



Trump says meat plants to stay open

President orders processing to continue to ensure steady supply

BY JILL COLVIN, JONATHAN LEMIRE AND KEVIN FREKING
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump took executive action Tuesday to order meat processing plants to stay open amid concerns over growing coronavirus cases and the effect on the nation's food supply.

U.S. coronavirus-related deaths also reached a somber milestone Tuesday, surpassing the number of Americans killed in the Vietnam War.

More than 58,300 Americans have died from COVID-19, according to a tally kept by Johns Hopkins University. That compares with the National Archives' figure of 58,220 deaths from the Vietnam War.

Confirmed cases of COVID-19 also topped 1 million in the U.S. on Tuesday, according to Johns Hopkins.

The order uses the Defense Production Act to classify meat processing as critical infrastructure to try to prevent a shortage of chicken, pork and other meat on supermarket shelves. Unions fired back, saying the White House was jeopardizing lives and prioritizing cold cuts over workers' health.

More than 20 meatpacking plants have closed temporarily under pressure from local authorities and their own workers because of the virus, including two of the nation's largest, one in Iowa

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Medline seeks FDA's OK to sterilize N95 masks

2 other agencies against it, citing ethylene oxide risks for health workers

BY MICHAEL HAWTHORNE

Summoned to the White House last month with other medical suppliers responding to the severe shortage of protective gear for health care workers, Medline Industries CEO Charlie Mills announced the company had good news.

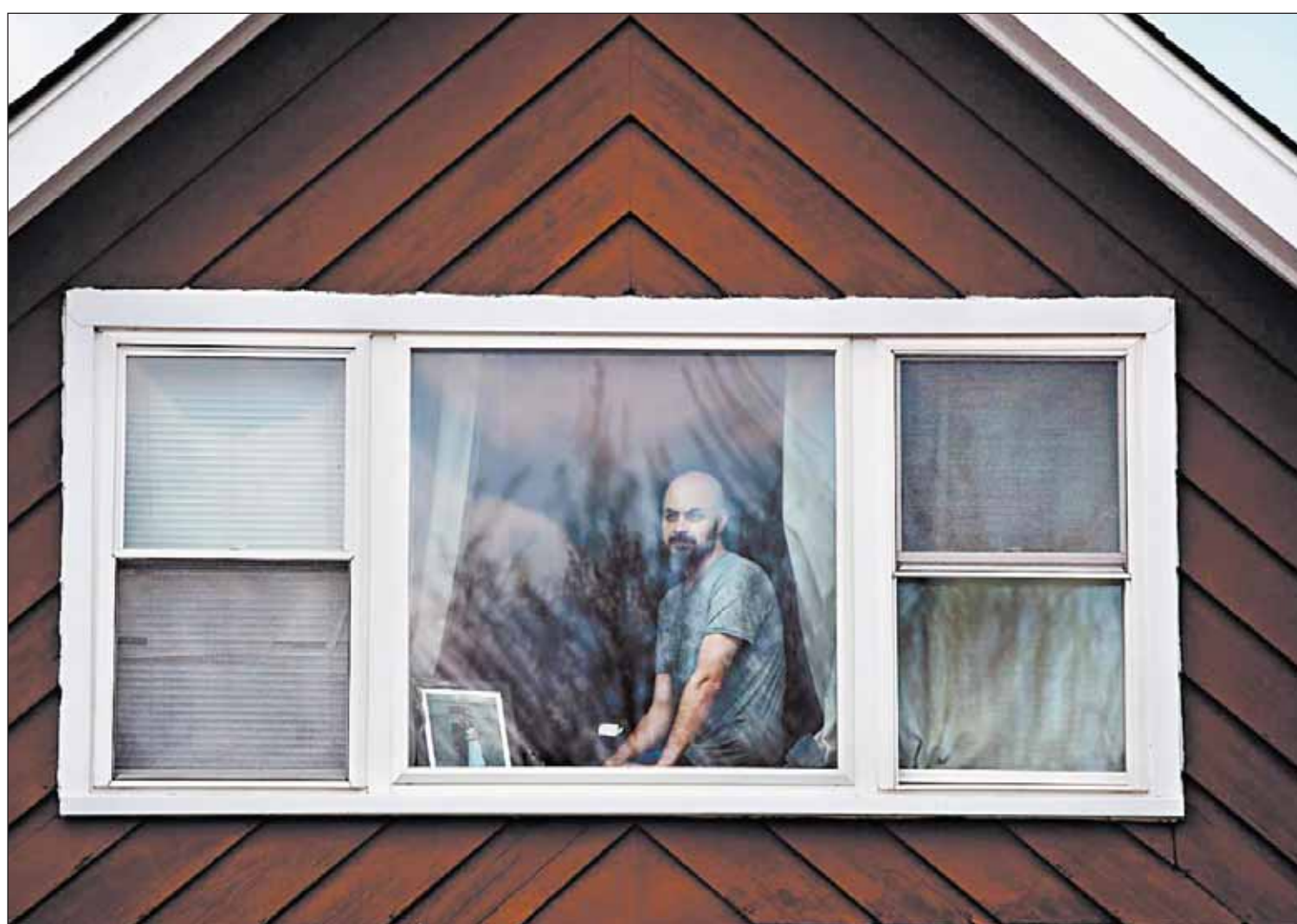
Northfield-based Medline already was reprocessing 100,000 masks a day used by doctors and nurses on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, Mills told President Donald Trump and others in the Cabinet Room.

Though masks typically are certified for one use only, Mills said, Medline could rapidly decontaminate used masks at its plant in north suburban Waukegan and send them back to hospitals and clinics across the nation. The company's efforts would buy medical workers time while manufacturers increase production of new masks, he said.

"I think that is fantastic," Trump said later the same day after Mills summarized his plan during the president's March 29 appearance before the White House press corps.

What Mills failed to mention is Medline's process relies on ethyl-

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Dan Gutierrez sits in his Lyons home with a photo of his late wife, Angela. The Bail Project bailed out the man charged with stealing her jewelry.

Bailed out by charities, charged in new crimes

Victims shocked nonprofits aided those accused of attacking them

BY DAVID JACKSON, TODD LIGHTY AND GARY MARX

Prosecutors charged 34-year-old Christopher Stewart with being an armed habitual criminal last year after the four-time felon was allegedly caught illegally carrying a handgun.

At the time, Stewart's ex-girlfriend had obtained an order of protection, saying that just

days earlier he had shot a pistol into the ground at her 6-year-old son's birthday party and threatened to kill her. "I should pop you right now bitch," he shouted, according to her filing.

A charity called The Bail Project posted \$5,000 in cash to release Stewart from Cook County Jail. A month later, Stewart was charged with attempted murder after he allegedly set fire to the ex-girlfriend's apartment

while she was inside. Police rescued her as she hung out of a kitchen window.

During the last three years, The Bail Project and a second nonprofit — the Chicago Community Bond Fund — have paid to release nearly 1,000 pretrial defendants from Cook County Jail. The groups are part of well-funded, nationwide efforts to eliminate cash bail as a condition of pretrial release and ensure

poor people are not jailed for criminal charges simply because they cannot afford bond.

The charities contend that the risk to public safety of releasing pretrial detainees is minimal. Many defendants they bailed out were charged with misdemeanors, and the two groups say they have near universal success in helping released defendants

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Daley Plaza farmers market, seen last year on opening day, May 9, 2019, is usually busy with shoppers.

Crop of rules for farmers markets

Keep 6 feet back from the heirloom tomatoes — and no squeezing

BY LOUISA CHU

The outdoor farmers market season in Chicago traditionally kicks off on the first Saturday of May at Green City Market. The crown jewel of organic produce transforms a grassy corner of Lincoln Park into a see-and-be-seen event with chefs and lake-side residents mingling among ramps and rhubarb. It's more a community gathering than sim-

ply a means to gather food.

Not this year. Although Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker declared farmers markets among essential businesses in his original stay-at-home order, opening day for Green City Market, and most farmers markets around Chicago and surrounding suburbs, have been postponed due to the pandemic.

"Right now we are hoping for the end of May with social

distancing and other precautions," said Melissa Flynn, executive director of Green City, by email. "I am waiting on answers from DCASE and the Chicago Park District."

The coronavirus uncertainty rule holds some exceptions when it comes to farmers markets. Two openings in the suburbs mark the calendar on May

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200 test positive at Cicero nursing home

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In today's Health & Family section, you'll find not only stories about COVID-19 and advice about Life at Home during the pandemic, but we've also included our food coverage and recipes in this section. We know how important cooking at home has become for so many people, and we want you to know we've got you covered for kitchen tips and culinary inspiration.

We will continue to cover the dining scene, of course. We're focused today on takeout standouts, and you can find a full list of restaurants still operating pickup or delivery at www.chicagotribune.com/takeout. We will ramp back up with news and reviews of restaurants as they reopen and serve diners in a new way.

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A bust of President Abraham Lincoln is visible behind House Speaker Nancy Pelosi as she arrives Thursday on Capitol Hill.

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JOHN KASS

Fed bailout for state akin to aiding bust-out gambler

If you're a taxpayer from a well-run state with low public worker union pension debt, you may be watching in horrified fascination as House Speaker Nancy Pelosi pushes the political buttons for the new CARES Act 2 federal coronavirus relief bill.

People and businesses need help. Government shut down the economy to deal with the pandemic. There are serious coronavirus costs and federal help is needed.

But what's worrisome is this: politics could morph necessary relief into a massive no-strings-attached bailout for Illinois, New York, New Jersey and other poorly run states to pay down their unfunded public worker pension debts.

And who pays? You do. It's like watching your grandma take your college fund to pay off her brother's gambling debts.

Democratic governors such as J.B. Pritzker of Illinois and Andrew Cuomo of New York are putting on the pressure, saying if that federal pipeline doesn't start flowing again it will prove the Republicans and President Donald Trump just don't care about human suffering.

It all reminds me of story about a guy who knew a lot about politics and human nature: Paul Ricca, the boss of bosses of organized crime in America.

Ricca was ruthless, a killer. He detested publicity and flew under the radar. Hollywood never made a movie about him. He was brilliant, educated in a seminary, and is said to have spoken several languages.

From the time he came to Chicago to watch over Al Capone — the publicity seeking buffoon fronted off to the public and the press as the beclowned mob boss — and until he took his last breath, Ricca's word was law. From New York to Los Angeles, Las Vegas and naturally Chicago.

Legend has it that one day Ricca was being driven along Cermak Road, named to honor a Chicago mayor who died suddenly of lead poisoning, when someone in the car began complaining about another gangster.

The guy in Ricca's car wanted the other gangster to die a slow painful death from cancer.

"Stop. That's a terrible thing for you to say, that he should get cancer,"

Ricca said. "Cancer? How could you say such a thing? You wish that kind of suffering on someone? That's terrible."

The other guy in the car was terrified, thinking he'd angered the boss. Ricca was silent for a moment, then asked.

"Do you really hate this man?"

Yes. "Then don't wish him to have cancer. Wish him to be a gambler," the boss said. "It takes longer."

And Ricca smiled. How long has it taken for suffering taxpayers in Illinois and the other poorly run states to drown in red ink from massive unfunded public pension debt liabilities?

Decades. The Democratic governors have their talking points. This isn't a bailout, they say. Instead, it's all about "fairness" and "donor states."

"As you know, we are a donor state to the federal government," Pritzker said the other day. "We pay more in federal taxes in Illinois than we get back from the federal government. The states who are being bailed out, year after year, are the states who take more out of the federal dole than they put in."

The Democratic talking points sound reasonable, until you realize the states Pritzker says are being "bailed out, year after year," are in the main, extremely poor states, with many poor people who need federal assistance programs.

And the new talking points ignore something else: the structural political issues that have led several states to mortgage their taxpayers' futures and seek a federal bailout.

A bailout, a no-strings-attached grant of billions in federal cash, is like giving money to a desperate gambler. Or, like putting cash into the hands of a meth addict.

Long before the coronavirus pandemic gave Democrats a crisis that they could use to do things they'd never done before, states such as Illinois, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and even Kentucky were in the grips of something else that was killing them.

The political class in each of these states, mostly Democrats but with help from a few local Republican

handmaidens, had put taxpayers on the hook for unsustainable public pension deals for government workers.

Rather than fund the pensions, the politicians just kicked the can down the road for the next political crew to deal with. And they kicked it too.

Years ago, as handing out political patronage jobs was deemed illegal, the old local Democratic political organizations began to fade. The politicians needed new armies with muscle at election time. The public worker union bosses stepped in and thus began the destructive symbiotic relationship.

The political class overpromised on pension deals. The public worker unions got the Democrats elected. In states such as New York and Illinois, some politicians leveraged public office for great private wealth. And who paid? Taxpayers.

Now in Illinois, the unfunded public worker pension debt is estimated in the hundreds of billions of dollars. The state's bond ratings are just above junk status. Illinois state Senate President Don Harmon, D-Chicago, has asked Congress for a \$41.6 billion bailout.

Taxpayers are on the hook and the pension burden shifts to property taxes. The property taxes rise, and their home values fall. Taxpayers are now the servants of public servants.

Coronavirus didn't do this. Trump didn't do this. Local politicians did this.

So why should taxpayers of well-run and prudent states be asked to bail out the politicians of Illinois and elsewhere for decades worth of bad decision-making?

The politicians and mouthpieces will prattle on about "fairness" and "donor states." But they're very much like bust-out gamblers. They want someone else to pay their debts.

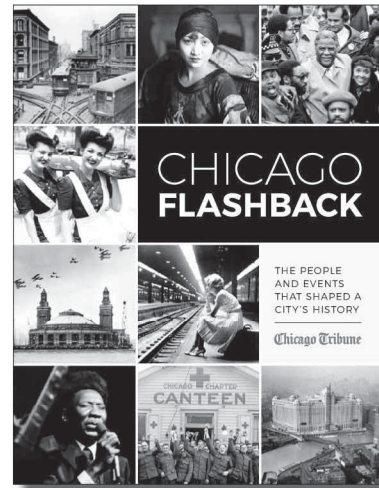
And the bill is due. Paul Ricca understood them well.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

A few words to describe our strange new times



MARY SCHMICH

Among the many things changed by the sad, eerie moment we're living in is our vocabulary. We bat around words most of us had never heard or spoken until a few weeks ago.

PPP. PPE. Coronavirus. Covid. Zoom. Zoom fatigue. Coronapocalypse. Covidiot. Doomscrolling. Quarantini.

Some of our new words are deadly serious, but some, inevitably, are humorous. It's a human reflex to leaven our grief and dread by laughing about what terrifies us.

In that spirit, I'd like to elaborate on a few of these new words, some of which I've coined.

Coronachondria

Do you diagnose yourself with the novel coronavirus several times a day? Is every tickle in your throat a forecast of doom? Do you find yourself sniffing odd things just to make sure you can still smell? Have you found yourself Googling "covid toes" only to discover to your dismay that there is such a thing?

If you answered yes to any of the above, you may be a coronachondriac, a subset of hypochondriac bred by this legitimately frightening disease.

I have a mild case of coronachondria. So does my friend Lisa.

"I alternately thought I had stomach pains, a sore throat and a headache and obsessed on each symptom," Lisa recently announced on Facebook. "Now I don't think I have any of them!"

To chart her health, Lisa wanted a thermometer. The good ones were sold out, so she bought a lesser one. It didn't work. She bought another. Same.

"So I have two crappy thermometers and feel my forehead with the back of my hand every day and feel like I'm swooning like some old lady in a Victorian-era movie," she says. "Otherwise, I'm fine."

But as all coronachondriacs will tell you: Better to be cautious than careless.

Covidomesticity

"We've become 1950s housewives," my female friends and I have been joking to each other. No disrespect to 1950s housewives — they were our mothers, though in my mother's case, she never pretended to enjoy the duties associated with the de-



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Pandemia: A woman runs across West Webster Avenue at North Lincoln Avenue in Chicago's Lincoln Park neighborhood on April 21.

scription.

But now here their daughters are, day after day, with a zeal we've never experienced, mopping, sweeping, scrubbing, dusting, cooking, sewing, washing windows, organizing kitchen cabinets. One friend painted a closet.

"My house has never been cleaner!" says another.

There's some satisfaction in these domestic conquests but also the reminder of how hard and time-consuming they can be.

Coronacooking (see also: 'covidomesticity')

Did you really make yogurt for the first time ever? You bought sourdough starter? You're growing avocados from pits? Making Facebook cooking videos now that you've discovered the joy of turning on the oven?

As for me, I'm suddenly making smoothies from whatever weird ingredients are in the refrigerator. Inventing salad dressings. Making croutons. It had never occurred to me to make croutons, but there I was on a

Sunday afternoon Googling "how to make croutons," which I fear is a sign of ...

Pandemia!

For many people, this strange moment has led to a quieter life. For some it's a reflective, meditative time. For some, it's immobilizing and depressing.

But not for those in the grip of pandemia!

They're starting a new business! Cranking away on a novel! Learning a new language! Taking up guitar! Going out to run! And out to run again! They've ordered weights online! They're up at dawn! Eager to Zoom at midnight! They've finished six giant jigsaw puzzles! Time for another run!

In other words, they're dealing with anxiety their way.

Coronacraving

You never needed a bread box before. Now, in the midst of a pandemic, you have got to have one asap.

By you, I mean me. Otherwise I'll have to

keep turning stale bread into croutons.

Some of our coronacravings are the result of being home so much that we focus on what would make our confinement easier. My friend Kaarin just bought a vacuum cleaner. When she quizzed her Facebook friends on their pandemic purchases, the answers ranged from pingpong table to ice cream maker to laptop stand.

"Underwear," says a friend. "I find myself craving new underwear."

Whatever the craving, indulging it is a way to create an illusion of control in the coronavirus chaos.

Coronaclock

On the coronaclock, it's hard to tell what time it is. Time is standing still. Time is racing past. You can't see what's next. You remember how things were, but even that's fading. There is today, only today. And in the quiet moments — when the running, cooking, cleaning and craving stop — we know that's always been true.

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Staff and residents appear on balconies Tuesday at City View Multicare Center, where the coronavirus has hit more than half of the population.

Virus roiling nursing home

At Cicero site, over 200 residents, staff tested positive

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN

The number of confirmed COVID-19 cases at a Cicero nursing home continued to climb Tuesday, with officials now reporting eight residents and one worker have died from coronavirus-related conditions.

As of Tuesday, Cicero officials announced that at least 163 residents at City View Multi-Care Center, 5825 W. Cermak Road, had tested positive for COVID-19 following mandated testing at the facility by the Illinois Department of Public Health. In total, there are 320 residents

living at City View, meaning the disease has spread to more than half of the population, said Ray Hanania, a spokesman for the town.

In addition, 41 workers have tested positive, though that number could rise as more test results come back. The facility was still waiting to get results back for 39 other workers. The facility has 250 workers, Hanania said.

Of those who have tested positive, eight residents have died from coronavirus-related conditions, Hanania said. In addition, one employee from the facility who contracted the disease died.

The number of cases and fatalities at the facility is the latest example of how long-term care facilities

across the state are struggling with COVID-19 outbreaks. As of Friday, at least 4,298 confirmed cases of COVID-19 have been tied to the facilities, according to data from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Cases have been reported in at least 278 long-term care facilities spread across 24 counties in Illinois.

While the state has started distributing weekly reports about cases tied to facilities like the one in Cicero, the data has sometimes varied. For example, data from the state indicated only five residents had died at City View as of Friday. The Cook County medical examiner's office is reporting a sixth death of a person who lived there. Those

who have died have ranged in age from 59 to 80; the first confirmed death was April 4 and the latest confirmed death was April 19, according to the medical examiner and Tribune analysis of the office's data. Officials have also cited the nursing home facility with 10 violations, most having to do with workers not wearing proper personal protective equipment, ranging from masks to gowns, Hanania said.

"The goal isn't to shut it down unless it really becomes a serious problem," Hanania said Tuesday morning. "Our main concern is their safety. We want to make sure that they are given the proper care."

City View officials did not respond to request for comment Tuesday.

City View told town officials that it was using three floors to quarantine residents who have tested positive, according to a news release. Hanania said the town had not filed any additional citations as of Tuesday.

"We continue to monitor them," he said.

COVID-19 has also exacerbated conditions for workers at these type of long-term care facilities. Workers at 40 nursing homes in the Chicago area, not including City View in Cicero, plan to walk off the job May 8 amid contract negotiations.

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GUEST COLUMN

Covering pandemic response was my life. Then my aunt died of it.

BY DAN PETRELLA

I sat in front of the computer screen in my guest bedroom on April 21, watching Gov. J.B. Pritzker's daily news briefing on COVID-19. I listened, as I do almost every day, as officials announced the number of people in Illinois who had died from the new coronavirus.

The count on that day was 119. One of them was my aunt, Carol DeWitt.

I've been covering the COVID-19 briefings from the start, at first competing with other reporters for a good seat in the Blue Room at the James R. Thompson Center and later, as a safety precaution, from home. Each day as officials announced the number of new cases and deaths, I've tried to keep in the front of my mind that these aren't just numbers on a spreadsheet. They are human beings. Lives at risk. Loved ones lost.

With Aunt Carol's death, those abstract feelings of empathy have turned painfully real.

Carol's life was too short, too hard and never fair.

In her 60 years, she struggled with a host of physical and mental health problems, including an intellectual disability and epilepsy. She'd also had respiratory issues, and I knew from listening to the daily news briefings that this heightened her risk from the coronavirus.

But Carol was more than a medical chart full of

maladies and disorders.

She was the aunt who lived with us in my earliest years, who played "Thriller" on the living room record player and shot baskets with us on the bumpy driveway. She still gave my two older brothers and me handmade cards and drawings practically every time we saw her.

Carol had beautiful blue eyes. I see them sometimes when I look at my son.

Through all Carol's challenges — the struggle to find a placement for her in the 1990s after she quit a program that helped her live independently, the never-ending process of trying to find the right combination of medications to keep her many ailments in check — my mom, Mary, was there for her. She was her advocate. Her guardian, legally and in every sense of the word. Above all, her big sister.

COVID-19 changed everything.

In mid-March, the family was supposed to get together to celebrate Carol's 60th birthday, but new restrictions at her North Side nursing home meant she couldn't leave. Around that time, she lashed out and was sent to a behavioral health hospital, a more frequent occurrence in recent years. It's unclear if having to cancel our plans was the cause.

She was back at the nursing home for about a week before she was taken to Weiss Memorial Hospital in Uptown on April 1

after having a seizure.

My mom sent my brothers and me a text the following Saturday morning to tell us Carol had been diagnosed with temporal lobe epilepsy, which Mom thought was different from the kind she'd been diagnosed with when they were kids. Mom called me a few hours later to say the doctors thought she might have the coronavirus as well.

They'd moved her to an isolated room on a COVID floor but had to rule out flu before testing for this novel virus, Mom said.

Within days, we knew. Carol had become one of the statistics I would hear at a news briefing. One of more than 1,000 new known cases that day.

The measures put in place to protect us all from this new threat meant Carol had to spend her last days in isolation. She couldn't see my mother, who'd watched out for her since they were kids. The rules meant no visits from my brothers or me, the nephews who were supposed to look after her if Mom went before she did.

We all understand why it had to be that way. We believe the experts and trust the medical professionals. That doesn't make it any easier.

My last conversation with Carol was on March 21, a day after she turned 60, weeks before she was diagnosed with the coronavirus.

She told me about how



MARY PETRELLA

The author and his brothers with his aunt in 1995. Ralph Petrella, from left, Carol DeWitt, Dan and Marcus Petrella.

my brothers had called and she'd gotten to talk to my sister-in-law and my 2-year-old nephew. I said, "Happy birthday." We said we loved and missed each other. I tried to get my 2-year-old son to say hello on speakerphone. It went as well as you'd expect. After maybe a minute and a half, Carol said she had to go, and we hung up.

Mom did provide an update in the interim: Carol seemed to be enjoying the lovely view from her window, and other than a persistent fever, the COVID-19 symptoms seemed mild and well controlled.

