quarter A: 70:873.

Atl: Freeman 17 run (Koo kick), 11:27.

Atl: Freeman 8 pass from Ryan (Koo kick), 9:28.

Second quarter
Jac: FG Lambo 40, 9:12.

Atl: FG Koo 23, :10.

Third quarter
Jac: FG Lambo 27, 2:29.

Fourth quarter
Atl: Olison 3 run (Koo kick), 13:36.

Jac: Conley 42 pass from Minshew (pass failed), 12:00.

TEAM STATS	JAC	ATL
First downs	17	28
Total net yards	288	518
Rushes-yards	24-115	27-135
Passing	173	383
Punt returns	3-15	1-1
Kickoff returns	2-57	3-43
Int. returns	2-4	0-0
Comp-att-int	14-32-0	32-45-2
Sacked-yds lost	3-15	1-1
Fumbles-lost	5-50-8	3-40-3
Penalties-yards	6-36	9-64
Possession time	26:53	33:07

Rushing: Jac, Fournette 15-71, Minshew 7-36, Atl, Hill 7-66, Freeman 13-58.

Passing: Jac, Minshew 13-31-0-181, Cooke 1-0-7, Atl, Ryan 32-45-2-384.

Receiving: Jac, DeVault 3-45, Fournette 3-34, Conley 2-56, Atl, J.Jones 10-166, Freeman 9-74, Hooper 7-82.

Missed field goals: Atl, Koo 42.

DOLPHINS 38, BENGALS 35 (OT)

Cincinnati 6 6 6 23 0-35
Miami 14 7 7 7 3-38

First quarter A: 60:968.

Mia: Wilkins 1 pass from Fitzpatrick (Sanders kick), 8:32.

Mia: D.Parker 7 pass from Fitzpatrick (Sanders kick), 5:00.

Second quarter
Cin: FG Bullock 20, 10:49.

Mia: Gesicki 31 pass from Fitzpatrick (Sanders kick), 2:20.

Cin: FG Bullock 57, :02.

Third quarter
Mia: Gesicki 13 pass from Fitzpatrick (Sanders kick), 8:24.

Cin: Boyd 3 pass from Dalton (pass failed), 3:38.

Fourth quarter
Mia: Gaskin 2 run (Sanders kick), 11:12.

Cin: Uzomah 8 pass from Dalton (Bullock kick), 6:11.

Cin: Gaskin 2 pass from Dalton (Eifert pass from Dalton), :29.

Cin: Eifert 25 pass from Dalton (Dalton run), :00.

Overtime
Mia: FG Sanders 37, :00.

TEAM STATS	CIN	MIA
First downs	25	29
Total net yards	430	502
Rushes-yards	25-59	34-96
Passing	371	406
Punt returns	4-42	4-26
Kickoff returns	2-50	2-28
Int. returns	1-0	0-0
Comp-att-int	33-56-0	31-52-1
Sacked-yds lost	4-25	2-13
Punts	8-48.5	6-49.0
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	10-77	6-47
Possession time	33:36	36:24

Rush: Cin, Mixon 21-50, Mia, Gaskin 16-55.

Pass: Cin, Dalton 33-56-0-396, Mia, Fitzpatrick 31-52-1-419.

Rec: Cin, Boyd 9-128, Ross 6-84, Mia, Wilson 7-79, D.Parker 5-11.

Missed field goals: Mia, Sanders 47.

RAIDERS 24, CHARGERS 17

Oakland 7 7 7 7 3-24
L.A. Chargers 0 7 7 3-17

First quarter A: 25:380.

Oak: Renfrow 56 pass from Carr (Carlson kick), 10:57.

Second quarter
LAC: Gordon 1 run (Badgley kick), 1:54.

Oak: Carr 3 run (Carlson kick), :08.

Third quarter
Oak: Washington 5 run (Carlson kick), 6:11.

LAC: Gordon 1 run (Badgley kick), 1:04.

Fourth quarter
Oak: FG Carlson 48, 8:28.

LAC: FG Badgley 27, 1:29.

TEAM STATS	OAK	LAC
First downs	19	21
Total net yards	366	284
Rushes-yards	29-99	16-19
Passing	267	265
Punt returns	4-41	3-21
Kickoff returns	2-51	3-73
Comp-att-int	26-30-0	27-39-0
Sacked-yds lost	3-24	1-14
Punts	5-51.8	6-47.5
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	5-47	1-15
Possession time	33:24	26:36

Rushing: Oak, Washington 23-85, Richard 5-11, Carr 1-3, LAC, Gordon 9-15, Ekelor 4-11, Taylor 2-(minus 2).

Passing: Oak, Carr 26-30-0-291, LAC, Rivers 27-39-0-279.

Receiving: Oak, Renfrow 7-107, Williams 4-82, Waller 4-37, LAC, Gordon 6-32, Allen 5-71, Ekelor 5-58.

Missed field goals: None.



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Boston Scott jumps over the Cowboys' C.J. Goodwin on a run during the Eagles' win Sunday in Philadelphia.

EAGLES 17, COWBOYS 9

Eagles rise up, seize control

They deny Cowboys division title, can claim crown with win in finale

By DAN GELSTON

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Carson Wentz ran off the field with his arms raised in triumph, a defining victory for a criticized quarterback that led an Eagles team limping toward the finish to first in the NFC East.

His shaky receivers, suddenly sure-handed.

The wins that got away, now sealed in crunch time.

“You can see the sense of belief that each of these guys have,” Wentz said.

Believe this, the Eagles need

one more win to go from 5-7 to division champs.

Eagles cornerback Sidney Jones broke up Dak Prescott’s fourth-down pass to wide receiver Michael Gallup in the end zone with 1:15 left in the game, and the Eagles denied the Cowboys a division crown in a 17-9 win Sunday.

“Game on the line, you know you gotta make a stop and it’s time to rise,” Jones said. “When we get those plays, we’re going to make them.”

The Cowboys (7-8) would have clinched their second straight NFC East title with a win. And, they would have eliminated the Eagles (8-7), who only need to win their final game next week against the Giants to clinch the East. The Cowboys can still win

the East with a win next week against the Redskins and an Eagles loss.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones left his suite with time left on the clock — and perhaps with time running out on Cowboys coach Jason Garrett. The difference between a division title and missing the playoffs could seal Garrett’s fate.

“We all expected to leave here as NFC East champs,” Jones said. “We’re not.”

Yes, it’s been an ugly season for the division. But the Eagles won’t care about records if they’re hosting a NFC wild-card game.

Wentz was 31 for 40 for 319 yards and a touchdown, and Miles Saunders ran for a score to keep the Eagles’ playoff hopes alive.

RAVENS 31, BROWNS 15

Baltimore 0 14 7 10-31
Cleveland 0 6 3 7 0-15

Second quarter A: 67:431.

Cle: Harris 1 pass from Mayfield (kick failed), 11:53.

Bal: Andrews 39 pass from Jackson (Tucker kick), 1:18.

Bal: Andrews 14 pass from Jackson (Tucker kick), :09.

Third quarter
Bal: Ingram 12 pass from Jackson (Tucker kick), 7:36.

Cle: FG Seibert 47, 3:25.

Fourth quarter
Cle: Beckham 3 pass from Mayfield (pass failed), 8:01.

Bal: Hill 18 run (Tucker kick), 3:39.

-0	Passing	238
-9	Punt returns	2-7
0	Kickoff returns	2-62

WHITE SOX & CUBS

Anderson: Sox's secret Santa

Star shortstop, wife surprise teen fan with meet-and-greet

By LaMond Pope

Kelvion Jelks picked up a bat in the White Sox clubhouse Thursday and crouched into his stance. The 13-year-old took a swing and finished with a bat flip as his favorite player, Sox shortstop Tim Anderson, watched. "It was dope," Anderson later said of the bat flip. It was all part of a day to remember for Jelks and his family. Anderson and his wife, Bria, surprised Jelks with \$1,000 in holiday presents during a meet-and-greet at Guaranteed Rate Field. The gifts included sneakers, a television and an autographed Anderson jersey. "I didn't even know I was coming here," Jelks said. "It was nice of him to bring me in and give me an opportunity to meet him" As far as a favorite gift, Jelks said: "All of it, because I'm thankful for what he did for me." Jelks is an White Sox Amateur City Elite U13 program participant. He hit a home run during a game last season and flipped his bat in Anderson's fashion. Jelks suffered a season-ending injury the next inning. In addition to baseball and school, the South Side resident helps his aunt, Laura Hall, with family responsibilities. Anderson said he learned of Jelks through the ACE Program and White Sox Charities. "I felt connected," Anderson said, "so I feel it's only right to give back to him and show him love that he needed." Hall and her son, Demir Johnson, also were at Thursday's event. "It's important for us to not just say, 'Hey, we want to do something for Christmas' but to come here and meet Kelvion and his family," Bria Anderson said. "It's genuine and just being able to really have a conversation after hearing all the cool stories from his coaches. Everyone around him is awesome." The bat flip is just one way Jelks connected with the American League batting champion. "We have the same mentality when it comes to the game," Jelks said when asked why Anderson is his favorite player. "We both love it" It's an example of how the Andersons have affected the community. "It's important for us to embrace the South Side of Chicago, where Tim and our family call home, but also to reach the



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— White Sox shortstop Tim Anderson

youth," Bria said. "There's a huge problem that's not a secret with the violence and that's what our organization (Anderson's League of Leaders, LLC) hopes to address. Just kind of doing that by showing up and being supportive.

"It's important for kids to see positive role models that look like them doing things they haven't done or just being able to see a different way." Thursday, that meant spreading some holiday cheer.

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Sullivan

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And a viable Bryant trading partner — perhaps with teams such as the Braves or Nationals who are willing to part with a slew of prospects — won't be known for sure until free-agent third baseman Josh Donaldson signs. Obviously, Bryant will be worth more in any trade if the arbitrator decides in the Cubs' favor because he would have two years left before free agency. The Cubs are confident they'll win the case, even if almost everyone agreed Bryant was ready to play in the majors at the start of 2015. It's a subjective opinion and the language in the collective-bargaining agreement is on the Cubs' side. Some agents I spoke to at the winter meetings in San Diego felt the Cubs are better off holding on to Bryant and dealing him at the July trade deadline if they can't get him to sign a long-term deal this off-season. But there's always a risk of injury or a subpar first half affecting his trade value, which right now is as high as any Cubs player besides Javier Baez. Keeping Bryant is preferable if the Cubs hope to add to their World Series trophy room, but, as usual, it's a money thing that's in the way. According to the Boston Globe, 42 teams have had to pay the luxury tax since 2003 for exceeding the tax threshold and 38% (16 teams) wound up missing the postseason. One of those teams was the 2019 Cubs, who paid \$7.6 million in taxes for going over the \$206 million threshold. That's not a lot of money by today's standards, especially for a team with as many resources as the Cubs. They spent \$220 million last year, third highest after the Red Sox (\$228 million) and Yankees (\$226 million). What's \$7.6 million to billionaires like the Rickettses? Another veteran middle reliever? A donation to President Donald Trump's re-election coffers? Nevertheless, that \$7.6 million is "dead money," to quote Chairman Tom Ricketts, who prefers not to throw away millions. And in a division where the rest of the teams aren't big spenders, maybe he doesn't have to. Other than the Reds splurging on Mike Moustakas, the NL Central has been as dead as a dormouse this winter. The Cubs put themselves in this position in February of 2018 when they signed starter Yu Darvish to a six-year, \$126 million deal, ensuring there would be less payroll flexibility down the road when Bryant, Baez and a few others were ready for their big paydays. "We would never put ourselves in a position to be completely inflexible going forward, but yes, when you commit \$126 million to someone it does take a way a little bit from future flexibility," Cubs President Theo Epstein said after the Darvish signing.

The penalty for exceeding the luxury-tax threshold in consecutive years is costlier, so it makes perfect financial sense for Epstein to get under the \$208 million threshold for 2020. But the lack of future flexibility means they can't afford to resign both Bryant and Baez to the kind of deals both expect as free agents, which is why Bryant seemingly is the odd man out and suddenly is available for the right price. Of course, Bryant could decide being a Cub for life is worth more than finding out how much he can make on the open market. He got a pretty good idea of his market value last spring when Rockies third baseman Nolan Arenado signed an eight-year, \$260 million extension that will pay him \$35 million every year, soon after Manny Machado agreed to a 10-year, \$300 million deal with the Padres. Arenado also reportedly is on the trade block and could affect the number of suitors for Bryant. When Arenado signed his deal last February, Bryant called it "super cool" for his peer, though Bryant also could've been referring to himself. "Of course I look at him just because we play the same position," Bryant told me at Sloan Park last February. "But we're different players. We're at different points in our careers, different journeys up to this point. "But any time you see someone at your position sign for a lot of money, it bodes pretty well for the rest of the guys after that." It certainly did bode well for this year's top free-agent hitter, Nationals third baseman Anthony Rendon, who recently signed a seven-year, \$245 million deal with the Angels. Going by the deals for the game's elite third basemdn, Bryant figures to wind up in the \$250 million-\$300 million neighborhood. He has a 27.8 combined WAR since arriving in 2015, according to fangraphs.com, the best among major-league third basemen between 2015 and 2019. He's followed by Donaldson (27.6), Arenado (26.9), Rendon (25.2) and Machado (24.6). So why should Bryant settle for less than them? There hasn't been much talk about possibly extending Bryant, though most Cubs fans continue to hold out hope something can be done before Epstein pulls the trigger on a deal. "We've always made it known to the Cubs that our ears are open to anything they'd like to follow," Scott Boras, Bryant's agent, said at the winter meetings. With so much unpredictability, the Cubs released radio ads last week for the Cubs Convention on Jan. 17-19 highlighting new manager David Ross and some of "your favorite" current and former players. If Bryant is still a Cub then, the convention could turn into a fan referendum on whether he should stay or go, much like the 2005 convention was dominated by a debate over dealing slugger Sammy Sosa, who ultimately was traded to the Orioles a few weeks later. Now wouldn't that be fun?

Crossword

13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65

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ACROSS

- 1 Threesome
- 5 Not quite closed
- 9 Explorer Marco
- 13 Makes money
- 15 Actress Blanchett
- 16 Fervent
- 17 Concur
- 18 Go beyond
- 20 "Give ___ break!"
- 21 Small number
- 23 Gives one's views
- 24 Spud
- 26 Took first prize
- 27 ___ up; divided into couples
- 29 Is nosy
- 32 Shed crocodile tears
- 33 Stolen
- 35 Lil Wayne's music
- 37 Baseball scores
- 38 Inflexible
- 39 Oz visitor
- 40 Neighbor of Mexico: abbr.
- 41 Shoe bottoms
- 42 Couches
- 43 Go by, as time
- 45 Extreme food scarcity
- 46 Whopper
- 47 ___ mignon
- 48 Regard highly
- 51 ___ nutshell; succinctly
- 52 Relevant
- 55 Quack
- 58 Winger or Messing
- 60 Go no further
- 61 Harness strap
- 62 Beauty shop
- 63 Some of Keats' poems
- 64 Potato varieties
- 65 Communists

DOWN

- 1 Cowboys or Indians
- 2 Hit the ceiling
- 3 Making no sense
- 4 Small bill
- 5 Thespian
- 6 Mayo container
- 7 TV's "One Day ___ Time"
- 8 Famous
- 9 Actor Al ___
- 10 Kitchen appliance
- 11 ___ up; form a row
- 12 Probability
- 14 Long upholstered seat
- 19 Piece of silverware

Solutions

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- 22 Marry
- 25 ___ and crafts
- 27 South American nation
- 28 Make laugh
- 29 Does the slalom, e.g.
- 30 Cost-effective
- 31 Hell's ruler
- 33 Scrabble piece
- 34 Years lived
- 36 Sit for an artist
- 38 George Clooney's aunt
- 39 "It's all Greek ___"
- 41 Salesman's pitch
- 42 Coleslaw & Crab Louie
- 44 Gives a heads-up to
- 45 Swim ___; diver's flipper
- 47 Helsinki folks
- 48 Resound
- 49 Type of herring
- 50 Yarn
- 53 Nudge
- 54 Sunbathes
- 56 Actress Leoni
- 57 Objective
- 59 Hearing organ

COLLEGES

NU-DEPAUL
TAKEAWAYS

Moore,
Buie put
on a show

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN

For a while there, the 35th battle between Northwestern and DePaul segued into the first-ever duel between guards Boo Buie and Charlie Moore. And nobody at Wintrust Arena wanted a refund.

The two were electric, breathing fire into the Crosstown Showdown with an array of swished 3s and shifty drives.

“It was fun out there,” Moore said. “I love to compete and he made me raise my level of game.”

Buie returned the praise, calling it “a real competitive battle.”

Both scored 25 points, but Moore’s meant more because DePaul won 83-78 to improve to 12-1. Here are four takeaways from the Blue Demons’ stirring victory.

- 1. The biggest winners were the basketball fans who showed up.**
- Wintrust Arena was about 4,000 shy of capacity (10,387), but you couldn’t tell. The house went nuts.
- “The atmosphere was special,” DePaul coach Dave Leitao said. “That’s how Chicago basketball is supposed to be played — competitive, with neither team backing down.”
- NU coach Chris Collins called it “a high-level game. Both teams played incredibly hard.”
- DePaul ended NU’s series winning streak at four and improved to 21-14 all time. Fortunately the schools have agreed to extend the series five years, at least.

- 2. Buie is Northwestern’s best player.**
- Three days after scoring 26 points in 26 minutes against Michigan State, Buie hit 10 of 16 shots and dished out six assists against DePaul. He battled against Cassius Winston, the Big Ten’s Preseason Player of the Year, and Moore, the veteran who transferred to hometown DePaul after stints at Cal and Kansas, in back-to-back games.



DePaul guard Charlie Moore fights off Northwestern forward A.J. Turner as he tries to drive around him in the second half Saturday night.

Buie rained in jumpers from all angles and fired a baseball pass to Miller Kopp that whizzed over the ear of a defender. After Kopp hit the layup, Buie looked to the jubilant NU bench and did not crack a smile as if to say: Yup, that just happened.

“My confidence level is really high,” he said. “I believe when I step on the court that I will be one of the best players.”

Buie, the freshman from Albany, N.Y., and half-brother of former Penn State star Tabor Battle, made his first start of the season in place of graduate student Pat Spencer. Buie has been slowed by a right thumb injury that has affected his shooting, but Collins believes the time is right to make him a 30-plus-minute player.

“We brought him here to be the guy at that position, and he needs to be in these games in the last five minutes,” said Collins, whose team fell to 5-6. “He needs to manage the clock and do all the things that point guards do. He has made a big jump. He is fearless, which I love.”

Leitao heaped considerable praise, saying: “His skill is obvious — he can catch and shoot from deep, he puts it on the floor and attacks with nice touch. Based on his body language, there was no moment he wasn’t ready for. When you can do that early, as a freshman, there’s a ‘wow’ factor to it.

“That whole family, that is what they’re about. I don’t know him, but I know his pedigree, so I’m not surprised.”

- 3. DePaul has the pieces and vets to go dancing.**
- The Blue Demons are 12-1 with victories over Iowa, Boston College, Minnesota, Texas Tech and Northwestern. That screams legit — as does their lineup featuring veterans Charlie Moore, Jaylen Butz, Jalen Coleman-Lands and Paul Reed.
- Reed missed all nine first-half shots, but Moore bailed him out with strong shooting. He drained 3 of 6 from downtown after entering averaging just 33.9%.
- Reed finished with 11 points and Butz earned game MVP honors with 24 points and eight boards.
- “We got up, down all the way around and we hung in there,” Leitao said.
- They rallied from four points down with 3:22 to play thanks to the stretch that featured Coleman-Lands’ four-point play.
- “That spurt — I said to myself: Someone will do something to decide this game,” Leitao said. “We started flying around and it turned the tide.”
- Asked if he views DePaul as a tournament team, Collins replied: “When you are old (with veterans) and you have talent and toughness, those are all of the components to have a great season.”
- 4. Anthony Gaines could be out a while.**
- Anthony Gaines, a junior guard for the Wildcats, missed the game because of a shoulder injury.
- “It has bothered him all year,” Collins said.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

Wide open semifinals:
Receivers in spotlight

BY PETE IACOBELLI
Associated Press

A flick of the wrist, a slight shift of the shoulder and they’re off.

Talented receivers are a big part of this year’s College Football Playoff. Never before has there been four teams in the CFP so prolific at scoring points. And it’s in large part due to a growing — think 6-foot or taller — list of game-breaking receivers keen on quick cuts, one-handed grabs and the ability to catch almost any pass thrown their way.

“Not always sure how we do it,” said Clemson’s top receiver Tee Higgins.

Neither is anyone else who has seen the impressive weekly grabs by Higgins and the other receivers in the CFP who have become must-see TV:

■ No. 1 LSU has a pair of 1,000-yard receivers in Ja’Marr Chase and Justin Jefferson, who have combined for 32 touchdowns this season.

■ No. 2 Ohio State features K.J. Hill and Chris Olave. The duo has 21 touchdown catches between them.

■ Third-ranked Clemson pairs Higgins with Justyn Hill, a combination that has helped the defending national champions win their past 28 games.

■ And Oklahoma showcases CeeDee Lamb. All Lamb has done is average nearly 21 yards a catch and haul in 14 touchdown receptions.

It’s the first time the four CFP participants enter the national semifinals averaging more than 43 points a game — which gives fans the promise of two potentially explosive showdowns when LSU faces Oklahoma in the Chick-fil-A Bowl and Ohio State takes on Clemson in the Fiesta Bowl on Saturday.

CBS Sports analyst Gary Danielson has seen the evolution of the game go from big, physical bruisers getting 35 carries a contest to teams relying more on lightning fast, shifty pass catchers with sticky hands.

“There’s no doubt things have changed,” he said.

It was only four years ago LSU was a run-heavy team with Leonard Fournette leading the charge. His 22 touchdowns were more than the 13 the Tigers passed for that 2015 season.

Now, Heisman Trophy winning QB Joe Burrow has LSU in Air Raid mode with his school-record 48 TD passes.

Tigers coach Ed Orgeron acknowledged his defense has had to adjust sometimes to their fast-paced attack.

“But we’re not going to slow down,” he said.

None of the four teams in the CFP are expected to slow down, not with the pieces in place to blow opponents out.

LSU’s Chase won the Biletnikoff award as the game’s top receiver. His 18 touchdowns tied the SEC’s single season mark — one its seems likely he’ll obliterate with more games left.

“Ja’Marr is a special talent,” Orgeron said. “Not only is he fast, but he’s very strong.”

All the talented receivers in the CFP have great hand-eye coordination.

Perhaps the most talked-about play in Clemson’s 62-17 destruction of Virginia in the ACC title game was Higgins’ highlight-reel sideline grab — reaching out of bounds while keeping his toes inbounds to complete the catch.

“Every time I see that I say, ‘Man, I really caught that. It’s crazy,’” Higgins said with a smile.

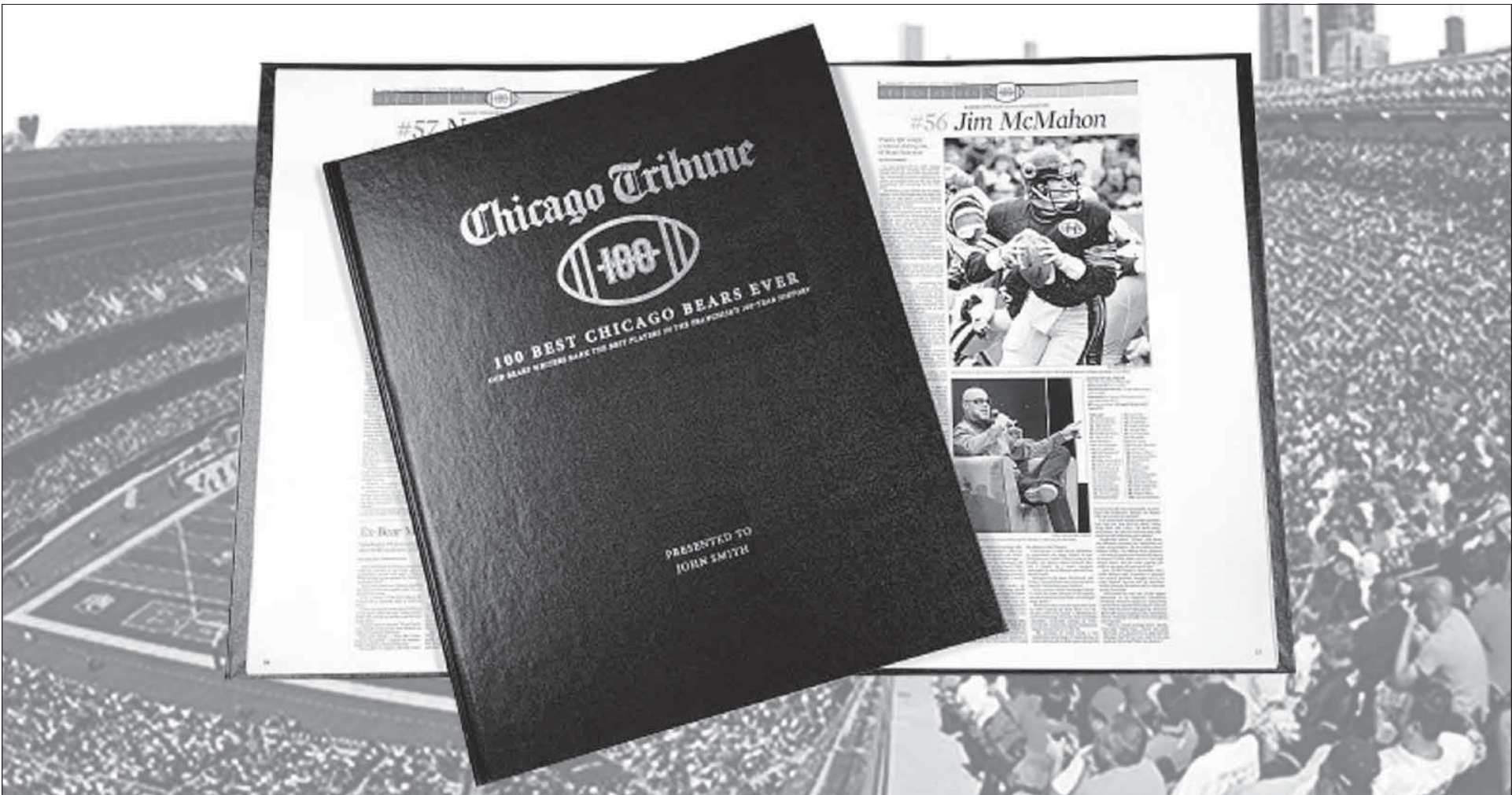
Oklahoma’s Lamb also has been a nightmare for defenders, even with his frustration at times when he feels he isn’t getting the ball when he’s open.

At Ohio State, Hill has already surpassed David Boston’s career mark with 195 catches.

“He’s been clutch,” Ohio State coach Ryan Day said, “very, very productive.”

He’s not alone, and that could make for an entertaining playoff.

AP Sports Writers Brett Martel in New Orleans, Mitch Stacy in Columbus, Ohio, and Cliff Brunt in Oklahoma City contributed to this report.



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ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	20	7	.741	—
Toronto	21	8	.724	—
Philadelphia	21	10	.677	1
Brooklyn	16	13	.552	5
New York	7	23	.233	14½

SOUTHEAST	W	L	PCT	GB
Miami	21	8	.724	—
Orlando	12	17	.414	9
Charlotte	13	20	.394	10
Washington	8	20	.286	12½
Atlanta	6	24	.200	15½

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB
Milwaukee	27	4	.871	—
Indiana	20	10	.667	6½
Chicago	12	19	.387	15
Detroit	11	19	.367	9½
Cleveland	8	21	.276	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Houston	20	9	.690	—
Dallas	19	10	.655	1
San Antonio	11	17	.393	8½
Memphis	11	19	.367	9½
New Orleans	7	23	.233	13½

NORTHWEST	W	L	PCT	GB
Denver	19	8	.704	—
Utah	18	11	.621	2
Oklahoma City	15	14	.517	5
Portland	14	16	.467	6½
Minnesota	10	18	.357	9½

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT	GB
L.A. Lakers	24	5	.828	—
L.A. Clippers	22	10	.688	3½
Sacramento	12	17	.414	12
Phoenix	11	18	.379	13
Golden State	6	24	.200	18½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Toronto 110, Dallas 107
Boston 119, Charlotte 93
Milwaukee 117, Indiana 89
Oklahoma City 118, L.A. Clippers 112
Denver 128, L.A. Lakers 104

MONDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Washington at New York, 6 p.m.
Utah at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Memphis, 7 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
New Orleans at Portland, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S GAMES
None scheduled.

WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Boston at Toronto, 11 a.m.
Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 1:30 p.m.
Houston at Golden State, 4 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at L.A. Lakers, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

BUCKS 117, PACERS 89

INDIANA: Sabonis 8-16 1-1 19, Warren 4-13 0-0 9, Turner 4-8 1-2 11, A.Holiday 5-11 0-0 11, Brogdon 5-19 0-0 10, Bitadze 0-3 0-0 0, Leaf 0-1-2-1, McDermott 6-9-0-15, Sampson 1-1 0-0 2, J.Holiday 1-5 0-0 3, McConnell 2-7 0-0 5, Sumner 1-7 0-0 3. Totals 37-100 3-5 89.

MILWAUKEE: G.Antetokounmpo 8-17 1-2 18, Middleton 5-12 1-12, B.Lopez 6-11-2 17, DiVincenzo 2-7 0-0 4, Matthews 5-10 5-5 19, Connaughton 2-7 1-1 6, Ilyasova 1-7 1-2 3, Korver 1-8 0-0 3, Wilson 2-4 0-0 4, R.Lopez 6-8 0-0 13, Hill 6-10 2-2 17, Mason 0-3 1-2 1. Totals 44-104 14-17 117.

Indiana	22	33	18	16	—
Milwaukee	21	38	24	34	17

3-Point Goals—Indiana 12-40 (McDermott 3-6, Sabonis 2-2, Turner 2-5), Milwaukee 15-44 (Matthews 4-8, B.Lopez 3-6, Hill 3-6, G.Antetokounmpo 1-3, Middleton 1-3). **Rebounds**—Indiana 48 (Sabonis 18), Milwaukee 31 (G.Antetokounmpo 9). **Assists**—Indiana 27 (Brogdon 10), Milwaukee 31 (G.Antetokounmpo 9). **Total Fouls**—Indiana 15, Milwaukee 7. **A**—18,029 (17,500).

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	21	7	9	51	123	97
Toronto	19	14	4	42	125	116
Florida	18	12	5	41	126	115
Montreal	17	13	6	40	115	115
Tampa Bay	17	13	4	38	118	110
Ottawa	15	18	4	34	103	122
Detroit	9	26	3	21	82	150

METRO.	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	26	6	5	57	134	104
N.Y. Islanders	23	8	3	49	103	88
Carolina	22	12	2	46	118	94
Pittsburgh	21	11	4	46	120	96
Philadelphia	20	11	5	45	116	105
N.Y. Rangers	17	14	4	38	113	113
Columbus	16	14	6	38	95	104
New Jersey	11	19	5	27	84	127

WESTERN CONFERENCE

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CENTRAL	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	23	8	6	52	114	98
Colorado	22	11	3	47	127	100
Winnipeg	21	13	2	44	111	101
Dallas	20	14	4	44	100	97
Nashville	17	12	6	40	123	114
Minnesota	17	15	5	39	115	126
Chicago	15	16	6	36	104	118

PACIFIC	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Arizona	21	13	4	46	110	96
Vegas	20	13	6	46	119	111
Edmonton	20	15	4	44	115	120
Calgary	19	14	5	43	104	123
Vancouver	18	15	4	40	120	113
San Jose	16	20	2	34	101	133
Anaheim	15	18	4	34	96	114
Los Angeles	15	19	4	34	98	120

2 pts for win, 1 pt for shootout/OT loss

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

N.Y. Rangers 5, Anaheim 1
Calgary 5, Dallas 1
Arizona 5, Detroit 2
Vegas 3, San Jose 1

MONDAY'S GAMES
Carolina at Toronto, 1 p.m.
Calgary at Minnesota, 4 p.m.
Washington at Boston, 6 p.m.
Columbus at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Florida at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Arizona at Nashville, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.

RANGERS 5, DUCKS 1

Anaheim	1	0	0	—
N.Y. Rangers	3	1	1	—

FIRST PERIOD: 1, N.Y. Rangers, Chytil 9 (Lemieux, Skjei), 7:14, 2, N.Y. Rangers, Howden 4 (Panarin, DeAngelis), 8:45, 3, Anaheim, Steel 3 (Kase), 9:58, 4, N.Y. Rangers, Kreider 9, 12:16. **Penalties:** Holzer, Ana (High Sticking), 1:33; Lindgren, New (Roughing), 11:53; Comtois, Ana (Roughing), 11:53; Gudbranson, Ana (Tripping), 17:56.

SECOND PERIOD: 5, N.Y. Rangers, Kreider 10 (Lindgren, Zibanejad), 16:09. **Penalties:** McKegg, New (Hooking), 3:33; Shore, Ana (Delay of Game), 9:54; Howden, New (Roughing), 12:58; Del Zotto, Ana (Misconduct), 16:44; Lemieux, New (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 16:44; Anaheim bench, served by Deslauriers (Unsportsmanlike Conduct), 16:44; DeAngelis, New (Tripping), 16:57; Lemieux, New (Misconduct), 20:00; N.Y. Rangers bench, served by Kreider (Roughing), 20:00.

THIRD PERIOD: 6, N.Y. Rangers, Zibanejad 12 (Strome), 1:16 (sh). **Penalties:** Larsson, Ana (Slashing), 5:38; Haley, New (Fighting), 5:38; Deslauriers, Ana (Fighting), 5:38; Lindgren, New (Holding), 10:46; Manson, Ana (Slashing), 15:40.

SHOTS ON GOAL: Anaheim 6-7-7—20. N.Y. Rangers 18-12-11—41.

POWER PLAYS: Anaheim 0 of 4; N.Y. Rangers 0 of 5.

GOALIES: Anaheim, Miller 4-4-2 (41 shots-36 saves). N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist 8-7-3 (20-19).

A: 17,465 (18,006). **T:** 2:31.

Referees: Jean Hebert, Frederick L'Ecuey.

Linesmen: Tyson Baker, Kory Nagy.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

1. **Kansas** (9-2) did not play. Next: at Stanford, Sunday.
2. **Gonzaga** (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. Detroit, Monday, Dec. 30.
3. **Louisville** (11-1) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Kentucky, Saturday.
4. **Duke** (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Brown, Saturday.
5. **Ohio State** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 25 West Virginia, Sunday.
6. **Kentucky** (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Louisville, Saturday.
7. **Maryland** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Bryant, Sunday.
8. **Oregon** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama State, Sunday.
9. **Virginia** (9-2) lost to South Carolina 70-59. Next: vs. Navy, Sunday.
10. **Baylor** (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Jackson State, Monday, Dec. 30.
11. **Memphis** (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. New Orleans, Monday.
12. **Auburn** (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Lipscomb, Sunday.
13. **Dayton** (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Grambling State, Monday.
14. **Michigan** (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. UMass Lowell, Sunday.
15. **Michigan State** (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. Western Michigan, Sunday.
16. **Arizona** (10-3) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona State, Sat., Jan. 4.
17. **Butler** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Saturday.
18. **Villanova** (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Xavier, Monday, Dec. 30.
19. **Florida State** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Alabama, Saturday.
20. **San Diego State** (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Cal Poly, Saturday.
21. **Tennessee** (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Wisconsin, Saturday.
22. **Washington** (9-2) beat Ball State 85-64. Next: vs. UTEP or Hawaii, Monday.
23. **Penn State** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Cornell, Sunday.
24. **Texas Tech** (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Cal State Bakersfield, Sunday.
25. **West Virginia** (10-1) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Ohio State, Sunday.

SUNDAY'S SCORES

EAST
Colgate 89, Columbia 71
Hartford 80, Cornell 76
Hofstra 63, Manhattan 51
NIJT 74, Kean 46
Rutgers 63, Lafayette 44
Sacred Heart 89, Holy Cross 68
Seton Hall 75, Prairie View 55
St. Francis (Pa.) 78, William & Mary 72
St. Francis Brooklyn 81, Delaware St. 62
St. Peter's 69, LIU 58
UConn 88, New Hampshire 62

SOUTH
Austin Peay 80, Alabama St. 69
E. Carolina 60, Charlotte 56
FAU 65, Mercer 50
FIU 83, Stetson 67
Harvard 60, Howard 55
New Mexico St. 58, Mississippi St. 52
Old Dominion 76, Md.-E. Shore 52
Radford 73, Richmond 58
UAB 77, Duquesne 68
Yale 54, Clemson 45

MIDWEST
Davidson 59, Loyola of Chicago 56
Indiana St. 85, Chicago St. 64
Iowa St. 89, Fort Wayne 59
N. Iowa 88, Marshall 80
UMKC 78, S. Dakota 75

WEST
Xavier 67, TCU 59
Georgia Tech 74, Boise St. 60
Houston 81, Portland 56
New Mexico 107, Houston Baptist 88
Saint Mary's (Cal) 68, Nevada 63

HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED

1. **Stanford** (10-1) lost to Texas 69-64. Next: vs. UC Davis, Saturday.
2. **UConn** (10-0) beat Oklahoma 97-53. Next: vs. Wichita State, Thursday, Jan. 2.
3. **Oregon** (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Corban, Saturday.
4. **Oregon State** (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Cal State Bakersfield, Sunday.
5. **South Carolina** (12-1) beat No. 25 S. Dakota 73-60. Next: vs. No. 14 Kentucky, Thursday, Jan. 2.
6. **Louisville** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Sunday.
7. **Baylor** (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Morehead State, Monday, Dec. 30.
8. **Florida State** (12-0) beat No. 24 Michigan 79-69. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, Sun.
9. **N.C. State** (11-0) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Sunday.
10. **UCLA** (11-0) beat No. 12 Indiana 68-58. Next: vs. Southern Cal, Sunday.
11. **Texas A&M** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, Sunday.
12. **Indiana** (10-2) lost to No. 10 UCLA 68-58. Next: vs. No. 19 Michigan State, Sat.
13. **Maryland** (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 24 Michigan, Saturday.
14. **Kentucky** (10-1) did not play. Next: at No. 5 South Carolina, Thursday, Jan. 2.
15. **Mississippi State** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Little Rock, Sunday.
16. **DePaul** (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Marquette, Sunday.
17. **Gonzaga** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Portland, Sunday.
18. **Arizona** (11-0) did not play. Next: at Arizona State, Sunday.
19. **Michigan State** (7-4) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Indiana, Saturday.
20. **Missouri State** (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. William Jewell, Tue., Dec. 31.
21. **Arkansas** (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. UT Martin, Sunday.
22. **West Virginia** (9-1) beat Syracuse 71-69. Next: vs. Cornell, Tuesday, Dec. 31.
23. **Tennessee** (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Howard, Sunday.
24. **Michigan** (9-2) lost to No. 8 Florida St. 79-69. Next: at No. 13 Maryland, Sat.
25. **South Dakota** (12-2) lost to No. 5 S. Carolina 73-60. Next: at W. Illinois, Sun.

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Adam Scott	70-67-69-69
277 (-11)	
Michael Hendry	70-68-70-69
278 (-10)	
Cameron Davis	72-70-69-67
Yuan Carl Yechun	70-65-73-70
Min Woo Lee	68-72-68-70
Nick Flanagan	72-73-63-70
Wade Ormsby	68-69-70-71
279 (-9)	
Andrew Dodd	69-72-70-68
280 (-8)	
Minkyu Kim	72-69-72-67
281 (-7)	
Johannes Veerman	70-71-73-67
Denzel Ilermia	77-67-69-68
Brett Rankin	67-73-72-69
Cameron Smith	74-65-72-70
Bryce Easton	71-68-71-71
282 (-6)	
Brett Rumford	72-69-72-69
Travis Smyth	68-72-72-70
Greg Chalmers	74-69-68-71
Nick Cullen	68-73-68-73
Also	
284 (-4)	
Stewart Cink	70-72-71-71
285 (-3)	
Cameron Champ	71-70-71-73

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2011: Sorana Cirstea
2010: Ivana Ljiskaj
2009: Clara Feuerstein
2008: Marina Melnikova
2007: Anne-Laure Heitz

ODDS

NBA	SP	O/U	MONDAY
at Detroit	off	off	Philadelphia
at Indiana	6	209½	Toronto
at Orlando	4½	209	Chicago
at New York	2½	234½	Washington
at Cleveland	2	228½	Atlanta
at Miami	4	212	Utah
San Antonio	1	226½	at Memphis
at Phoenix	off	off	Denver
Houston	5½	228	at Sacra
at Portland	6	228½	New Orleans
at Golden St.	off	off	New Orleans

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

NHL	SP	MONDAY
at Siena	6	Canisius
at Seattle U	4	Long Beach St
at Georgia	9½	Ga. Southern
at SMU	8	Georgia St
at Fresno St	Pk	San Fran.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

BOWL GAMES	MONDAY
GASPARILLA	
UCF	15 60½
HAWAII	
BYU	1½ 64
INDEPENDENCE	
MIAMI	6½ 50½
QUICK LANE	
Pittsburgh	11½ 49
MILITARY	
N. Carolina	4 53
PINSTRIPE	
Michigan St	3½ 50
TEXAS	
Texas A&M	7 54½
HOLIDAY	
Iowa	2 52
CHEEZ-IT	
Air Force	3 67½
CAMPING WORLD	
Notre Dame	3½ 54½
COTTON	
Penn State	7 59
PEACH (CFP semifinal)	
LSU	13½ 76
FIESTA (CFP semifinal)	
Clemson	2 63
SERVPRO FIRST RESPONDER	
W. Kentucky	3 54½
MUSIC CITY	
Miss St.	4 63½
REDBOX	
California	6 44
ORANGE	
Florida	14½ 55
BELK	
Va. Tech	2½ 46½
SUN	
Arizona St	4½ 53½
LIBERTY	
Navy	2½ 52
ARIZONA	
Wyoming	7 48½
ALAMO	
Utah	7 55
CITRUS	
Alabama	7 58
OUTBACK	
Auburn	7 53
ROSE	
Wisconsin	3 51½
SUGAR	
Georgia	6½ 41
BRIMINGHAM	
Cincinnati	7 55
GATOR	
Tennessee	1½ 51½
FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO	
Ohio	8 59
ARMED FORCES	
Tulane	7 56½
LENDINGTREE	
La-Laf.	14 55½
CFP NATIONAL CHAMPION	
5-4: LSU	15-4: Ohio State
23-10: Clemson	15-1: Oklahoma

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FLORIDA	0	44	Illinois
ORANGE	14	55	Virginia
BELK			DEC. 31
SUN			Kentucky
Arizona St	4	53	Florida St
LIBERTY			
Navy	2	52	Kansas St
ARIZONA			Georgia St
Wyoming	7	48	
ALAMO			
Utah	7	55	Texas
CITRUS			JAN. 1
Alabama	7	58	Michigan
OUTBACK			
Urburn	7	53	Minnesota
ROSE			
Wisconsin	3	51	Oregon
SUGAR			
Georgia	6	41	Baylor
BIRMINGHAM			JAN. 2
Cincinnati	7	55	Boston Coll.