And then she was gone.

On Saturday, there was a small wake, a funeral Mass at St. John the Apostle Catholic Church in Villa Park and a burial at Assumption Cemetery in Wheaton. Limit 10 people, priest and funeral director included.

I wasn't there, though I was able to watch the funeral on Zoom. My wife and I are expecting our second child in August, and as the public health officials have reminded us, pregnancy is considered a high-risk category for

COVID-19.

Carol wasn't always easy, especially for my mom, and taking care of her needs took its toll. But my mom never stopped fighting for Carol. Their love was unconditional.

That's what Carol was to me too. A source and a recipient of unconditional love.

If you were sitting next to her at a family gathering, she often would reach over, without saying a word, and squeeze your hand, her simple way of saying, "I love you," though she was never stingy with the words.

The night Mom called to tell me Carol had died, I went downstairs to the guest room, where hours earlier I'd watched the governor outline the state's effort to increase testing for staff and residents at long-term care facilities.

On the cluttered bed, I found the birthday card I'd bought for her before we'd had to cancel her birthday gathering. It's a pink card with shiny gold embellishments. On the front, it says, "You're an awesome aunt."

A trite greeting card sentiment, perhaps. But true.

No plan yet for how to mask the masses

Lightfoot, critics have put forward dueling proposals

BY JOHN BYRNE

Mayor Lori Lightfoot laid out a plan to aldermen to distribute disposable masks around the city as businessman Willie Wilson on Tuesday held an event across the street from City Hall to donate masks himself to City Council members to give to residents.

The question of how to make sure Chicagoans have enough masks has become more urgent as Gov. J.B. Pritzker's order is set to take effect Friday requiring people older than 2 to wear a face covering while inside stores and other places where they can't maintain safe social distancing.

Wilson, a former mayoral candidate who had a falling out with Lightfoot after she took office, has been putting forward his own proposals to directly distribute disposable masks through his medical supply company.

Last week, Far South Side Ald. Anthony Beale, 9th, a mayoral critic, asked the Lightfoot administration to let aldermen use local ward funds usually reserved for infrastructure projects to buy masks from Wilson. The Lightfoot administration hasn't yet responded to that idea, Beale said.

And on Tuesday morning, Wilson set up in a plaza outside the Thompson Center across the street from City Hall with a pledge to give away 20,000 disposable masks to each alderman who came downtown to get them.

Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th, posted a photo of himself outside the Thompson Center, saying he was there to get the free masks. Ramirez-Rosa, another Lightfoot critic, said he would distribute the masks in his Northwest Side ward to essential workers and their families, plus other residents.

Lightfoot on Tuesday said she didn't know about the particulars of Wilson's giveaway. "Believe it or not, I have a few more things on my plate. I'm not really following what any particular donor is doing," she said.

But she also chastised those who came to the Thompson Center to pick up masks from Wilson, saying they weren't practicing social distancing.

And the mayor said disposable masks such as the ones Wilson gave away are better suited for first responders and medical personnel. Others should use cloth masks they can wash and reuse, she said.

Lightfoot doesn't want to appear flat-footed as political opponents fill the need to get people masks.

After Wilson announced his giveaway plan, Lightfoot sent a letter to aldermen Monday saying she would be sending out a request for proposals to try to find companies to make reusable cloth masks.

The goal is to use federal coronavirus relief bill money to buy 5,000 cloth masks for each alderman to distribute to vulnerable people in their wards, and an additional 750,000 for the city to distribute, Lightfoot's letter to aldermen says.

Lightfoot said she would be distributing 2,000 disposable masks to each alderman this week.

Last week, Lightfoot accused Wilson of requesting millions of dollars from the city in upfront cash to help buy protective masks. "Millions of dollars in cash is not something I'm ever going to do with taxpayer dollars," Lightfoot said then.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Suit over stay-at-home order 'cheap ... stunt,' says Pritzker

Governor also decries judge's ruling as absurd

BY DAN PETRELLA AND LISA DONOVAN

A day after a southern Illinois judge issued a temporary order exempting a Republican state representative from Gov. J.B. Pritzker's statewide stay-at-home directive, Pritzker reiterated that restrictions remain in place for the more than 12 million other residents of the state.

"This ruling only applies to one person because it was only ever about one person," Pritzker said during his daily news conference on the coronavirus, accusing Rep. Darren Bailey of seeking to grab headlines while putting public health at risk.

Monday's ruling by a Clay County judge resulted from a suit by Bailey that challenged Pritzker's authority to extend his stay-at-home order beyond the initial 30 days under the state's Emergency Management Act.

While the judge's temporary restraining order was limited, Pritzker again gave a denouncement of Bailey, of downstate Xenia.

"This was a cheap political stunt designed so that the representative can see his name in headlines, and unfortunately, he has briefly been successful in that," Pritzker said.

Calling the court order "absurd," Pritzker said that "the court set a dangerous precedent."

"Because of this ruling, any resident can petition to be exempted from aspects of the orders that rely on collective action to keep us all safe," he said.

The Illinois attorney general's office is expected to file its formal appeal of the ruling on Wednesday, and

Pritzker said he's confident the judge's order will be overturned.

Pritzker's comments came as the state reported another 144 deaths, the highest number in a single day since the outbreak began. The statewide death toll now stands at 2,125, officials said.

Officials also reported 2,219 new known cases of COVID-19 — the fifth time in the past seven days that the number of new cases has topped 2,000. There have been 48,102 known cases in 96 of Illinois' 102 counties.

Nursing homes and long-term care facilities have been particularly hard-hit in Illinois, with a third of all virus deaths tied to facilities across the state.

While the majority of the deaths have been in the Chicago region, Pritzker again noted that Jasper County, which lies in Bailey's 109th House District, is one of the two counties with the highest per capita death rates from the coronavirus.

"For those unfamiliar, the 109th District happens to have among the lowest hospital bed availability and ventilators in the state, making it uniquely ill-equipped to respond to a surge in cases," Pritzker said.

Bailey fired back at Pritzker in an interview Tuesday evening, saying "he needs to get back to the business of being governor and quit grandstanding" and allow the Illinois Department of Public Health to manage the response.

"Nobody's putting anybody at risk," Bailey said. "Nobody's changing anything. The reason why I was freed from ... these draconian, tyrannical measures that he's doing, the reason that I was freed from that, was

because his actions are unconstitutional."

Among other arguments, Bailey pointed to a section of the state's recently updated "Pandemic Influenza Preparedness and Response Plan" that says, "IDPH has explicitly delegated its authority to order isolation, quarantine and closure to certified local health departments."

Asked about that line of reasoning, Pritzker pushed back, saying: "There is no quarantine authority that's being exercised here. There's a stay-at-home order. There are executive orders that are in place to effectuate the protection of all of our citizens."

Pritzker contends that state law lets him continue his disaster declaration in 30-day increments as long as the disaster continues.

"Pandemics, which we have not had in Illinois for a hundred years, pandemics don't live by a 30-day time frame" he said. "And so all we're trying to do is to end our ... executive orders as soon as possible, but with the thought in mind that we need to keep people safe until we're able to do that."

Pritzker plans to sign an extension to the current stay-at-home order, which expires after Thursday, with some modifications that will run through May 30. The order has been in place since March 21 and was to be lifted after April 7.

Earlier Tuesday, the governor said he spoke with White House officials and was promised the federal government would provide 20,000 testing swabs per day in May, a boost that will help determine when it's safe to begin lifting the order.

The White House re-

leased a testing "blueprint" Monday night, with testing targets that would ensure states had enough COVID-19 tests available to sample at least 2.6% of their populations monthly.

During a Tuesday morning appearance on the "Today" show, Pritzker said he was grateful for the help but couldn't resist perpetuating his ongoing battle with President Donald Trump. Pritzker complained the federal government hasn't done enough to address the crisis. Trump has maintained that it's up to the states to meet testing goals.

"We've done a good job in Illinois of acquiring our own supplies, but now the White House is getting engaged and they're promising to deliver to us for the month of May about 20,000 swabs per day, which is very important," he said during the interview, noting that those will be on top of the 12,000 tests per day already being done statewide.

Asked about the president's aim to make sure roughly 2% of the population is tested, Pritzker said, "we're aiming to do much more than that."

"We're currently among the top 10 states in terms of how many tests we're doing on a per-day basis and we want to vault ourselves near the top," he said.

Ramping up testing is "very important when you think in terms of reopening" the economy," Pritzker said, but added that a system of contact tracing — mapping out how a person contracted the virus to understand its spread — is needed.

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Illinois coronavirus tracker

Data from Illinois Department of Public Health and Chicago Tribune reporting as of April 28.

Total reported cases:	Total deaths:	Total tests:	% of Ill. residents tested:
48,102	2,125	242,189	1.9%
ICU beds available:	Hospital beds available:	Ventilators available:	
26%	33%	68%	

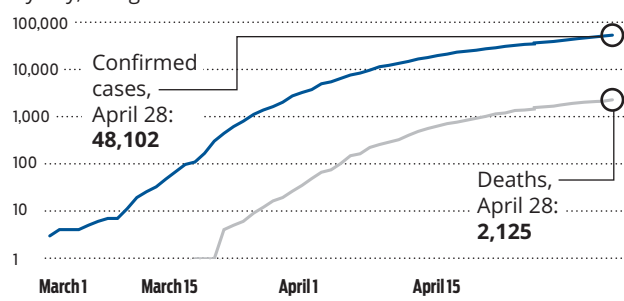
Reported coronavirus cases and deaths

Geography (Population)	Number positive cases	Rate per 100,000 residents	Deaths
Chicago (2.7 million)	19,594	724.1	803
Suburban Cook (2.5 million)	13,855	559.9	654
Lake (700,832)	3,192	455.5	123
DuPage (928,589)	2,736	294.6	139
Will (692,310)	2,254	325.6	145
Kane (534,216)	1,308	244.8	41
McHenry (308,570)	552	178.9	31
Kendall (127,915)	235	183.7	5

Note: 2018 population figures

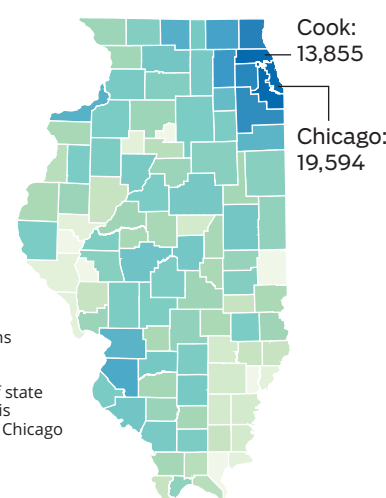
Cumulative confirmed cases and deaths

By day, in log scale



Reported Illinois coronavirus cases by county

Lowest
Highest



Note: Total for all Illinois counties doesn't equal total Illinois cases because locations for all cases aren't known

SOURCES: Tribune analysis of state health and census data, Illinois Department of Public Health, Chicago Tribune reporting

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Markets

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2. Social distancing, though, will revert the events from raucous gatherings with dogs, baby strollers, musicians, flowers and crafts back to a focus on the food.

The Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events issues farmers market permits in the city of Chicago and runs 12 of its own markets too. Among them are the City Market at Daley Plaza, the longest running farmers market in Chicago, and the Maxwell Street Market, with a history that dates back over 100 years to the late 19th century.

But DCASE has canceled all city-run markets until further notice, communications director Christine Carrino said by email. "We are considering multiple scenarios for the Chicago City Markets season and various measures (masks, 6-foot tape lines, online/advance ordering) to encourage social distancing and protect the safety of our customers and vendors," said Carrino.

On May 2, the downtown Evanston and Palatine farmers markets will open. Each has detailed health and safety plans in place. Don't expect a social event or to squeeze any produce, heirloom or otherwise.

"My biggest issue is to prioritize the health and safety of not only our community and our customers, but our vendors who are really, really scared about coming into a big city," said Myra Gorman, market manager, by phone. Evanston holds three farmers markets, but the Saturday downtown event is by far the biggest. "The beast," as Gorman calls it, sees 5,000 to 7,000 people on a normal day.

"The market will be in a large 'square' with a designated entrance and exit," wrote Gorman on the market Facebook page. The line will wrap around the outside of the square with social distancing of 6 feet per person. "We will be letting people in as people



Green City Market in Chicago has postponed opening until late May. Till then, it is offering home delivery, with the bags packaged at an undisclosed location.

Markets open, opening soon or virtually open

Here are farmers markets and notable street markets that have replied to our inquiries on plans so far, with opening dates when available; all subject to change, listed alphabetically.

- 61st Street, online marketplace, experimentalstation.org/market
- Argyle Night Market, July 9, facebook.com/ArgyleNightMarket
- Downtown Evanston Farmers Market, May 2, facebook.com/EvanstonMarkets
- Glenwood Sunday Market, May 31, glenwoodsundaymarket.org
- Green City Market, end of May, greencitymarket.org
- Logan Square, virtual market, logansquarefarmersmarket.org
- Low-Line Market, June 4, lakeviewchamber.com/low-line-market
- McKinley Park, online farmers market, facebook.com/MPFMI
- Morton Grove, June 6, facebook.com/MGFarmersMarket
- Naperville 95th Street, June, napervilleparks.org/farmersmarket
- Naperville, beginning of June, napervillefarmersmarket.com
- Naperville St. John's Episcopal Church, by July 1, facebook.com/Farmers-Market-at-St-Johns-Naperville-Illinois-475877945834701
- Oak Park, May 23, oak-park.us/our-community/oak-park-farmers-market
- Orland Park, June 4, orlandpark.org/services/recreation/market-at-the-park
- Palatine, May 2, palatine.il.us/663/Farmers-Market
- Park Ridge, June 6, parkridgefarmersmarket.com
- Plant Chicago, online farmers market, plantchicago.org/farmers-market
- Portage Park, June 7, friendsofportagepark.org
- Skokie, June 7, skokie.org/434/Skokie-Farmers-Market
- South Loop, June 11, southloopfarmersmarket.com
- Urban Growers Collective, open (April 4), freshmoveschi.square.site
- Wicker Park, virtual farmers market, wickerparkbucktown.com/farmersmarket/welcome-to-the-wicker-park-farmers-market

If you are a market manager and would like your market listed or updated, please contact us at food@chicagotribune.com.

exit."

You should know the basic coronavirus moves by now: Stay 6 feet back, wait your turn, walk this way. At farmers markets, just add in

a few new steps. You point and choose. Farmers will bag and ring up your choices. Everybody in, then out.

"Yesterday my assistant

and I walked the footprint of the square," said Gorman. They will publish a map each week online, because vendors may change, so people can plan ahead.

In Palatine, the farmers market will only offer food items. "We won't have the flower or soap vendors," said Marg Buer, market founder, by phone. "It's essential for people to get food."

Each vendor will have a tent and a table with an empty parking space on either side at the Metra train station lot. "Parking places are 9 feet across," said Buer. "Each vendor will be asked to have a chalk or tape mark 6 feet back from their table so the customers are not close to the product."

"Our market has been a very social place to come on a Saturday morning with music and people bringing their dogs for treats, but it's going to be different," she added.

"It's definitely still going to be a destination, but it's going to be 'I'm going to get this, this, and that; then I'm out of here,'" Buer said, laughing.

After a winter drive-up market for the past two months, twice a month with only five vendors, Palatine market organizers wondered if they could do the same during the regular market. "No, we couldn't," said Buer. "In an Illinois Farmers Market Association webinar someone said at their market people were lined up in their cars for two hours. It's not efficient anymore."

"The biggest source of information and guidance is from ILFMA," said Buer.

The Illinois Department of Agriculture has posted links to the ILFMA COVID-19 toolkit with guidelines for customers, vendors and managers. "Patrons and workers at farmers markets across the state should adhere to the social distancing guidelines provided by the Illinois Department of Public Health and wear a mask or other face covering as recommended by Gov. Pritzker," said Krista Lissa, spokesperson for the Illinois Department of Agriculture, by email.

Only a handful of markets usually open by early May, but this season 95th Street on the South Side of

"My biggest issue is to prioritize the health and safety of not only our community and our customers, but our vendors who are really, really scared about coming into a big city."

— Myra Gorman, market manager

Chicago won't be among them. "We typically open on the first Sunday in May," said Erin Ross, executive director of the 95th Street Business Association, by email. "We have already announced that we will not open in May. I'm hoping we will be able to host the market later this summer, but we don't know yet. We are going to see how the next weeks unfold."

In southwest suburban Orland Park, the decision to open the town's farmers market on June 4 with food and alcohol vendors followed the White House announcement of the Opening Up America Again plan, but not ILFMA health and safety guidelines.

"The Market at the Park is held at Crescent Park and includes vendors, children's activities and entertainment," said Nabeha Zegar, communications manager for Orland Park, by email. The event will have safety measures in place, said Zegar, but provided no details despite multiple requests.

Meanwhile, Green City Market offers a virtual farmers market with home delivery, along with a few other local online markets.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

An open letter to the black kids who partied during a pandemic



DAHLEEN GLANTON

Dear black kids who attended that house party in Chicago last weekend,

I am not here to scold you. By now, you've already heard people from around the world admonish you for such reckless behavior.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot says what you did was "utterly unacceptable." Gov. JB. Pritzker warned that you have put everyone you come in contact with in danger.

I'll be more blunt than that. You were foolish and selfish. What you did was shameful. But you knew that when you were doing it, didn't you?

That's why some of you wore masks. That's why you videotaped the crowded scene from the top of a slightly less crowded staircase, irrationally thinking that you could avoid contracting COVID-19 from that distance. And that's why you abruptly stopped recording the live video when someone warned that the police might show up — which is exactly what eventually happened.

The bottom line, though, is that you didn't care. It was the weekend, and you wanted to party.

I get that. House parties are a long-standing part of African American culture in Chicago. Your parents used to hold them in the basement. Your grandparents did too.

I was a party girl myself when I was in my 20s. Had the coronavirus struck back then, the responsible adult Dahleen is adamant that she would never have been

among those 50 or so people crammed inside that house. The youthful Dahleen isn't so sure.

Recklessness often comes with youth. Part of the growing-up process is experimenting and figuring out what's good for you and what is harmful. We come to those conclusions at different points in our lives. Sometimes, we are forced to choose, long before we are ready.

That is often the case with young African Americans. Your societal experiences aren't like those of white kids. Of course, they are just as reckless. But the stakes are much higher for you. The consequences of your improper behavior are much more severe, and the repercussions can follow you the rest of your life.

When some people saw that video of you packed into a living room that looked like a crowded nightclub, they saw thugs and gangbangers — though there was nothing about that scene to indicate that you were.

Given the location of the home in Galewood, a racially diverse middle- and working-class enclave on the Northwest Side, some of you likely are more privileged than most. Many of you probably lived nearby, even if the house was rented.

When people saw you laughing, socializing and reciting lyrics about wearing Gucci boots, while dressed in your clingy, youthful club wear, they didn't think of you as young people just trying to have a good time. They vilified you.

By now, some of your harshest critics have confused your party with another circulating Tuesday where young people were seen on a video throwing

money at a stripper. That wasn't you, but your behavior was just as disgraceful.

It was just as contemptible as the St. Patrick's Day revelers who defied social distancing guidelines and celebrated on the streets of the North Side as if they had never heard of the coronavirus. And you were as irresponsible as those college students who flooded the beaches in Florida last month during spring break.

But people didn't seem as disgusted with those bikini-clad and shirtless beer-drinking young people as they were with you. When that young man told a TV reporter, "If I get corona, I get corona," some people just wrote him off as a silly kid.

But not you. When you make mistakes, you're written off as worthless imbeciles. When your video went viral, people shared it around the world, and you became the scapegoat for why COVID-19 is killing more African Americans than anyone else in the country.

There are more societal reasons than anything else for those disproportionate numbers, but you certainly didn't help matters. You let the entire African American community down.

You contributed to the spread of the virus in your own neighborhood. If your grandmother, grandfather and other high-risk relatives and friends get sick, we're going to point a finger at you.

Maybe it isn't fair, and maybe there is a double standard. Lots of grown-ups aren't doing what they're supposed to do either. They're pushing away the barriers and slipping onto the lakefront. They're doing their grocery shopping without wearing a mask.

And they are still making unnecessary runs to Costco, Sam's Club and Walmart whenever they feel the urge to get out of the house.

No doubt you love your elders. Some of you probably were raised by your grandmother or an aunt. You would never intentionally hurt them.

Obviously, you weren't thinking about them when you got all dressed up and walked out the door last weekend. But the reality is that you could kill them, without even knowing that you are carrying a weapon.

Though you are not immune, young people are less likely to show symptoms of COVID-19 than other groups. Your youthfulness makes you stronger and more resilient. There is so much life ahead of you that you don't have to worry as much as others about being struck down by a virus for which there is no vaccine or cure.

Police tracked down the owner of the home and cited that person for disorderly conduct. I wish they could track you all down and cite you as well, along with the beachgoers, the funeralgoers, the churchgoers and anyone else who refuses to stay home. Perhaps it would force you to be more careful.

It's great that people can now submit anonymous tips to Chicago police at cpdtp.com. It's one thing if you want to risk your own life, but you have no right to take away the precious time that many older people have left.

Sincerely,
Someone who probably grew up with your grandmother

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The Rev. Jesse Jackson leaves after helping bond out a Cook County Jail detainee in 2019. Jackson says there are some crimes for which his organization will not bail out a detainee.

Bail

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abide by court orders and stay out of trouble.

The charities declined to identify the people they have bonded out, citing their organizations' privacy policies.

But through public records, Tribune reporters were able to identify 162 people charged with felonies whom the charities have bailed out since February 2017. Among them were three people charged with murder, 10 accused of attempted murder, 32 felons allegedly caught carrying a gun and 22 defendants charged with being an armed habitual criminal — a person who has at least two convictions for certain types of dangerous or serious felonies and is then caught with a gun.

More than a fifth of these 162 defendants went on to be charged with new crimes while out on charity-sponsored bond, the Tribune's investigation found.

Because gun violence continues to plague Chicago neighborhoods, with homicides up 34% and shootings up 27% by mid-March compared with the same time last year, the Tribune also examined all felony gun bonds of \$5,000 or above from October 2019 through February. The charities posted bond for more than a quarter of these defendants — a total of 50 such bonds.

Amid the coronavirus crisis, which has killed six jail detainees and infected nearly 500 as of Monday, the two charities have accelerated their efforts by funding the release of at least 200 defendants in recent weeks. The Community Bond Fund also joined other advocates to file a pending federal lawsuit demanding the immediate and wholesale release of Cook County detainees, saying the virus puts all inmates at grave risk.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot responded in a court filing that mass release of jail detainees could place Chicago residents "at an increased risk of being the victims of serious crimes." For now, a federal judge has ruled that jail officials should increase testing of detainees and enforce social distancing in the institution. Chicago crime victims interviewed by the Tribune said they did not know that charitable organizations had paid to bond out the people accused of attacking them and others.

For example, the Chicago Community Bond Fund put up \$10,000 in bond money in October to release Kavell Buchanan while he was awaiting trial on charges of driving a stolen car. Then 18, Buchanan had served time in juvenile detention for three separate aggravated batteries and a robbery.

Two months after the charity bailed him out, Bu-



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Lyons police Chief Thomas Herion said he was "sickened" to learn a serial burglar was freed with aid of The Bail Project.



Buchanan



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chanan was arrested after he allegedly indicated he had a gun while trying to steal a man's PlayStation 4 Console.

The victim, Enkhbat Batgerel, said he was stunned that the Chicago Community Bond Fund had bailed out Buchanan on the previous stolen vehicle charge. "By a charity? That's mind-blowing," Batgerel said. "Do they

"I think there's a very clear difference between bailing out somebody charged with riding their bicycle on the sidewalk and bailing out somebody charged with an offense involving a gun, especially if they have prior convictions."

— Princeton University professor Peter Singer, who has written two books about the ethics of philanthropy

know his rap sheet, his history, before giving him that type of help?"

The Chicago Community Bond Fund also paid \$5,000 in February 2019 to bail out Izariou Cannon, who had allegedly stuck a gun in the face of a supermarket worker and threatened to shoot him if he did not hand over his money and iPhone, records show.

"I am still afraid two years later," said Milton Berrezueta, whom Cannon allegedly robbed in August 2018. "It's not good for a charity to free someone, because he's just going to hurt someone else. It's awful."

Cannon went on to be charged in separate felony cases with driving a stolen car and possessing ammunition, and delivery of cocaine and fentanyl. He has pleaded not guilty to all charges and awaits trial on drug charges as well as the earlier armed robbery charge.

While not directly addressing specific cases cited

by the Tribune, the two charities said the newspaper was highlighting examples with poor outcomes. The groups' efforts, they say, are beginning to reverse a historic racial injustice by assisting many people of color who are presumed innocent but cannot afford bond. The charities say their aim is to level the judicial playing field by making it possible for these released defendants to care for their families, return to their jobs and prepare their defenses.

In Tribune interviews, leaders of both charities said they were transparent with the public and donors

about the serious felony charges facing many of the detainees they bail out.

Matthew McFarland, a regional operations manager for The Bail Project, said: "I think we represent ourselves accurately. How we represent our efforts and mission are very clear. The message is to help people too poor to pay their own bail.

"We're charge agnostic," McFarland added. "We are operating off the presumption of innocence."

"I think that we are forthright. We're very clear whenever we're asked that we don't make distinctions based on charge," said Sharlyn Grace, executive director of the Chicago Community Bond Fund. "Also, many of the charges sound much more concerning to the public than they are in reality, right?" Grace added. "The charge does not mean the person is a threat. The charge does not tell the story of who the person is and it should not be the sole determining factor in how they're treated pretrial."

Both civil rights leader the Rev. Jesse Jackson and businessman and political candidate Willie Wilson have been bailing out Cook County Jail detainees for years. But both said in Tribune interviews that they specifically exclude people charged with violent felonies or crimes with guns.

"Society would not appreciate that. That would not be acceptable," Jackson said.

Said Wilson: "I'm not comfortable helping someone charged with rape or other violence."

Goal: Eliminate cash bail

Tapping a broad range of donors that include established foundations and religious groups, the Chicago

Community Bond Fund and The Bail Project both rent office space in a storefront at 601 S. California Ave. called the Westside Center for Justice.

The two charities share the goal of eliminating cash bail, and they coordinate which bonds to pay so they don't duplicate cases. But they have distinct histories.

Since its founding in 2015, the Chicago Community Bond Fund has worked exclusively in Cook County and says it has paid about \$1.8 million to post bond for more than 300 people. The group's website refers to bail as "ransom money ... just a stopgap in an unjust and racist system."

The Bail Project is a larger national organization that since 2018 has used \$23 million to bond out defendants in 21 jurisdictions, including Tulsa, Oklahoma, St. Louis and San Diego. It was only in the past year that The Bail Project turned its focus to Chicago. Since then, it has bonded out more than 600 Cook County Jail detainees, posting \$2.16 million in bail money.

"With the largest single-site jail in the United States, the possibility of statewide reform, and pretrial electronic surveillance on the rise, Chicago is a key battleground for the future of pretrial justice in America," the group's 2019 annual report stated.

The Tribune discovered the charities' increasing role in bailing out felony defendants as part of the newspaper's ongoing reporting on Cook County's bond reform initiatives championed by Chief Judge Timothy Evans and Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx.

Starting in 2017, the courts have lowered or eliminated cash bail for many criminal defendants and dramatically lowered the jail population. The

Tribune reported in February that a major study commissioned by Evans to support the reforms had flaws that minimized the number of defendants charged with murder and other violent crimes while out on bail.

Both charities have roundly supported these reforms.

To explore the impact of those reforms, reporters first combed through paper records on thousands of felony bonds of \$5,000 cash or above during an eight-month period last year — from February through September — then gathered and analyzed all bonds of those amounts from similar periods in 2017 and 2018 for comparison purposes.

Bails requiring bonds in those amounts are set for people with the most serious charges and backgrounds — though a small percentage are held without bond while awaiting trial. The reporters also analyzed all felony gun bonds of \$5,000 or above from October 2019 through February.

From those records, the Tribune was able to identify the 162 felony defendants with bonds of \$5,000 cash or above who were bailed out by the two charities since February 2017. Reporters then reviewed thousands of pages of police and court documents on those cases, and interviewed released defendants, victims and officials.

Even though the larger national Bail Project started working in Cook County only in May of last year, it was responsible for releasing about half of those 162 detainees, the Tribune found.

The charities note that it is judges who determine whether a person is a danger to the community and should be denied bail. "We are not the ones setting the bail," McFarland said.

Both say they have more than 90% success in helping released defendants abide by court orders and stay out of trouble.

The Chicago Community Bond Fund provides referrals to other service agencies once a detainee is released, Grace said. "We're there to be supportive to the extent that it is needed and wanted. ... We absolutely don't want to be re-creating some kind of supervision that they're already under through the courts," she said.

The Bail Project said the charity offers freed defendants transportation to the courthouse for hearings and refers them to agencies that provide housing, drug treatment, mental health counseling and employment.

Stewart, writing from the Cook County Jail where he awaits trial in the attempted murder of his ex-girlfriend, describes The Bail Project's help as "the best thing that ever happened to me."

But, he added, "I messed

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it up." The Bail Project told him the condition for being released "was to get a job ... go to school and to stay out of trouble and make sure you go to all your court days," Stewart recalled.

That didn't happen, Stewart wrote. Now he feels "bad for violating their trust because my intentions was to get out of jail and do the right thing and stuff."

Stewart's ex-girlfriend expressed disgust when she learned from a reporter that a charity had posted bond for Stewart.

"They need to do better if they are going to have a charity bail people out," she said. "That's wasting money that could have gone to someone who would have done right by it."

Jailed last June on a charge of aggravated unlawful use of a weapon by a felon, Mauro Young said he was delighted when a fellow detainee passed along a business card from The Bail Project. Young recalled how a charity "bail disruptor" interviewed him. "She asked me a lot of things. They had programs set up to rehabilitate you," he said. "Four days later I was home."

Four months after The Bail Project paid his \$5,000 bond, Young was arrested again on charges of trafficking in methamphetamine and cocaine.

The 22-year-old declined to discuss his pending cases but recounted felony convictions that began in 2016 when he pointed a loaded pistol in the face of a man on Oak Street Beach. Young pulled the trigger twice, but the gun misfired. "I thank God every day that it didn't go off," said Young, who was sentenced to a year in prison.

Prior to last year's arrest, Young also had pleaded guilty to drug charges in DeKalb and Cook counties. He is on probation.

Young praised The Bail Project, saying it offered to help him get his state identification card and to possibly help him get a job. "It never happened," he acknowledged. "I was out and I kept backtracking"



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Matthew McFarland, who works for The Bail Project, appears outside the Cook County Jail this month.

Financial support

Posting bond for people charged with violent crimes might not meet the popular definition of charity. But the IRS in 1976 ruled that it was acceptable for a tax-exempt nonprofit to pay bonds for people accused of crimes, as part of broad efforts to rehabilitate them.

In their annual reports, media appearances and fundraising pleas, the two bail charities describe jail detainees they have released, highlighting people awaiting trial for nonviolent misdemeanors.

In its 2019 year-end report, for example, the Chicago Community Bond Fund profiled four individuals it bailed out of Cook County Jail: a mother arrested while picking up her 8-year-old son at school, a young woman who was four months from completing her medical training, a father of 5-year-old twins who had a pacemaker and had undergone two triple-bypass heart surgeries, and a skilled tradesman arrested in front of his family. Their

charges were not described. The Bail Project has described freeing incarcerated mothers, political protesters and people charged with minor offenses such as riding a bicycle on the sidewalk.

The Bond Fund, which reported receiving about \$675,000 in 2018, lists roughly a dozen donors on its annual reports, but Grace said they give to support the organization's back-office and staff, not to directly pay bail bonds.

Grace said the pool of money used for bonds comes from small individual donors and also "several large gifts" from anonymous donors whose identities are shielded even from her.

"We don't have their names," Grace said. "They come through money managers or ... stock donations. ... We're required on tax documents to name the people whose identities we have, but there's other people whose identities we don't have."

Like the Chicago Community Bond Fund, some of

The Bail Project's largest donors are listed as "anonymous." Among those identified are New York hedge fund investor Michael Novogratz, British billionaire Richard Branson and New York music industry executive Jason Flom.

Also among the financial supporters of The Bail Project was the family foundation of former Illinois Gov. Bruce Rauner — which did not respond to a request for comment.

Experts in charitable giving said philanthropies should be cautious and transparent when they undertake missions that could put communities at risk.

"I think there's a very clear difference between bailing out somebody charged with riding their bicycle on the sidewalk and bailing out somebody charged with an offense involving a gun, especially if they have prior convictions," said Princeton University professor Peter Singer, who has written two books about the ethics of philanthropy. "I can think of

better things to do with your charitable dollar."

Jackson said that he and his organization, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, have been posting bail for nonviolent defendants for about 25 years.

"It's year-round for us," he said.

Jackson said the sheriff's office provides a list to Rainbow/PUSH of defendants too poor to post bail. "We always ask the sheriff to do vetting," he said.

Asked if there were types of defendants he will not bail out, he said: "Of course, that's true. You have to make a judgment."

Wilson said he also worked with the sheriff's office, which provided a list of defendants who met Wilson's criteria. "A lot of the people I helped were in jail for marijuana or for stealing food to eat," he said.

Told that The Bail Project and the Chicago Community Bond Fund charities are bailing out defendants charged with felony armed robberies, Wilson said: "Everybody has their own conscience. I'm not saying

I'm right and they're wrong. But I use my own money and they use someone else's. That's a big difference."

West suburban Lyons police Chief Thomas Herion said he was "sickened" to learn from a reporter recently that serial home burglar Thomas Lugo last year was released with \$5,000 from The Bail Project. Lugo is listed on the state's sex offender registry as a "sexual predator;" and police and court records describe him as an admitted drug addict who repeatedly broke into people's homes, even when they were present.

"He's a sex offender who will break into individuals' homes," Herion said. "All the hard work you do in trying to keep the public safe ..."

The Bail Project paid for Lugo's release after he was accused of breaking into the Lyons home of Daniel Gutierrez, a Midway Airport grounds operation worker. Gutierrez had installed a home security camera so he could check on his wife as she underwent chemotherapy treatments for cancer.

A month after her December 2018 death, Lugo allegedly broke into the home and was caught on camera rifling through the home to steal her jewelry, according to police reports.

"The camera caught him perfectly," said Gutierrez, who added that he was devastated because his wife's necklaces and other jewelry had sentimental value to him.

While out on the charity-sponsored bail bond, Lugo was charged with breaking into a woman's car in Berwyn.

Lugo is now in prison while he awaits trial on two burglary cases and a parole violation. He did not respond to a letter sent to the prison seeking comment.

Told by a reporter that a charity had bailed out Lugo, Gutierrez said: "He keeps doing the same crimes over and over again. It just doesn't make any sense."

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A police sergeant gives instructions to officers in the 4700 block of West Madison Street in Chicago's West Garfield Park neighborhood Friday.

New top cop takes key step in attempt to trim overtime

Per Brown order, move must be OK'd by a deputy chief

BY GREGORY PRATT AND JEREMY GORNER

In one of his first major policy initiatives since being named Chicago's new top cop last week, police Superintendent David Brown has ordered that all department overtime must be approved by at least a deputy chief in an attempt to reduce city expenses.

The move pleased Mayor Lori Lightfoot, who told reporters Tuesday she's had many conversations about curtailing overtime with Brown. Lightfoot has repeatedly criticized the Chicago Police Department for spending more than its overtime budget, and has said the city can no longer afford it.

"We can't keep living in a world where the Police Department blows its overtime budget year in and year out by \$100 million," Lightfoot said.

The overtime spending is magnified by the city's current officer head count of some 13,400, its highest number in "probably a decade," the mayor said.

"Our City Hall budget department has worked with a lot of the other agencies and departments including the Police Depart-

ment to come up with reasonable overtime budgets that they should allocate on a monthly basis," Lightfoot said. "I think what the superintendent is doing is wholly consistent with the message that we have sent all city departments, which is we can't continue to spend overtime dollars like drunken soldiers, particularly not when departments like the Police Department have more than enough personnel to be able to get the job done."

Reflexively throwing more officers at problems is not smart policing strategy and is not fiscally responsible, the mayor said.

The policy change comes after the Lightfoot administration announced last fall the budgets of the Police Department, Chicago Fire Department and the city's Office of Emergency Management and Communications would be consolidated under a new Office of Public Safety Administration.

Among that office's duties would be providing data analysis for overtime management at each department, the mayor's office said, and developing long-term strategies with City Hall to decrease overtime.

Reduction of those extra hours has been a priority for Lightfoot at a time when CPD has exceeded its overtime spending budget on an annual basis.

In September, Lightfoot said she was "angry and frustrated" with the department's overtime expenses, which totaled \$67.6 million in the first six months of 2019.

In 2017, the city's inspector general's office issued a report showing how CPD failed to closely monitor its massive spending on officer overtime — then a combined \$575 million over the prior six years — or take measures to prevent officers from abusing the system.

The report from the office of Inspector General Joseph Ferguson found that the lax oversight had allowed officers to use "potentially abusive practices" in piling up overtime, usually at time-and-a-half pay. The report said officers sometimes sought out activities sure to lead to overtime, such as making arrests that would likely require frequent court appearances.

The city relied on overtime as the department's ranks dwindled under former Mayor Rahm Emanuel to about 12,000 officers of all ranks, a low point before a hiring surge toward the end of his second term. Overtime costs swelled from \$42.1 million in 2011, Emanuel's first year in office, to \$146 million in 2016, nearly twice the budgeted amount of \$79.6 million, the report said.

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ACROSS

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- 13 "Guilty" or "Not guilty"
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- 31 Residence
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- 36 Wild felines
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- 38 "Inside Politics" network
- 39 Cradle rockers, often
- 40 Cut off
- 41 Prose writings
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- 51 As pretty ___ picture
- 54 Cash register operator
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- 60 SAT, for one
- 61 Lazybones
- 62 Man's nickname

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- 1 Supportive friend
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- 4 Scrubs
- 5 Fill in window frame cracks
- 6 Word with liberal or graphic
- 7 ___ one's nerve; chicken out
- 8 Large tree
- 9 Shared the same opinion
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Breaking through the fog

Amid some fog, the sun rises Tuesday over Harrington Park in Riverside. Sunny skies prevailed for much of the day in the Chicago area before late-afternoon rainstorms hit. More rain is in the forecast for Wednesday.

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Medline

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ene oxide, a germ-killing gas that researchers have found can damage the brain and raise the risk of breast cancer, leukemia and lymphomas at extremely low levels of exposure.

Both the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and 3M, a leading mask manufacturer, strongly discourage the use of ethylene oxide for decontaminating masks, in particular N95 respirators needed by virus fighters. Last week the Occupational Safety and Health Administration concluded that giving health care personnel EtO-treated masks could be considered a violation of federal workplace standards.

Doctors and nurses protecting themselves from the virus could end up being exposed to a potent carcinogen and neurotoxin, according to the CDC, 3M and OSHA.

“Any use of ethylene oxide (EtO) should be accompanied by studies to ensure no off-gassing into the breathing zone of the wearer as EtO is carcinogenic and teratogenic,” the CDC says on its website. “Chronic inhalation of EtO has been linked to neurologic dysfunction and may cause other harmful effects to the wearer.”

“3M **does not** recommend the use of ethylene oxide due to significant concerns associated with off-gassing,” the Minnesota-based company declared in an April technical bulletin. (Emphasis 3M’s.)

“The recommendation against EtO ... is based on OSHA’s concern about worker (particularly those wearing decontaminated respirators) exposure to levels of EtO ... a known human carcinogen and teratogen,” the workplace safety agency told its inspectors in an April 24 memorandum.

Mills and other Medline executives remain undeterred. The privately held company is lobbying the Food and Drug Administration for emergency authority to sterilize N95 masks. The masks capture 95% of air particles when properly fitted, effectively shielding workers from the virus.

An approved alternative

Hospitals throughout the U.S. are scrambling to adopt methods that can deactivate the virus in protective equipment.

One alternative to ethylene oxide already is up and running at another medical device supplier in the Chicago area. Inside a huge tent in a Waukegan parking lot, workers are loading up to 80,000 used masks a day into converted shipping containers and treating them with a vaporized form of hydrogen peroxide, a common household antiseptic.

The FDA endorses the process, developed six years ago by Ohio-based Battelle as part of a federal effort to prepare for pandemics. Battelle and four other companies obtained FDA approval during the past month to use the process to decontaminate used masks.

Lewis Von Thaeer, Battelle’s CEO, told the Tribune last week the nonprofit company tested several chemicals and ultraviolet light before settling on vaporized hydrogen peroxide, which effectively cleans masks but is gentle enough they can be treated and reused up to 20 times.

Richard Peltier, a health sciences professor at the University of Massachusetts

Amherst, has conducted his own tests. He found no difference in filtration between new masks and those sterilized with vaporized hydrogen peroxide, but questioned the use of ethylene oxide, also known as EtO, for the same purpose.

“Face masks are made of hundreds of thousands of tiny fibers which have an enormous surface area, making them pretty efficient for capturing particulate matter, Peltier said in an email. “That also makes them pretty efficient for retaining EtO.”

“If I were faced with a choice in wearing a mask that just came out of a EtO sterilizer or a surgical mask that doesn’t meet N95 standards,” Peltier said, “I’d take the surgical mask.”

Industry push

Medline’s bid to sterilize masks comes as the company — along with several of its competitors and the U.S. chemical industry — are pushing the Trump administration to declare ethylene oxide is significantly less dangerous than scientists have concluded.

The Chicago Tribune previously reported that makers and users of the gas have urged Trump appointees to throw out a rigorous, peer-reviewed evaluation by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in favor of industry-funded research rejected by two panels of independent scientists.

Amid widespread attention to the need for masks and other personal protection equipment, the chemical industry’s chief trade group is renewing its focus on the use of ethylene oxide as a disinfectant. The chemical mostly is used to produce other industrial compounds.

“#EthyleneOxide is a versatile compound that is used to sterilize nearly half of all medical supplies nationwide, including #PPE used by doctors and hospitals across the country: #COVID19,” read an April 3 tweet from the American Chemistry Council.

Trump administration officials have signaled they are considering the industry defense of ethylene oxide as they draft new safety regulations for the Medline plant in Waukegan and other commercial sterilizers.

The FDA, which regulates medical devices, already allows the use of ethylene oxide to sterilize several types of equipment, including packets of surgical instruments that normally account for the bulk of products Medline fumigates in Waukegan.

Nearly a month after Mills’ appearance at the White House, Medline says it has collected more than 1 million used masks. Yet it is unclear if any of them have been decontaminated and returned to hospitals treating Americans infected by the coronavirus.

“Medline does not have an Emergency Use Authorization that would authorize it to decontaminate N95 respirators or other personal protective equipment for reuse by healthcare personnel,” an FDA spokeswoman said in an email.

Asked why Medline’s chief executive suggested to Trump that the company already was sending treated masks back into the supply chain, company spokesman Jesse Greenberg did not directly answer the question. “It was the very beginning of our decontamination program,” he said.

Medline has applied for the same emergency authority granted to Battelle. Neither the company nor the FDA would say when the application was filed, declaring the date to be confidential business

information.

Greenberg forwarded letters from two customers pleading with regulators to approve Medline’s process.

“The only step holding us back from obtaining these critical components is EUA (Emergency Use Authorization) from your agency,” the identically worded letters to the FDA stated. “Medline shared the filtration performance of the masks after running them through worse case sterilization cycles as well as the residual data that demonstrates the masks are both safe and provide the protection our end users need.”

The two customers — Integris in Oklahoma and Tuality Healthcare in Oregon — wrote they are “comfortable with the science and safety” involved in Medline’s use of ethylene oxide.

By contrast, several hospitals in the Chicago area told the Tribune they will not use masks decontaminated by Medline, citing guidance from the CDC and 3M.

“Conservation of PPE is critical to keeping our team members safe, and all our PPE standards follow the CDC guidelines for safety and appropriateness,” Advocate Aurora Health said in an email, echoing statements from Amita Health, Rush University Medical Center and the University of Illinois Hospital in Chicago.

The Cook County Health and Hospitals System said it does not rely on Medline for N95 masks. Northwestern Medicine and Loyola University Medical Center did not answer questions from the Tribune.

A new state law

In response to a new state law, Medline recently overhauled its Waukegan plant to reduce the amount of ethylene oxide released into surrounding communities.

The law is one of several reactions to a 2018 EPA report showing Medline’s neighbors face some of the nation’s highest risks of developing cancer from breathing toxic air pollution.

As the Illinois General Assembly drafted the law last year, several state lawmakers called for Medline and other sources of ethylene oxide to either move away from densely populated areas or switch to safer alternatives.

Lobbyists for the company and the state’s chemical manufacturers persuaded legislative committees to block the more aggressive measures, enabling Medline to continue using the gas.

The debate is far from over.

Last year the FDA launched an “innovation challenge” intended to nudge sterilization companies to reduce or eliminate use of ethylene oxide. Agency officials continue to work on the campaign, even though they prodded Georgia officials last month to allow a suburban Atlanta plant to reopen, citing the need for protective equipment during the pandemic.

Community groups in Illinois and Georgia condemned the FDA’s decision and urged the agency to ban the use of ethylene oxide to sterilize used medical equipment. If the CDC is concerned about health risks for doctors and nurses exposed to the gas, the groups said, everyone else should be, too.

“They risk their lives, hoping that PPE will keep them safe,” the community groups said in a joint statement. “We must do everything we can to protect them.”

Chicago Tribune’s David Heinzmann contributed.

Man indicted in 2nd slaying after allegedly boasting

He is said to have bragged of ‘putting 2 bodies’ on a gun

BY JEREMY GORNER AND WILLIAM LEE

A 20-year-old man already charged with killing an alleged marijuana dealer after being caught bragging on social media that he used a gun to kill two people has now been charged with a second homicide, authorities said.

Julius Thomas III was indicted by a Cook County grand jury last week on a first-degree murder charge for the Feb. 2 fatal shooting of 18-year-old Andres Damian Salgado in suburban Elmwood Park, authorities said.

Thomas, of the 4400 block of West Fulton Street in Chicago’s West Garfield Park neighborhood, has been held in Cook County Jail since last month when he was charged in the March 2 slaying of 30-year-old Diviris Garfeed on Chicago’s West Side.

In the Elmwood Park killing, Thomas allegedly went to a home in the 2800 block of North 77th Avenue where Salgado was hanging out, authorities said. Some time after being dropped off there, Thomas shot and killed Salgado outside the home, according to Elmwood Park police.

Salgado, who lived several blocks away in the suburb, suffered multiple gunshot wounds before being taken to Gottlieb Hospital in Melrose Park, where he was pronounced dead.

The news of the indictment was bitter-sweet for Salgado’s family, who had waited for months for charges to be filed, but who are left wondering why their son was killed. Authorities did not know the motive for the shooting but Elmwood Park police Chief Frank Fagiano described the shooting as “an isolated incident.”

“My son was never a gangbanger,” said Salgado’s father, who asked not to be named because he fears for his family’s safety following the shooting. Salgado had simply stepped outside the home of a friend when he was shot three times, according to his family.

“I don’t know if he thought (Salgado) was a gangbanger, but his life shouldn’t have been taken like that,” said the dad, 38.

The oldest of three brothers and an 11th grader with big hopes for the future, Salgado’s death has been devastating to his family, who said they never suspected such a crime in their town. They added that Salgado was a typical teenager who could often be found on his PlayStation console, or asking for a few bucks before going to see friends.