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HAWKS TAKEAWAYS

Dach takes big step up; Keith leads by attitude

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

The Blackhawks know better by now. They know that even after winning a couple of tough road games in a row, including Saturday's thrilling come-from-behind 5-3 victory over the Avalanche, nothing matters until they do it consistently.

But coming back from a two-goal deficit in the third period to beat the Avs should provide some momentum.

"We can't get too high on ourselves," Kirby Dach told NBC Sports Chicago after Saturday's game. "We've kind of had a streaky year where we win a bunch of games and tend to lose a couple. We've got to find a way to find the standard every night and keep playing the same way."

The Hawks also won a pair of road games earlier this month against the Bruins and Devils, then returned to the United Center and lost four in a row.

Here are three takeaways from Saturday's win:

1. Kirby Dach had his best game of the season.

The first 15 games of Kirby Dach's career were filled with the ups and downs you would expect from an 18-year-old rookie.

The little ice time he had was spent trying to get comfortable with new teammates and a league in which the speed is hard to fathom. But even with those growing pains, Dach managed to put up a few points.

He had five goals and five assists in those initial 15 games and never went more than three games without making the score-sheet.

The next 15 games were a different story. Dach failed to register a single point even as he started to play a little more. The scoring slump brought out questions about whether he was ready for the NHL or if he might benefit from playing in the World Juniors with Team Canada to get his confidence back.

But the fact is that his confidence never left him. So when Dach scored the tying goal in the third period Saturday, it was less a sigh of relief and more an opportunity to show the slump hadn't got him down.

"I've been through this before (being) in a scoring slump," Dach told NBC Sports Chicago after the game. "I think as a skilled player, if you want to say that, or a guy who's supposed to put up points, the biggest thing is not to get frustrated and not change anything. You've just got to keep being you and keep playing your way because eventually the puck's going to find your stick and go in.

"It might not be the prettiest goal or the prettiest assist, but you're going to find a way to get off that and from there on just roll with it and keep playing the way you've been playing before that."



MATTHEW STOCKMAN/GETTY (TOP); DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP (ABOVE)

Kirby Dach, just 18, had the best game of his young career in Saturday night's victory over the Avalanche.

2. Duncan Keith's leadership while he was injured was missed as much as his play.

It would be understandable if the last few weeks were trying ones for Duncan Keith.

He dealt with a groin injury that cost him nine games and watched as longtime teammate Brent Seabrook was benched for a game then missed the recent two-game trip with nagging injuries.

Yet since Keith's return, he has seemed happy, rejuvenated and not at all frustrated over the uncomfortable Seabrook situation. After Wednesday's loss to the Avalanche at the United Center, Keith challenged the Hawks to be better.

"We've got to get a little more emotion," he said. "It's not going to just turn around, it's not going to just happen. We need to make it happen. We need to get a little pissed off."

Whether credit goes to Keith or not, the Hawks were better in a 4-1 win over the Jets on Thursday and had one of their best all-around games of the season in beating the Avalanche on Saturday.

Keith was happy with the pairing of rookie Adam Boqvist the last few games.

"You get a little different perspective," Keith told NBC Sports Chicago. "I enjoy playing with Boqi. He complements my game and we work good together. He's a good puck mover. I try to embrace that role of kind of mentoring guys like him and Dacher. I enjoy it. I've got a young son and those guys are closer to my son's age than me. It's fun.

"I think it's what the team needs out of me. Those guys have been playing good and I think the team's benefiting from that too."

Keith played a little under his season average of 23 minutes, 51 seconds his first two games back, but on Saturday he played 26:24 and played in all situations.

"We know when you're without him you realize — not that we didn't before — but it certainly underlines what a big part of our team he is," Jeremy Colliton said. "Especially the last two games he's been outstanding and makes a huge difference. I thought Boqvist played great too."

3. Dylan Sikura saw his first playing time since Dec. 10 — and barely saw the ice.

The loss of Brandon Saad appeared to create an opportunity for Dylan Sikura, perhaps even to score the first goal of his career.

That opportunity may still come, but it didn't arrive Saturday. Sikura played only 6:57 and skated just three shifts after the first period, including just one shift during the third.

The decision was driven in large part because the Hawks trailed and Jeremy Colliton wanted to get Patrick Kane as much ice time as he could. Sikura wasn't the only player to barely play in the final period. Alex Nylander skated just two shifts in the third after playing a combined 13 shifts over the first two periods.

Circumstances dictate what happens in games, and getting Sikura ice time wasn't a priority. With Saad on injured reserve and guaranteed to be out at least a few more games, the Hawks could call up another forward from Rockford who could knock Sikura out of the lineup.

BULLS TAKEAWAYS

Arrow pointing up for White

BY PHIL THOMPSON

The Bulls notched just their second set of back-to-back wins of the season, coming back from six points down in the third quarter and turning back a couple of fourth-quarter surges to beat the Pistons 119-107 Saturday in Detroit.

The Bulls shot 51% from 3-point range and won the rebound battle 46-29.

Bulls coach Jim Boylen praised his team for being organized, particularly in the face of the Pistons' late challenges.

"I feel there's a calmness," Boylen said on NBC Sports Chicago. "I think there's a maturity that's happening. We said in the timeout we've been here before, 'Let's go from here.' And we have been there before, we've been there a bunch. I thought we were poised. I thought we were organized.

"I thought that the group that was out there is getting a real feel for end-of-game situations. ... You can't always control if the shots go in, but we've got to try to get good looks."

Here are three observations from the game.

1. Coby White had his good and bad moments — but mostly good.

Coby White had back-to-back turnovers in the second quarter, one where the ball was poked away and another on an ill-advised bounce pass. But those were his only turnovers for the game.

Everything clicked for him in the third quarter, when he went 3-for-3 from beyond the arc and scored 11 points. For the game, he went 5-for-7 from 3-point range and scored 19 points off the bench.

The rookie has been learning the point guard position on the fly, but it helped that the Bulls let him fall back into comfort zone playing off the ball.

Jim Boylen said coaches scripted a couple of plays out of timeouts to help White keep his offensive rhythm.

"It's hard to get those shots he gets on the ball," Boylen said on NBC Sports Chicago. "You have to give the guys credit on that, they find him. They like it when he gets it going."

White's good night looms even larger when you consider his four previous games when he scored either two or three points and shot just 16.7% or lower.

"Tonight it felt good being out there and I finally got the shots to fall," White said on NBC Sports Chicago. "The last couple of games didn't go my way, but the biggest part is we got the win."

2. Zach LaVine had another clutch fourth quarter.

Zach LaVine's fourth-quarter play was key in the win against the Wizards and he rose to the occasion again in Detroit, going 3-for-3 from 3-point range, making all four of his free throws, grabbing three rebounds and scoring 13 of his 33 points.

"I thought he did it in a lot of different ways," Jim Boylen said on NBC Sports Chicago. "I thought he showed the whole repertoire. Got to the line, took it to the rim, finished at the rim, made deep 3s.

"He's perfecting his shot fake at the end of his move, which is huge for us. He makes it look really easy."

LaVine is trending upward as the season progresses, improving his averages each month in points, 3-pointers, rebounds and free throws.

3. Tomas Satoransky took charge at key moments.

Tomas Satoransky started the game aggressively. And If the Pistons didn't get the message in the first half, he delivered on a third-quarter dunk when he caught the Pistons napping and split two defenders.

His anticipation in the passing lane paid off twice in the fourth quarter with steals.

In fact, his second steal off Luke Kennard came shortly after Kennard's 3-pointer brought the Pistons within 101-99.

On the Bulls' end, Satoransky put a nice spin move on Bruce Brown and drew a foul on Andre Drummond, then made two free throws to pad the lead to 103-99.

"He's an experienced guy that is tough," Boylen said on NBC Sports Chicago. "He had a couple of big plays at the end."

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Playing for the Flames in the first period of a game Feb. 28, 2013, Akim Aliu loses control of the puck as the blade of his stick breaks off while Ryan O'Byrne of the Avalanche defends.

'THIS IS FOR REAL'

Journeyman Aliu's honesty sparks a hockey reckoning

By JOHN WAWROW | Associated Press

VAUGHAN, Ontario — There was no breaking point or seminal moment that prompted Akim Aliu to post two tweets less than a minute apart that would rock the NHL in a matter of hours.

Aliu was scrolling through the timeline on his phone when he saw a report of how just-fired Maple Leafs coach Mike Babcock had mistreated Mitch Marner, his prized rookie forward.

"It was a spur-of-the-moment kind of thing," Aliu explained during an interview at a Toronto area gym where the 30-year-old works out to stay in shape in case a team gives him one more shot at playing.

The tweets went viral, and soon the text messages were piling up for Aliu.

"I was like, 'Whoa, like this is for real,'" he said.

The posts sent Nov. 25 were thunderclaps heard around hockey, alleging coach Bill Peters had directed racist slurs at him when the two were in the minors a decade ago and then tried to make sure he'd be demoted.

It was an extraordinary public accusation in perhaps the most private of professional sports in North America. The allegations proved true and prompted Peters' resignation as coach of the Flames. Over the last month, other claims have cropped up, and the NHL has swiftly moved to strengthen its personal conduct policies regarding racism and bullying.

Suddenly, Aliu was no longer just a long-forgotten defenseman who had played for 21 teams in six countries over the last 10 years. He was an agent of change coming hard on the heels of two incidents that still hover over the first half of the NHL season.

Longtime Canadian broadcaster Don Cherry was let go last month after calling immigrants "you people" during his "Hockey Night in Canada" segment. Then came Babcock's firing and word he had embarrassed Marner with the revelation that he had asked the player to rank his teammates by work ethic.

With hockey already buzzing, Aliu kicked things up a notch by accusing Peters, a Babcock protégé, of openly using the "N word" in questioning Aliu's choice of music in a locker room all those years ago. It was later revealed Peters had kicked and punched his own players during his four years as coach of the Hurricanes.

Aliu's allegations also led to Blackhawks assistant Marc Crawford being suspended for physically and verbally abusing his

players at previous stops as a head coach.

Aliu's timing turned out to be perfect in sparking a much-needed discussion.

"My parents have always told me that things happen at the time they're supposed to happen, not when you hope they would happen," Aliu said. "I kind of dealt with both of those things. So I kind of combined them. And I feel like I have a voice because of that."

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman has used the uproar to call for change in a sport long made up of mostly white players and one always eager to diversify and grow.

"The world is changing for the better," Bettman said after a recent board of governors meeting in California. "This is an opportunity and a moment for positive change, and this evolution should be expedited for the benefit of everyone associated with the game we love."

But is it truly a reckoning in a sport that has fewer than three dozen black players and banned a handful of fans for racist taunts less than two years ago?

"It seems different," said Anson Carter, a black former player and broadcaster. "It really does because it has the NHL's attention."

"Is it going to change overnight? No. Are we going to totally, completely eliminate it 100%? No. It exists in society. We would be ignorant to think that there wouldn't be some instances that might pop up."

It took until now for Aliu to find the courage to speak out about racism. Born in Nigeria, raised in Ukraine and a Canadian resident since he was 7, he had learned to stay quiet amid the slurs, slights and demotions for fear of being branded a dissenter — as he believes he was in 2005.

That was during Aliu's rookie season with the Ontario Hockey League's Spitfires, and he spoke out after a hazing incident in which he and three other rookies were stripped naked and jammed in a team bus bathroom after a preseason game.

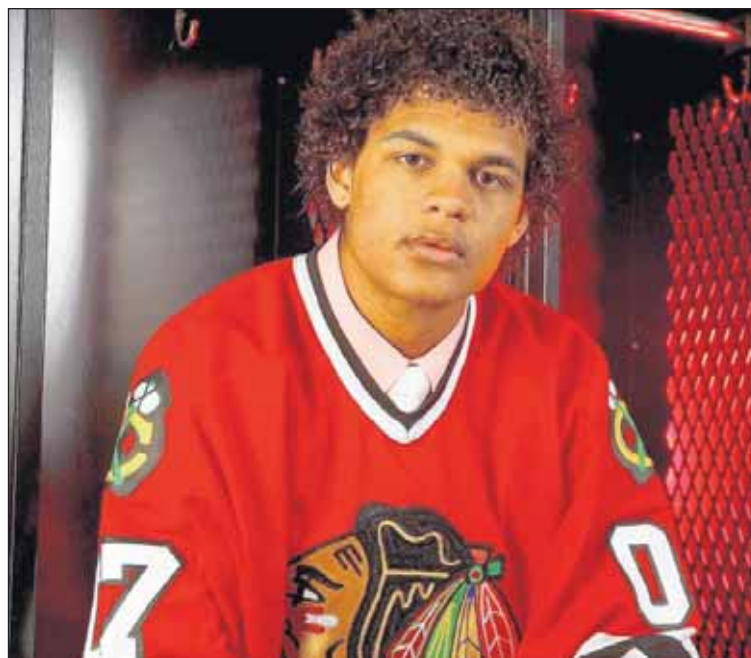
Aliu's complaints led to the team being fined \$35,000, coach and GM Moe Mantha being suspended and a teammate he had brawled with, Steve Downie, eventually being traded, along with Aliu.

Aliu thought he was the one who was punished the most for speaking out. His Team Canada invites dried up, and a player with first-round hopes fell to the second round of the 2007 draft, where he was picked by the



RICH LAM/GETTY

Former Flames coach Bill Peters, behind the bench last season, resigned after an investigation into his use of racial slurs and physical affronts made by former NHL defenseman Akim Aliu.



GREGORY SHAMUS/GETTY

Akim Aliu models a Blackhawks jersey after the team made him the 56th overall pick in the 2007 NHL draft in Columbus, Ohio.

Blackhawks.

"I defended myself for it and I was the villain," Aliu said.

If it sounds like sour grapes, Aliu noted, he compiled 167 points in 205 career OHL games as a defenseman. And he continued to produce at the minor-league level only to constantly be demoted.

One of those demotions sent him to ECHL Colorado, where a minor-league equipment manager wore blackface at a Halloween

party in 2011. Aliu demanded a trade, though he has since accepted the manager's apology.

Aliu hasn't given up on playing, even though he's been out of hockey since scoring four goals and adding seven assists in 14 games for ECHL Orlando last season. His NHL career was limited to two goals and an assist in seven games with the Flames, the last in the 2012-13 season.

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— Akim Aliu

happen, I probably would have hung them up a long time ago," Aliu said. "But at the end of the day, I think you're put in situations that you're uncomfortable with. I think God only gives fights to the people that can handle the fight."

"If I can be a help to the next generation, I think it would all be worth it, to be honest."

AP Hockey Writers Larry Lage and Stephen Whyno contributed to this report.

— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

Blown calls too common in memorable '19 games

BY PAUL NEWBERRY
Associated Press

The Saints looked around in disbelief, searching for a yellow flag that never came during the NFL playoffs.

Auburn was sure it would get the ball after a Virginia player appeared to double-dribble in the closing seconds of a thrilling Final Four game, but the refs let it go.

Not long after, the guys in stripes weren't so lax, whistling a disputed foul that sent the Cavaliers to the line for the winning free throws.

Some of the year's most memorable games were decided by controversial calls — or perhaps it would be more appropriate to say calls that didn't get made.

Let's take a look back at some of the controversial plays from 2019:

Bayou bungle

The Rams advanced to the Super Bowl with an overtime win over the Saints that would not have been possible without an egregious mistake by the officials in the closing minutes of regulation.

Rams cornerback Nickell Robey-Coleman committed a blatant interference penalty with a helmet-to-helmet hit on Tommylee Lewis well before the pass arrived inside the 5, forcing the Saints to settle for Wil Lutz's 31-yard field goal.

"I got away with one," Robey-Coleman conceded.

Jared Goff had enough time to lead the Rams down the field for Greg Zuerlein's tying field with 15 seconds left.

Then Zuerlein won it 26-23 with a 57-yard field goal in overtime.

"It happened right there in front of the person who would be the one to make the call, and everyone in the stands saw it, everyone watching at home on TV saw it," Saints quarterback Drew Brees said.

In response to the uproar, the NFL changed its rules to allow video reviews of interference calls, though that has seemingly led to even more confusion and complaints this season.

Final Four two-step

One year after becoming the first top seed to lose to a No. 16 seed, Virginia appeared headed for more heartbreak in the NCAA Tournament.

The Cavaliers squandered a 10-point lead in the final five minutes to Auburn. But they managed to pull it out, with a big helping hand from the officials.

Virginia's Ty Jerome appeared to double-dribble for what could have been a decisive turnover. Or Jerome might have been fouled before the mishandle. There was no whistle for either.

With 1.5 seconds left and in need of some magic, Virginia got the ball to Kyle Guy in the corner. He turned and fired as Samir Doughty, hands straight up in the air, bumped into Guy's hip. The shot was short, bouncing off the rim as Auburn started to celebrate.

Game over? Nope.

Official James Breeding called a foul on Doughty, sending Guy to the free-throw line. He calmly knocked down all three shots to give Virginia a disputed 63-62 win. Two nights later, in another overtime thriller, the Cavaliers captured their first national title by beating Texas Tech.

"We kind of thought we had it sealed," Auburn's Bryce Brown said. "I just didn't agree with the call."

Pavelski payback

Auburn and the Saints weren't the only teams to gripe about the officiating.

The NHL season ended for the Golden Knights in Game 7 of the playoffs after a major penalty sparked the Sharks to a 5-4 overtime victory.

On a faceoff in the Sharks' offensive zone with the Golden Knights leading 3-0 midway through the third period, Cody Eakin cross-checked Sharks captain Joe Pavelski in the chest. Paul Stastny then bumped Pavelski as he fell to the ice, his helmet slamming down. Pavelski was knocked out and was bleeding on the ice.



GERALD HERBERT/AP

Rams defensive back Nickell Robey-Coleman breaks up a pass intended for Saints receiver Tommylee Lewis (11) in the NFC championship game.



DAVID J. PHILLIP/AP

Virginia's Kyle Guy (5) and his teammates celebrate after defeating Texas Tech 85-77 in overtime in the championship of the NCAA basketball tournament in Minneapolis.



FRANK GUNN/AP

Kawhi Leonard, second from left, celebrates his game-winning basket as time expires as the Raptors beat 76ers in the Eastern semifinals.

The officials huddled as a dazed Pavelski was helped to the locker room. They gave Eakin a five-minute major for cross-checking and a game misconduct.

The Golden Knights were livid — especially after the Sharks erupted for four goals during those five minutes with an extra skater.

"They called five minutes for that?" Knights forward Jonathan Marchessault said. "It's a joke, that's what it is."

The Golden Knights tied the game with a goal late in regulation, but Barclay Goodrow's overtime goal won it for the Sharks 5-4.

"The boys got together and said this is for Pavs," the Sharks' Joe Thornton said. "It was just a matter of will, and we willed that one for him."

The Sharks became just the second team to overcome a three-goal deficit in the third period to win a Game 7.

As for the Golden Knights, they had to be content with a call from the NHL apologizing for a penalty that was too harsh.

Miracle at Anfield

Add another entry to Liverpool's long list of storied comebacks.

This time Lionel Messi and mighty Barcelona were on the receiving end in the semifinals of soccer's European Champions League.

After romping to a 3-0 win in the first game of the home-and-

home, total-goals series, Barca seemed a lock for the final.