“He was always respectful and we were always tough parents,” Salgado’s father said of himself and his wife. “He always texted us and he sent us pictures where he was. He was never in trouble. We were about to give him a car. He wanted to go to the Army.”

The shooting was investigated by the West Suburban Major Crimes Task Force with the help of the FBI and other law enforcement agencies. Authorities declined to discuss in detail how they connected Thomas to the killing but said evidence obtained through social media, cellphone data and video surveillance helped crack the case.

“From a community that suffered a homicide,” Fagiano said, “I’m very fortunate that through their hard work and dedication they were able to bring the appropriate charge to the alleged offender.”

Salgado’s killing happened a month before the fatal shooting of Garfeed in Chicago’s Humboldt Park community. In that killing, Cook County prosecutors said Thomas was the passenger in a white Pontiac sedan when it pulled up to the corner of Augusta Boulevard and Springfield Avenue about 12:35 a.m. March 2.

Thomas asked Garfeed and one of two other people standing with him if they had \$20 worth of marijuana. Garfeed told the car’s driver to pull over, authorities said.

After the car turned onto Springfield, Thomas pulled out a “large, shiny gun” and fired three shots through the open window toward Garfeed and two others, prosecutors said. Two of the witnesses with Garfeed fled as the shots rang out. One of them returned to the scene and found Garfeed barely breathing and bleeding from the head, authorities said.

Garfeed, of the 1000 block of North Springfield, was taken to Mount Sinai Hospital, where he was pronounced dead, authorities said.

One of the witnesses identified Thomas from a photo array as the shooter, according to prosecutors.

On a Facebook livestream, authorities said Thomas bragged that he “put two bodies” and a gang rival on the gun, meaning he’d killed two people. Thomas was also still wearing the same blue sweater that the witness had described to responding officers in Garfeed’s slaying.

Thomas was arrested a day after the shooting at his home as he got into the Pontiac, prosecutors said. Inside the car, police recovered a single 9 mm shell casing that matched casings found at the shooting scene in Humboldt Park.

Cook County Judge Charles Beach II has since ordered Thomas held without bail in Garfeed’s killing. But Thomas has yet to appear before a judge in Salgado’s death.

Thomas has a 2018 conviction for aggravated unlawful use of a weapon and was sentenced to 18 months probation, according to court records.

Salgado’s father said his family would be diligently watching Thomas’ court case until they finally see justice for their son.

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Chicago to give \$5K grants to certain small businesses

BY GREGORY PRATT

The city of Chicago will give \$5,000 grants to small businesses with four or fewer employees as part of a program to help businesses hurt by the coronavirus, Mayor Lori Lightfoot announced Tuesday.

The city will give up to 1,000 businesses \$5,000 as part of its Microbusiness Recovery Grant Program, Lightfoot said. Interested businesses can apply through the

city’s website until May 4, and the administration plans to make awards May 11.

Lightfoot said the money is meant for businesses in low and moderate-income neighborhoods hurt by COVID-19 who may not be able to get financing through the federal government or other means.

Most of the eligible areas are on the South and West sides, according to a city map.

In addition to having four or fewer

employees, the businesses must have less than \$250,000 in annual revenue and have lost 25% of revenue due to COVID-19, the city said.

Money for the grants is coming from the Chicago Community Trust and The One Chicago Fund, and will be distributed via lottery, Lightfoot said.

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Thinking big to battle viral spread

Nursing homes to be COVID-only recovery centers

BY SUSAN HAIGH
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HARTFORD, Conn. — A few states may have found a way to help slow the spread of the coronavirus in nursing homes by converting some of them into “recovery centers” set aside mostly for residents who have left the hospital but still might be contagious or lack immunity.

Critics worry about harming frail, elderly residents by transferring them to make room in repurposed nursing homes. But some public health experts and advocates see potential in combating further infection and freeing up hospital space, and many relatives embrace the concept as a way to protect their loved ones.

Debra Ellis agonizes over whether to bring her 87-year-old wife home if a coronavirus case appears in her nursing home. Ellis lives in Meriden, Connecticut, a state where three of nine planned nursing homes set aside for recuperating COVID-19 patients opened this month.

“It’s terrible, the anxiety, you almost feel like they’re sitting ducks,” Ellis said.

While nursing homes routinely isolate residents who have an infectious illness, such as the flu, advocates see the more dramatic idea of setting aside an entire facility as necessary, given how easily and fast the coronavirus can spread.

“You can’t stop it. Once it gets in, then it’s going to run its way through the facility,”



Medical workers bring a patient to the Northbridge Health Care Center Wednesday in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

FRANK FRANKLIN II/AP

said Charlene Harrington, a professor emerita of nursing at the University of California, San Francisco and an expert in the risks of transferring elderly COVID-19 patients.

“So that’s why we want the COVID-only facilities set up and have the hospitals test patients. And if they have the virus, send them to the COVID-only facility,” said Harrington, who would like to see California set up such homes.

It’s too soon for statistics to show whether keeping hospital-discharged patients in a separate home to recuperate until they test negative will change the infection rate within nurs-

ing homes, but Connecticut officials say it has helped open hospital beds.

The nine homes are expected to free up about 800 beds. The longer plan is to contract with more nursing home operators and have 1,175 beds in COVID-19 recovery homes, state health officials said.

Initially, Connecticut officials intended simply to move residents sick with COVID-19, who were already being kept from others within their nursing homes, to a few homes designated for them. But then it emerged that people can be infected for 48 hours before exhibiting symptoms — so moving people to a

different home could actually abet the spread.

The state then tweaked the concept, designating the specialized homes primarily for residents who have the disease but improved enough to leave the hospital — freeing up hospital beds for COVID-19 patients of all stripes by letting nursing home residents complete their recovery elsewhere, but with medical supervision.

Additionally, all residents whose nursing homes are being turned into recovery centers will be temporarily quarantined in their new spaces in case they aren’t sick but have the virus anyway.

But that requires uprooting people who might be fragile — even without having the virus — and plopping them into an unfamiliar setting.

“We all know that a lot of seniors, whether they have end-stage dementia or not, they can get confused very often,” said Lisa Warzecha, of Middletown, Connecticut, whose 89-year-old grandmother lives in a nursing home in Cromwell that hasn’t had a COVID-19 case. “And if they’re sick, in particular, they’re really going to be confused or frightened, and they’re going to wake up and have all these machines on them possibly, and new nursing staff.”

Warzecha said she can see benefits on both sides, but Brent Colley, an elected official in Sharon, Connecticut, where the 88-bed Sharon Health Care Center was converted into the state’s first COVID-19 recovery center, objected outright.

“Moving residents out of their home/care facility is wrong and places these individuals at risk; it disrupts their care; places them in a mindset of confusion, possibly depression; it also affects their care-givers in similar, although different ways,” he wrote on social media.

Sharon’s owner, Athena Health Care Systems, has agreed to transform another home in Bridgeport, as well as two empty ones, providing about 500 beds.

All patient transfers have been voluntary, said Athena spokesman Timothy Brown. They have been quarantined in their temporary homes and promised they will return to their original site, he said.

To entice companies, the state is doubling the Medicaid reimbursement for the COVID-19 recovery centers to \$600 a day per resident. Typical pay for staff at the Athena homes will nearly double to \$35 an hour for a certified nurse’s aide, \$50 an hour for a licensed practical nurse and \$70 an hour for a registered nurse, Brown said.

The long-term care ombudsman for Connecticut has heard both complaints and compliments.

“It’s very important to ask that individual rights are protected in people’s homes, and so I think our state is going very slow because of that,” said Mairead Painter.



A worker passes long-idled school buses parked at a depot in Manchester, New Hampshire, as public school children continue to be taught with remote learning.

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US, Europe grapple with when to reopen schools

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PARIS — The question of when to reopen schools looms large as European countries and U.S. states draw up plans to restart their battered economies.

Despite alarm among some teachers, parents and mayors, France detailed plans Tuesday to start opening schools May 11, with limits on class size and rules requiring face masks. Hard-hit Italy intends to keep schools closed until September.

And in the U.S., where President Donald Trump said states should seriously consider resuming classes before the end of the academic year, dozens have said it would be unsafe for students to return until the summer or the fall.

Elsewhere around the world, the virus appeared all but vanquished in New Zealand. Australia opened the beach in Sydney. Brazil was emerging as a new hot spot for infections. And new doubts were raised over whether Japan will be able to host the already

postponed Summer Olympics next year without the development of a vaccine.

Germany, widely praised for its handling of the outbreak there, reported an uptick in the infection rate since some small businesses were allowed to reopen just over a week ago. But it was too soon to say whether the easing of the restrictions was to blame.

The number of confirmed infections worldwide has risen to over 3 million, and the confirmed death toll has topped 210,000, according to Johns Hopkins University. The true toll is believed to be much higher because of limited testing, differences in counting the dead and government concealment.

Italy, Spain, France and Britain accounted for more than 21,000 virus-related deaths each, while the U.S. has more than 58,000, the highest in the world.

Although the coronavirus seems to affect children far less seriously than adults, many officials, teachers and parents are concerned about the health risks that school openings

could pose.

Some point to the difficulties of ensuring that children stick to social distancing and frequent handwashing, and to the dangers for teachers.

But many parents would struggle to return to work without schools being open, hampering efforts to counter the world’s deep economic slump.

French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe announced that elementary schools will reopen May 11 and high schools May 18. He said all high school students will have to wear masks, and class sizes will be capped at 15.

Greek Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis outlined his government’s plan for a gradual lifting of the lockdown there, saying high school seniors will restart classes May 11, followed a week later by students in lower grades.

In Italy, the decision to keep the schools closed until the fall could make it harder for parents to return to work. Typically grandparents in Italy are fallback babysitters, but they are now off-limits because they are vulnerable to the virus.

Worried about virus, US House won’t return yet

BY LISA MASCARO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Facing the stark, startling reality that Congress may not be able to fully resume for a year, House leaders are desperately reaching for work-from-home options after a revolt from the ranks over the health risks of convening in the coronavirus pandemic.

House Democratic leaders abruptly reversed course Tuesday, shelving plans for the chamber’s 400-plus lawmakers to return for work on the next virus aid package after warnings from the Capitol physician that the public health danger was too great. The Senate, with its smaller numbers, still expects to return next Monday.

“We had no choice,” House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said. “If the House physician recommends that we not come back, then we have to take that guidance.”

It’s not just the elected officials at risk. The U.S. Capitol is a throwback of crowded hearing rooms, packed hallways and thousands of congressional staff crunched in office cubicles and cafeteria lunch lines — all unwelcome in the new era of social distancing. It additionally relies on an army of cooks, custodians, electricians and police, who keep the iconic domed building and sprawling maze of offices running.

Despite a halt in public tours, started in mid-March and extended through mid-May on Tuesday by the House and Senate sergeants-at-arms, few other protocols have been announced beyond masks for lawmakers and staggered roll call votes.

Closing normal operations for weeks, months or even longer seems unthinkable to some, more dire than actions taken during the deadly 1918 Spanish flu



A man wearing a mask depicting American flags jogs past the U.S. Capitol Building on Tuesday in Washington.

ANDREW HARNIK/AP

or the Sept. 11 attack. There really is no direct comparison in U.S. history.

President Donald Trump scoffed from the White House that the stay-home House members were “enjoying their vacation.”

Trump derided Pelosi’s recent appearance on a comedy show displaying her home kitchen freezer stocked with specialty ice cream.

“You look at Nancy Pelosi eating ice cream on late night television,” Trump said. “They’re having a good time. I think they should be back. I think they should all come back and we should work on this together.”

Pelosi and House Majority Leader Steny Hoyer declared the sudden about-face on regular meetings after consultation with the Capitol physician as lawmakers vigorously objected to next week’s schedule.

During a private caucus call, one lawmaker, Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz, D-Fla., said plans to return were dangerous.

Others questioned whether virus testing would be available and what steps were being taken to keep staff safe. They heard few answers, according to a person unauthorized to discuss the private call and granted anonymity to comment.

The Capitol physician has privately warned key lawmakers it will be at least a year before Congress can return to business as usual.

While frustrated lawmakers long for what’s being lost as an equal branch of government, many are also older and in high-risk categories for contracting the virus.

Some care for children and families. Most have to commute from their states while airlines are running fewer flights.

Because the Washington, D.C., area remains a “hot spot” under stay-home orders, with the number of cases “going up and not down,” Hoyer said it makes sense to hold off reopening. House Democratic leaders were negotiating Tuesday with Republican counterparts on remote legislating and proxy vote proposals.

As lawmakers envision the new Congress, one top priority for both parties is to reopen the committees to conduct oversight of nearly \$3 trillion in coronavirus relief and to draft legislation, including the next virus aid package.

“Technology has enabled us to do things without physically being in the same place together,” Hoyer said.

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Virus races through fireman's family

Mother, younger sister recover, but father dies in Iowa

BY RYAN J. FOLEY
Associated Press

IOWA CITY, Iowa — His mother first fell sick a month ago with an illness she believes she caught at the Iowa egg factory where she works.

His younger sister, 22, was next — a new mother who was soon on a ventilator fighting for her life. Then the coronavirus came for his father, Jose Gabriel Martinez, 58, who died April 21 in the same hospital where he lived his final days near his unknowing daughter.

After a month of caring for his virus-stricken family, firefighter Omar Martinez is planning a funeral for his father, a factory worker known for giving his all to provide for his family. He's hoping for the recovery of his sister Evelyn, who is alert after being taken off a ventilator Thursday. He's dreading having to tell her the news about their dad.

Omar, 29, said he's grateful that his mother has recovered and that he, two siblings and his 2-year-old niece have stayed healthy. He's also touched by the support they've received from neighbors in West Liberty, a heavily Latino city of 3,800 where his family settled after emigrating from Mexico in the 1990s.

He wants people to know how easily the virus can spread if they infect others and how quickly that can devastate a family.

"All it takes is one person to be irresponsible to affect a family that doesn't deserve it," Omar Martinez said. "I don't wish this upon anybody. I get asked every day how do I do it? I have no answers."

The Martinez family's



Coronavirus swept through the Martinez family of West Liberty, Iowa. Gabriel Martinez, center, died April 21 at 58. Aurelia, second from right, recovered after testing positive. Evelyn, right, was hospitalized and is recovering.

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—Omar Martinez, top left

situation is illustrative of the startling racial and ethnic disparities among those getting infected and dying from the coronavirus.

While Latinos make up 6% of Iowa's population, they have accounted for more than 22% of its confirmed COVID-19 cases, according to the state Department of Public Health. The disparity widened as more testing was conducted on plant workers, who are disproportionately Latino and account for more than a quarter of Iowa's confirmed cases. State officials say more dense housing environments also play a role.

The virus has spread faster in Iowa, which now has more than 5,000 confirmed cases. In West Liberty, a turkey processing factory that has long attracted immigrants to the area reported that 52 workers had tested positive.

Omar's parents met in their Mexican hometown before moving to Dallas and then to West Liberty in the 1990s, when Omar was a child. His father, who went by his middle name Gabriel, became a U.S. citizen.

The family added two daughters and another son and became a staple of the community, taking part in

school activities and attending the Catholic church. Omar worked with his father at a distribution warehouse before he joined the West Liberty Fire Department. Two years ago, Evelyn gave birth to a baby, Maia. Gabriel became a doting grandfather.

The family still lives together in the one-story home Omar's parents purchased in the early 2000s for \$45,000.

Aurelia Martinez, 52, had been a stay-at-home mother as the children grew up. She got a job after Hy-Line North America opened a large egg production plant in nearby Wilton in 2015.

In late March, Aurelia began feeling tired and sick and isolated herself in one of the bedrooms, Omar said. She tested positive for COVID-19 on April 3, suspecting a sick co-worker passed her the virus. A Hy-Line spokesman confirmed that's the date that

the last of six Wilton factory workers tested positive.

Evelyn, a waitress, got chills, body aches and a fever two days later. Soon, she started suffering from coughing spasms and was unable to sleep or eat. Omar gave her Tylenol and fluids.

The family persuaded Evelyn to go to Mercy Hospital in Iowa City on April 10 after her coughing got so bad that her face turned purple. That night, she was intubated and put on a ventilator.

"Her oxygen levels were low. If we would have waited a day she might not have made it," Omar said.

Gabriel started showing symptoms two days later. By then, the Procter & Gamble factory where he worked had started making hand sanitizer because demand was surging.

Omar recalled sleeping on the floor of his father's bedroom and giving him Tylenol in the middle of the night. He took Gabriel to

the hospital on April 15 when his cough worsened, holding his hand on the way and telling him everything would be OK.

That night would be his last conversation with his father, who had been healthy just days earlier. On a FaceTime call, Gabriel said the hospital was transferring him to the intensive care unit that was already housing Evelyn. His oldest son and wife told him they loved him. Soon, he was also on a ventilator.

Doctors said Gabriel made steady progress over the next few days and they began turning down the settings on his ventilator. But on the night of April 20, he started showing irregular heart rhythms. The family stayed up praying, but early Tuesday morning, they were told he had died.

Remarkably, that's when Evelyn's condition started to dramatically improve.

"She had been very unstable while my dad was doing well. But when he passed, in those next 24 hours she was making big improvements," Omar said.

On Thursday, doctors removed her from the ventilator and reported that she was awake and alert and asking to see her parents and daughter. They are cautiously optimistic that she may soon begin rehabilitation if her breathing keeps improving.

Neighbors have inundated the family with groceries and other offers of help. A local grocery store held a fundraiser for the family. Donors have given more than \$23,000 to a GoFundMe account to cover funeral and health expenses.

Omar, choking up, said his father had been touched by the outpouring before his death.

"Seeing all the groceries, his face would light up with a smile," he said. "The little things like that brightened up his world."

Biden accuser reportedly told neighbor of allegation

Account details alleged sexual assault in 1990s

BY ALEXANDRA JAFFE
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WASHINGTON — An associate of a former Senate aide to Joe Biden says the woman told her about her allegations of sexual assault against Biden — now the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee — in the 1990s.

The account, which was published Monday in Business Insider, comes a little over a month after Tara Reade first accused Biden of sexually assaulting her in the basement of a Capitol Hill office building when she worked in his office in the spring of 1993. Biden's campaign has denied the allegations.

In an interview with The Associated Press earlier this month, Reade said she had told at least four people about the incident, including her deceased mother and her brother, who has spoken publicly about the

matter. The AP spoke with two individuals on the condition of anonymity; one said Reade told them about the alleged assault when it happened, while the other said Reade told them in 2007 or 2008 about experiencing sexual harassment from Biden while working in his Senate office.

Now Lynda LaCasse, who was Reade's neighbor in the 1990s, says Reade told her about the alleged assault around the time it happened. LaCasse said that when they were neighbors in 1995 or 1996, Reade told her "about the senator that she had worked for and he put his hand up her skirt."

"She felt like she was assaulted, and she really didn't feel there was anything she could do," LaCasse told Business Insider.

A second woman, Lorraine Sanchez, worked with Reade for California state Sen. Jack O'Connell from 1994 to 1996. Sanchez told Business Insider that Reade said "she had been sexually harassed by her former boss while she was in DC" and

was fired for voicing concerns. The AP was unable to reach Sanchez or LaCasse.

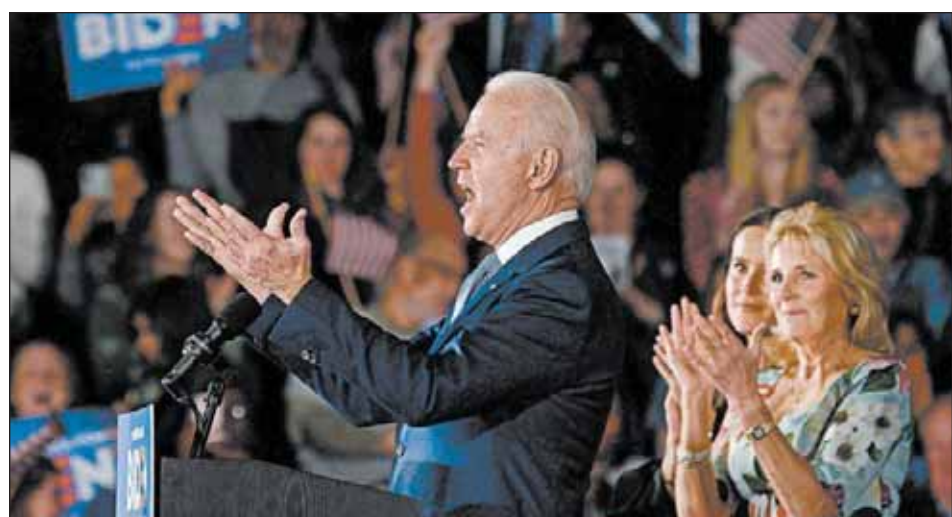
Reade said Monday that she had been asked not to share the women's contact information with news organizations.

The Biden campaign declined to comment on the new interviews and pointed to an earlier statement from deputy campaign manager and communications director Kate Bedingfield. The statement said that while sexual assault claims should be "diligently reviewed by an independent press," what Reade alleged "absolutely did not happen."

Reade said in past interviews that Biden pushed her against a wall in the basement of a Capitol Hill office building, groped her and penetrated her with his fingers.

She said after telling her supervisors in Biden's office that she had been sexually harassed by the then-senator, her concerns weren't taken seriously and she was eventually told to find another job.

Two of those staffers have said in interviews that they didn't recall Reade or any such incident. The third issued an on-the-record



The campaign of Joe Biden, the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, has denied the allegations. Above, Biden with daughter Ashley, center, and wife, Jill, in South Carolina.

statement denying Reade's claim.

Last week, the Intercept unearthed a 1993 video clip that shows a woman Reade says was her mother calling into CNN's "Larry King Live." In the clip, an unnamed woman from San Luis Obispo, California, tells King that her daughter just left Washington, "after working for a prominent senator, and could not get through with her problems at all, and the only thing she could have done was go to the press, and she chose not to do it out of respect for him."

Last spring, eight women, including Reade, came forward with allegations that Biden made them feel

uncomfortable with inappropriate displays of affection.

Biden acknowledged the complaints and promised to be "more mindful about respecting personal space in the future."

The AP spoke with Reade about those complaints in April 2019. During that interview, Reade alleged that Biden rubbed her shoulders and neck and played with her hair, and that she was asked by another aide in Biden's Senate office to dress more conservatively and told "don't be so sexy."

The AP declined to publish details of the interview at the time because reporters were unable to corroborate

her allegations, and aspects of her story contradicted other reporting.

Reade came forward in March with the additional allegation of assault during a podcast interview with Katie Halper.

The Republican National Committee and other allies of President Donald Trump have been highlighting Reade's allegations against Biden. Trump has faced numerous allegations of sexual assault, allegations he denies.

He also apologized during the 2016 campaign for comments he made during an interview with Access Hollywood in which he bragged about using his celebrity to assault women.

This frame grab image obtained Tuesday shows part of an unclassified video taken by Navy pilots that has circulated for years showing interactions with "unidentified aerial phenomena."

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Released UFO videos only scratch the surface

BY ALAN YUHAS
The New York Times

The Department of Defense confirmed what seekers of extraterrestrial life have long hoped to be true: They're real. At least, these three videos are. What the videos show? The government isn't so sure there.

On Monday, the Pentagon released three Navy videos that have driven speculation about unidentified flying objects for years, saying it meant to "clear up any misconceptions" about whether

the unclassified footage was real or complete.

It's real, the Pentagon said, including links so the curious could download the footage for themselves.

The videos, captured by naval aviators, show objects hurtling through the sky, one rotating against the wind, and pilots can be heard expressing confusion and awe. When they first appeared online, they breathed new life into the decades-long conversation about whether interstellar visitors had ever come to Earth.

The Pentagon's release cheered enthusiasts in the search for extraterrestrial life, even though experts caution that earthly explanations usually exist for such sightings — and that when people don't know why something happened, it does not mean it happened because of aliens.

Navy pilots spoke about objects that seemed to defy the laws of physics. Details emerged about a mysterious, five-year Pentagon program and claims of metal alloys said to have been

recovered from unidentified phenomena. Former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., spoke about his long push for more research on unidentified flying objects.

"I'm glad the Pentagon is finally releasing this footage, but it only scratches the surface of research and materials available," he said Monday on Twitter. "The U.S. needs to take a serious, scientific look at this and any potential national security implications."



During a livestreamed town hall Tuesday, Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden received the endorsement of Hillary Clinton, who ran against Donald Trump in 2016.

Hillary Clinton's backing hails Biden, blasts Trump

By BILL BARROW
Associated Press

Hillary Clinton, the first woman to become a major party's presidential nominee, endorsed Joe Biden's White House bid on Tuesday, continuing Democrats' efforts to coalesce around the former vice president as he takes on President Donald Trump.

Clinton made her announcement during a Biden campaign town hall to discuss the coronavirus and its effect on women. Without mentioning Trump by name, Clinton assailed the Republican president and hailed Biden's experience and temperament in comparison.

"Just think of what a difference it would make right now if we had a president who not only listened to the science but brought us together," said Clinton, who lost the 2016 election despite leading Trump in the national popular vote. "Think of what it would mean if we had a real president," Clinton continued, rather than a man who "plays one on TV."

Biden, as a former vice president and six-term senator, "has been preparing for this moment his entire life," said Clinton, a former secretary of state. "This is a moment when we need a leader, a president like Joe

Biden."

With her historic candidacy, Clinton remains a powerful — and complex — figure in American life. Her 2016 campaign inspired many women, and her loss to Trump resonates to this day. The female candidates in the 2020 Democratic presidential primary often faced skepticism that a woman could win the White House.

Biden has pledged to select a woman as his vice president.

Given her 2016 experience, Clinton could offer Biden unique insight as he prepares for the November general election. Her endorsement is the latest example of leaders from across the Democratic spectrum rallying behind Biden.

In recent weeks, Biden has picked up support from former President Barack Obama, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and leading progressives such as Sens. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts and Bernie Sanders of Vermont.

Clinton's husband, former President Bill Clinton, has not yet publicly endorsed Biden and has kept a lower profile during the Trump era.

The swift unification around Biden stands in stark contrast to four years ago, when Hillary Clinton was unable to win over a

significant portion of the electorate's left flank. Sanders battled her to the end of the primary calendar and waged a bitter fight over the party platform before endorsing her and campaigning for her in the fall. Hillary and Bill Clinton have argued that Sanders' push deeply wounded her campaign against Trump.

The Trump campaign sought to foment the same tension Tuesday by arguing that the Democratic establishment is again asserting itself.

"There is no greater concentration of Democrat establishment than Joe Biden and Hillary Clinton together," Brad Parscale, Trump's campaign manager, said in a statement. "Both of them carry the baggage of decades in the Washington swamp and both of them schemed to keep the Democrat nomination from Bernie Sanders."

During a wide-ranging conversation, Biden and Clinton sidestepped talk of campaign strategy and tactics, instead sticking mostly to policy proposals and critiques of Trump, from the president's penchant for conflict to recent reports that he ignored repeated warnings about the coronavirus threat, including in his daily intelligence briefings throughout January.

Study: Test helped find cancer before symptoms

By MARILYNN MARCHIONE
Associated Press

For the first time, a blood test has been shown to help detect many types of cancer in a study of thousands of people with no history or symptoms of the disease.

The test is still experimental. Even its fans say it needs to be improved and that Tuesday's results are not ideal. Yet they show what benefits and drawbacks might come from using these gene-based tests, called liquid biopsies, in routine care — in this case, with PET scans to confirm or rule out suspected tumors.

"We think that it's feasible," said Nickolas Papadopoulos, a Johns Hopkins University scientist who helped develop the test. Using it along with standard screening methods "doubled the cancers that were detected" in the study, he said.

But the test also missed many more cancers than it found and raised some false alarms that led to unnecessary follow-up procedures. It was only studied in women 65 to 75 years old and needs to be tried in men, other ages and more diverse groups.

"This is not at the place where it could be used today," said Dr. Len Lichtenfeld, deputy chief medical officer for the American Cancer Society. "It will need many more studies to demonstrate value," including whether it improves survival, he said.

Results were published in the journal *Science* and discussed at an American Association for Cancer Research conference that was held online because of the coronavirus pandemic.

Many companies are working on liquid biopsies, which look for DNA and other things that tumors shed into blood, to try to find cancer at an early



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The test could detect cancer at an early stage by looking for DNA and other things that tumors shed into blood.

stage. This test was invented by Hopkins doctors who formed a company, Thrive Earlier Detection Corp., to develop it with Third Rock Ventures, a biotech finance firm.

Until now, these multi-cancer detection tools have been tested on blood samples from people with and without cancer to estimate their accuracy. The new study was the first "real world" test in routine medical care, following patients through surgery or other treatment to see how they fared.

Nearly 10,000 women 65 to 75 years old with no history of cancer were recruited through the Geisinger Health System in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. That's because some deadly cancers such as ovarian have no screening test now, and women in this age group have a higher risk for cancer yet are young enough to benefit from finding it early, Papadopoulos said.

They were encouraged to continue regular screenings such as mammograms and colonoscopies and were given the blood test, which was repeated if findings suggested cancer. If the second test also was suspicious, they were given a whole-body PET-CT

scan, an imaging test that costs around \$1,000 and can reveal the location of any tumors.

After one year, 96 cancers had been diagnosed. Usual screenings found 24 and the blood test helped find 26 others. The remaining 46 were found because symptoms appeared or the cancer was discovered in other ways, such as an imaging test for a different reason.

Blood testing "made a genuine difference in discovering cancers in a small number of patients," took seven months on average and led 1% of women to get a PET scan they turned out not to need, Lichtenfeld said.

The blood test helped reveal six ovarian cancers, including one in Rosemary Jemo, 71, a hairdresser and exercise instructor who lives near Hazleton in eastern Pennsylvania.

"I would have never known I didn't feel anything" before the football-sized tumor was found, she said. Surgeons were able to remove it, and she is being monitored now.

Alberto Bardelli, a cancer specialist at the University of Turin in Italy who discussed the study at the conference, called it "extraordinary."

NEWS BRIEFING

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Ohio's mail-in primary tests voting during virus outbreak

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The first major test of an almost completely vote-by-mail election during a pandemic unfolded Tuesday in Ohio.

Ohio's in-person primary was delayed just hours before polls were supposed to open last month, prompting legal challenges and confusion.

The election replacing it involves nearly all voters running at least three pieces of mail — an application, a blank ballot and a

completed one — through the U.S. Postal Service. Overall turnout looked to be lower: The Ohio Secretary of State's office said that about 1.5 million ballots had been cast as of midday Saturday, down from the state's 2016 presidential primary, when around 3.2 million ballots had been cast.

With Joe Biden as the presumptive Democratic presidential nominee, there's little suspense in the results.

Duck boat sinking in Mo. could have been avoided, NTSB says

LIBERTY, Mo. — A duck boat sinking on a Missouri Lake that killed 17 people two summers ago likely would not have happened if the U.S. Coast Guard had followed recommendations to improve the safety of such tourist attractions, the National Transportation Safety Board said Tuesday.

The NTSB released the findings in the July 2018 tragedy, when a Ride the Ducks vehicle sank during

a storm on Table Rock Lake near Branson.

If the Coast Guard had followed recommendations the NTSB made after a similar boat sank in Arkansas in 1999, killing 13, the Missouri boat "likely would not have sunk," said NTSB accident investigator Brian Young.

Young also said Ride the Ducks should have suspended water operations that day because of the weather forecast.

Officials say US seeks indefinite UN arms embargo against Iran

UNITED NATIONS — The United States has circulated a draft U.N. resolution that would indefinitely extend a U.N. arms embargo on Iran set to expire in October, a move almost certain to spark opposition from Russia, which has made no secret of its desire to resume conventional weapons sales to Tehran, U.S. officials and U.N. diplomats said Tuesday.

The draft would strike

the expiration of the arms embargo from the council resolution that endorsed the 2015 nuclear deal between six major powers and Iran, according to Trump officials and U.N. diplomats, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The U.S. officials said the aim is to present the resolution for a vote in May when Estonia, a U.S. ally, holds the rotating presidency of the Security Council.



HUSSEIN MALLA/AP

Anti-government protesters hurl insults and stones toward soldiers Tuesday amid a deepening financial crisis in Beirut, Lebanon. Several people on both sides were injured.

Injuries mount as riots strike Lebanon amid crisis over virus

TRIPOLI, Lebanon — Hundreds of protesters in Lebanon's northern city of Tripoli clashed with troops until late Tuesday leaving several injured on both sides in some of the most serious riots triggered by an economic crisis spiraling out of control amid a week-long virus lockdown.

After a brief lull when Muslims broke their fast during the Muslim holy month of Ramadan at sunset, clashes resumed following a tense funeral for a 27-year-old man killed during riots overnight in the country's second-largest city.

Fawwaz Samman was shot by soldiers during confrontations that began Monday night and died in a hospital hours later.

Late Tuesday night, dozens of protesters gathered outside the central bank headquarters in the capital Beirut throwing stones toward the building before Lebanese soldiers dispersed them. Protesters in other parts of Lebanon cut major roads, including the highway linking Beirut with southern Lebanon.

The protests intensified Monday as Lebanon began easing a weeklong lockdown to limit the spread of

the coronavirus pandemic.

Tripoli, a predominantly Sunni Muslim city, is in one of the most neglected and poorest regions in Lebanon.

The violence was a reflection of the rising poverty and despair gripping the country amid a crippling financial crisis that has worsened since October, when nationwide protests against a corrupt political class broke out.

The national currency has lost more than 50% of its value, and banks have imposed crippling capital controls amid a liquidity crunch.

Arsonists target 2nd cellphone antenna in Cyprus

NICOSIA, Cyprus — Cyprus' telecoms authority said Tuesday that arsonists have torched a second mobile telephone antenna despite government efforts to quell "groundless" fears that it's moving to install a 5G antenna network.

An online campaign against 5G alleges in social

media posts that emissions from the network's antennas pose a health risk and may be linked to the spread of COVID-19 by weakening the human immune system.

CyTA said the attack targeted a 20-year-old installation in the coastal town of Limassol that has

nothing to do with 5G. The first antenna that was set ablaze two weeks ago in the same town was also an older installation.

CyTA said it's looking at ways of protecting its installations. Cypriot President Nicos Anastasiades said the country is not installing a 5G network.

Turkey: 40 dead, 47 hurt in attack, blast in Syrian town

ANKARA, Turkey — A fuel tanker exploded Tuesday in an attack on a northern Syrian town controlled by Turkish-backed opposition fighters, killing at least 40 civilians, Turkey's Defense Ministry said.

The ministry tweeted the attack took place in a crowded street in Afrin and 47 people were wounded.

Turkey's state news agency cited unnamed security officials who said the attack was believed to have been carried out by Syrian Kurdish fighters linked to Kurdish militants fighting Turkey.

Turkey and allied Syrian fighters took control of Afrin in 2018 in a military operation that expelled local Kurdish fighters and displaced thousands of Kurdish residents. Ankara considers the Kurdish fighters who were in control of Afrin to be terrorists.

In Libya: Eastern Libyan forces laying siege to the country's capital of Tripoli accused their rivals Tuesday of staging an attack in which a Turkish drone hit a food truck convoy in the country's west, killing at least five civilians.

The militias loosely allied with a U.N.-supported government in Tripoli denied attacking civilians, saying they targeted trucks carrying equipment and ammunition for eastern forces trying to take the capital.

The Tripoli-based health ministry reported Tuesday that at least six artillery shells struck a local field hospital, causing severe damage to the clinic and to several of its ambulances. It was the third assault on a medical facility in the besieged city in a week.

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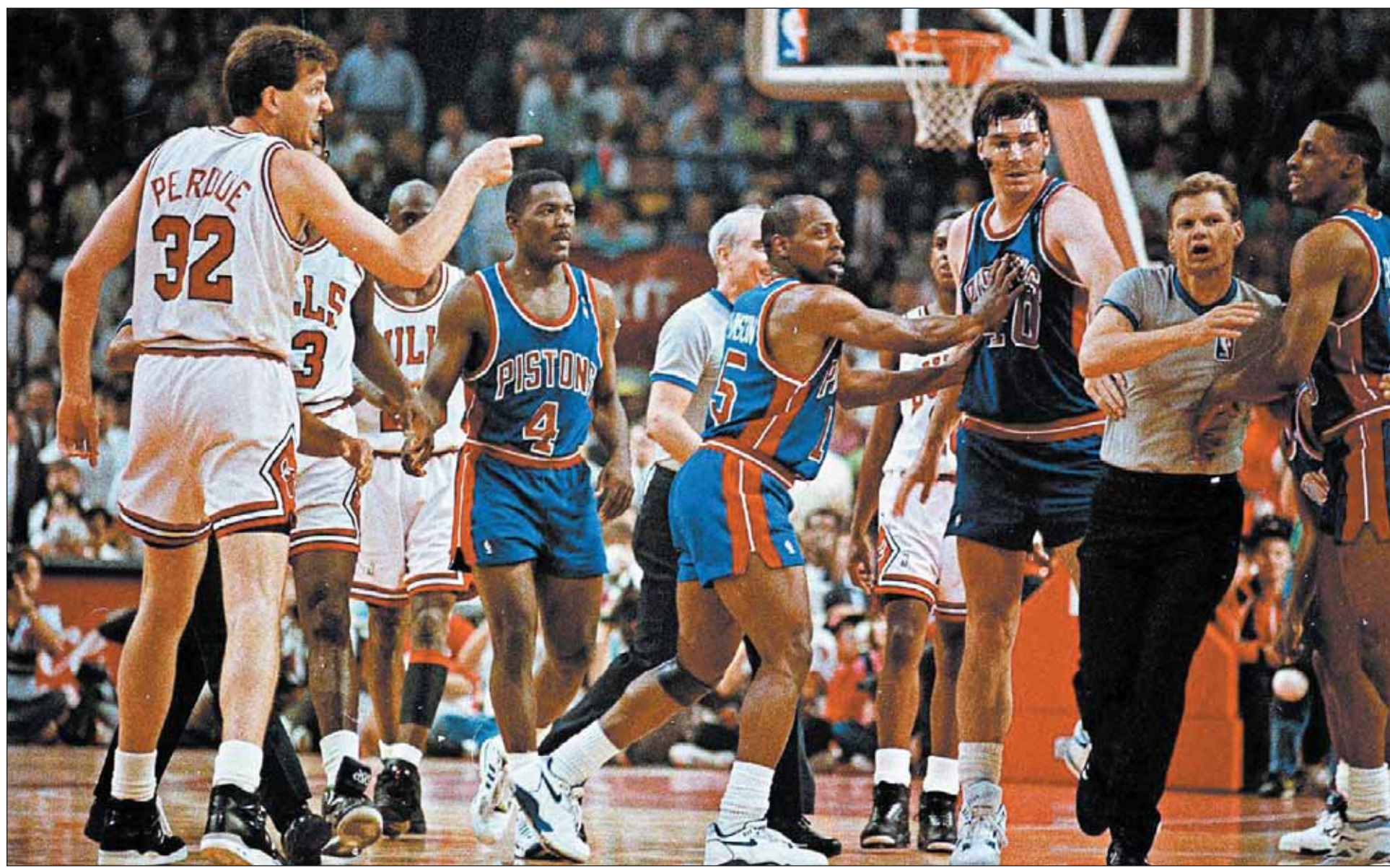
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Chicago Bulls player Will Perdue, left, and the Detroit Pistons' Dennis Rodman, far right, exchange words during the teams' second game in the NBA playoffs on May 21, 1991.

Thanks, MJ and 'Last Dance,' for the inspiration. No, we don't forgive the Pistons.

Can we take a collective break from COVID-19 anxiety and political divisions to come together as Chicagoans and reflect on how much we still despise the 1991 Detroit Pistons? They played dirty, were classless cowards and got what they deserved when Michael Jordan's Chicago Bulls swept them in that year's Eastern Conference finals.

How sweet that Bulls victory still feels, 29 years later, especially when there are no live sporting events to distract us from the coronavirus pandemic, and no Cubs or Sox victories to celebrate either. There was no Masters to open the golf season. Tennis, shut down. There's not even Little League to bring parents together — or apart. You know how they can get.

But ESPN on Sunday night revived us and our interest in the Bulls-Pistons rivalry, and sent Bulls fans to bed fired up, by re-examining the 1991 vanquishing of Detroit in Episode 4 of the Michael Jordan-focused documentary "The Last Dance." What a satisfying hour of viewing for a sports-starved city. And what a lesson in sportsmanship, also known as Good triumphing over Evil.

The Pistons don't look any better in hindsight than they did at the time. National attention is refocused this week on

them as sore losers because there's little else for sports fans to talk about. Of course, we all want games to return as soon as possible. But as consolation prizes go, we're amused to see headlines like this one: "The Last Dance: Michael Jordan calls Isiah Thomas an 'a-hole' for walking off court in Bulls-Pistons series."

To recap (and yes, to gloat): The Pistons were seeking their third-straight NBA championship. Jordan's Bulls were ascendant but had failed the two previous years to get past Detroit in the playoffs. The Pistons were a nasty, physical team known as the Bad Boys who relied on brute force to frustrate opponents. Tribune basketball writer Sam Smith once wrote the Pistons were "as uncompromising as a policeman's club and as cunning as Satan."

By 1991, Jordan had bulked up, the petty Pistons were aging and the Bulls were primed for revenge. How would Detroit deal with losing? By acting like clowns. With Game 4 winding down and the Bulls about to sweep, the Pistons fled to the

locker room with time still left on the clock. They didn't wait to shake hands with the victors. They skulked off.

A year earlier, after the Pistons beat the Bulls in Game 7 of the Eastern Conference final, Jordan and the Bulls had congratulated the victors. In the documentary, Jordan makes clear he hasn't forgiven the Pistons. "Two years in a row, we shook their hands when they beat us. There's a certain respect to the game that we paid to them. That's sportsmanship. No matter how much it hurt. And believe me, it (expletive) hurt."

Don't you love Jordan even a little more for that nifty combination of dignity and sick burn? And for that glass of booze on the side table, rising and falling, during the course of the one-on-one interview? We want to know too: Whiskey or expensive tequila?

Isiah Thomas, leader of those Pistons teams, struggles to accept responsibility for Detroit's actions. He argues that he

would have handled himself differently if given another chance, but also that the Pistons were acting appropriately — as defeated gladiators, it was their duty to exit the court as soon as possible. Thomas said in the documentary that he wasn't disrespecting Jordan. Actually, he was *passing the torch*. In that era of basketball, he insisted, "When you lost, you left the floor." Yeah, right. He sounded a lot like a politician.

But let's not dwell on the negative. Let's savor a moment because real-world pressures will intervene soon enough. Take pride in how the Bulls played. Call a friend or refocus your next Zoom videoconference to discuss, as MJ frames it, the value of respect and sportsmanship.

We live in tough times. We're not even allowed to shake hands due to contagion. The world of politics, where this page normally dwells, can be ugly and divisive. What can help us rise above misery and pettiness? Showing respect. Being a class act. Acting as a team. Setting aside ego. That's what Jordan and the Bulls exemplified in 1991. That's what we can do too, even in the middle of a confusing and frustrating health pandemic.

Rewatching the Bulls obliterate the Bad Boys of Detroit was a teachable moment. Let's apply it to daily life.

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ABOUT CHINA 'DECEPTION'

China's problems are mounting. As Beijing works frantically to cover up its responsibility for the global pandemic, Western intelligence is trying to find out exactly how the outbreak began and how much China's leaders knew. It is already clear that China's secrecy and deception imposed huge costs in lives and livelihoods around the world. Their regime will pay a heavy price as world politics is reshaped to see China as a dangerous adversary, not a benign partner.

U.S. intelligence agencies, working with epidemiologists, believe that the new virus first detected in Wuhan was a natural strain, not a man-made bioweapon. What they still don't know is whether it spread from a wild bat or, as they increasingly believe, from poor containment at a virology lab. They still don't know the identity of "patient zero." They still haven't been able to visit the region, the lab, or its researchers ...

Their deception mattered since Western health officials had no idea the virus spread so rapidly — or that their nations were unwittingly importing it. In late January and early February, most Western specialists still believed the outbreak could be contained, much as SARS had been. In early March, Dr. Anthony Fauci, the government's top expert on infectious diseases, said he believed it was fine for younger, healthier people to travel on cruise ships. It wasn't. The Chinese knew, but he didn't.

China's leaders not only knew how contagious the virus was, they acted on that inside information. In December, they stopped all internal flights from Wuhan to protect Shanghai, Beijing, and other population centers. Yet they allowed international flights to continue. ... Meanwhile, they began secretly scooping up the world's supply of N95 masks and personal protective equipment. For years, China had been a major exporter of those products. Now, surreptitiously, they were becoming net importers.

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PERSPECTIVE



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Gov. J.B. Pritzker responded Monday to a tweet by President Donald Trump, saying Illinois pays “more in federal taxes in Illinois than we get back” from the feds.

Turnabout’s fair play: Illinois has been ‘bailing out’ other states for decades



ERIC ZORN

President Donald Trump took to Twitter midmorning Monday with an aggressive question: “Why should the people and taxpayers of America be bailing out poorly run states (like Illinois, as example) and cities, in all cases Democrat run and managed, when most of the other states are not looking for bailout help?”

Trump was amplifying a complaint April 22 about “blue-state bailouts” by U.S. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., as well as South Carolina’s former Republican Gov. Nikki Haley’s tweet on Saturday singling out Illinois when making the case that federal pandemic relief funds “should not bail out states that have recklessly spent and taxed their way into oblivion.”

Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker clapped back at his news conference Monday afternoon, noting that “we pay more in federal taxes in Illinois than we get back from the federal government.”

To put a fine point on this, according to a January analysis by the State University of New York’s Rockefeller Institute of Government, in the years 2015 through 2018, Illinois sent an average of \$5.6 billion a year more to Wash-

ington than Washington sent back in such forms as grants to state and local governments, wages to federal workers, safety-net programs, contracts, and Social Security, veterans’ and Medicare benefits.

Haley’s home state of South Carolina? That red state received an average \$21.8 billion more from Uncle Sam than its taxpayers remitted, according to the Rockefeller data. McConnell’s red state of Kentucky? A whopping average \$37 billion more.

The Rockefeller study identified 10 other states along with Illinois that pay more in federal taxes than they get back. On that list are only two “red” states that voted for Republican Trump in the 2016 presidential election: No. 8 Nebraska (\$752 million) and No. 10 Utah (\$595 million).

A similar analysis by the New York state comptroller’s office that focused just on fiscal year 2018 found Illinois had a negative federal balance of \$11.4 billion. In that study, Illinois was one of just seven donor states, all of which voted for Democrat Hillary Clinton in 2016. South Carolina, for reference, came out \$26.1 billion ahead in 2018; Kentucky came out \$29.9 billion ahead.

Illinois residents “bailed out” other states to the tune of \$863 per person, the New York comptroller’s report shows. Each South Carolina resident, in contrast, came out \$5,139 ahead on average, while each Kentucky resident came out \$6,694 ahead.

According to “States Most Dependent on the Federal Government,” pub-

lished in 2019 by SmartAdvisor, Illinois is the 45th most dependent on federal dollars with 29.4% of its annual budget coming from the feds. South Carolina is 28th most dependent with 33.2% and Kentucky is sixth at 41%.

This sort of imbalance is nothing new. Data in an old Tax Foundation study, “Federal Taxes Paid vs. Federal Spending Received by State, 1981-2005,” shows that on average, Illinois had a \$16 billion annual negative balance over those 25 years, with taxpayers getting back an average of 74 cents in federal spending in the state for every dollar they sent to the IRS. The Tax Foundation has not updated that study, and the Illinois governor’s Office of Management and Budget does not track these figures.