But, back on their home turf at Anfield, Liverpool pulled off a stunning 4-0 victory that propelled the club to its sixth European title.

"This club has a big heart, and tonight the heart was pounding like crazy," manager Juergen Klopp said. "You could feel it all over the world."

Twenty-four hours later, Tottenham overcame a three-goal halftime deficit on the road, stunning Ajax in the other Champions League semifinal.

"We saw Liverpool last night," Tottenham fullback Danny Rose said. "It goes to show it's not over until it is over."

Follow bouncing ball

Kawhi Leonard got the bounce. Then another. Then another. And, yes, one more.

Finally, the shot fell through, giving the Raptors a 92-90 victory that bounced the 76ers out of the NBA playoffs.

Leonard's shot from the corner over Joel Embiid was the first winning buzzer-beater in a Game 7 in NBA history. The ball danced on the rim four times before dropping. It was quite a capper to Leonard's 41-point masterpiece.

The Raptors went on to claim their first NBA title by beating the defending champion Warriors.

"It was great," Leonard said. "It was a blessing to be able to get to that point and make that shot and feel that moment."

Megan's moment

Megan Rapinoe capped a remarkable year of sporting excellence and social activism by leading the U.S. to its second straight Women's World Cup title.

Rapinoe broke a scoreless tie in the championship game with a second-half penalty kick, and the Americans went on to beat the Netherlands 2-0.

Rapinoe won the Golden Ball as top player and the Golden Boot as top scorer in the monthlong tournament, but her impact went far beyond the field. She sparred with President Donald Trump and was one of the leading voices on a squad that loudly demanded equal pay with the men's team.

"We're such a proud and strong and defiant group of women," Rapinoe said.

Her trademark victory pose, looking skyward with arms outstretched, also became a worldwide sensation.

Burrow bests Tua

Joe Burrow propelled LSU to the College Football Playoff and himself to the Heisman Trophy with a dazzling display against Tua Tagovailoa and Alabama in what was college football's game of the year.

Burrow passed for 393 yards and three touchdowns, answered challenge after challenge and helped end LSU's eight-year string of futility against the Crimson Tide.

After the Tigers' 46-41 victory, Burrow was carried off the field at Bryant-Denny Stadium by his teammates.

"We've finally got the tools that we need to beat those guys," coach Ed Orgeron said. "To have a championship team, you've got to have a championship quarterback."

Angel on the pitcher's mound

In their first home game after the death of pitcher Tyler Skaggs, the Angels honored his memory with a combined no-hitter from Taylor Cole and Felix Pena in a 13-0 shutout victory over the Mariners.

The Angels played a practically perfect game on the day before what would have been Skaggs' 28th birthday.

"He was definitely looking over us tonight," said Mike Trout, who contributed a 454-foot homer and six RBIs.

Later, officials ruled that Skaggs died from an accidental drug overdose, prompting Major League Baseball to start testing for cocaine and opioids.

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BRETT BEINER

Emilie Lynn and cast in "Mary Poppins" at the Drury Lane Theatre in Oakbrook Terrace. It's a "practically perfect" choice for families with older kids.

Ultimate New Year's Eve

Save the Seats: Your tickets to hot shows are waiting

BY DOUG GEORGE

Our take on 2019: Well, *that's* over. No better ending to the year and the decade than our 2019 edition of Save the Seats, the annual Tribune feature with ticket reservations for Tribune readers for New Year's Eve.

You might feel like getting out this New Year's Eve. Maybe heading to the bar. We have other options. If at this late date you're still in need of a ticket or two for the night of Dec. 31, the Tribune has a bunch reserved at concerts, parties, comedy and magic shows, and plays, some with multiple performance times to choose from. Many are for shows that are otherwise sold out. And they're yours for the buying if you're one of the first to call.

How it works

1. Check out the shows on offer. The theaters and other venues are holding tickets for their Dec. 31 performances in the Tribune's name, and Tribune readers who call and request them when the box office or ticket line opens Monday morning can buy them at face value. Sorry, this is not a contest or giveaway — the tickets are not free.

2. Check prices and showtimes, have your credit card handy and call the phone numbers included here. In some cases,

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bellemore's masquerade-themed New Year's Eve will feature a four-course menu.

Save the Tables: Your reservation is ready — just call

BY PHIL VETTEL

Christmas is just two days away, which means it's also time for my annual Save the Tables story, which I've been doing every year (two interruptions aside) since 1994.

What I do is make dinner reservations for New Year's Eve, under my name, at dozens of city and suburban restaurants. Starting Monday, readers can call those restaurants, ask for the "Phil Vettel" table and claim that reservation for their very own.

First caller wins. But because I have more than 160 participating restaurants, that's a lot of winners.

To clarify: These are not free dinners. They're not even discounted dinners. You pay full price. You do, however, get a reservation that would be almost impossible to snag at this late date.

For instance, if you're looking for a four-star experience, I've got tables at Acadia, Alinea, George Trois, Mako, Next, Spiaggia and Topolobampo. If you're looking for glam, I have BLVD, Marchesa, RPM Steak and Tao. Views? NoMI Kitchen, the Signature Room, Spiaggia, SX Sky Bar and Terrace 16 are on board.

I've got tables for late-nighters and early birds. I have intimate experiences and party atmospheres. I have tables for the first New Year's Eve dinners at these spots that opened in 2019: Cafe Cancale, Cebu, Cira, Galit, Kostali, Stolp Island Social,

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After 42 years of 'Star Wars,' I have 42 questions



CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

I just left a screening of "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker," the ninth and concluding chapter of the 42-year saga of the Skywalker family, a story I have carried with me longer than any other story (42 years), a farewell I am told to feel deep sadness about. Despite being crammed with several films worth of exposition and characters and tears (yes, it's touching), I am left now with many questions, never to be answered.

CAUTION: Spoilers ahead. Stop reading now if you don't want "Rise of Skywalker" plot points revealed.

1. How *did* Emperor Palpatine survive the fall down that shaft in "Return of the Jedi"?

2. When I was eight, I left my beloved Kenner X-Wing fighter at the house of a friend from grade school, but when I called him later to let him know I left my X-Wing fighter, he said that there was only his X-Wing fighter at his house. He was lying, wasn't he?

3. If Luke Skywalker's father was Darth Vader, who was Darth Vader's father? (And don't say Palpatine manipulated something or other — it's never really made clear!)

4. What's Lando Calrissian been doing since 1983 and why, in "Rise of Skywalker," doesn't he even seem to notice Nien Nunb, his old "Return of the Jedi" copilot?

5. When I saw "Empire Strikes Back" on opening night with my grandmother, on the way home she told me that she knew



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Lando Calrissian (Billy Dee Williams), we missed you. Where have you been?

all along that Darth Vader was Luke Skywalker's father even though I'm pretty sure she gasped along with everyone — she was lying too, huh?

6. If the Empire — and then the First Order — were kind of sci-fi stand-ins for Nazis and totalitarianism, then why is everyone so quick to want to dress up as Stormtroopers?

7. Will George Lucas, now 75, ever get around to making those small, experimental films that he's been talking about in interviews for the last 42 years?

8. If the Rebels blew up the first Death Star by targeting a small exhaust port in the side of a gargantuan space station, why was the

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Daisy Ridley's Rey continues her training as a Jedi knight in "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker."

'Rise of Skywalker' opens with \$175.5M

The Force was a little less strong with "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker." J.J. Abrams' Skywalker finale couldn't match its recent predecessors on opening weekend, but it still amassed a \$175.5 million debut that ranked as the third-largest weekend of the year. "The Rise of Skywalker" came in with worse reviews than any "Star Wars" movie except for 1999's "The Phantom Menace," which famously heralded the debut of Jar Jar Binks. That response may have muted what could have been a record-setting weekend. While Disney had cautiously estimated about a \$165 million opening, analysts had pegged "The Rise of Skywalker" for around \$200 million. "The Rise of Skywalker" pulled in \$374 million worldwide, according to studio estimates Sunday. The film was especially lackluster in China, where all "Star Wars" films have struggled. It grossed \$12.1 million in the world's second-largest movie marketplace. Though it proved divisive with fans, 2017's "Last of the Jedi" directed by Rian Johnson, opened with \$220 million and ultimately grossed \$1.3 billion worldwide. Abrams' own "The Force Awakens" set a then-record in 2015 with a \$248 million debut and sold more than \$2 billion in global tickets. With the coming holiday period, "Rise of Skywalker" is poised to dominate the year's most lucrative week of moviegoing.

— Associated Press

Box office

- 1. "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker," \$175.5 million
- 2. "Jumanji: The Next Level," \$26.1 million
- 3. "Frozen 2," \$12.3 million
- 4. "Cats," \$6.5 million
- 5. "Knives Out," \$6.1 million
- 6. "Bombshell," \$5.1 million
- 7. "Richard Jewell," \$2.6 million
- 8. "Queen & Slim," \$1.9 million
- 9. "Black Christmas," \$1.8 million (tie)
- "Ford v Ferrari," \$1.8 million (tie)

SOURCE: Associated Press
Estimated sales,
Friday-Sunday



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Fashion designer Emanuel Ungaro dies: French fashion designer Emanuel Ungaro, who was known for his use of vibrant color, mixed prints and elegant draping, has died at the age of 86. Ungaro's death was confirmed Sunday by the eponymous Paris fashion house he founded in 1965. The designer died Saturday in Paris, according to French media. For decades, Ungaro clothed celebrities and actresses, including Jacqueline Kennedy, Gena Rowlands and Catherine Deneuve. In 1996, he sold his house to the Italian group Ferragamo. He kept creating collections and retired in 2004.

Dec. 23 birthdays: Actor Ronnie Schell is 88. Actor-comedian Harry Shearer is 76. Actress Susan Lucci is 73. Rock musician Dave Murray is 63. Rock singer Eddie Vedder is 55. Jazz musician Irvin Mayfield is 42. Actor Spencer Daniels is 27.



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Celebrate season with gift of literacy

Dear Readers: This is a special day for me, because this is the day I take a break from hosting your questions to advocate for a cause that is very near and dear to me: literacy. In my long career as a writer and reader, I have volunteered in classrooms, libraries and prisons, reading with others and sharing the work of writers important in my life. I do so in honor of my late mother, Jane, who passed along to me her love of reading and writing — first as a young child on our somewhat isolated dairy farm, and later as adults, when we shared books and letters, sometimes over great distances. This is a legacy I continue to happily share — through the many books I recommend in this space, and the two memoirs I have written. What I learned from my mother's life lesson is that when you have a book, you are never alone. Literacy imparts real power, and this is especially important for people who feel powerless. The magic of literacy can happen at any time, but it is especially important in childhood. Reading helps a child's brain develop. Reading for pleasure is a lifelong gift of entertainment and learning. Today, in memory of my mother on her birthday, I joyfully share a simple idea that adults can easily adopt — to give the children in their lives the gift my mother gave to me by putting "a book on every bed." Here's what to do: On Christmas morning or New Year's Day (or whatever holiday you celebrate), make sure that each child in your household

wakes up to a wrapped book at the foot of their bed. The gift could be a new book or an old favorite from your childhood. After the child unwraps the book, the most important aspect of this gift is unveiled, when the parent sits and shares it with the child. The sad fact is that more than a third of families in the United States do not regularly share books with their young children. Starting a celebratory morning by reading together will forge an unforgettable intimacy for both the child and the parent. This year I am partnering with Children's Reading Connection, a national early literacy initiative founded in my hometown of Ithaca, New York. The organization's advocacy focuses on helping families to share books with babies and children. Even babies too young to talk tune in, in a deep and abiding way, when they are held and read to. This is an important prescription for health and success in growing brains — and sharing a book is a wonderful way for families to connect. Every year I hear from teachers, librarians, church groups, parents and grandparents who tell me they have adopted the "book on every bed" tradition in their homes. I can think of no nicer way to kick off a busy Christmas morning than by snuggling up with a book. As a literacy advocate (and huge fan of libraries), I am inspired by the career and legacy of the U.S. Librarian of Congress, Carla Hayden, Ph.D., who is the first woman and the first African American to hold this august post.

Hayden emphasizes how important it is for young readers to identify with and be inspired by characters, as she was as a child: "Literacy is the ticket to learning, opportunity and empowerment. It's important that children see themselves in the books they read. ... "Marguerite de Angeli's 'Bright April' allowed me to see myself in a book — a young girl who was a brownie with pigtales — and it inspired me that anything was possible." Closing the literacy gap in childhood starts with having books in households, and with children being read to. Writer and illustrator Peter Reynolds says, "Picture books are wisdom dipped in art and words." His book "The Word Collector" (2018, Orchard Books) is a great read-along book for an early reader. Its engaging and lively young hero, Jerome, finds and collects words everywhere he goes. Parents and caregivers can put a book on every bed in their households; you can also help spread literacy by sharing this idea in your community. For families who celebrate through service projects, I suggest adopting a local classroom or day care center and providing a book for each child. To learn more, and to share your literacy story, go to childrensreadingconnection.org or my Facebook page: [facebook.com/ADickinsonDaily](https://www.facebook.com/ADickinsonDaily). Copyright 2019 by Amy Dickinson Distributed by Tribune Content Agency

IN PERFORMANCE
'The Phantom of the Opera' ★★ ★

Old Mr. Music of the Night returns again

By CHRIS JONES

As the peak holiday week approaches, Chicago's Loop theaters are filling up with shows: "Mean Girls," the last hurrah of "Hamilton," "Champions of Magic" at the Harris Theatre and, at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, the standard bearer of the megamusical, Andrew Lloyd Webber's "The Phantom of the Opera," *Da, Da, Da, Da, Dar. Ooh-Ha. Ooh-Ha. Pa, Pa, Pa, Pa, Par.* Business for the masked one remains exceptionally

brisk. Assuming he can avoid CGI, celebrities and — oh, heavens — the sad quarterback fumble, the tragic own soccer goal and the feline perfidy of his perfectly worthy theatrical sibling "Cats," Mr. Music of the Night should be able to remain the shining chandelier of the performative culture of the 1980s, despite being as ancient now as "Ferris Bueller's Day Off." There is no point in re-legislating the worth of the material: Why even begin to argue with global success on this head-spin-



MATTHEW MURPHY

Derrick Davis and Emma Grimsley star in "The Phantom of the Opera" at the Cadillac Palace Theatre.

ning level? An entry-level experience for millions of people who found their way toward loving the arts,

this show long ago cornered the market on the Big Night Out, and continues to attract a dressy crowd of families and couples on dates. People still turn themselves out well and put away their phones for the Phantom, and there remains a frisson of excitement in the room as Christine and You Know Who descend to the basement lair of the Opera House, where they will compete for who can sing the highest note. You've got a guy here who has seen this show some 15 times (including his personal favorite, the 90-minute Las Vegas version) over his entire adult life. So let us review what you are buying with your holiday budget. First, this is the authorized Andrew Lloyd Webber "Phantom." (You might recall there used to be imitators but people don't bother with that any more.) Second, this is not the same Hal Prince production that now is the longest-running show on Broadway and used to come to town in enough trucks to fill a Soldier Field parking lot. The only places to see that dollar-spinning baby are at the Majestic Theatre in New York and Her Majesty's in London.

When: Through Jan. 5
Where: Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.
Running time: 2 hours, 40 minutes
Tickets: \$46-136 at 800-775-2000 or broadwayinchicago.com

But this is the only authorized tour, as last seen here in 2016, and as produced by the legendary impresario Cameron Mackintosh and directed by Laurence Connor, the same British director responsible for the updated "Les Misérables," another touring perennial at the Cadillac Palace. If you saw "Phantom" here in 2016, you already saw this show with the same star, Derrick Davis. I thought Connor's work on "Les Mis" was magnificent; his "Phantom" staging is not as successful, mostly because Prince's original staging was so comparatively extraordinary. Since Prince died this year, he was in mind as I watched on Friday night. Typically in reviews of long-running shows of big musicals, I try and tell readers if the show is still spectacular; actually,

Prince's brilliant staging was sparse and lean, and the weakness of Connor's work here is that it sometimes feels cluttered. But if you're looking for something close to the original experience, I doubt you'll be disappointed. The current long-serving Phantom, Davis, is right up there with the best of 'em: His work is richly toned, respectful of the material and the time-proven blend of sensual and macabre. His work has only deepened. The new Christine, Emma Grimsley, sings the role perfectly well, although this young performer could do to asset herself more and command more focus. The Raoul, Jordan Craig, feels whiny, when he should be a non-complicated romantic destination for Christine, just so the Phantom can offer the opposite. And a tip of the mask to Chicago's own Rob Lindley, terrific as Monsieur Andre, the hapless theater owner who makes the mistake of thinking he runs the place. We all know it's the Phantom who owns the theater. Chris Jones is a Tribune critic. cjones5@chicago.tribune.com

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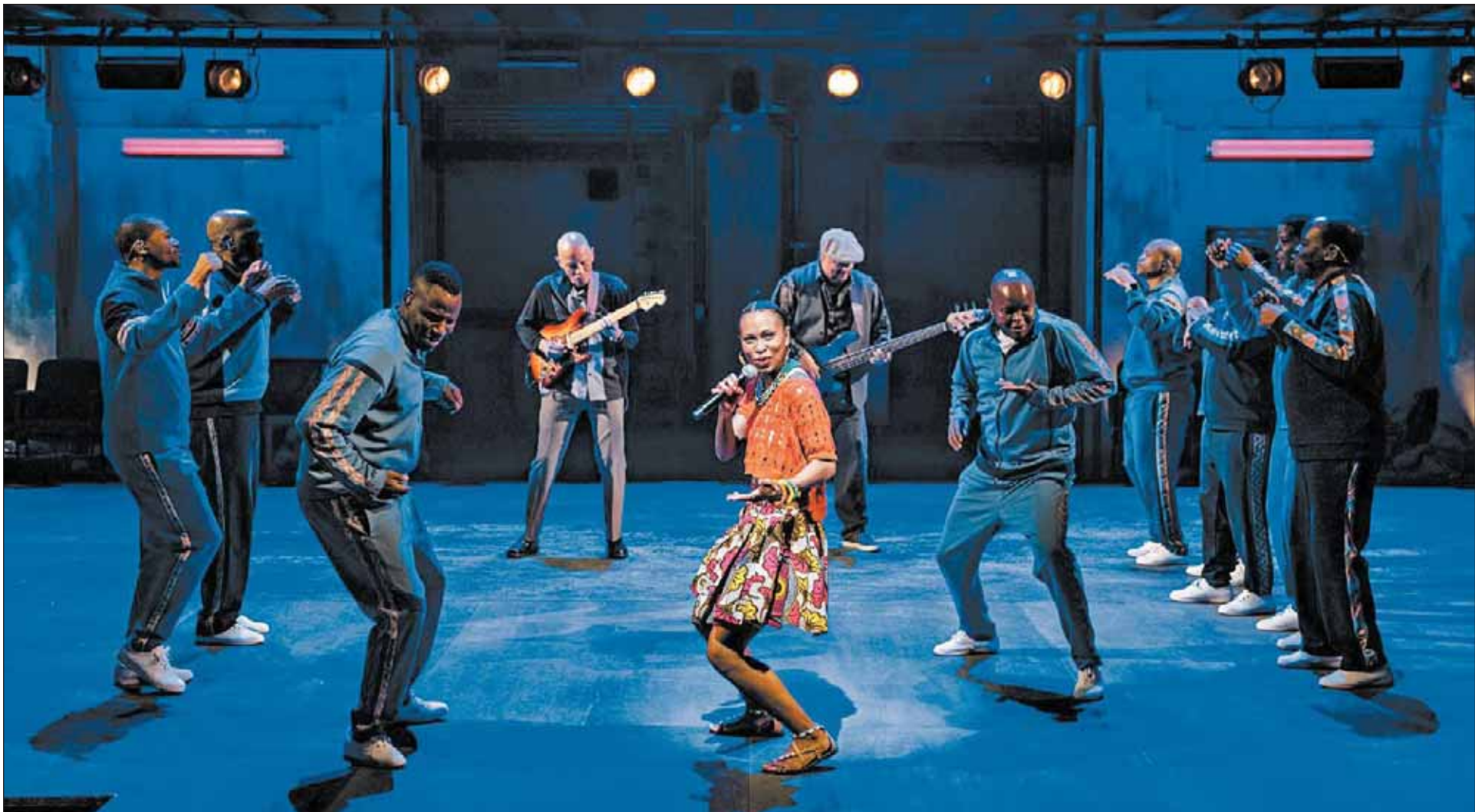
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MICHAEL BROSILOW

Live music of Ladysmith Black Mambazo is at the center of Steppenwolf's world premiere of "Lindiwe," written by ensemble member Eric Simonson.

Save the Seats: Hot tickets

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they're not the usual box office numbers, and sales are by phone only; no online sales for this one. When you talk to the show's representative, identify yourself as a Tribune reader and request the Save the Seats tickets.

3. If the tickets on offer are still unclaimed, you can buy them. Complete the transaction and you're all set. In most cases, the tickets will be held for you at the will-call window.