And normally there’s nothing particularly nefarious or outrageous about it. Numerous factors influence how federal dollars are acquired and distributed at the state level, including poverty rates, the age of the population, the location of military bases, universities and major businesses and prevailing wages.

But no matter how or why the money flows where it does, the bottom line is that Illinois and other donor states are helping prop up such recipient states as South Carolina and Kentucky. Our taxpayers in effect funnel money into their economies, money that props up their businesses and keeps their taxes and government spending lower than they would otherwise have to be.

It’s nery as hell for ungrateful

politicians in recipient states ever to whine about “bailouts” or preen about how comparatively well managed they are.

Now, it’s true that Illinois Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, invited such preening earlier this month when he put in writing a request for \$10 billion to prop up our grossly underfunded pensions as part of \$41.6 billion he was seeking in COVID-19 relief funds. It was a political blunder for the ages.

But if Illinois had gotten back even close to what its taxpayers had put into the federal system over the years, its public pensions would be fully funded and the treasury would still show a surplus of literally hundreds of billions of dollars (assuming, which I don’t for even a second, that our lawmakers wouldn’t have blown it all).

Of course that’s not how it works. Not in a city, where taxes from wealthier neighborhoods support services in poorer neighborhoods. Not in a state, where taxes from prosperous regions support residents in struggling areas. And not in a nation, where, in the end, we’re all supposed to be in the fight together.

The answer to Trump’s question about why the people and taxpayers elsewhere should be bailing out states particularly hard hit by this pandemic is simple: Because we’ve been bailing them out for years.

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Is that democracy in Chicago’s City Council? What a welcome change.

BY DICK SIMPSON

When Lori Lightfoot took office as Chicago’s mayor nearly a year ago, along with a wave of new aldermen, one of the burning questions was how she would interact with the City Council. Would a power struggle erupt like the Council Wars era of the mid-1980s? Or would the council provide rubber-stamp support, as it did under both Daleys and Rahm Emanuel?

Refreshingly, it has been neither. Instead, today’s council is showing signs of actual democracy. Lightfoot has maintained a strong hand, but she is countered by a divided council offering important checks and balances that may, for once, serve Chicago well.

In the bad old days when I was an alderman in the 1970s, the council was a rubber stamp for Boss Richard J. Daley. So it was again for Richard M. Daley and Emanuel.

During the Council Wars, from 1983 to 1986, it fought along race and ideological lines as 29 mostly white aldermen prevented Mayor Harold Washington from governing without epic council battles which nearly drove Chicago into bankruptcy.

Today, Lightfoot has the upper hand, but the council is seeing the emergence of four significant voting blocs whose members frequently vote together:

■ Center-Liberal Bloc

- Progressive-Socialist Bloc
- Chicago Machine Bloc
- Conservative Bloc

In many ways this is making the council much more interesting — and adds a new wrinkle to the council, which already has five formal caucuses (Black Caucus, Latino Caucus, LGBTQ Caucus, Progressive-Reform Caucus and Socialist Caucus).

In a just released City Council report from the University of Illinois at Chicago, we provide detailed information on 34 divided roll-call votes since the current council took office. It is based on those votes we noticed distinctions among the voting blocs which have emerged.

The mayor has still been able to push her reform and progressive agenda, and she has kept a working majority during multiple crises — from the original \$838 million budget gap she had to fill to the current COVID-19 crisis. She has not lost a vote, although she has had to compromise.

This is because the Central-Liberal Bloc, the Progressive-Socialist Bloc and the chairmen of the council’s 19 committees generally give her the necessary votes to prevail.

There are other surprises. While the Machine Bloc votes with her only 69% of the time on average, Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, votes with her 85%. That is a very different voting pattern than when he led the opposition group against Washington in

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the 1980s or voted nearly 100% of the time with Emanuel.

At the most recent council meeting Friday, Lightfoot sought passage of an emergency powers ordinance that would allow her administration to move money within the city budget and sign contracts without aldermanic approval if the funds were to be spent in response to the pandemic.

The biggest difference between this vote and the clashes of the 1980s between Washington and Burke was that the mayor and her Center-Liberal Bloc won the vote and the emergency powers were granted. Still, an argument by Ald. Byron Sigcho-Lopez, 25th, who opposed the emergency powers, is important. He said during the debate: “We cannot go back to the time (when) we had one mayor overseeing everything and a rubber stamp” city council.

On the other side, Ald. Brendan Reilly,

42nd, said the fact that the mayor limited the scope of the powers and created a June 30 end date were key concessions. Like other ordinance supporters, he concluded, “I ultimately have faith in Mayor Lightfoot to be judicious with these powers we’re giving her.”

The Progressive Caucus issued a news release that further argued: “Simply put, we need more voices in the process that impact the entire city but especially the marginalized. Decisions must be inclusive, and that means understanding, in real time, exactly what is occurring and what we are doing in black and brown communities while major economic shifts are underway.”

So we have a divided City Council now, but it is much better than either a rubber stamp council or Council Wars. There is genuine debate and there are fierce arguments, but they often are over how to include all Chicagoans and how best to get things done.

We have a strong mayor who is in charge and a council willing to provide checks and balances. For Chicago, this is a new experience. As I often joke, if democracy is the best system, maybe we ought to try it in Chicago. For that matter, maybe we should try it nationally.

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PERSPECTIVE

Trump unleashes #PresidentLysol scorn, upstaging efforts to boost Tara Reade story



CLARENCE PAGE

When I saw #PresidentLysol trending on Twitter, I knew President Donald Trump had a problem.

If President Trump has excelled at anything throughout his brief but spectacular career in politics, it is in the crucially important task of defining his opponents before they can define him.

The former real estate developer and reality TV star usually has done this through punchy and powerful nicknames, smear jobs and mockery such as “Crooked Hillary,” “Little Mario,” “Low-energy Jeb” and most recently “Sleepy Joe,” as in Joe Biden, the likely Democratic nominee for Trump’s current job.

Yet, out of the many nicknames that Trump’s critics have come up with — and some of them are more printable than others — I would argue that he’s been the most stick-resistant “Teflon president” since Ronald Reagan.

Until now, Trump’s inability to keep a lid on his own remarks during his daily news briefings led to what may be the worst unforced error of his presidency when he speculated last week as to whether light and disinfectant could be used to fight the virus inside the bodies of coronavirus patients.

Folks, do not try this at home or anywhere else. Trump later said he was only being “sarcastic” with that remark, but sarcasm, which my dictionary defines as

“sharp and often satirical or ironic utterance designed to cut or give pain,” makes no sense as a description of what Trump was expressing.

Those who failed to get his joke included those who flooded emergency poison hotlines with calls.

And, as much as Trump tries to employ his usual spinmaster talents of deflection and obfuscation, his fellow Republican leaders cannot afford to be fooled — especially during a presidential election year in which the economy has been firebombed by the coronavirus pandemic, 26 million Americans are unemployed and mixed messages keep coming out of his press briefings.

Rep. Tom Cole, an Oklahoma Republican, wisely told *The New York Times* that the president has to change his tone and offer more than a campaign of grievance. “You got to have some hope to sell people,” Cole said. “But Trump usually sells anger, division and ‘we’re the victim.’”

It’s easy to note ironically, not just sarcastically, how Trump turned to his daily coronavirus briefings as a makeshift substitute for the mass rallies where he delights in entertaining crowds with his sarcastic shots at his foes. But yielding to his love for the roar of the crowds and the sound of his own voice, he has turned his alternative stage into a soapbox for his own self-destruction.

Now Republican leaders are reportedly getting nervous about keeping the White House and even holding onto the Senate. Earlier this month, the National Republican Senatorial Committee circulated a revealing memo. In responding to the coronavirus, it advised GOP candidates: “Don’t defend Trump, other than the China Travel Ban — attack China.”

The Trump campaign warned GOP candidates against following that advice. But the disinfectant distraction — shall we call it LysolGate? — also comes at a time when Trump’s allies were hoping to highlight a new revelation in the sexual misconduct allegations that former Biden aide Tara Reade has made against the former vice president and senator: Lynda LaCasse, a former neighbor of Reade, has come forward to corroborate her account in an interview with *Business Insider* published Monday.

LaCasse said Reade told her in the mid-1990s that Biden had “put his hand up her skirt and he put his fingers inside her,” she said. Biden’s campaign flatly denies the allegations, but he has not said anything in public about them. He needs to do so, and I presume that he will as the campaign heats up. For now, I foresee a Can-You-Top-This debate over the allegations against Biden versus the two dozen women who have made similar charges against Trump.

That sort of he-said-they-said scandal is hardly new in politics. If anything, it shows both sides that “Believe the Women” slogans should never replace such old-fashioned niceties as due process and the presumption of innocence.

But the #PresidentLysol tag gets to the heart of an issue every candidate also must remember: Don’t let your effectiveness be compromised by your appetite for attention.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Aldermen should meet more often

No one can deny that Chicago is facing a crisis. As a Chicago alderman, in these troubled times, I want to be able to look my neighbors in the eye and tell them that I am working for them every day.

At the April 24 City Council meeting, I proposed that the council set a regular meeting schedule of at least two times per month, the statutory expectation already called for (but not observed) under existing law.

Our executive branch clearly understands the need for rapid response, as seen by the new executive powers ordinance that passed at that same meeting. As a coequal branch of government, Chicago voters should expect the City Council to step up also.

Dishearteningly, at that meeting, a slim majority of aldermen voted to deny debate on changing our meeting schedule. Instead, they passed an ordinance setting our next meeting for May 20.

I strongly believe that the public would like to see their representatives write, debate and ultimately pass serious, binding legislation. Instead, by meeting once a month for a few hours at a time, we effectively cede all substantive action — particularly in response to the COVID-19 crisis — to the executive.

The City Council chose, by a bare 26-vote majority, to not even debate the possibility. I urge residents of every ward to contact their aldermen with a simple message: “Meet more often as a council to get more done.” It’s what we’re paid by the taxpayers of Chicago to do.

At a time when members can meet with the click of a button, we owe it to the people we represent to work whatever long hours are needed to pass meaningful legislation responding to the current crisis. Anything less is an abrogation of our duty — and a cession of our coequal governance to an executive branch that last Friday claimed even more power for itself over the city’s budget and finances.

Our city deserves better. I will continue to do my utmost to provide it, and I humbly thank my colleagues who voted to continue debate on the scheduling of the next City Council meeting.

— Ald. Andre Vasquez, 40th

Hunker down and wear a mask

As Illinoisans, we have been quarantining for over a month now. It’s taking a toll on many of us, whether it be through wage loss or built-up tension from being indoors so long. However, this is not the time to risk all the hard work that has been done.

Recently, I biked past a COVID-19 patient-receiving hospital and saw the nurses and officers walking outside with their masks on. I whispered a thanks as I biked by; these incredible Americans are risking their lives every day for us, and some have not seen their families for weeks.

We cannot risk having these heroes wait another extra day to see their spouses and children. This is why I endorse not only Gov. J.B. Pritzker’s five-week extension, but also his mandatory face-mask order.

If we want the pandemic to end quicker, this is a tough but necessary step. Especially in suburban areas, where forest preserves and sidewalks have become crowded places, in particular on warmer days. I have passed many who do not wear masks, which is detrimental to the cause. This prevention method is truly effective only if the large majority complies, similar to vaccination.

I know this will be uncomfortable for all of us, but we will all get through this together.

— Si Roger Li, Glenview

Another corrupt elected official

In light of the recent report that Cook County’s county clerk and former recorder of deeds, Karen Yarbrough, has violated anti-patronage rules, the Chicago Tribune owes its readers a new summary of corruption in Illinois, Cook County and Chicago over the last few decades.

There must be a reason that Illinoisans continue to vote for candidates with loose ethics.

If it is due to a lack of civic education, then the Tribune has a duty to remind one and all to perform some level of due diligence before they automatically “pull the voting lever.”

I am sure many of us would once again like to be reminded of the many unethical pols who have held office in our domain.

— John Skaritka, Hampshire



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Nina Barrett works in her store Bookends & Beginnings on Tuesday in Evanston.

Evanston’s new blight: Brown-papered windows

BY NINA BARRETT

In downtown Evanston where I own a bookstore, it’s shocking how fast masked faces have become the new normal. But I’m not referring to the covered faces of people ducking quickly out of cars to seek essentials at the corner pharmacy or grab carryout.

It’s the face of downtown Evanston itself that is increasingly masked. Overnight, it seems, the windows of another long-established shop or restaurant that helped define Evanston’s character have been papered over: the shiny faces of an American city vanishing behind a brown craft paper mask of retail despair.

We, the Shopkeepers Who Have Survived So Far, are trying not to panic. Pluckily, we are trying to make ourselves over for the new reality. The frame shop next door to me will do a customized Zoom consultation to help you finally hang that artwork that’s been leaning up against a closet wall for years while you were too busy living your old normal life.

As for us, like indie bookstores all across the country, we are frantically reinventing ourselves as the very thing we never wanted to be: an online bookstore.

One reason that we the Shopkeepers Who Have Survived So Far have clung so stubbornly to hope in this pandemic was the announcement of the federal Paycheck Protection Program.

What it meant, we thought, was that ambulances were racing toward us, packed with the vital cash that would keep us on life support in the small business intensive care unit.

In frantic consultation with our bookkeepers and accountants, we prepared documents and then tried for hours and days to feed them into upload boxes on crashing websites so that the ambulances of cash would know exactly where to find us on the streets of our brown-masked downtowns.

And then the money ran out. According to the website COVID Loan Tracker, fewer than 6% of those who applied got their funding. We were in the other 94%.

The bank told us to sit tight because in the event that another round of funding becomes available, our application will be

sent along to the Small Business Administration. The amount now proposed for Round 2 is \$310 billion, and even though that number sounds mind-boggling, you don’t have to be a math genius to guess that if the first \$350 billion only covered the first 6% of businesses in the queue, a big chunk of us in the remaining 94% are still going to be standing in line with our hands out when the next \$310 billion runs out.

And what we’ve learned about the process is that we’re going to be standing behind such qualifying “small businesses” as Ruth’s Chris Steakhouse, Potbelly and Shake Shack, all of which have since returned the money they received.

Of course, We the Shopkeepers have known for a long time that death was stalking us.

The onset of the Brown Paper Pox predated the onset of COVID-19. Our previous deadly virus escaped from a Seattle laboratory 25 years ago, racing first through the book-selling world, weakening its financial mechanisms and threatening its survival. Known as Amazon.com, it spread across the country, replicating ferociously in tax-exempted warehouses, eating away the foundations of bricks-and-mortar retail on Main Streets, and in shopping malls everywhere in the U.S. and abroad.

In Evanston, that earlier outbreak consumed, as 2020 dawned, a 60-year-old family-owned shoe store, a 10-year-old used bookstore, and a women’s clothing boutique whose owner had reinvented her shop three times over the course of 15 years to cope with rising rents and online competition.

She told me she was just “too tired” to keep fighting. The downtown Gap clothing store also decamped, as did its next-door neighbor, the generic mattress store, and while those deaths were perhaps less mourned locally, they nevertheless added more metastasizing brown paper to the streetscape, like two rotting front teeth at the center of the city’s fading smile.

Now with the spread of COVID-19, brown paper has begun unfurling across the windows of restaurants: The family-owned custard store, smack in the middle of downtown, where on summer nights, crowds of families and college students

spilled out onto the sidewalks; and the neighborhood bar where the more raucous kind of alcohol-fueled laughter used to trumpet from bands of co-workers gathering to mark the end of those collegial workdays.

Now, our chamber of commerce sends out a regular newsletter linking to the swelling list of neighborhood GoFundMe campaigns. It’s a capsule summary of my life in listicle form:

There’s the neighborhood Greek place on the list where I ate the night I went into labor with my first child 33 years ago; the pet shop where we adopted our now 19-year-old cat; the guitar store where, entering my 30s, I bought a pink electric guitar and learned to play the intro to “Smoke on the Water”; the chef-driven restaurant where the chef is the dad of a kid who came to Storytime in my bookstore every Saturday for years. And also on the list: my bookstore.

Yes, we’re all in this together, in the Small Business ICU, a community where the not-yet-papered-over are increasingly desperate for those ambulances of cash to arrive. If our leaders can’t find a way to make that happen, these deaths too will be tragic for our communities.

For decades we’ve paid sales taxes, payroll taxes and federal taxes, and every time one of us goes under, that revenue goes under with us. The history we embody, the way we define our towns and make them different from other people’s towns, the way we connected with each other, not virtually but for real, during all the small and large landmarks of our lives — all of that will go under with us too.

We are all desperate to get that Paycheck Protection Program money, but this time around we are prepared to find out that we won’t. And then what? What do we do next to ensure that when people can come back to their downtowns and their main streets seeking the hearts that used to beat there, there is anything left to greet them other than a blank Brown Paper stare — an endless expanse of brown scar tissue, the pox, the blight we could not stop?

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The first son talks ‘The Last Dance’

In an interview with the Tribune, Jeffrey Jordan, now 31, reflects on his life and his father. “My dad’s inhuman at basketball and (made a) gross amount of money,” Jeffrey says of Michael. “But he’s human. He has an enormous amount of compassion and empathy for people.” **Page 9**

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Illinois adding \$250M to small-business fund

State increasing loan amount to help employers navigate economic disruptions

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**

The Illinois Treasurer’s office is adding \$250 million to a small-business loan fund used to help employers navigate the economic disruptions caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

The fund, now totaling \$500 million, offers low-interest bridge loans to small businesses through a

statewide network of community banks and credit unions. The financial institutions determine eligibility and loan terms.

The Illinois Small Business COVID-19 Relief Program launched in March with an initial \$250 million. Since then, the state treasurer’s office has committed \$220 million to 27 banks and credit unions for the bridge loans, accord-

ing to a Monday news release.

The program was designed as a complement to federal COVID-19 relief funds such as the Small Business Administration’s \$660 billion Paycheck Protection Program. But for some small businesses that have been shut out of the federal funds, the state program may represent a viable alternative.

“We’ve had growing interest in our program as people become frustrated with the administration’s PPP loan program,” Illinois

State Treasurer Michael Frerichs said Tuesday. “It was rushed out too quickly without enough guidelines in place to make sure it was serving those it was meant to help.”

Chicago-area businesses have other alternatives to federal programs, including the \$100 million Chicago Small Business Resiliency Fund and a \$60 million state fund with low-interest loans of up to \$50,000 each for small businesses outside of Chicago.

On Tuesday, Chicago announced a \$5 million microbusi-

ness recovery program, offering \$5,000 grants to businesses with four or fewer employees in low- and moderate-income areas of the city that have been severely impacted by COVID-19.

Funds for the state treasurer’s program are drawn from its \$13 billion investment portfolio, which is made available to local banks — mostly outside the Chicago area — at a near-zero interest rate to provide liquidity to issue the small-

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Hormel furloughs 150 at plant in McCook

Fontanini Foods makes Italian meats, sausages for restaurants, arenas

By **ROBERT CHANNICK**

Fontanini Foods, which makes Italian meats and sausages for restaurants, sports arenas and other venues, is furloughing 150 employees at its southwest suburban McCook plant due to a “dramatic decline” in food service business during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Roughly 30% of the plant’s 500 workers will be off as of Saturday, with affected employees receiving health benefits but not pay during the temporary furlough.

“There is no timeline for return as that will depend on when restaurants, sports venues and other food service operations restart,” John Kempen, Fontanini’s plant manager, said in an email Tuesday.

Kempen said the decision will affect a “wide variety of positions” from across the company, but did not specify the salary range of the 150 employees on furlough.

About 1 in 6 American workers have lost their jobs during the coronavirus pandemic, with stay-at-home orders closing many businesses. More than 26 million people have filed for unemployment benefits across the U.S. since mid-March, including 737,472 in Illinois.

The food service industry has been particularly hard hit, with restaurants, hotels and sports venues essentially shut down by COVID-19.

Fontanini Foods was founded as a Chicago-area family business in 1960, specializing in Italian meats and sausages, including pizza toppings and meatballs.

The company was based for years on Randolph Street in Chicago. In the 1970s, the business grew as it began making bulk and rope Italian sausages for pizzerias and restaurants. Fontanini built its 188,000-square-foot plant in McCook in 2008.

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Adams and Son Garden co-owners Irene Adams, center, her husband Gus Adams, right, and Lionel Santiago, unload a truck Friday.

Getting back to business

Restrictions will ease Friday for nonessential retailers, animal groomers

By **LAUREN ZUMBACH AND ALLY MAROTTI**

Thousands of vegetables, herb and house plants died after Adams & Son Gardens closed more than five weeks ago to help stop the spread of the new coronavirus.

But since Gov J.B. Pritzker revised the state’s stay-at-home order, the Humboldt Park shop, which didn’t have to close but chose to, is again receiving truckloads of plants to sell to people who are staying close to home and eager to start gardening.

The changes to the stay-at-home order, which take effect Friday, are expected to generate some sales at cash-crunched businesses while providing Illinois residents with more ways to help a battered economy.

But merchants and many service providers, most of which had been branded non-essential, will operate under

conditions still considered far from business as usual, especially amid ongoing concerns about the risk of exposure to COVID-19.

Under the revised rules, retail stores not considered essential still won’t be able to invite shoppers inside but will be allowed to take orders for pickup. Animal grooming services also can reopen May 1, and

it’s clear people aren’t the only ones needing a trim.

A day after Pritzker announced pet groomers could reopen, Uncle Paws Grooming Salon was booked almost three weeks out.

Pet owners are trying to make up for lost time, said Tina Kozinski, owner of the East Side neighborhood grooming salon. Grooming is typically advised for dogs every four to six weeks to prevent health concerns such as fur matting or nail issues.

Kozinski welcomes the appointments after being closed for so long.

“I had to start working on my savings,” she said. “I’m going to be working probably seven days a week for the next three weeks just to try to get myself afloat.”

Groomers must also figure out how to incorporate social distancing into the rush of appointments. Mary Gagliardi, owner of Animal House Grooming in Orland Park, said she plans to space out the appointments more than normal so customers aren’t waiting together in the lobby.

One group of merchants embracing the revised order: retailers that rely on Mother’s Day sales.

“That week is huge for us,” said Esther Fishman, owner of Art Effect, which sells clothing, jewelry and gifts in the Sheffield Neighbors neighborhood. “We’ve already been getting phone calls from people asking, ‘how can I get a Mother’s Day gift?’”

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3D office tours grow in popularity as in-person visits stop

App created to help businesses search for space, negotiate a lease

By **RYAN ORI**

Four years after introducing virtual office tours, Chicago-based real estate technology firm Truss is facing both its biggest challenge and greatest opportunity.

The new coronavirus has led to a near shutdown of the commercial leasing market, which has caused Truss’ biggest source of revenue — lease commissions — to slow to a trickle. But the loss of in-person building tours has led to increased interest in its 3D virtual tours of Chicago offices, Truss

co-founder Bobby Goodman said. Goodman, the son of Chicago developer Mark Goodman, was an office broker representing tenants at Jones Lang LaSalle when he left to create the Redfin-like platform for commercial tenants in 2016.

The idea was that many tenants, particularly smaller businesses, lacked the time and expertise needed to physically tour dozens of office buildings and negotiate a lease. The app allows tenants to narrow their search based on desired square footage and other criteria. Back-and-forth negotiations with the landlord allow leases to be completed through Truss, which collects a broker commission.

Truss grew to 51 employees by

early 2020, before recently laying off 16 workers because of the COVID-19 slowdown, Goodman said.

“We’re hoping we don’t have to make any more cuts,” he said.

While commission fees plunge, requests by landlords to add properties increased to 500 in a two-week period, compared with 50 for the previous month, Goodman said. The company is working through the backlog by sending 3D camera tours to buildings to create virtual tours.

“When people are making money in this industry, they don’t need to change anything,” Goodman said. “That has changed very

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Robert Neumann looks over an image of the office space near his Pro 2 3D camera that is used to create virtual office tours in Chicago.

Caterpillar profit tumbles 46% with world economy on lockdown

Associated Press

Caterpillar's profits are down 46% with much of the global economy seized by the spread of the coronavirus pandemic.