Consider this the fine print: We've made every effort to ensure that showtimes and prices are correct, but some shows also add ticket fees, and last-minute changes can occur. Verify all relevant information when booking your seats. The Tribune made the reservations, but participation and all sales arrangements are up to the venues. The Tribune is in no way associated with these shows; they're just included in our feature.

On to the shows.

"Mary Poppins": The magical nanny's umbrella has brought her to the western suburbs. This latest production of Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's musical is tip-top, says Chris Jones in his Tribune review. "You can't do a decent 'Mary Poppins' without a tip-top chief nanny and the Drury Lane Theatre has found an immaculate leading performer in Emilie Lynn." For families with young children, be aware the show is almost three hours. Drury Lane offers New Year's Eve afternoon tea and dinner packages, and guests can also enjoy live music and a cash bar until 1 a.m. *Claim your seats: 10 tickets (at \$75 per) for both the 5 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. performances at the Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace. Call 630-530-0111.*

Chicago Magic Lounge: No better place to watch the decade disappear than the Chicago Magic Lounge. Head inside the fake laundromat on Clark Street for a special New Year's Eve show beginning at 10 p.m. The evening starts with close-up magic at your cabaret table, followed by an hour of stage magic performed by Chicago Magic Lounge favorites Gozner and Trent James, and hosted by Lucy Darling. Cocktail attire is encouraged. All tickets include a champagne toast in a souvenir glass and photograph of your party taken from the stage. *Claim your seats: Six main floor tickets (at \$70 per) for the event beginning at 10 p.m. at the Chicago Magic Lounge, 5050 N. Clark St. Call 312-366-4500.*

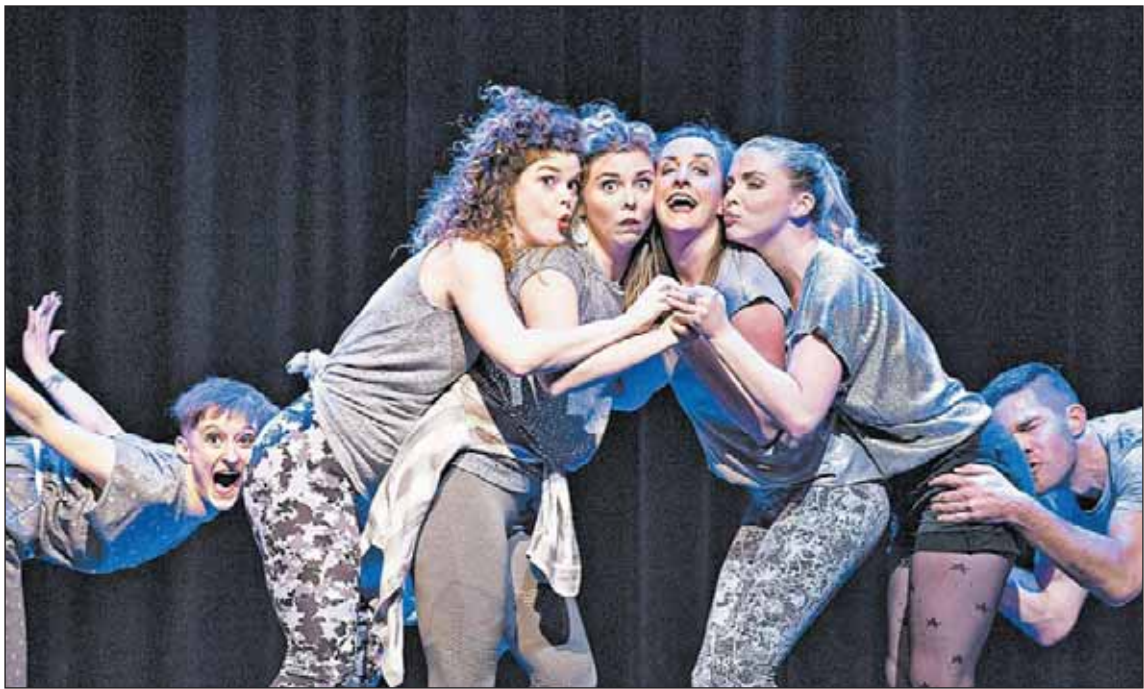
City Winery: Call it a tradition — the New Year's Eve headliner at City Winery is again neo-soul, R&B and gospel singer and songwriter Avery Sunshine, she of the hit soul single "Call My Name." *Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$68 each plus fees) for both the 7:30 p.m. show (doors at 6 p.m.) and the 11 p.m. (doors at 10 p.m.) at City Winery Chicago, 1200 W. Randolph St. Call 312-733-9463.*

iO Theater: You have to hand it to iO Theater in the Clybourn Corridor, there's that great bar at the center and shows happening all over the place. Never more so than on New Year's Eve. Six shows have tickets saved for the



LIZ LAUREN

Paul-Jordan Jansen stars as Beast in "Beauty and the Beast" at Aurora's Paramount Theatre.



IO THEATER

"Comedy Dance Chicago Interactive" is physical comedy and dance at Chicago's iO Theater.

Tribune: "FUDGE" is improv blended with standup (8 p.m. in the Jason Chin Cabaret, \$15). The all-female cast of "Improvvised Jane Austen" invents a story in the style of the 19th-century British author (8 p.m. in the Chris Farley Cabaret, \$15). "Improvvised Shakespeare" does much the same for the 16th-century dude (8 p.m. in the Del Close, \$25). "Come on Down the Interactive NYE Show" is hosted by Dina Facklis and a team of improvisers and requires — OK encourages — you to take part in the action (8 p.m. in the Mission Theater, \$25). "Hot Seat NYE Edition" is about how funny forced truth can be (10:30 p.m. in the Jason Chin Cabaret, \$25). And "Comedy Dance Chicago Interactive NYE Show" is physical comedy and dance (10:30 p.m. in the Mission, \$25). *Claim your seats: Eight tickets for each show (prices and*

times above) at the iO Theater, 1501 N. Kingsbury St. Call 312-929-2401.

"Hamilton": Lin-Manuel Miranda's hip-hop musical about the Founding Fathers has rewritten the rules on musicals, and Chicago has been part of it with the first post-Broadway production. Chicago's "Hamilton," starring Miguel Cervantes as Alexander Hamilton, closes Jan. 5 after a run of more than three years. If you've never been, here's a pair of tickets. If you know and love it, come hear "One Last Time" one more time. *Claim your seats: Two tickets (at \$600 per, sold in pairs) for the 2 p.m. matinee performance at Broadway in Chicago's CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St. Call 800-775-2000.*

Pete's Dueling Piano Bar: This new Rosemont spot is Pete's fifth

establishment; the first four Dueling Pianos are in Texas. The motto is "cut loose and sing loud," and should you need to be reminded, there's a light-up, all caps "SING LOUD" sign over the stage. Surely shan't be needed on New Year's Eve. The show includes hors d'oeuvres, three drinks per person, party favors and a bottle of champagne. *Claim your seats: Two tables of four (at \$400 per table) for the show at 8 p.m. (doors open at 7 p.m.) at Pete's Dueling Piano Bar, 5540 Park Place, Rosemont. Call 847-728-7383.*

Black Ensemble Theater: For years now, Black Ensemble Theater has been going big for New Year's Eve; this year's celebration is titled "Now and Next." The evening is described as a look back at BET's 2019 season and a glimpse of the next in 2020, titled

"Season of Change." It begins with a reception with champagne and hors d'oeuvres, then a show at 8 p.m., with jazz and dancing until 1 a.m. and the champagne toast at midnight. *Claim your seats: 20 tickets (at \$125 per or \$200 for couples) for the event beginning at 7 p.m. at the Black Ensemble Cultural Center, 4450 N. Clark St. Call 773-769-4451.*

New Philharmonic's New Year's Eve Concert: The New Philharmonic, conducted by Kirk Muspratt, rings in the New Year with guest artist Annie Rosen, a mezzo-soprano who has performed for the Lyric Opera. The program will feature works by Irving Berlin, Camille Saint-Saens, Johann Strauss II, John Williams and more. *Claim your seats: Six tickets (at \$67 per, sold in pairs) and six Special Gold Circle Table tickets (at \$77 per, sold in pairs) for the 9 p.m. performance at the McAninch Arts Center, 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn. Call 630-942-4000 when the box office opens at noon.*

Teatro ZinZanni: This downtown dinner-and-circus-and-show, titled "Love, Chaos and Dinner," plays in the showy Spiegeltent ZaZou at the Cambria Hotel. It's cirque, comedy, music and spectacle, all emceed by Frank Ferrante as the incomparable Caesar. The evening includes a special NYE meal by Goddess and Grocer's Debbie Sharpe, a post-show buffet and dance party until 1 a.m., and New Year's sparkling toast with the cast. ABC 7-Chicago will be broadcasting live. *Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$318 per, plus gratuities at the show, sold in pairs) for the 8 p.m. show at the Cambria Hotel, 32 W. Randolph St. Call the Teatro ZinZanni box office at 312-488-0900.*

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MCANINCH ARTS CENTER

Last year's New Philharmonic New Year's Eve performance at the McAninch Arts Center in Glen Ellyn.



BLUE MAN GROUP

Blue Man Group is performing multiple shows on New Year's Eve.

Save the Seats: Hot tickets

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Second City: There are three shows on offer at the legendary Second City in Piper's Alley for New Year's Eve: The new main-stage revue "Do You Believe in Madness?"; the longtime e.t.c. Stage revue "Grinning From Fear to Fear"; and the special holiday show "Deck the Hallmark: A Greeting Card Channel Original." The first two are Tribune critic's picks; all three will have early and late shows Dec. 31, with a top-shelf drink package, party favors and a midnight champagne toast for the late show. *Claim your seats: 10 tickets for each show (\$48 per at 7 p.m.; \$100 per at 10 p.m.) at Second City, 1616 N. Wells St. Call 312-337-3992.*

"The Phantom of the Opera": The crystal chandelier has been falling at the Paris Opera House for decades now. Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical, a favorite or a first-time musical for many, premiered in London's West End in 1986. Cameron Mackintosh's lush North American tour is back in the Loop, with a live orchestra and all the songs you know. *Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$101 per, sold in pairs) for the 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. performances at Broadway in Chicago's Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St. Call 800-775-2000.*

Zanies: City or suburbs, both equally funny at Zanies on New Year's Eve. Downtown on Wells Street, the lineup is Laurie Kilmartin, an Emmy-nominated writer for Conan's show, with Micheal Palascak, recently on James Corden's show. In Rosemont, the headliner will be Pat McGann, recently seen late-night on Colbert and currently on tour with Sebastian Maniscalco. *Claim your seats: Four seats for all shows at both clubs. Showtimes are 6 p.m. (\$25 per), 8:15 p.m. (\$25 per) and 10:30 p.m. (\$40 per, includes party favors and champagne toast) at Zanies Chicago, 1548 N. Wells St., call 312-337-4027. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. (\$35 per) and 10:30 p.m. (\$45 per, includes party favors and champagne toast) at Zanies in Rosemont, 5437 Park Place, call 847-813-0484.*

"Corduroy": This show is tailored for young audiences ages three and up and is an adaptation of Don Freeman's classic book, in which a small bear's quest for a missing button in a dark department store leads to the friendship of a lifetime. It's performed by Chicago's own Emerald City Theatre. *Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$25 per, sold in pairs) for the 10 a.m. performance at the Broadway Playhouse at Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St. Call 800-775-2000.*

"Beauty and the Beast": Fans of the Paramount are no longer surprised to see musicals in Aurora as good or better than the touring Broadway productions in the Loop. This season's "Beauty and the Beast" is the latest example. The stage set is spectacular, said Chris Jones in his Tribune review. "This is far and away the best local staging of "Beauty and the Beast" to date," he writes, and "Beth Stafford Laird is all in as Belle, all night long." *Claim your seats: 12 tickets (at \$67 per plus fees, sold in pairs) for the 3 p.m. matinee performance at the Paramount Theatre, 23 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora. Call 630-896-6666.*

"Mean Girls": The Tina Fey musical, based on her movie, is directed by Casey Nicholaw. You know the story: Cady Heron grew up on an African savanna, but nothing prepared her for the wild and vicious ways of her strange new home in suburban Illinois.



TIMOTHY M. SCHMIDT

Asia Martin, from left, Sarah Dell'Amico, Jordan Savusa, Andrew Knox, Mary Catherine Curran and Adam Schreck on Second City's mainstage.



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Pete's Dueling Piano Bar in Rosemont, its first Midwestern location. It's motto is "cut loose and sing loud."



CHICAGO MAGIC LOUNGE

Carisa Hendrix stars as Lucy Darling at Chicago Magic Lounge.

Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$95 per, sold in pairs) for the 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. performances at Broadway in Chicago's Nederlander Theatre, 24 W. Randolph St. Call 800-775-2000.

"Lindiwe": Live music of Lady-smith Black Mambazo is at the

center of this Steppenwolf world premiere production written by ensemble member Eric Simonson. The story travels from Chicago's Kingston Mines to South Africa and back, with a love story in between. *Claim your seats: Four premium seat tickets (at \$84 per) for the 7:30 p.m. performance in*

Steppenwolf's Downstairs Theatre, 1650 N Halsted St. Call 312-335-1650.

"Dance Nation": By Clare Barron and directed by Sunday Lee Evans, "Dance Nation" is about members of a pre-teen dance troupe navigating dance competitions, ambition and friendship as they claw their way to nationals in Tampa Bay. *Claim your seats: Four premium tickets (at \$80 per) for the 7:30 p.m. performance in Steppenwolf's Upstairs Theatre, 1650 N Halsted St. Call 312-335-1650.*

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat": An ending for the decade with Biblical proportions. Up in Evanston, it's the final performance of the Tim Rice-Andrew Lloyd Webber musical about the lad with big dreams and the Pharaoh who looks a lot like Elvis. Music Theatre Works (you may remember them as Light Opera Works) has Brian Acker as Joseph, artistic director Rudy Hogenmiller at the helm and their usual full orchestra to make these songs really sing. *Claim your seats: Eight A1*

Section tickets (at \$84 per) and six A+ Section tickets (at \$96 per) for the 8 p.m. performance by Music Theater Works at Cahn Auditorium, 600 Emerson St., Evanston. Call 847-920-5360.

Blue Man Group: The bald men of Blue Man have been saving seats for Tribune readers since 2005. The show's a little different from when it first bowed in Chicago in 1997, but what can we say, we love these guys. Blue Man Group offers four performances on New Year's Eve. The first two are especially for families, with pre-show face painting and "midnight" countdowns at the end of the show with party hats, noisemakers and a Blue Dude rendition of "Auld Lang Syne." For the 7 p.m. show, a champagne toast and party hats. Audiences at the 10 p.m. show get a countdown party with noisemakers, a midnight champagne toast, confetti drop and, yes, "Auld Lang Syne." *Claim your seats: Four tickets for each show (at \$104 per) at 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. at the Briar Street Theatre, 3133 N. Halsted St. Call 773-348-4000.*

Second Hand Soul Band: The New Year's Eve Jam at the Jam Lab in west suburban Brookfield is headlined by Second Hand Soul Band, specializing in Motown, funk and soul. With dinner, dancing and an open bar. And save the moment: The concert will be recorded for part of a live album, and video from the party will be used in a new music video. *Claim your seats: 10 tickets (at \$150 per, sold in pairs) for the 2 p.m. matinee performance at the Broadway Playhouse at Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St. Call 800-775-2000.*

"Potted Potter": This fan favorite is back in Chicago, continuing the challenge of condensing, or "potting," all seven Harry Potter books into 70 madcap minutes of costume changes, songs and a helping of Hogwarts magic. *Claim your seats: Four tickets (at \$79.95 per, sold in pairs) for the 2 p.m. matinee performance at the Broadway Playhouse at Water Tower Place, 175 E. Chestnut St. Call 800-775-2000.*

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It's time to Save the Tables

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Tzucu, Wherewithall and Wood-Wind. And I have the final New Year's Eve dinner (sniff) at La Sirena Clandestina.

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And now, the fine print: Unless otherwise noted, prices are per person and do not include beverage, tax or tip. Menu and prices are subject to change. If a restaurant is offering a specially priced menu, the regular menu may not be available that night (when it is, I mention it). Double-check details.

If you're reading this at 5 a.m., operators are probably not standing by. Do not assume that you're the first caller until a live person tells you so. Participating restaurants have sole discretion in determining the first caller. Some restaurants, you'll note, can be contacted only by email.

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Alinea. Table for two at 9 p.m. Multisensory, 10- to 14-course menu, \$425; beverage pairings start at \$235. 1723 N. Halsted St.; email hospitality@alinearestaurant.com.

The Aviary. Table for two at 9:15 p.m. Celebratory five-cocktail experience with food and midnight Champagne toast, \$225. 955 W. Fulton Market; email hospitality@theaviary.com.

Boka. Table for two at 8 p.m. Seven-course menu, \$215 (tax and tip included); wine pairings, \$75 and \$150. 1729 N. Halsted St., 312-337-6070.

Brass Heart. Table for two at 5:30 and 9 p.m. The first seating, nine-course menu, \$165; late seating, 12-course menu, \$195. 4662 N. Broadway, 773-564-9680.

Brindille. Table for two at 9:30 p.m. A la carte and tasting menus, \$125 and \$250. 534 N. Clark St., 312-595-1616.

Crystal Gardens. Two VIP tables for four. The celebration inside Navy Pier's botanical garden atrium includes food stations, 20 bars, two bottles of Champagne (per table), DJ music, midnight toast and views of the fireworks, \$914.65 (taxes and fees included) per table. 700 E. Grand Ave. (Navy Pier), call Jon Landan, 312-560-4422.

Eataly. 10 general admission and 10 VIP tickets to Mezzanotte celebration (VIP tickets are sold out except for these 10). Unlimited food and beverage sampling, along with live entertainment, dancing and karaoke. GA tickets, \$150; VIP (dedicated check-in line, reserved restaurant seating, goodie bag) tickets, \$195. 43 E. Ohio St.; email chilascuola@eataly.com.

Entente. Table for two at 6 p.m. Tasting menu, \$250 (tax and tip included). 700 N. Sedgwick St., 312-285-2247.

George Trois. Table for two at 8 p.m. 10-course menu, \$190; three-wine pairing, \$59. 64 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, 847-562-6105.

Mako. Table for two at 6 p.m. Omakase menu, \$175; wine and sake pairings, \$85. 731 W. Lake St.; email info@makochicago.com.

Moody Tongue. Table for two at 8:30 p.m. in the Dining Room. A 12-course tasting menu and guided beer pairings, \$155; side-by-side Champagne and beer toast at midnight. 2515 S. Wabash Ave.; email contact@moody-tongue.com.

Next. Table for two at 9:15 p.m. José Andrés collaboration menu, \$385 (includes gift and Champagne toast). 953 W. Fulton Market; email hospitality@nextrestaurant.com.

NoMi Kitchen. Table for four at 8:30 p.m. Three-course (\$135) and four-course (\$155) menus; wine pairings available. 800 N. Michigan Ave.; email nomi.chiph@hyatt.com.

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Signature Room. Table for two at 6 and 8 p.m. Early seating, three-course menu, \$125; late seating, five-course menu with live music and Champagne toast, \$225. 875 N. Michigan Ave., 312-787-9596.

Spaggia. Table for up to five at 6:15 and 8:45 p.m. Early seating, eight-course tasting menu, \$250; late seating, 10-course tasting menu, \$300. Deposit required. 980 N. Michigan Ave., 312-280-2750.

Temporis. Table for two at 5 p.m. Ten-course tasting menu, \$185; three wine-pairing options available. 933 N. Ashland Ave., 773-697-4961.

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Aba. Two tables for up to four guests at 6 and 7 p.m., and one table for two at 6 p.m. Regular menu with specials, optional four-course mezze feast, live music and midnight toast. 301 N. Green St., 773-645-1400.

About Last Knife. Table for two at 8 p.m. Four-course menu, \$75; wine pairings, \$35. 168 N. Michigan Ave., 312-392-2440 or email info@alkchicago.com.

Aboyer and Silencieux. Each is saving a table for four at 7 p.m. Both dining rooms will feature a

five-course tasting menu (choice of entree), \$95. 64 Green Bay Road, Winnetka, 847-441-3100.

Artango. Table for four at 7 p.m. and a table for two at 9 p.m. Four-course menu, \$75 early seating, \$125 late. Live Latin jazz. 4767 N. Lincoln Ave., 872-208-7441.

Avec. Two tables for four at 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. Regular menu. 615 W. Randolph St., 312-377-2002.

Avli River North. Table for two at 9 p.m. Seven-course menu, \$80. 702 N. Wells St., 312-643-5656.

Band of Bohemia. Table for four at 8:30 p.m. Five-course tasting menu, \$125. 4710 N. Ravenswood Ave., 773-271-4710.

Baptiste & Bottle. Two tables for up to four guests at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. A la carte menu. 101 E. Erie St., 312-667-6793.

Bar Biscay. Table for four at 5:30 p.m. Five-course tasting menu, \$75; drink pairings, \$25. 1450 W. Chicago Ave., 312-455-8900.

The Barn Steakhouse. Table for four at 9 p.m. A la carte menu (with specials). 1016 Church St., Evanston, 847-868-8041.

Bellemore. Table for two to four at 8:30 p.m. Masquerade-themed evening features four-course menu, \$99, including Champagne toast. 564 W. Randolph St., 312-667-0104.

Benny's Chop House. Table for two at 7 and 10 p.m. Regular menu plus specials; live music. 444 N. Wabash Ave., 312-626-2444.

Bistronomic. Table for two at

5:30 and 7:45 p.m. First seating, four-course menu, \$75 (\$105 with wine pairings); second seating, five-course menu, \$95 (\$125 with wine pairings). 840 N. Wabash Ave., 312-944-8400.

BLVD. Table for four at 8:45 p.m. Three-course menu, \$125, includes Champagne toast at midnight. DJ, dancers, party favors and other surprises throughout the night. 817 W. Lake St., 312-526-3116.

Boqueria Chicago. Table for two at 6 and 9:30 p.m. Family-style tapas fest with unlimited drinks, \$85 at 6 p.m. seating and \$125 at 9:30 p.m. seating. 807 W. Fulton Market, 312-257-3177.

Cafe Cancalle. Booth for up to four at 7:30 p.m. Regular menu available. 1576 N. Milwaukee Ave.; contact Andrew Herring at andrew@cafecancalle.com.

Cafe Robey. Table for two at 8 p.m. Prix-fixe menu, \$100. 1616 N. Milwaukee Ave., 872-315-3084.

Cebu. Table for two at 8 p.m. Cebuano Boodle Fight Feast, \$75. 2211 W. North Ave.; email info@cebubuchicago.com.

Cherry Circle Room. Table for two at 7 p.m. Regular menu, plus special menu with luxury items. 12 S. Michigan Ave., 312-792-3515.

Chicago Firehouse Restaurant. Table for two at 7:30 p.m. and a table for four at 9 p.m. Four-course menu, \$89; wine pairings, \$38. 1401 S. Michigan Ave., 312-786-1401.

Cira. Table for two at 7:30 p.m. and a table for four at 8:30 p.m. A la carte menu with specials;

Champagne toast. 200 N. Green St., 312-761-1777.

City Mouse. Table for two at 6 and 8 p.m. A la carte menu; vegetarian options by request. 311 N. Morgan St., 312-764-1908.

Coco Pazzo. Table for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 300 W. Hubbard St., 312-836-0900.

Crab Cellar. Table for four at 6:45 p.m. Special menu features endless Alaskan king crab, steak frites and more, \$149.95; prepayment required. 1962 N. Halsted St., 773-248-1737.

Duck Duck Goat. Table for two at 5, 5:30 and 10 p.m., and two tables for four at 6 and 10 p.m. Chinese family-style menu, \$110 (includes tax and tip). 857 W. Fulton Market, 312-902-3825.

Dusek's Board & Beer. Table for two at 9 p.m. Five-course (\$65) and seven-course (\$85) menus. 1227 W. 18th St., 312-526-3851.

Eden. Table for four at 9 p.m. Tasting menu, \$150; vegetarian tasting, \$100; wine pairings, \$50. 1748 W. Lake St., 312-366-2294.

El Che Steakhouse & Bar. Table for four at 6 and 9 p.m. Regular menu. 845 W. Washington Blvd., 312-265-1130.

Ena. Table for two at 6 p.m. and two tables for up to four at 6 and 8 p.m. Regular menu with specials. 74 W. Illinois St., 312-527-5586.

Etta. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 1840 W. North Ave., 312-757-4444.

The Florentine. Table for two at 7 p.m. and table for four at 8 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 151 W. Adams St., 312-660-8866.

Frontera Grill. Table for four at 6:30 p.m. Live mariachi, parade of appetizers, entree and dessert, \$95. 445 N. Clark St.; email host@fronteragrill.net, with "Phil Vettel table" in subject field.

Gadabout. Table for two and for four at 7:45 p.m. Five-course dinner, \$75, includes two drink tickets, glass of sparkling wine. 5212 N. Clark St., 773-944-0429.

Galit. Table for two, and two chef-counter seats, at 6, 8 and 10 p.m. Featured is Galit's Other Menu, at \$95. 2429 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-360-8755.

Gemini. Table for two at 7 p.m. and a table for four at 9:30 p.m. Four-course menu with glass of bubbly, \$90. 2075 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-525-2522.

Gene & Georgetti. Table for two at 7 p.m. A la carte menu. 9421 W. Higgins Road, Rosemont, 847-653-3300.

Girl & the Goat. Table for two at 9:45 p.m. Regular menu. 809 W. Randolph St., 312-492-6262.

Good Fortune. Table for four at 7 p.m. Five-course menu, \$75. 2528 N. California Ave.; email info@goodfortunechicago.com.

GT Fish & Oyster. Table for two and for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu. 531 N. Wells St., 312-929-3501.

GT Prime. A table for two and for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu. 707 N. Wells St., 312-600-6305.

The Heritage. Table for two at 5 and 8:30 p.m. Four-course dinner, \$85. 7403 Madison St., Forest Park, 708-435-4937.

Joe's Seafood, Prime Steak and Stone Crab. Table for two at 7:30 p.m. Regular menu. 60 E. Grand Ave., 312-379-5637.

Kostall. Table for two at 9:30 p.m. A la carte menu. 521 N. Rush St., 312-645-1500.

Lawry's the Prime Rib. Two tables for up to four at 5 and 7 p.m. Regular dinner menu; live music. 100 E. Ontario St., 312-787-5000.

Le Colonial. Table for four at 8 p.m. in the lounge, and a table for two at 10 p.m. in the dining room. Regular menu; three-course menu available. 57 E. Oak St., 312-255-0088.

Le Sud. Table for two at 7:30 and 8:30 p.m. Regular menu with specials, and by-the-glass sparkling wines. 2301 W. Roscoe St., 773-857-1985.

Longman & Eagle. Table for two at 7 p.m. Six-course menu, \$100. 2657 N. Kedzie Ave., 773-276-7110.

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The Loyalist. Table for two at 7 p.m. Special menu, \$75, includes choice of prime rib, duck or whole loup de mer, with sides. 177 N. Ada St., 773-913-3774.

Maple & Ash. Table for four at 5:30 p.m. Regular menu; white Alba truffles available. 8 W. Maple St., 312-944-8888.

Marchesa. Table for two and for four at 5, 7 and 9 p.m. Regular menu with luxury touches. 535 N. Wells St., 312-527-9535.

Margeaux Brasserie. Two tables for four at 5:30 and 7 p.m. A la carte menu. 11 E. Walton St., 312-625-1324.

Mercat a la Planxa. Table for two at 6 p.m. Four-course, Catalan-inspired menu, \$75. 638 S. Michigan Ave., 312-765-0524.

Momotaro. Table for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu. 820 W. Lake St., 312-733-4818.

North Pond. Table for two at 5:45 p.m. Seven-course, \$135 menu; wine pairings, \$65. 2610 N. Cannon Drive, 773-477-5845.

Perry's Steakhouse & Grille. Table for four at 9:30 p.m. Three-course menu, \$79.95 (\$59.95 before 5:30 p.m.). 5 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook, 630-571-1808.

Portsmouth. Table for four at 6 p.m. and a table for two at 7:30 p.m. A la carte menu. 660 N. State St., 312-202-6050.

Prime & Provisions. Table for four at 9:15 p.m. Regular menu, plus special a la carte menu. 222 N. LaSalle St., 312-726-7777.

The Promontory. Table for two at 9:30 p.m. A la carte and special prix-fixe menus. 5311 S. Lake Park Ave. W., 312-801-2100.

The Publican. Table for four at 7:45 p.m. and a table for two at 8:45 p.m. A la carte menu, plus specials. 837 W. Fulton Market, 312-733-9555.

RPM Italian. Two tables for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials and a la carte Champagne and truffles menu. 52 W. Illinois St.; email rpm-italianchicago@leye.com.

RPM Steak. Two tables for four at 6 and 6:30 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials and a la carte Champagne and truffles menu. 66 W. Kinzie St.; email rpm-italianchicago@leye.com.

Saba Italian Bar & Kitchen. Table for two at 8 p.m. Four-course menu, \$75. 2715 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-697-9273.

Sepia. Table for two at 9:30 p.m. Six-course menu, \$130. 123 N. Jefferson St., 312-441-1920.

Shaw's Crab House. Table for four at 8 p.m. Regular menu. 21 E. Hubbard St., 312-527-2722.

Shaw's Crab House Schaumburg. Table for four at 8 p.m. Regular menu. 1900 E. Higgins Road, Schaumburg, 847-517-2722.

Somerset. Table for four at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Regular menu with holiday specials. 1112 N. State St., 312-586-2150.

Steadfast. Table for two at 6 p.m. and a table for four at 8:30 p.m. Early seating, five-course menu, \$95; late seating, seven-course menu, \$125. Beverage pairings, \$50. 120 W. Monroe St., 312-801-8899.

Steak 48. Table for two at 8 and 9 p.m. Regular menu. 615 N. Wabash Ave., 312-266-4848.

Sunda. Two tables for up to four at 6 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials, including a \$100 "high roller" maki roll that includes two glasses of Champagne. 110 W. Illinois St.; email choon@sundanewasian.com.

Swift & Sons. Table for two at 7 and 9 p.m. Regular menu. 1000 W. Fulton Market, 312-773-9420.

SX Sky Bar. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular dinner menu. 808 S. Michigan Ave.; email rsvp@sxsky-bar.com.

TAO. Table for four to six at 6 and 7 p.m. A la carte menu. 632 N. Dearborn St.; email taochicagonye@taogroup.com and reference Phil's Table.

Three Dots and a Dash. VIP booth for four at 9 p.m. Featuring a drink package of five cocktails and appetizers, \$125. Holiday drink menu also available. 435 N. Clark St. (alley entrance), 312-610-4220.



ZBIGNIEW BZDAK/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Acadia will feature guest chef Paul Liebrandt from New York for a 12-course tasting menu.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Entente will offer a table for two for a special tasting menu.

III Forks. Table for two at 6:30 p.m. and a table for four at 9 p.m. A la carte menu includes a filet mignon and lobster tail entree, \$85. 180 N. Field Blvd., 312-938-4303.

Terrace 16. Table for four at 6 p.m. \$85 adults, \$42 children. 401 N. Wabash Ave., 312-588-8030.

Tied House. Table for two at 6 p.m. and a table for four at 8:30 p.m. A la carte menu with luxury specials. 3157 N. Southport Ave., 773-697-4632.

Topolobampo. Table for two at 9:45 p.m. Six-course menu, \$140; wine pairings, \$90, or agave spirits pairings, \$70. Live mariachi, midnight Champagne toast. 445 N. Clark St.; email host@frontera-grill.net, with "Phil Vettel table" in subject field.

Tzuco. Table for two at 7 p.m. and a table for four at 9 p.m. Four-course menu, \$120 at 6 p.m. and \$150 at 9 p.m.; beverage pairings, \$60. 720 N. State St., 312-374-8995.

Vie. Table for two at 6 p.m. Five-course tasting menu, \$100; wine pairings, \$55. 4471 Lawn Ave., Western Springs, 708-246-2802.

Virtue. Two tables for four at 7:30 p.m. Special menu, as well as a vegetarian menu. 1462 E. 53rd St., 773-947-8831.

Vistro. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu, plus supplemental menu of NYE specials. 112 S. Washington St., Hinsdale, 630-537-1459.

Walton Street Kitchen + Bar. Table for two at 7 p.m. and a table for four at 9:30 p.m. Four-course menu with glass of bubbly, \$90. 912 N. State St., 773-570-3525.

Wherewithall. Table for two at 8:30 p.m. Four-course menu, \$85; wine pairings, \$65. 3472 N. Elston Ave., 773-692-2192.

Wildfire. Table for two at 5:45, 6:45, 8:45 and 9:45 p.m. Regular menu with specials. 159 W. Erie St., 312-787-9000.

Wood. Table for two at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. Four-course menu with amuse, \$80; beverage pairings, \$40. 3335 N. Halsted St., 773-935-9663.

WoodWind. Two tables for two at 5 p.m. and a table for two at 8 p.m. Early seating, three-course menu, \$75; late seating, five-course menu, \$150. Both with a glass of Champagne. 259 E. Erie St. (18th floor), 312-283-4270.

Zed451. Two tables for four at 7

p.m. Unlimited seasonal selections, \$75. 739 N. Clark St., 312-266-6691.

\$74 and less

Antico Posto. Two tables for up to four at 7 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 118 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook, 630-586-9200.

Arami. Table for two at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 1829 W. Chicago Ave., 312-243-1535.

Avli Taverna. Table for two at 9 p.m. Three-course menu, \$45; Greek wine flight, \$25. 1335 W. Wrightwood Ave., 773-857-5577.

Bar Ramone. Two tables for up to four guests at 6, 8 and 10 p.m. Four-course tapas feast with bubbly toast, \$65. 441 N. Clark St., 312-985-6909.

Bar Roma. Table for two at 6 and 8 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 5101 N. Clark St., 773-942-7572.

Bar Siena. Table for four at 9:30 p.m. Regular menu and special a la carte menu. 832 W. Randolph St., 312-492-7775.

Beatnik On the River. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 180 N. Wacker Drive, 312-526-3345.

Beatnik West Town. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 1604 W. Chicago Ave., 312-929-4945.

Beatrix. Two tables for up to four guests at 6 and 8 p.m. Regular menu with specials. All four locations: 519 N. Clark St., 312-284-1377; 671 N. St. Clair St., 312-642-0001; 834 W. Fulton Market, 312-733-0370; and 272 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook, 630-491-1415.

Bernie's. Table for up to four at 7 and 8 p.m. Three-course prix-fixe with Champagne toast, \$70. 660 N. Orleans St., 312-624-9892.

Bite Cafe. Table for two at 8:30 p.m. A la carte menu. 1039 N. Western Ave., 773-395-2483.

Black Bull. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 1721 W. Division St., 773-227-8600.

Bub City. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 435 N. Clark St., 312-610-4200.

Cafe Marie-Jeanne. Table for four at 8 p.m. French-inspired a la carte menu, with specials. 1001 N. California Ave., 773-904-7660.

Cantina Laredo. Table for four at 7:30 p.m. and a table for two at 8:30 p.m. Regular menu, and a four-course menu, \$60, available.

508 N. State St., 312-955-0014.

Centre Street Kitchen. Table for two at 5 and 8:30 p.m. Early seating, four-course menu, \$59; later seating, four-course menu, \$69. 1224 W. Webster Ave., 312-815-1917.

Clever Rabbit. Table for two at 7 and 8 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 2015 W. Division St., 773-697-8711.

Cochon Volant Brasserie. Table for four at 7 and 8 p.m. Regular menu. 100 W. Monroe St., 312-754-6560.

Coco Pazzo Cafe. Table for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials. 212 E. Ohio St., 312-664-0212.

Cold Storage. Table for two at 7 and 9 p.m. Regular menu. 1000 W. Fulton Market, 312-638-6280.

Daisies. Table for four at 5 p.m. Four-course, family-style menu, \$65; wine pairings, \$35. 2523 N. Milwaukee Ave., 773-661-1671; must speak to a person (no voice-mail).

The Dearborn. Table for two at 5:30 and 8 p.m. Regular menu. 145 N. Dearborn St., 312-384-1242.

Gaijin. Table for four at 6:30 p.m. Okonomayaki menu, \$100 per couple; wine pairings, \$30 per person. 950 W. Lake St.; email info@gaijinchicago.com.

The Italian Village. Table for two and a table for four at 7 p.m. in La Cantina and The Village restaurants. Regular menu, plus specials. 71 W. Monroe St., 312-332-7005.

L. Woods Tap & Pine Lodge. Two tables for up to four at 9 and 9:30 p.m. Three-course menu, \$20.20. 7110 N. Lincoln Ave., Lincolnwood, 847-677-3350.

La Sirena Clandestina. Table for two at 6:30 p.m. for final night of service. Regular menu with specials, and tears. 954 W. Fulton Market, 312-226-5300.

Little Goat Diner. Two tables for two at 5 and 7 p.m., and two tables for four at 5 and 8 p.m. Three-course, family-style menu, \$50. 820 W. Randolph St., 312-888-3455.

Lonesome Rose. Table for two at 8 p.m. Regular menu, plus nacho bar (starting 9 p.m.), DJ and drink specials in basement bar. 2101 N. California Ave., 773-770-3414.

Lula Cafe. Table for four at 6

p.m. Four-course dinner, \$70; wine pairings, \$30. 2537 N. Kedzie Blvd., 773-489-9554.

Maddon's Post. Table for two at 8 p.m. Family-style menu of Italian and Polish dishes. 1119 W. Waveland Ave., 773-269-5370.

Mity Nice Bar & Grill. Four tables for up to four guests at 5:30 p.m. Regular menu. 835 N. Michigan Ave., 312-335-4745.

Mon Ami Gabi. Table for up to four at 6:30 p.m. Regular bistro menu with specials. 2300 N. Lincoln Park West, 773-348-8886.

Nacional 27. Table for four at 6 p.m. Multicourse menu, \$39.99. 325 W. Huron St., 312-664-2727.

Old Pueblo Cantina. Table for two at 6 p.m. and a table for four at 9:30 p.m. Regular menu. 1200 W. Webster St., 773-697-3727.

Osteria Trulli. Table for two at 5:30 p.m. Regular menu. 1501 E. Hintz Road, Arlington Heights, 224-347-1010.

Osteria Via Stato. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu, plus four-course, \$75 menu. 620 N. State St., 312-642-8450.

Parachute. Table for two at 8:30 p.m. A la carte menu and four-course, \$85 per menu. 3500 N. Elston Ave., 773-654-1460.

Passero. Table for four at 7 and 9 p.m. A la carte menu with specials, sparkling wine toast and giveaways all night. 3 S. Evergreen St., Arlington Heights, 224-857-8900.

Pennyville Station. Table for two at 7:30 p.m. Regular menu with specials. 112 Main St., Park Ridge, 847-720-4841.

Pizzeria Portofino. Table for four and a table for six at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 317 N. Clark St.; email agagliano@leye.com

Prairie Grass Cafe. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu, plus specials (including lobster and shrimp in cognac sauce). 601 Skokie Blvd., Northbrook, 847-205-4433

Proxi. Table for four at 9:30 p.m. Prix-fixe menu, \$70. 565 W. Randolph St., 312-446-1950.

Quality Crab & Oyster Bah. Table for four at 8:30 p.m. A la carte menu. 1962 N. Halsted St., 773-248-3000.

Ramen-San River North. Table for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu. 59 W. Hubbard St., 312-377-9950.

Ramen-San Fulton Market. Table for four at 6 p.m. Regular menu. 219 N. Green St., 773-645-0085.

Ramen-San Deluxe Streeter-ville. Two tables for four at 6 and 7 p.m. Regular menu. 165 E. Huron St., 312-767-4075.

R.J. Grunts. Table for four at 7 p.m. Regular menu. 2056 N. Lincoln Park West, 773-929-5363.

Siena Tavern. Table for four at 9:30 p.m. Regular menu and a la carte menu. 51 W. Kinzie St., 312-595-1322.

Stella Barra Pizzeria. Table for up to four at 8 p.m. Regular menu. 1954 N. Halsted St., 773-634-4101.

Stolp Island Social. Table for four at 9 p.m. Regular menu plus specials; live band. 5 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora, 708-576-8645.

Superkhana International. Table for four at 8 p.m. Regular menu. 3059 W. Diversey Ave., 773-661-9028.

Sushi-San. Table for four at 6 p.m. (regular menu) and two seats at the sushi bar at 6 p.m. for express omakase. 63 W. Grand Ave., 312-828-0575.

Table at Crate. Table for four at 5 p.m. Regular menu with specials. 35 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook, 630-590-9444.

Tokio Asian Fusion. Table for four at 8 p.m. A la carte menu. 1900 E. Higgins Road, Schaumburg, 847-278-5181.

Tuscany on Taylor. Table for four at 6 and 8:30 p.m. and a table for six at 6 and 6:30 p.m. Regular menu with specials; midnight toast. 1014 W. Taylor St., 312-829-1990.

Tuscany Wheeling. Table for four at 8 p.m. Regular menu with specials, midnight toast. 550 S. Milwaukee Ave., Wheeling, 847-465-9988.

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WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Ian Ziering

“Challenge” (9 p.m., 12 a.m., Food): Ian Ziering takes over the hosting chores as this culinary competition for bakers, cake makers and sugar artists returns for Season 4. Pastry chef Keegan Gerhard now joins “Topless Baker” Matt Adlard and “MasterChef” winner Claudia Sandoval on the judges panel. For the season premiere, “A Christmas Story Cakes,” the participants draw inspiration from the yuletide movie about BB-gun-loving little Ralphie.