The Deerfield-based company has already withdrawn all financial guidance and said Tuesday that it expects that the outbreak will skew its performance throughout the year.

The heavy mining and construction equipment builder has been deemed essential by a number of central governments in maintaining infrastructure, and it's implemented new safety protocols to continue to operate as of mid-April.



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Construction equipment made by Caterpillar is readied for export at the Port of Tacoma in Tacoma, Washington.

Caterpillar earned \$1.09 billion, or \$1.98 per share, for the three months ended March 31. A year earlier it earned \$1.88 billion, or \$3.25 per share.

Stripping out a pension obligation-related item, earnings were \$1.60 per share.

That's below the \$1.69 per share analysts surveyed by FactSet predicted. Revenue fell to \$10.64 billion from \$13.47 billion.

Caterpillar has lowered costs by reducing discretionary expenses and suspending 2020 base salary increases and short-term incentive compensation plans for many employees and all senior executives.

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rapidly, where people are really interested in getting up to speed on technology products that are out there."

Truss has raised just over \$24 million from investors including General Catalyst, Redfin chairman and former Priceline executive Robert Mylod Jr., Hyde Park Angels, Hyde Park Venture Partners and Navitas Capital. The startup was nearing profitability before the leasing market all but shut down, Goodman said.

The company does business in the Chicago, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Boston and Washington, D.C., areas and expects to continue expanding nationally and

internationally after the real estate market bounces back, Goodman said.

Truss has more than 13,500 office properties listed in those cities, with more than 310 million square feet of available space combined, ranging from tiny spaces to hundreds of thousands of square feet, Goodman said.

Most of the company's employees are in River North and Evanston offices.

"When we built this platform, we envisioned adoption to take place over a number of years," Goodman said. "This black swan event has accelerated that adoption. Whenever this is over, we are extraordinarily well-positioned for the changes coming to our industry."

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Robert Neumann uses a Pro 2 3D rotating camera, tripod and tablet to scan an office space from various locations in order to create virtual tours.

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Art Effect already was shipping online orders and making contact-free deliveries near the shop. Curbside pickup should help sales, in part because "I think people want an excuse to get out," she said.

Even so, some were bracing for slower-than-usual holiday sales. Jazzy Flowers, a Near West Side florist, slashed its initial order for Mother's Day flowers by about 75%. Most of its business comes from walk-in shoppers, said manager Monica DeLuna.

"It's going to be up to us to really encourage people to preorder," she said.

Frank Michael Jewelers still plans to launch its advertising campaign for Mother's Day this week, said owner Frank M. Beltrame Jr. Typically, Mother's Day is more lucrative than the December holiday shopping season for the Loop jewelry shop, Beltrame said.

Beltrame has continued to offer delivery amid the shutdown, but said he's only doing only a fraction of the business he normally would. About 85% of his business is from foot traffic, he said, and a limited reopening won't salvage that because no one is down-



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Adams & Son Gardens co-owners and volunteers unload a truck as they prepare to partially open Friday.

town.

"Until people are boots on the ground, let's call it, back to the workforce and the daily engine continues, I don't foresee that doing anything positive for us," he said. "It's just a little perk."

As part of Pritzker's revisions, he also extended the state's stay-at-home order through the end of May. A Republican legislator challenged Pritzker's authority to do so, and filed a lawsuit to block the extension.

On Monday, Clay County Circuit Court Judge Michael McHaney ruled that Rep. Darren Bailey could disregard the extended order. McHaney's ruling applied only to Bailey, but it could pave the way for other Illinois residents to seek relief from the stay-at-home order.

Some national retailers, like craft chains Michaels and Joann, already offer curbside pickup. Others are moving in that direction cautiously.

Beauty retailer Ulta is easing back into operations with curbside pickup in some areas, but it's unlikely the service will be available in Illinois on Friday, said spokeswoman Eileen Ziesemer. In addition to local regulations, Bolingbrook-based Ulta considers data on how prevalent COVID-19 is in communities near stores.

Once Ulta decides to offer curbside service at a store, the beauty retailer can roll it out quickly, Ziesemer said. Store managers and master and elite stylists were not furloughed and can manage the curbside service after going through training on safety protocols

to limit contact, she said.

Chicago-based Paper Source, whose 135 greeting card, stationary and gift stores are temporarily closed, is starting to offer curbside pickup and delivery options, but none of the initial locations are in Illinois.

Cosmetics seller Lush also is looking at curbside pickup and hopes to begin tests at a few locations in certain states in the coming weeks, spokeswoman Brandi Halls said in an email.

Evanston-based Vogue Fabrics, which handles wholesale orders from companies and hospitals and sales to individuals, has been letting customers pick up online orders at its warehouse, where an employee tosses packages to shoppers from the loading dock.

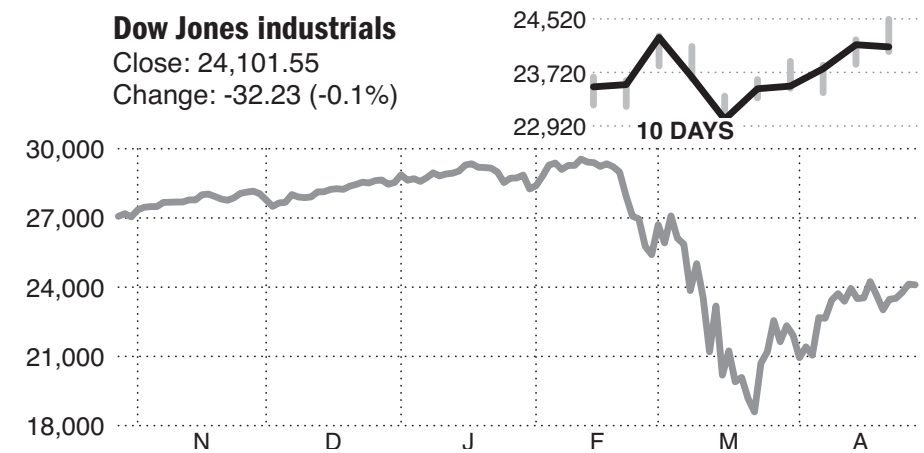
Even if the changes meant Vogue Fabrics could also offer curbside service at its retail store, co-owner Rogie Sussman Faber said she isn't interested — the current system was set up with employees' safety in mind.

"It's a risk for everyone to come in," she said. "We want to socially distance as well."

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 24,512.24 Low: 24,031.20 Previous: 24,133.78



Nasdaq
-122.43 (-1.40%)
Close: 8,607.73
High: 8,830.57
Low: 8,600.70
Previous: 8,730.16

S&P 500
-15.09 (-.52%)
Close: 2,863.39
High: 2,921.15
Low: 2,860.71
Previous: 2,878.48

Russell 2000
+16.20 (+1.26%)
Close: 1,298.08
High: 1,316.71
Low: 1,282.77
Previous: 1,281.88

10-yr T-note
-0.04 to .61%

Gold futures
-1.40 to \$1,710.50

Yen
-0.39 to 106.86/\$1

Euro
-0.0001 to .9230/\$1

Crude Oil
-0.44 to \$12.34

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+4.70	+4.17	+4.63	+9.97	+11.79	+10.79	-9.37	+6.33	-2.80

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	523	528	517.25	526.75	+5.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	305	308.50	301.25	302.75	-1.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	829.50	835.50	822.50	826	-3
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 20	24.98	25.32	24.84	25.30	+0.31
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 20	285.30	286.20	281.00	281.80	-3.50
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Jun 20	12.96	13.69	10.07	12.34	-4.4
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	May 20	1.831	1.923	1.702	1.788	-0.31
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	May 20	.6466	.6920	.6280	.6672	+0.0189

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

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

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	91.46	-3.49	Envestnet Inc	N	61.41	-5.2
AbbVie Inc	N	82.76	-1.93	Equity Commonwlt	N	33.79	-8.5
Allstate Corp	N	101.84	-1.25	Equity Life Sty Prop	N	63.06	+3.0
Aptargroup Inc	N	111.18	-1.04	Equity Residential	N	64.87	-4.3
Arch Dan Mid	N	37.17	+0.63	Exelon Corp	O	37.84	+0.1
Baxter Intl	N	91.00	-1.67	First Indl RT	N	37.53	-0.5
Boeing Co	N	131.30	+2.62	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	49.66	+2.84
Brunswick Corp	N	46.38	+3.32	Gallagher AJ	N	77.22	-1.6
CBOE Global Markets	N	98.50	+1.36	Grainger WW	N	286.02	+8.90
CDK Global Inc	O	36.54	+0.6	GrubHub Inc	N	46.33	-1.5
CDW Corp	O	107.12	+8.84	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	114.11	-3.60
CF Industries	N	28.04	-0.33	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	55.72	-0.1
CME Group	O	184.32	-3.43	IAA Inc	N	38.97	+1.01
CNA Financial	N	32.25	+1.30	IDEX Corp	N	157.78	+1.49
Cabot Microelect	O	115.35	+4.2	ITW	N	166.48	+3.25
Caterpillar Inc	N	115.46	+2.6	Ingredion Inc	N	83.11	-2.8
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	34.61	+0.1	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	106.31	-4.8
Deere Co	N	141.56	+1.86	Kemper Corp	N	68.50	+1.5
Discover Fin Svcs	N	40.06	+2.62	Kraft Heinz Co	O	30.43	+2.4
Dover Corp	N	94.91	+1.72	LKQ Corporation	O	23.99	+1.22

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	6.80	+3.7
Nordic Amer Tanker	7.34	+1.4
Ford Motor	5.38	+2.1
Carnival Corp	14.46	+1.48
Delta Air Lines	24.34	+2.18
Bank of America	23.89	+4.2
Itau Unibanco Hldg	4.25	+4.5
Macy's Inc	5.99	+4.9
Ambev S.A.	2.13	+0.5
Swst Airlines	29.69	+5.8
Odyssey Petl	15.17	+1.02
Petrobras	6.56	+6.5
Hertz Corp	5.00	+5.2
Boeing Co	131.30	+2.62
Whiting Petroleum	1.16	+1.4
Norwegian Cruise Ln	13.09	+1.65
Wells Fargo & Co	28.87	+4.6
Transocean Ltd	.94	+0.9
Pfizer Inc	37.91	-4.2
MFA Financial	1.80	+1.6
AT&T Inc	30.65	+1.1
Marathon Oil	4.99	+1.4
Pennney JC Co Inc	.28	+0.3
CitiGroup	47.21	+6.5

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	201.15	-2.54
Alphabet Inc C	1233.67	-42.21
Alphabet Inc A	1232.59	-38.27
Amazon.com Inc	2314.08	-61.92
Apple Inc	278.58	-4.59
Berkshire Hath B	187.12	-3.4
Facebook Inc	182.91	-4.59
HSBC Holdings prA	25.70	+0.6
Home Depot	217.63	-1.3
Intel Corp	58.75	-7.2
JPMorgan Chase	95.29	+6.7
Johnson & Johnson	151.39	-2.90
MasterCard Inc	264.60	-5.2
Microsoft Corp	169.81	-4.24
Procter & Gamble	116.89	-5.6
UnitedHealth Group	288.36	-5.62
Verizon Comm	57.83	+0.2
Visa Inc	171.25	-0.1
WalMart Strs	128.00	-3.0

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AmrcnBalA	m	26.85	-0.4
American Funds CptWldGrncA	m44.72	...	-6.2
American Funds CptlncBldrA	m	55.74	+2.2
American Funds FdmtInvSA	m	53.72	-1.4
American Funds GrfAmrcA	m	48.28	-6.9
American Funds IncAmrcA	m	20.51	+0.6
American Funds NwPrspctVA	m	34.95	-2.2
American Funds WAMtInvSA	m	42.30	-1.3
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.19	+0.5	+7.5
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	32.07	+5.9	+20.3
Dodge & Cox Strk	151.66	+1.13	-13.4
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.52	...	+3.6
Fidelity 500IndxPfm	99.23	-5.2	-6
Fidelity Contrafund	13.00	-2.2	+3.2
Fidelity InvnGradeBd	11.83	+0.4	+9.0
Fidelity TlMktldxInPfm	79.50	-3.0	-2.6
Fidelity USBldInxPfm	12.46	+0.4	+11.1
Franklin Templeton IncA1	2.02	...	-9.0
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	11.36	+0.3	+10.6
PGIM Investments TlRetBdZ	14.17	...	+5.9
PIMCO IncI2	11.08	...	-2.5
PIMCO IncIstl	11.08	...	-2.4
PIMCO TlRetIns	10.66	+0.3	+9.3
Schwab SP500ldx	44.04	-2.4	-7
T. Rowe Price BCGr	119.41	-2.04	+3.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	69.09	-1.32	+1.8
Vanguard 500ldxAdmrl	264.60	-1.38	-7.7
Vanguard BalldxAdmrl	36.98	-0.4	+3.3
Vanguard DivGrInv	27.53	-0.3	+1.2
Vanguard GrldAdmrl	89.97	-1.25	+7.6
Vanguard HCAmrl	84.99	-1.28	+1.2
Vanguard InTrngAdmrl	10.17	+0.3	+8.9
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	14.16	-0.3	+2.4
Vanguard InslxInx	255.69	-1.34	-7
Vanguard InslxInxPlus	255.70	-1.34	-6
Vanguard InslxInxPls	59.80	-2.2	-2.6
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	95.62	+1.1	+2.3
Vanguard LdtTrmTEAdmrl	10.94	-0.1	+1.6
Vanguard MdCpldxAdmrl	185.99	+9.4	-4.1
Vanguard PrrmCpAdmrl	123.61	-8.3	-4.4
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.71	+0.2	+4.0
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	62.61	+0.2	+16.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	30.63	+0.4	+1.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.37	+0.3	-2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	32.24	+0.4	-1.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.23	+0.3	-2.6
Vanguard TlBMldxAdmrl	11.52	+0.3	+11.0
Vanguard TlBMldxInx	11.52	+0.3	+11.0
Vanguard TlBldxAdmrl	22.82	+0.2	+5.7
Vanguard TlBldxInx	34.25	+0.3	+5.8
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Vanguard TlSldxAdmrl	69.90	-2.6	-2.6
Vanguard TlSldxInx	69.91	-2.7	-2.6
Vanguard TlSldxInv	69.88	-2.6	-2.7
Vanguard WlngtnAdmrl	68.70	-1.7	+2.3
Vanguard WlsllyIncAdmrl	64.47	+1.7	+6.3

d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee. m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee. Source: Morningstar.

Business aid applications still facing a bottleneck

Banks say SBA loan system still can't handle volume

By **JOYCE M. ROSENBERG**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Banks trying to submit applications for thousands of small businesses seeking coronavirus relief loans have hit a bottleneck for a second day at the Small Business Administration.

Banking industry groups said Tuesday that the SBA's loan processing system is still unable to handle the volume of loan applications from business owners trying to get aid under the Paycheck Protection Program, part of the government's \$2 trillion coronavirus aid package. The SBA has said the slowdown is due to its attempts to limit the amount of loans any bank can submit at one time.

But some banks say they're not able to get any applications into the system.

"Today is just another slow, frustrating slog for getting PPP loans through," said Paul Merski, a vice president at the Independent Community Bankers of America.

Businesses are seeking loans from a \$310 billion second round of funding

aimed at helping them retain workers or rehire those who they laid off in response to the virus outbreak. Restaurants, retailers, gyms and other businesses were forced to shut down to try to contain the virus's spread, and other companies have seen a steep drop in revenue as customers stayed home or cut back their spending.

The SBA did not immediately respond to a request for comment Tuesday on the delays. But in a memo the agency sent to banks at midday Tuesday and obtained by The Associated Press, the SBA said it would stop banks from using a system that automatically submits applications into the agency's ETran system. Without that system, "the loan processing system will be more reliable, accessible and equitable for all businesses," the memo said.

At some banks, the change means having to manually submit the applications, a much slower process, said Nick Simpson, a spokesman for the Consumer Bankers Association. Others are able to submit applications in batches of more than 5,000, but it wasn't known how or when the SBA would process them, he

said.

On Tuesday afternoon, the head of the SBA tweeted that the agency had processed \$50 billion in loans in the 24 hours after the program resumed Monday.

The \$349 billion first round of funding was exhausted in less than two weeks after the SBA approved 1.7 million loans. That initial round was also slowed by computer issues at the SBA. In this round, banks have reported that they were being allowed to submit only 350 applications an hour, if that many. Meanwhile, they have thousands on hand.

"I don't know of any bank who's reaching 350 per hour," said Richard Hunt, president of the Consumer Bankers Association.

He said there appeared to be technical issues at the SBA similar to ones that held up processing early in the first round of funding.

During an event showcasing the loan program, President Donald Trump said the Small Business Administration has processed more loans in 14 days than it has in the previous 14 years.

Delaware firm forced to kill 2M chickens

By **CHRISTINE HAUSER**
The New York Times

A chicken processing company based in Delaware killed nearly 2 million chickens this month after many of its workers were sidelined by illness or quarantine orders related to the coronavirus, industry officials said.

The action by Allen Harim Foods was the latest example of how food processors are being affected by the coronavirus, which is keeping workers away because of illness or quarantine.

Meat processors, dairy farmers and vegetable growers have shuttered plants or dumped products at a time when many Americans are lining up at food banks or facing scarcity at supermarkets.

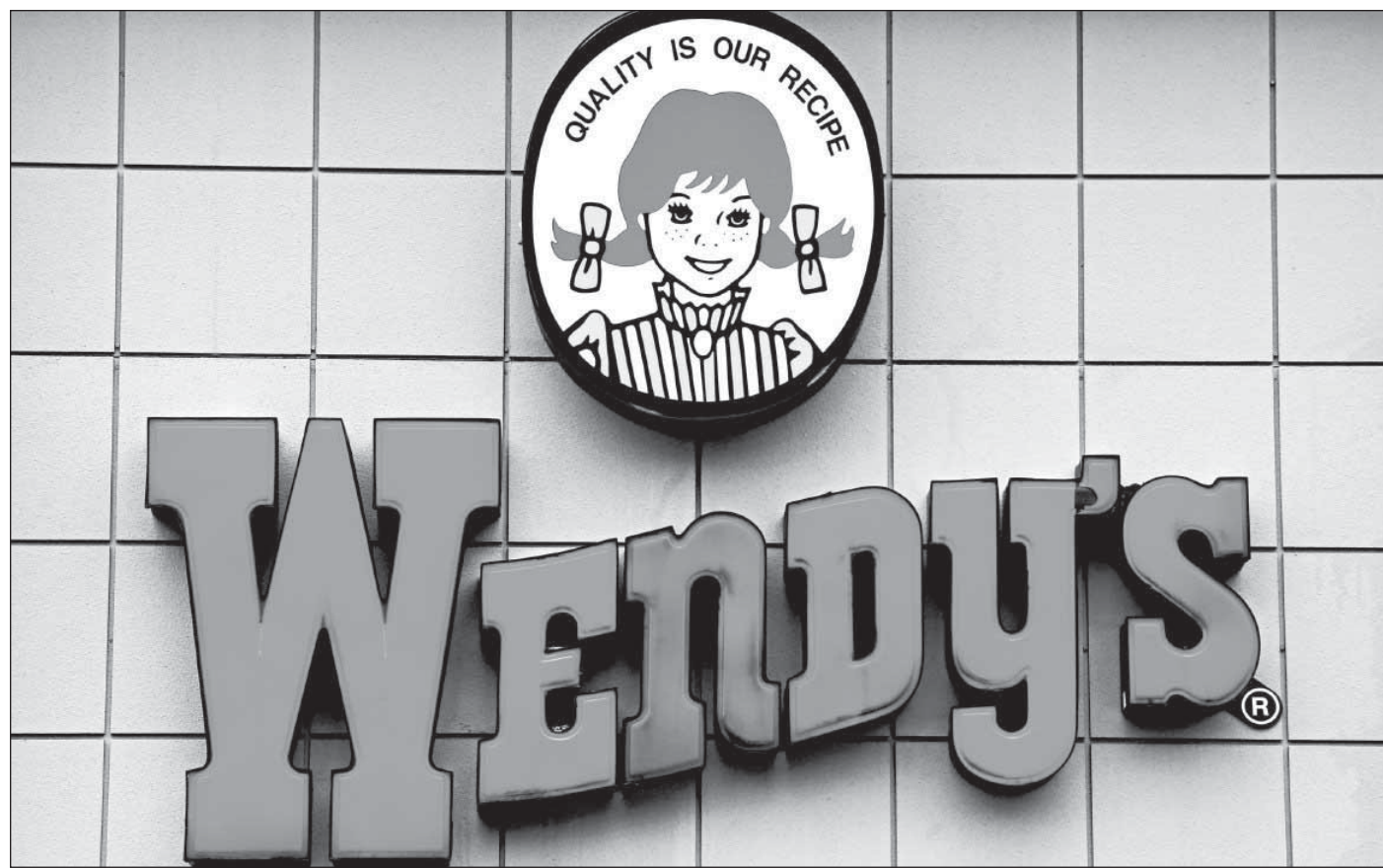
Delmarva Poultry Industry Inc., which represents plants on the Delmarva Peninsula, a 170-mile-long strip of land shared by Delaware, Maryland and Virginia, announced the plans in a memo to its members April 9, saying the plant was one of many facing difficulties in meeting production targets.

"Because of reduced attendance, meat processing companies may need to make the difficult choice to humanely depopulate animals on farms instead of transporting them to plants with reduced processing capacity," Holly Porter, executive director of the organization, said Tuesday.

Porter said the company euthanized nearly 2 million chickens on farms in Delaware and Maryland using methods approved for cases of infectious avian disease.

There are 1,325 growers and five chicken processing companies on the Delmarva Peninsula that operate a total of 10 processing plants.

The news of the Delmarva chicken killings has highlighted the strains on the food supply chain in the country as the virus undermines staffing, either through illness or isolation orders.



GENE J. PUSKAR/AP 2018

Top executives of KFC, Wendy's, Papa John's and other large restaurant chains told President Trump they needed billions of dollars.

More millions, more problems

Some companies that are seeking bailouts had piles of cash and spent it

By **EMILY FLITTER AND PETER EAVIS**
The New York Times

Last month, the top executives of KFC, Wendy's, Papa John's and other large restaurant chains held an urgent call with President Donald Trump about the coronavirus crisis.

The companies needed billions of dollars in aid to avoid mass layoffs, the executives said. The next day, their trade group asked government leaders, including Trump, for \$145 billion in relief.

These companies had been highly profitable in recent years, yet they were seeking help from the federal government. Where had all their money gone? Like much of corporate America, the restaurant chains had spent a large chunk on buying back their own stock, a practice aimed at bolstering its price. Some were even more vulnerable to the economic shock because they had previously increased their borrowing — including to fund buybacks or pay dividends — and strained their credit in the process.

Few, if any, corporations could have

been adequately prepared for this pandemic, and efforts to stem the spread of COVID-19 have hit certain industries particularly hard — especially restaurant companies that have been forced to close most of their locations.

Still, the crisis has exposed the potential failings of a strategy embraced by many big companies: aligning their priorities with the interests of shareholders, many of whom are narrowly focused on the performance of a company's shares. Shareholders, wanting stock prices to go higher, pushed management to use up cash on buybacks and dividends. And senior executives, paid largely in stock and on the basis of how the stock performed, were happy to oblige.

The result was that companies often did not have much spare cash, leaving them even more exposed to economic downturns.

"They should have built up some buffers against such sudden shocks and risk," said Willi Semmler, an economics professor at the New School for Social Research in New York.

In the three years through 2019, spurred on by Trump's tax cuts, companies in the S&P 500 stock index spent \$2 trillion on buybacks, 30% more than what they spent over the previous three years, according to an analysis of data from CapitalIQ. Includ-

ing dividend payments, S&P 500 companies spent \$3.5 trillion in the most recent three years, an amount that was equal to their net income for the period.

Regulatory requirements prescribe how much cash banks and insurers need to hold, but there are few such rules for other companies.