“Holiday Baking Championship” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Food): Host Jesse Palmer brings down the curtain on Season 6 of his kitchen competition with “Christmas Day Delights,” which finds the three remaining bakers tasked with making a Christmas morning brunch that incorporates the seasonal flavors of gingerbread, cinnamon and eggnog. Then, in the final round, the bakers must make plaid cakes — and that’s plaid on both the inside and the outside.

“Hallmark Channel’s Christmas Concert” (8 p.m., Hallmark): Stars from “Hallmark Countdown to Christmas” original movies pull double holiday duty for the network as they present a family gathering of colleagues, including seasonal music and childhood traditions. Scheduled to appear are such familiar performers as Lacey Chabert, Jen Lilley, Nikki DeLoach, Larissa Wohl, Jessica Lowndes, Paul Greene and Jack Wagner, among others.

“His Dark Materials” (8 p.m., 9 p.m., HBO): As the sinister forces of the Magisterium close in, Lyra (Dafne Keen) discovers more about Lord Asriel’s (James McAvoy) rebellion, but she realizes that the only way she can help him will carry a devastating personal cost, as Season 1 of this dazzling adaptation of Philip Pullman’s epic literary fantasy draws to a close in “Betrayal.” Ruth Wilson, Will Keen, Ariyon Bakare and Amir Wilson also star, with Helen McCrory heard as one of the daemon voices. HBO has picked up the series for a second season.

“Christmas Cookie Challenge” (10 p.m., 1 a.m., Food): In the Season 3 finale, “Colors of Christmas,” host Eddie Jackson challenges five gifted cookie makers to decorate cookies using only detail, texture and relief, no colors. After judges Ree Drummond, Dwayne Ingraham and Gesine Prado assess which bakers best complete the assignment, the lucky survivors move on to a round that features real explosions of color as they make tarts built from cookie layers, luscious cream and ingredients with vibrant hues, like kiwis and pomegranates. The winner claims a grand prize of \$10,000.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Jeffrey Dean Morgan.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Adam Sandler; actress Jenny Slate; comic Megan Gailey.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live!” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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	NBC	5	Holidays With the Houghs ©	Saturday Night Live: “A Saturday Night Live Christmas Special.” ©				NBC 5 News (N) ♦		
	ABC	7	Same Time, Next Christmas (NR,19) Lea Michele. Childhood sweethearts reunite at a Hawaiian resort.			The Good Doctor: “Friends and Family.” ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦		
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	ANIM		Jeremy Wade’s Dark (N)	Jeremy Wade’s Dark (N)				River ♦		
	BBCA		Sherlock: “The Sign of Three.” ©			Sherlock: “His Last Vow.” © ♦				
	BET		Holiday Heist (NR,19) Chaley Rose, Jatone Smith. ©			One Crazy Christmas ♦				
	BIGTEN		Michigan Football Classic	B1G Show	The B1G Story ©		B1G Show	MSU ♦		
	BRAVO		Below Deck (N) ©	Below Deck (N) ©		Housewives/OC (N)		Blind Date		
	CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©	Politics		
	CNN		Anderson Cooper 360 (N)	Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Sp. Report ♦		
	COM		The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Bad Santa ♦		
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	FX		♦ (6) Spider-Man: Homecoming (PG-13,17) ♦ ♦ ♦	Spider-Man: Homecoming (’17) ♦ ♦ ♦						
	HALL		♦ Christmas Under Wraps	Christmas Concert (N)		Pride, Prejudice and Mistletoe (’18) ♦				
	HGTV		Love It or List It ©	Love It or List It (N)		Love It or List It (N) ©		Love-List ♦		
CABLE	HIST		American Pickers	American Pickers (N) ©		(9:03) Pawn Stars (N)		Pawn ♦		
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	IFC		Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men		
	LIFE		A Very Vintage Christmas (NR,19) Jesse Hutch ©			(9:03) Merry Liddle Christmas (’19) ♦				
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	MTV		Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.		
	NBCSCH		Pregame (N)	NHL Hockey: New Jersey Devils at Chicago Blackhawks. (N) (Live)		Postgame				
	NICK		♦ Santa	Top Elf ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ♦		
	Ovation		♦ (6) Deck the Halls ♦ ♦ ♦	Ghostbusters (PG,84) ♦ ♦ ♦ Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd.						
	OWN		Dateline on OWN ©	Dateline on OWN		Dateline on OWN		Dateline ♦		
CABLE	OXY		NCIS: “Dagger.” ©	NCIS: “Road Kill.” ©		NCIS: “Silent Night.” ©		NCIS © ♦		
	PARMT		♦ (5:30) The Expendables 3 (’14) ♦ ♦ ♦	Top Gun (PG,86) ♦ ♦ ♦ Tom Cruise. © ♦						
	SYFY		Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them (PG-13,16) ♦ ♦ ♦ Eddie Redmayne.			Futurama ♦				
	TBS		Family Guy ©	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Conan ©		
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	TLC		90 Day Fiancé: “Most Outrageous Moments.” (N)			90 Day Fiancé		Unpolish ♦		
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	TOON		Apple	Apple	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	
	TRAV		Portals to Hell ©			It Feels Evil (N) ©		Hometwn (N)		
CABLE	TVL		Raymond	Everybody Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King		
	USA		WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live) ©					Mod Fam ♦		
	VH1		Love & Hip Hop (N) ©	Love & Hip Hop (N)		Love & Hip Hop ©		Love ♦		
	WE		Law & Order ©	Law & Order: “Sundown.”		Law & Order ©		Law ♦		
	WGN America		M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©		
	HBO		♦ (5:45) Shazam! (’19) ♦ ♦ ♦	His Dark Materials (Season Finale) (N) ©		His Dark Materials ©		M. Brooks ♦		
	HBO2		His Dark Materials ©	The Town (R,10) ♦ ♦ ♦ Ben Affleck. ©				Widows ♦		
	MAX		Prisoners (R,13) ♦ ♦ ♦ Hugh Jackman, Jake Gyllenhaal. ©			(9:35) Traffic (R,18) ♦ ♦				
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most vulnerable spot on the second Death Star large enough to fly several full-size space ships into?

9. If Obi-Wan Kenobi and friends were so worried about Darth “Anakin Skywalker” Vader finding Luke Skywalker someday, why was Luke named Luke Skywalker?

10. Did Luke and Leia ever sit down and talk about the fact that, before they realized they were actually siblings, they shared a couple of hot and heavy moments?

11. If Lucasfilm is so worried about the next generation of kids catching the “Star Wars” bug, why have they made it so out of reach for ordinary people to afford the plastic X-Wings and TIE Fighters that helped ignite a fandom in the 1970s? (If you haven’t looked in decades, naturally less sandbox-friendly Lego space ships are far more prevalent now than plastic Hasbro ships — which are difficult to find and often cost \$50 to \$100.)

12. Did the revelation that Darth Vader was Luke Skywalker’s father — which transformed a light space opera into a generational space “Hamlet” — lead to an arms-race of revelations that made the Skywalker story more convoluted?

13. Why isn’t Qui-Gon Jinn (Liam Neeson) ever mentioned after “Phantom Menace”?

14. Does Chewbacca have, you know, genitalia?

15. So, judging by screen time, it only takes about 20 minutes to become a Jedi?

16. Darth Vader can feel Luke when he’s nearby, since they are father and son. But Vader tortures and imprisons Leia — who is his daughter — without suspecting a thing?



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Mark Hamill, left, and Carrie Fisher in costume as brother and sister Luke Skywalker and Princess Leia.



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“Star Wars” fans of the franchise’s Disney+ show “The Mandalorian” have found a new fave in Baby Yoda.

17. At least once a week for 20 years, I have thought about a small throwaway bit in “The Phantom Menace” where Jabba the Hutt flicks a small rodent off a ledge to its death. Despite dense plotting, why are the series’ best moments its most casual?

18. In a quiet moment from “Return of the Jedi,” the Ewoks present Leia with a kind of Renaissance-fair change of clothes — why do Ewoks own a dress for a grown woman?

19. How is it possible Obi-Wan spent three weeks with R2-D2 (and most of two with C-3PO) but doesn’t recognize them — just 20 years later — in the first “Star Wars” film?

20. Is it just me, or when you see video of Walt Disney World’s Galaxy’s Edge amusement park and Stormtroopers are carrying large guns, are you unnerved too?

21. That was a (very quick) same-sex kiss I saw in “Rise of Skywalker,” wasn’t it?

22. Is it possible to accept that “Phantom Menace” and “Attack of the Clones” — Chapters 1 and 2 — are bad movies but regard them as part of a greater whole?

23. If your child knows all the characters and the story of “Star Wars” but has still never actually seen a “Star Wars” film, is that a triumph of marketing? Or great characters?

24. Is the secret sauce in the “Star Wars” franchise anticipation?

25. I’m sure someone has an answer for this, but — not including when they’re piloting fighters — did any Stormtrooper ever shoot anyone in any of the “Star Wars” movies ever?

26. If the Emperor was playing an all-knowing,

all-seeing long game all along, then why didn’t he make his main priorities the elimination of Luke, Leia, Han, Chewie, Rey ... ?

27. How did Maz Kanata (voiced by Lupita Nyong’o) end up with Luke Skywalker’s lightsaber?

28. Like many ’70s kids, I owned a vast cast of “Star Wars” action figures. I would stand up on the shelf behind my bed, yet every time my headboard knocked against the shelf — once or twice a day — I would have to carefully stand them all up again. My question is: Is this the reason, many decades later, I am such an anal, nervous person?

29. How did Kylo Ren wind up in possession of his grandfather Darth Vader’s old helmet when it was last seen sitting on a floor of an exploding second Death Star?

30. Whatever happened to the clone army? Or for that matter, the previous droid army?

31. In “Rogue One,” why is the Empire eager to find Death Star architect Galen (Mads Mikkelsen) when they already have Death Star plans by the end of “Revenge of the Sith”?

32. If “Star Wars” hadn’t come along in 1977 and — as many critics argue — put the largest nail in the coffin of New Hollywood, pushing major studios into franchises and merchandising, would American filmmaking actually be in a different place right now?

33. Was Padme Amidala (Luke and Leia’s mother) strong in the force? Or just royalty?

34. If Padme died during childbirth, why does Leia talk about her in “Return of the Jedi”?

35. I once dressed as a Stormtrooper for Halloween. Three houses into trick or treatin’, I tripped over a garden hose left in someone’s front yard and fell

into dog poop. My all-white costume was no longer white. Why wasn’t I just a Darth Vader like everyone else?

36. Whatever happened to the top of my plastic Millennium Falcon?

37. Wait — according to “Rise of Skywalker” — everyone could breathe in space all along?

38. Has there ever been a series — in any medium — more effective at using its own cultural influences, heritage and generational turnover as a storytelling device?

39. Yet if “Star Wars” ever dies, will it be generational strife in the fandom that kills it?

40. Who gets to be steward for the next 42 years?

41. Will they understand that it doesn’t matter if this series was never creatively consistent but Cultural Exhibit A that a work can be more than the sum of its parts?

42. And by the way, isn’t Baby Yoda just the cutest?

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Dec. 23): Meditate on an inspiring future vision this year. Disciplined efforts pay a personal reward. You're especially powerful and strong this winter, navigating a partnership challenge. Consider new directions around an obstacle next summer, sparking a sweet romantic collaboration. Your personal growth inspires new possibilities.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Travel or study for a matter of the heart. Make a long-distance connection. An educational opportunity is worth pursuing. Keep things simple. Share your passion.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 9. Check on your reserves and stock up for the future. Review budgets carefully. Collaborate for shared gain. You're spurred to take action. Check out an interesting suggestion.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Support your partner and be supported. Give and take. Stay within budget. Be there for each other. Keep what you learn in confidence.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Put your heart into your work to grow stronger. Your excitement is contagious. Nurture your health with good food, rest and regular exercise.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Plan some fun and give in to it. Flex your artistic muscles. Enjoy entertaining activities with family and friends. Create some sweet romance.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Home feeds your heart. Decorate your rooms to suit your mood. Work wonders with flowers and candlelight. Enjoy domestic crafts and flavors with family.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Write a love story. Express your heart with a creative project. Your charm is captivating. Invite participation from your network. Accept a brilliant suggestion.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Cash flow increases. Monitor it closely. It's easy to overspend. Repay a debt. Discover a lucky break and grab a lucrative opportunity.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. You're strong and especially creative. Innovation sparks into an exciting idea. Your education proves useful. Use what worked before.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 6. Rest and recuperate. Meditate on the past and future. Enjoy nostalgic reflection and ancestral traditions. Keep an open mind. Adapt to recent changes.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Reach out and connect with friends. Gather with loved ones and remember what's really important. Enjoy parties and social activities. Celebrate and enjoy the company.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Prepare for inspection with a professional project. Your influence is on the rise, and important partners are paying attention. Go for excellence.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ K J 4 2 ♥ 8 7 5 3 ♦ K Q 10 3 ♣ 5

Partner opens 1C and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A.1—Up-the-line bidders will respond 1D. Modern tournament players will bypass the diamonds and bid 1H. Seems silly to bid your worst suit instead of your best. Neither is wrong.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 8 6 3 ♥ A Q 6 ♦ A 9 7 6 ♣ A 8 6

Partner opens 1S and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A.2—You're on your way to 4S, at least, but don't bid it yet. That would show a different type of hand. Bid 2D.

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q 9 7 3 ♥ A Q 2 ♦ 9 6 3 ♣ K J 8

West	North	East	South
1♥	2♦	2♥	?

What call would you make?

A.3—We hate to hide a fit in a competitive auction, but no diamond raise seems right. Bid 2NT.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A K J 10 9 7 2 ♥ K J 10 2 ♦ Void ♣ A Q

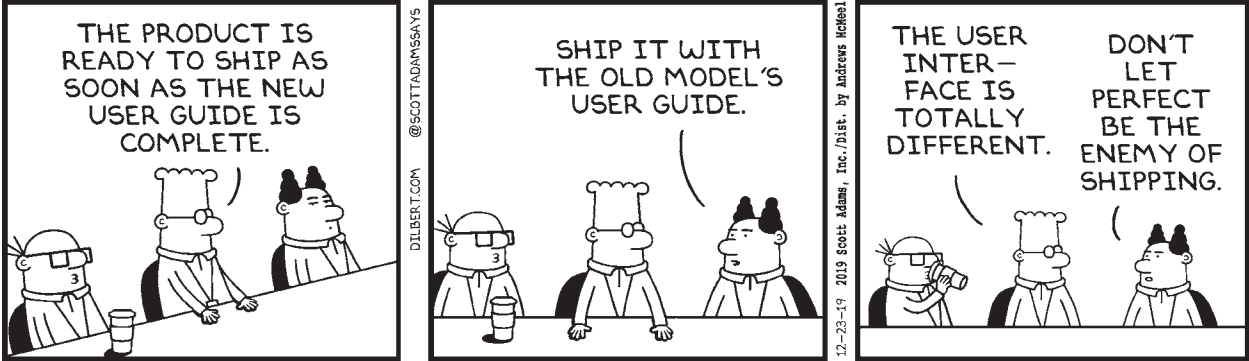
Partner opens 1H and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A.4—Start with 2S, a strong jump shift, and follow with a simple heart preference. That should give you time to decide between six or seven hearts.

— Bob Jones

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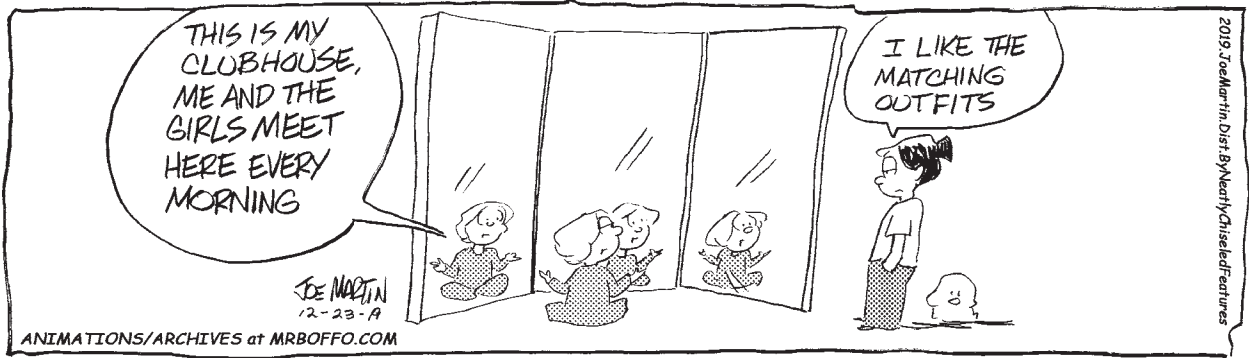
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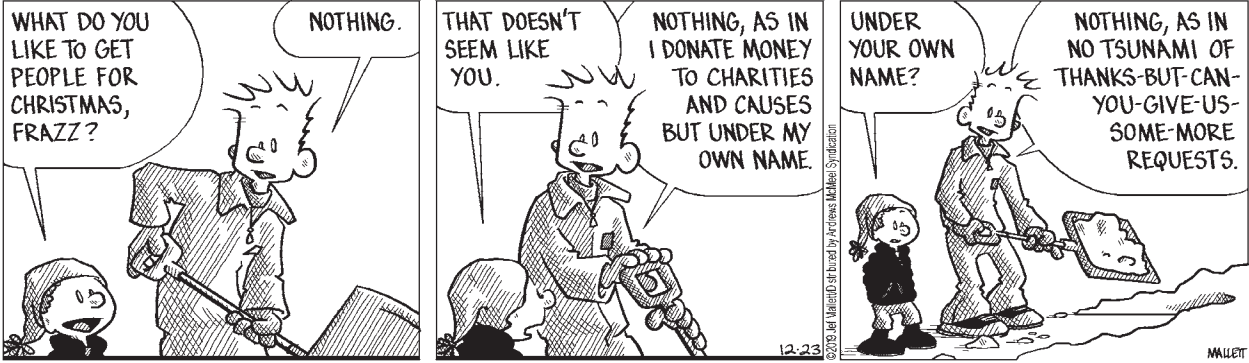
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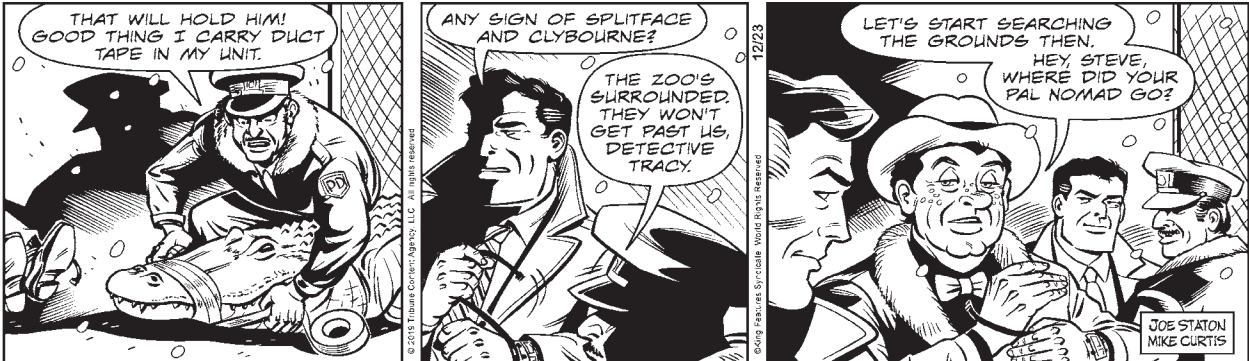
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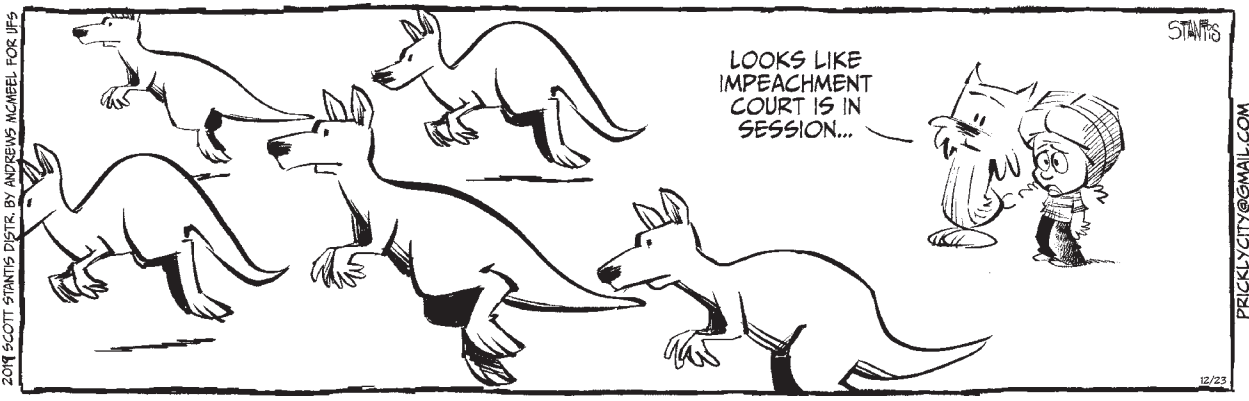
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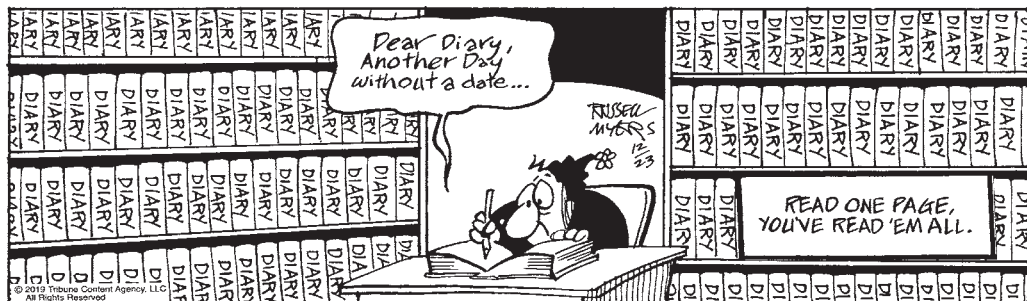
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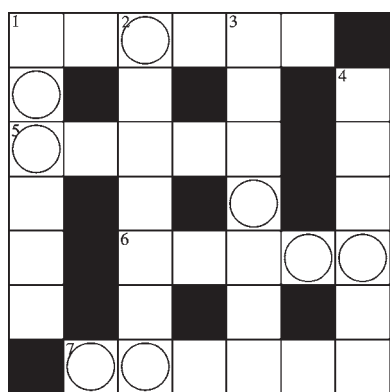
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Which legendary fighter is considered the last of the bare-knuckle heavyweight boxing champions?

- A) "Gentleman Jim" Corbett
B) John Douglas, 9th Marquess of Queensberry
C) Jack Johnson
D) John L. Sullivan

Saturday's answer: Velvet is the name for the protective skin that covers deer antlers as they grow.

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Jumble Crossword

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CLUE: There are 3,000 species of ____.

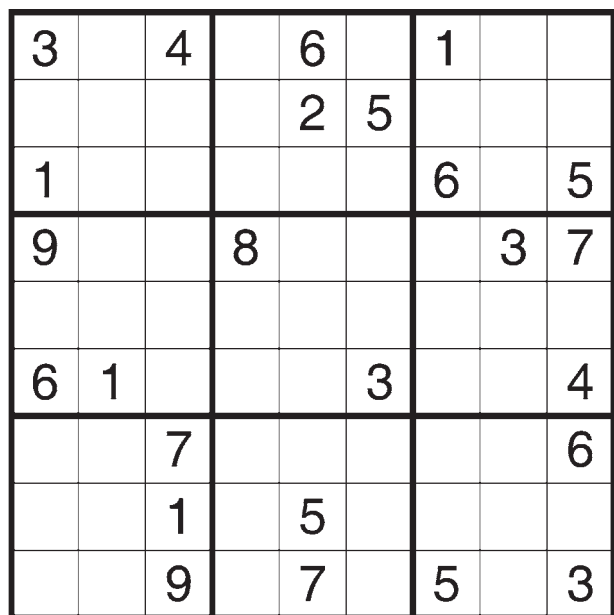
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ANSWERS: 1A-Motor 6A-Orate 7A-Stranza 1D-Gemini 2D-Inherit 3D-Terrain 4D-Cinema 5D-Termite 6D-Motor 7D-Orate 8A-Orate 9A-Motor 10A-Orate 11A-Motor 12A-Orate 13A-Motor 14A-Motor 15A-Motor 16A-Motor 17A-Motor 18A-Motor 19A-Motor 20A-Motor 21A-Motor 22A-Motor 23A-Motor 24A-Motor 25A-Motor 26A-Motor 27A-Motor 28A-Motor 29A-Motor 30A-Motor 31A-Motor 32A-Motor 33A-Motor 34A-Motor 35A-Motor 36A-Motor 37A-Motor 38A-Motor 39A-Motor 40A-Motor 41A-Motor 42A-Motor 43A-Motor 44A-Motor 45A-Motor 46A-Motor 47A-Motor 48A-Motor 49A-Motor 50A-Motor 51A-Motor 52A-Motor 53A-Motor 54A-Motor 55A-Motor 56A-Motor 57A-Motor 58A-Motor 59A-Motor 60A-Motor

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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7	5	4	3	2	6	8	1	9
3	6	1	9	7	8	4	5	2
1	8	3	2	6	5	7	9	4
6	9	7	4	3	1	2	8	5
2	4	5	7	8	9	3	6	1
9	1	8	6	4	2	5	3	7
5	7	2	8	1	3	9	4	6
4	3	6	5	9	7	1	2	8

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Saturday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

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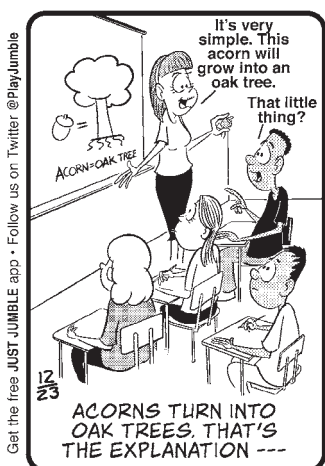


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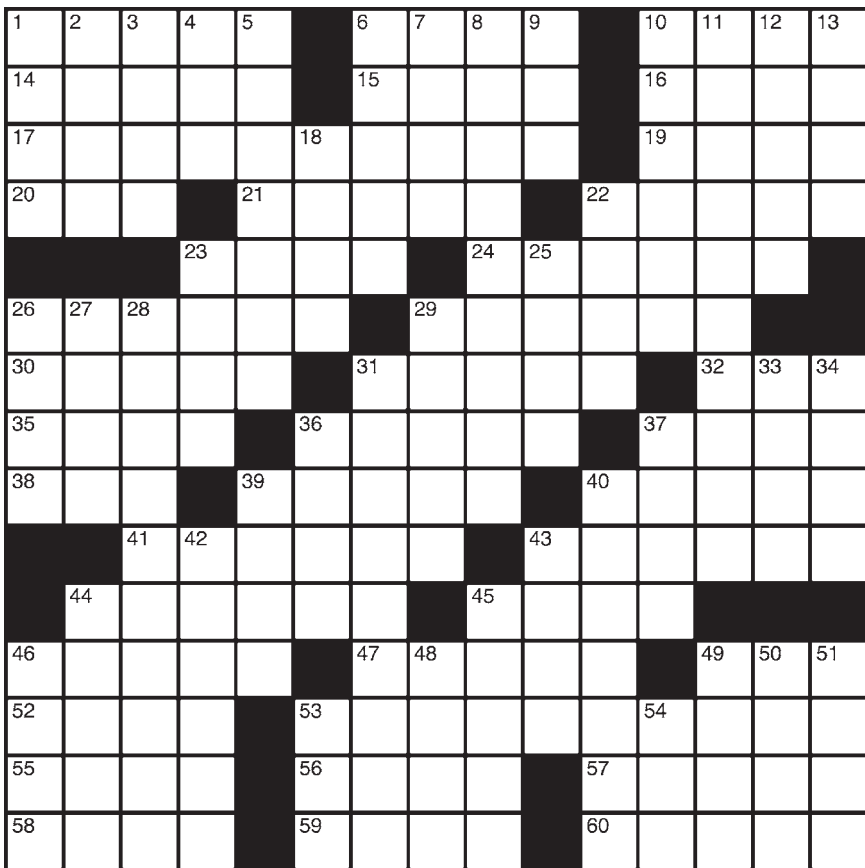
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Answer: He'd failed to figure out the solution but wasn't giving up because of his — RESOLVE

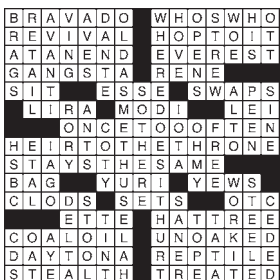
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**Crossword**

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**Across**

- 1 Burning
6 Do some angling
10 ____ Benedict: brunch choice
14 Like some clock numerals
15 Dealer's request to a poker player
16 Harp constellation
17 Whistle-blower in the street
19 In the thick of
20 Rainbow site
21 Indian or Arctic
22 Blackjack player's request to a dealer
23 The "P" in POTUS: Abbr.
24 "8 Mile" rapper
26 Kidnap
29 Beltway region, briefly
30 Hooch
31 Frontier explorer Daniel
32 Network with an eye logo

Saturday's solution

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- 35 Therefore
36 Singer Simon once married to James Taylor
37 Visit the mall, say
38 Vietnam holiday
39 Three-dimensional
40 Good, in Guadalajara
41 Fights off
43 Boo from the stands
44 Rio Grande city
45 Dryer fuzz
46 Strange
47 Treasure stash
49 Mischief-maker
52 Sicilian volcano
53 Whistle-blower on the court
55 "Yes!" in church
56 RC Cola alternative
57 "Not possible"
58 Social oddball
59 Plow-pulling team
60 Chef's hat

Down

- 1 Martial ____
2 Tined utensil
3 "Possibly"
4 Brit. pilots' squad
5 Make sure people obey, as laws
6 Turns toward
7 Ancient Peruvian
8 Totally, as sober
9 Cool, like a cat
10 Julia's "Seinfeld" role
11 Whistle-blower during phys ed
12 Fairy tale brother
13 Marquis de ____

- 18 "Law & Order: SVU" actor
22 Add to the staff
23 "The Godfather" novelist Mario
25 Multitudes of
26 Help in a heist
27 Yawn inducer
28 Whistle-blower at obedience school
29 Actress Day
31 Polling place receptacle
33 ____ fide
34 Dalmatian mark
36 Like dorms for men and women
37 Sheep fat
39 Zoomed
40 Be of help to
42 Quick trip to the market, say
43 Nonsense
44 "I'll do it"
45 Actress Sophia
46 Gradually withdraw
48 Garden tool
49 Baghdad's country
50 Diner handout
51 Basketball Hall of Famer "Pistol" ____ Maravich
53 Sgt., e.g.
54 Green prefix

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MONDAY, DEC. 23 NORMAL HIGH: 33° NORMAL LOW: 19° RECORD HIGH: 62° (1982) RECORD LOW: -21° (1983)

Mild weather continues, gray Christmas likely

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH

57

LOW

35

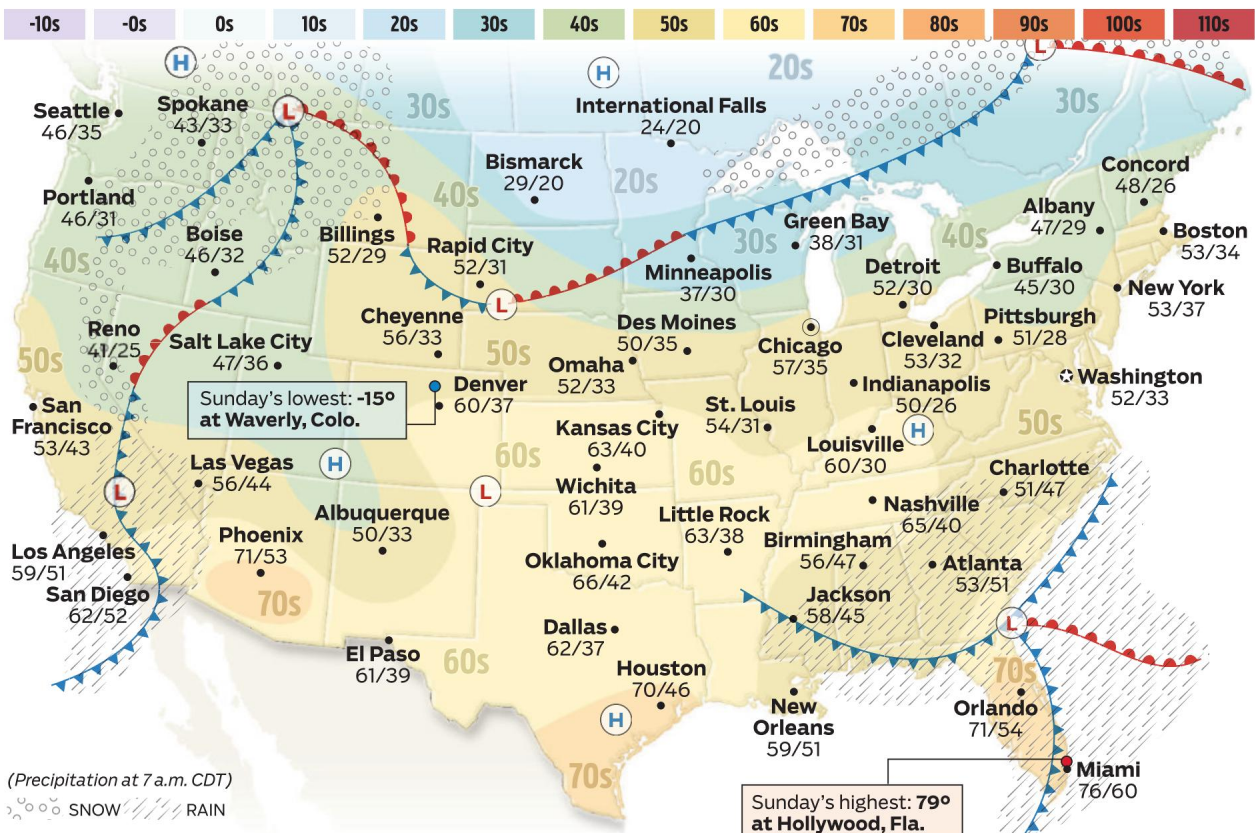
■ Southwesterly winds will prevail across area much of the day shifting east along the lakefront and a few miles inland late in the afternoon into the evening hours.

■ Mostly sunny skies. Very mild air for this time of the year—afternoon high temp could reach 57 at the official O'Hare observing site. Perhaps higher in other locations to south.

■ The record high for this date was 62 degrees set back in 1982.

■ Overnight a weak cold front will reverse itself and move north. Winds will once again become southerly area-wide.

NATIONAL FORECAST



With an extensive ridge of high pressure aloft over the central portion of the U.S., southerly winds and mild temps will continue over the Chicago area Monday. Afternoon highs look to reach well into the 50s—possibly even touching on the 60 degree mark in some southern locations. The record high for this date was 62 degrees in 1982. Late in the afternoon a weak cool front will move down Lake Michigan impacting lakeshore and nearby inland locations with winds shifting to the east and temps dropping into the upper 40s.

On Monday night southerly winds will return to the area setting the stage for a mild day Tuesday with high temps still in the 50s but 3-5 degrees cooler than Monday. Southerly winds will prevail Christmas Day but an upper-level impulse will most likely bring extensive cloudiness.

TUESDAY, DEC. 24

HIGH

53

LOW

37

Continued mild, but with more extensive high clouds to filter sunshine. Highs reach 50 for a third straight day. Southerly winds 8-14 mph. Patchy mid-level clouds keep temps above freezing at night.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25

HIGH

48

LOW

38

Southerly winds will persist but an upper level short-wave disturbance looks to bring extensive cloudiness, thus holding temps below the 50 degree mark for the first time in 4 days. Partly cloudy overnight.

THURSDAY, DEC. 26

HIGH

51

LOW

39

Breaks in the clouds will allow temps to warm back into the lower 50s much of the area. Increasing clouds from the west overnight. Southerly winds.

FRIDAY, DEC. 27

HIGH

45

LOW

37

Cold front approaches from the west. Thickening clouds bring an increasing chance of showers as the day goes on. High temps in the middle 40s. Rain likely overnight. Southerly winds shift northeasterly late.

SATURDAY, DEC. 28

HIGH

42

LOW

32

Damp and rather raw. Intermittent rain likely. Temps hover near 40 much of the day as winds become E-NE. Rain may change over to wet snow overnight.

SUNDAY, DEC. 29

HIGH

35

LOW

25

A mix of rain or wet snow possible and colder with a high in the middle 30s. Decreasing cloudiness from the west overnight. Northeast winds.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
What is the greatest precipitation event ever to occur in Chicago?
Thomas Chadda

Dear Thomas,
Chicago's official precipitation records began Nov. 1, 1870. Since then, the greatest precipitation events occurred over two days, running from one day through midnight into the next day. The worst of these occurred on Aug. 13-14, 1987, when a series of thunderstorms moved across northwest Chicago and adjacent suburbs to the west and northwest. Rainfall totaled 9.35 inches at O'Hare International Airport over the two days. In addition, the event was part of a rainfall total of 12.84 inches over Aug. 13-16, the heaviest four-day total in Chicago's precipitation records. Totals beginning on the 13th were: 2.86 inches, 6.49, 0.59 and 2.90 inches. Rain was not continuous; it ended on the 14th, rained again on the 15th and 16th.

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Mild temperatures to continue—no white Christmas here

SUNDAY—SECOND STRAIGHT DAY WITH 100% OF POSSIBLE SUNSHINE

Last time we did that was Nov. 8-9

- Sunshine for December: 54%
- December normal: 41%

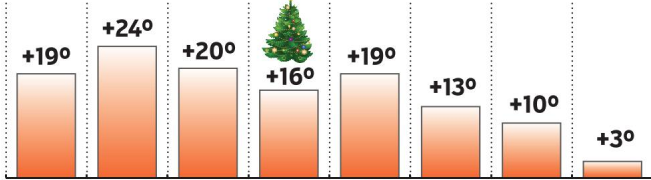
CHRISTMAS FORECAST

- Mostly cloudy
- High temperature: 48°
- Warmest since 1994: 52°
- Record high in 1982: 64°
- Record high for December: 71° —Dec. 2, 1982 and Dec. 3, 1970

VERY MILD WEEK AHEAD

High temps average nearly 18° above normal

Daily high temps/departure from normal

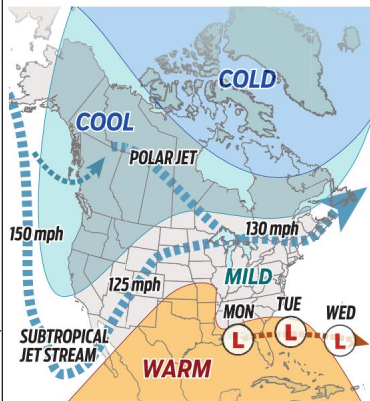


AREAS WHERE "WHITE CHRISTMAS" IS LIKELY



MONDAY-WEDNESDAY SETUP

Upper level 30,000 ft jet stream wind flow low-level/surface temp distribution



With polar jet flowing across southern Canada, Chicago/Midwest sets in "mild" air. "Warm" air just to our southwest. Upper-level trough moves across Chicago Wednesday. Low pressure moves across northern Florida Monday. Then into the southern Atlantic.

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MIDWEST CITIES

MON./TUES.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	55	31	pc	59	41
Carbondale	pc	50	26	cl	50	36
Champaign	pc	50	26	cl	50	36
Decatur	pc	50	28	pc	52	38
Moline	pc	52	32	cl	53	40
Peoria	pc	51	30	cl	54	39
Quincy	pc	58	36	pc	59	43
Rockford	pc	48	31	sh	51	38
Springfield	pc	54	31	cl	55	40
Sterling	pc	47	30	cl	51	37

OTHER U.S. CITIES

MON./TUES.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albino	pc	72	40	pc	71	45
Albany	su	47	29	pc	50	35
Albuquerque	cl	50	33	sh	51	34
Amarillo	pc	70	38	cl	67	41
Anchorage	cl	19	16	ss	21	16
Asheville	rn	53	40	pc	64	35
Aspen	cl	44	22	pc	42	23
Atlanta	rn	53	51	su	66	43
Atlantic City	pc	51	36	su	46	33
Austin	pc	71	39	su	73	45
Baltimore	pc	49	36	su	48	29
Billings	pc	52	29	pc	42	27
Birmingham	sh	56	47	pc	69	48
Bismarck	sh	29	20	cl	27	19
Boise	sh	46	32	ss	37	23
Boston	su	53	34	pc	41	28
Brownsville	su	73	44	su	74	56
Buffalo	pc	45	30	pc	37	30
Burlington	pc	44	24	pc	28	18
Charlotte	rn	51	47	sh	63	37
Charlottesville	rn	65	57	sh	65	45
Charlottesville	pc	60	29	su	56	32
Chattanooga	sh	59	47	pc	67	43
Cheyenne	pc	56	33	pc	50	30
Cincinnati	su	56	26	pc	53	31
Cleveland	su	53	32	pc	43	36
Colorado Springs	cl	61	36	pc	53	30
Columbia MO	pc	61	37	pc	62	44
Columbus	pc	52	28	pc	47	30
Concord	pc	48	26	pc	34	16
Corpus Christi	pc	70	43	su	69	53
Dallas	pc	62	37	su	65	43
Daytona Beach	rn	69	53	sh	71	61
Denver	pc	60	37	pc	56	31
Des Moines	pc	50	27	pc	43	28
El Paso	pc	61	39	pc	60	34