They spend their cash as they see fit — on acquisitions, capital expenditures, payroll and, of course, buybacks and dividends. The more money a company spends buying back its shares, the less it has for other uses, making the practice controversial. Some giants, including Apple and Facebook, are sitting on mountains of cash despite intense criticism from investors who say the companies have a responsibility to return that cash to shareholders. But most do not need to be prodded.

Overall, S&P 500 companies now have a smaller cash buffer to support their borrowing than they did nine years ago, according to one widely used measure: net debt to EBITDA, which stands for earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization. The higher the ratio, the less cash the company has on hand and coming in to pay its debts. It was 1.8 as of March 30, according to FactSet, significantly higher than it was a year before the 2008 financial crisis.

BUSINESS BRIEFING

Index: Consumer confidence drops

WASHINGTON — U.S. consumer confidence plunged in April as millions lost their jobs and there was an unprecedented deterioration of an index that monitors their attitudes about current business and work conditions.

The Conference Board said Tuesday that its confidence index tumbled to a reading of 86.9, the lowest level in nearly six years and down from 118.8 in March.

The index is composed of consumers' assessment of present conditions and expectations about the future.

The share of people saying that jobs are "plentiful" was more than halved, to 20% in April. The March reading was 43.3%. The share indicating jobs are "hard to get" rose to 33.6%, from 13.8% in March.

Southwest posts quarterly loss

DALLAS — Southwest Airlines posted its first quarterly loss in nearly a decade and said Tuesday that the downturn in air travel that began in late February shows no signs of letting up.

The airline said trip cancellations have pulled back from a peak in March but remain at levels that Southwest has never seen, as customers scrap plans to travel during the coronavirus pandemic.

Southwest doesn't fly to Asia, where the virus originated, and so it felt the effects of the pandemic later than rivals Delta, United and American. U.S. air travel is now down about 95% from a year ago.

Southwest expects revenue to drop by 90% to 95% in April and May compared with a year ago.

Amazon faces potential liability in teen death

By **ANDREW WELSH-HUGGINS**
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Logan Stiner was just days from high school graduation when his brother found him unresponsive in their family's home southwest of Cleveland in May 2014.

Stiner, 18, died of cardiac arrhythmia and seizure from acute caffeine toxicity, a coroner ruled. He had more than 70 micrograms of caffeine per milliliter of blood in his system — as much as 23 times the amount found in the system of a typical coffee or soda drinker.

What's undisputed is that Stiner ingested powdered caffeine given to him by a friend who bought it on Amazon and was using it as a "pre-workout" boost.

The question is what, if any, liability Amazon had in Stiner's death.

The Ohio Supreme Court plans to hear arguments Wednesday for and against a lawsuit brought by Stiner's family arguing that the online retail giant, as the company that shipped the product, should be held responsible under Ohio product liability law. A decision isn't expected for several weeks.

Attorneys for Stiner's father say the company was not a "neutral platform" in the powder's sale but promoted it, introduced it to Stiner's friend as a customer and played an "indispensable role" in its sale.

"The idea that Amazon cannot be a 'supplier' because it did not physically touch or take title to the product at issue

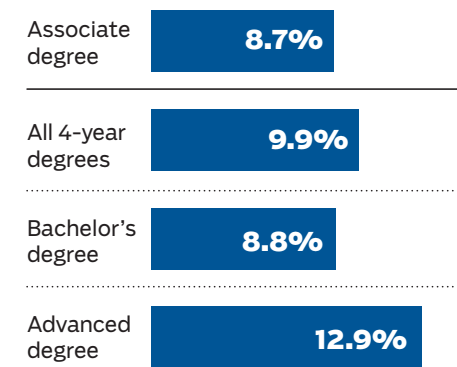
ignores both the manner in which e-commerce is conducted today and Amazon's crucial role in recommending the deadly powder," Brian Balsler, a lawyer for Dennis Stiner, said in written arguments last year.

Lawyers for Amazon say the company doesn't meet the definition of a supplier under Ohio law — ownership, control and hands-on actions with a product. They note that Stiner's friend has testified she chose to click on the product she then bought.

"Amazon never touched the product, and third parties provided all of the website content and delivered the product directly to the purchaser," Joyce Edelman, an attorney for Amazon, said in a December 2019 court filing.

Unemployment of recent graduates

Unemployment rate for people ages 20-29 who graduated in 2019, as of October 2019



SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics

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OBITUARIES

Remembering the lives of those in Illinois who died from coronavirus

They were mothers and fathers, daughters and sons. Many were proud grandparents. Two were sisters from a tight-knit South Side family. All were loved, relatives say, and will be forever missed. As the number of deaths attributable to COVID-19 ticks upward, the Tribune is working to chronicle those who have lost their lives in the Chicago area or who have connections to our region. These are some of those victims.

FRED J. FELELLA JR., 58

From Sugar Grove, died April 19.

“Freddie,” as his cousin Roy Kopstain called him, was always organizing or helping out with a fundraiser for research into diseases such as lupus, multiple sclerosis or breast cancer.

A longtime volunteer for the Sugar Grove Fire Department, Fred Felella enjoyed participating in fire musters, which are competitions focusing on fire-fighting skills. He worked for nine years at the Fox Valley Career Center teaching fire service.

“He was really into that kind of stuff and he affected so many different types of people from all the work he did in different circles. We’ve enjoyed hearing stories of people whose lives he touched,” said Kopstain, who has set up a GoFundMe account for Felella’s family.

The Sugar Grove resident died after battling the coronavirus for about three weeks, his daughter Amanda Felella said.

A paid volunteer firefighter for the Sugar Grove Fire Department from 1994 to 2007, Felella also worked for the Big Rock Fire Protection District. Though he didn’t serve in the military himself, Felella joined Aurora AMVETS Post 103, one of many groups he supported. He also joined the Dedicated Sons LEMC, a nonprofit organization representing men in law enforcement, firefighting, emergency medical services or the military.

Many kids in the Sugar Grove area knew him as Santa. Marguerite Ledone, of Sugar Grove, said Felella played the part annually for the local Holiday in the Grove celebration. Ledone said she kept his number in her phone list, and at family events, she’d ask kids if they wanted a word with the man with the reindeer.

“I’d call him and say, ‘Hey Santa, I’ve got some kids here,’” Ledone said. “These kids would get off the phone and just be in heaven.”

Amanda, 23, believes her father contracted COVID-19 on a trip to California in March to visit his son Andrew, 20. He returned home with a cough, fever and sore throat.

By late March his shortness of breath was severe some days, though on other days, Amanda said, he’d text her and say he felt just fine — like he could “run a mile.” His symptoms became more debilitating. Felella checked himself into AMITA Health Mercy Medical Center in Aurora on March 31.

By Easter weekend, Amanda said, one of his doctors reported to her that his body was essentially shutting down. Amanda visited the hospital a final time, wearing full protective gear, and held her father’s hand. “I said: ‘Everyone loves you and now you get to take care of us in heaven.’ He was tearing up as I told him, and once they took him off the ventilator, he squeezed my hand.”

The day before Felella died, his mother Bonnie Felella was taken by ambulance to Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital in Winfield. She tested positive for the coronavirus, Amanda said.

On April 21 she was tested again. This time the results were negative. She was released from the hospital that same day.

A celebration of life will be held for Fred Felella on a future date. “It’s still numbing to know that I’m not going to have a father for the rest of my life,” Amanda said. “And I have no one to walk me down the aisle. It’s crazy. I hope they find a cure so that other families don’t

have to go through this.”

— Megan Jones, Katherine Rosenberg-Douglas and Michael Phillips

PHILEMON NAJIEB, 70

From Chicago, died April 15.

Philemon Najieb was a fixture for decades in the Chicago media, working as a photographer for newspapers and magazines, but some of his contemporaries remember him as more artist than journalist.

“I don’t think he even understood the aesthetic inclination that he had,” said writer, editor and talk show host Salim Muwakkil, who worked with Najieb at Bilalian News in the 1970s. “Being with the paper, we were concerned with journalism ... what was going on in our country, and how African Americans were in many cases getting (a raw deal).”

“Philemon’s photography captured something else — it captured the cultural vibrancy of our community in ways that were unique.”

Najieb, who lived in Chicago, died April 15 from causes related to COVID-19, according to the Cook County medical examiner’s office. He was 70.

Muwakkil said Najieb grew up in the Nation of Islam — Bilalian News was the successor to the Nation’s Muhammed Speaks newspaper — and though he seemed a bit of an outsider in the religious movement, he appreciated its communal atmosphere and captured it in many of his photographs.

Najieb was also a filmmaker in his early days, making short documentaries at a time when few African Americans were behind the camera, recalled his friend and colleague Milbert O. Brown Jr., a former Chicago Tribune photographer.

“He was one of the great resources we had in the black community,” Brown said. “He could touch base with almost anybody and ask a question and they knew him. He was just one of those unsung heroes who had a certain level of seriousness, a famous smile and a warm, caring and sharing personality.”

Najieb worked for publications ranging from StreetWise to Emerge, and was a charter member of the Chicago Alliance of African-American Photographers. He joined with others to document black Chicago in a 2001 photo exhibit titled “The Journey: The Next 100 Years.”

Brown said Najieb focused on events both festive and quotidian in the Muslim community, from Saviours’ Day celebrations to the street corner sale of bean pies.

“He photographed slices of life, kind of like a Norman Rockwell painting,” he said. “It was really simple. Stuff we ride past and pay no attention to, he would photograph.”

Najieb also had a foot in the business world. He worked in advertising for the Moo & Oink meat market, and about 20 years ago, started mentoring restaurateur Quentin Love in graphic design and marketing.

“He was always on point,” Love said. “The man’s outreach was beyond what even he could comprehend.”

Brown said Najieb shared not just his knowledge but his enthusiasm.

“He had a certain confidence level that was unshakable,” Brown said. “He had a humble spirit, a caring, sharing spirit, and he worked with others in helping to promote not only their work, but their confidence.”

— John Keilman

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON APRIL 29 ...

In 1429, Joan of Arc entered the besieged city of Orleans to lead a victory over the English.

In 1861, Maryland’s House of Delegates voted against seceding from the Union.

In 1945, during World War II, American soldiers liberated the Dachau concentration camp; the same day, Adolf Hitler married Eva Braun and designated Adm. Karl Doenitz his successor.

In 1946, 28 former Japanese leaders were indicted

as war criminals.

In 1992, riots erupted in Los Angeles after a suburban jury acquitted four police officers on charges of assault and excessive force in the videotaped beating of unarmed motorist Rodney King.

In 1995, rescue workers in Oklahoma City continued the grim task of searching for bodies and pulling debris from the bombed-out Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building, where the remains of more than 120 of the 168 victims had been recovered.

In 2002, a year after the loss of a seat it had held for more than 50 years, the United States won election to the U.N. Human Rights Commission.

In 2011, Britain’s Prince William married Catherine Elizabeth Middleton in Westminster Abbey before 1,900 guests.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS

April 28
Mega Millions 13 19 53 54 63 / 17
Mega Millions jackpot: \$186M
Pick 3 midday 992 / 9
Pick 4 midday 5499 / 6
Lucky Day Lotto midday 06 12 13 23 35

Pick 3 evening 734 / 4
Pick 4 evening 3319 / 3
Lucky Day Lotto evening 27 28 31 39 43

April 29 Powerball: \$43M
April 30 Lotto: \$18.5M

WISCONSIN

April 28
Pick 3 361
Pick 4 9708
Badger 5 02 05 16 23 24
SuperCash 03 06 10 12 14 20

INDIANA

April 28
Daily 3 midday 359 / 4
Daily 4 midday 0648 / 4
Daily 3 evening 630 / 1
Daily 4 evening 0410 / 1
Cash 5 03 20 21 29 36

MICHIGAN

April 28
Daily 3 midday 956
Daily 4 midday 9905
Daily 3 evening 218
Daily 4 evening 7338
Fantasy 5 01 03 09 22 34
Keno 02 03 05 07 12 13
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Al Ranieri

September 24, 1946 - April 29, 2014

It’s been six years since you left us. We miss you more with each passing day. We could use your kindness and direction during the difficult times our world is now experiencing. You will always remain an inspiration to your family and friends.

Love you always,

Cris, Amy, AJ, Ellen, Andy, Brian, Grace, Gwen & Eve
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Death Notices

Asprooth, Joel M.

Joel M. Asprooth, 67, died on April 22, 2020 in Indianapolis. Born in Rockford, IL, Asprooth held undergraduate and graduate degrees from Northern Illinois University at DeKalb. During the course of his career, he was the city manager of Evanston, IL; vice president for business and finance at Illinois Institute of Technology; and vice president for finance and administration at the Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago. In his retirement he was a server for several years at Saffron Café in downtown Indianapolis. Asprooth is survived by his partner, John B. Hayes, his son Kurt, his daughter Lauren, and his former spouse Valerie L. Salmons, his sister Ellen and her spouse Mark Jackson, and his brother Philip. His intelligence, humor and thoughtfulness will be missed. <https://secure.funeralwebhosting.net/lcv/notices/Joel-Asprooth>

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Brottman, Sandra Lee

Sandra Lee Brottman, nee Epstein, age 86, passed away peacefully on April 27, 2020. Sandra was the loving wife of the late Irwin Brottman for 49 years. She was the proud and loving mother of Dr. Phillip (Paula) Brottman, Dr. David (Jan) Brottman, and Stuart (Francine) Brottman. Grandmother to Aaron (Becky Pechter), Leah, Daniel, Lena, Joe, Eli, and the late Becca. Great-grandmother to Caroline and Graham. Sandra was preceded in death by her parents, the late Jack and Pearl Epstein, and her sister, the late Corinne Beller. Sandy will be missed by all, family and friends. She will live on in our thoughts, our memories, and our actions each and every day. Please donate to Olin-Sang-Ruby Union Institute. Interment and shiva will be private. Funeral arrangements by **Goldman Funeral Group**, 847-478-1600. Visit www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com to view the funeral live stream today at 11:00 a.m. and for further details.



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Buckman, Ethel

Ethel Buckman, Age 102. Loving wife of the late Morris Buckman. Beloved mother of Dr. Jeffrey (Myrna) Buckman, Rachel (Dr. David) Spindel and Dr. Gail Buckman. Proud grandmother of Lisa (Rabbi Yosef), Jonathan (Marianne), Tzivia, Tzila (Nati), Ari (Chaya), Lori (Seth), Tami (Dr. Shlomo) and Jodi (Adam). Cherished great and great great grandmother of many. Devoted Special Ed Teacher at Agassie School for 35 Years. Private graveside service on Thursday. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Chicago Mitzvah Campaign, 2939 West Touhy Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60645 www.chicagomitvahcampaign.org. To attend the funeral live stream, please visit our website. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel**, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com



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Camens, Ethel

Ethel Camens(Davidson) died peacefully at the age of 99 April 20th 2020 in Bloomingdale Illinois. Ethel was born in Chicago September 27th 1920 and lived a long and fulfilling life surrounded by many who loved her, she was the toughest woman I have ever known. Ethel is survived by her Grandchildren Adam Menaker(Camila), Guy Menaker, Samantha Davidson, Great Grandchild Anthony Menaker and Niece Linda Davidson. Ethel has lost many close to her over her years including her loving husband Louis, Daughter Judy, Son Arthur, Brothers Arthur Davidson(Theresa) and Donald Davidson(Helene). She will be missed by many. Service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by **Oehler Funeral Home**
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Cohn, Jack

Jack Harvey “Vic Tanny” “The Bagel” Cohn, died on April 23rd at the age of 77. Jack is survived by Fran, his wife of 58 years, his sons, Stuart and Brad, Daughter-in-law Bari, his grandchildren Max, Brett and Maria and his great grandson Santino. The makers of Seagram’s VO, Crown Royal and Vienna Hot Dogs will miss him deeply as well. To read the full obituary go to: **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com.



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Crapple, George E.

George E. Crapple, of Fisher Island, FL and Greenwich, CT, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on April 25, 2020 following a heroic year-long battle with cancer. He was 76. George is survived by his beloved wife Carol (Tuyn) Crapple; daughters Stephanie Stapleton (Van), Heather Fargis (John), Holly Lawson (Rich); son Eric Halloran; brother Robert Crapple (Margaret); and ten grandchildren, Nathan, Emma, and Samuel Stapleton; Madeleine, Brian, Dylan, and Patrick Fargis; and Lauren, Trey, and Noelle Lawson — all of whom will miss their Poppy immensely. He was preceded in death by his parents.

George was born on April 23, 1944 in Chicago, Illinois to George A. and Marion A. (Keane) Crapple. He attended Lyons Township High School in LaGrange, Knox College for two years, and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1966 with high scholastic distinction and election to the Phi Beta Kappa Society. He attended Harvard Law School, where he served as an editor of the Law Review and graduated magna cum laude in 1969. He practiced law with the Chicago-based firm Sidley & Austin for 14 years, specializing in commodities, securities, and corporate law, becoming a partner in 1975. In 1983, George joined the pioneering investment management firm Millburn Ridgefield Corporation, one of the world’s longest operating alternative investment managers. George was with Millburn for the remainder of his distinguished career, leading the firm as Co-Chairman and Co-CEO for over 30 years. In addition, George held numerous leadership positions within the industry. Past roles include: National Futures Association (NFA) Director and Executive Committee Chairman; Managed Funds Association (MFA) Chairman; Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) Global Markets Advisory Committee; and Futures Industry Association (FIA) Board of Directors. George testified before Congress as a Futures Industry representative in April 2000 and before the Commodity Futures Trading Commission in 2002.

George was a patron of the arts and a committed supporter of the Bruce Museum in Greenwich, CT, and served as Co-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, member of the Executive Committee, and Chairman of the Investment Committee. He was also a Trustee of the Pérez Art Museum Miami and on the Collectors Council, Finance Committee and Audit Committee.

George was a member of the Metropolitan Club New York, Harvard Club of NYC, GlenArbor Golf Club, Belle Haven Club, Greenwich Country Club, Fisher Island Club, and Indian Creek Country Club.

George played football in high school and at Knox College. In his prime, he enjoyed a competitive game of hoops, tennis, and waterskiing behind the family boat by George, built by his father. He relished golfing with Carol, his daughters and sons-in-law, and his grandchildren. George especially adored spending time at the cottage in Wisconsin surrounded by his family.

George was exceptionally well-read, with a sophisticated grasp of a wide range of subjects, from law, finance and politics, to wine and art. He dependably held strong opinions and had a myriad of facts at his disposal to back them up, making him the uncontested victor in many a debate. To his admiring family and friends, George was well known for his sense of humor, including clever anecdotes and masterful joke delivery. Although he enjoyed quiet time alone with his books, he did not hesitate to belt out tunes from his extensive repertoire at parties and family gatherings. George had a unique ability to assess complex issues and was consistently sought after for advice by family and friends alike.

Above all, George will be remembered for his devotion and loving relationships with family and dear friends, to whom his kindness and generosity was unparalleled. He will be sorely missed. A memorial service and celebration of his life will be held in Greenwich, CT at a date to be announced. In lieu of flowers, donations in George’s memory may be made to The Prostate Cancer Foundation at cure.pcf.org.

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Crockett, Jr., Newell Preston ‘Crock’

Newell Preston Crockett, Jr. passed away on April 25 at the age of 97. He died peacefully at his home in the Village of Lakewood near Crystal Lake, Illinois after a brief illness.

Known as “Dave” or “Crock” to his friends, he was born in Tomahawk, Wisconsin on January 13, 1923. He grew up in Fort Madison, Iowa.

In 1941, Crock married his childhood sweetheart and the love of his life, Marilyn Lee Ames. They were married for 64 years until her death in 2005 and raised their family in Arlington Heights, Illinois. Crock and Marilyn loved traveling and visited many parts of the world together.

Crock graduated from the University of Iowa at the age of 19 in 1942. Shortly thereafter he joined the United States Army, in which he reached the rank of First Lieutenant and served in Germany in 1945. After the war he became a certified public accountant and in 1946 joined the Chicago office of the accounting firm then known as Ernst & Ernst and now known as Ernst & Young. He spent his entire career with the firm and became the Managing Partner of its Chicago office, then the firm’s largest office. He retired in 1983.

Crock loved golf and was a member of several clubs, including Bob O’Link Golf Club in Highland Park, of which he served as Club President; Eldorado Country Club in Indian Wells, California; and the Crystal Lake Country Club. He served as President of the Union League Club of Chicago and was also very active in Junior Achievement of Chicago. In 2007, Crock married Rosemary Stickelmaier who died in 2018.

Crock and Marilyn had two children, Christine Lee Crockett, now Christine Skaja, born in 1945, who lives in Supply, North Carolina with her husband Craig Skaja; and Robert William Crockett, born in 1951, who lives in Corte Madera, California with his wife Bonnie Ross. Crock is survived by three grandchildren, Ansley Rogers of Supply, North Carolina, David Rogers of Durham, North Carolina and Daniel Ross of Corte Madera, California. Crock is also survived by two great grandchildren, Eveline and Preston, who live with their parents, David Rogers and Andrea Winkler in Durham, North Carolina.

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Curran, Desmond P.

Desmond Peter Curran, age 81, native of Athenry, County Galway, Ireland; Devoted husband for 56 years of the late Mary Pat (nee Tansey); Loving father of Desmond (Patty), Michael (Mary Pat), Fr. Brendan and Richard (Cortney); Proud grandfather of Kathleen, Bridget, Deirdre, Jack, Maggie, Christopher and Sean; Dear brother of the late Martin (Noreen), the late Pat (late Mary), the late May (late Paddy) O'Brien, the late Peggy (late James) Anderson, the late Vera (late Timmie) Mitchell, the late John (Anne), the late Tom (late Margaret), the late Sr. Clare Marie O.P., Sr. Agnes R.S.M. and Irene (P.J.) Fitzgibbon; Dear brother-in-law, uncle and a friend to many. Desmond believed that the most important thing in life was a commitment to faith, family, and friends. His life's work as a builder, his unwavering devotion to his family and support of charitable causes reflected his philosophy. Due to the current public health situation, services will be limited to immediate family only. A livestreamed liturgy will be held at www.schmaedekefuneralhome.com on Thursday, April 30th, 2020 at 12:30 pm. A public celebration of Desmond's life will be held on another day. In lieu of flowers, donations to Almost Home Kids and The Dominicans - Province of St. Albert the Great would be most appreciated. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Walter Quinlan Funeral Directors. Information may be obtained at 708-425-3700.

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DeFrancesco, Jack P.

Jack P. DeFrancesco, 90, St. Charles formerly of Westchester, passed away Sunday April 26, 2020. He was born September 10, 1929 in Melrose Park, IL, the son of the late Guiseppe and Maria Geraci DiFrancesco. He is survived by his wife, Frances. His children, Joseph (Karen) DeFrancesco, Jacquelyn (Keith) Kissane, and Jeffrey DeFrancesco. Grandchildren: Anthony, Carli (Tim) Flores, Keith, Kory, and Kyle. Great Grandchildren: Nicholas, Bella and Sophia. He was preceded in death by his sisters, Mary nee Lupino DeAngelo, Rose nee DiFrancesco Beltrame. Due to the Covid-19 virus visitation and funeral services will be private. Donations may be made to Misericordia Home 6300 N. Ridge Ave Chicago, IL. For information please call Yurs Funeral Home St. Charles, 630-584-0060

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DuBoe, Burton

Burton DuBoe, son of Harry and Florence Dubofsky, husband to Eileen DuBoe, has passed at the age of 85 from the COVID-19 virus. Burt is survived, loved and celebrated by his wife Eileen; children Robert and Wendy; son-in-law Leon; three grandchildren Sean, Lauren and Bailey; and many loving cousins, nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends. Burt was a graduate of Roosevelt University and Northwestern University Law School, which he attended on full scholarship. He was a JD and CPA. He built a law practice and commercial real estate development firm in partnership with his wife Eileen. He pushed the boundaries of his time, lived an extraordinary life and was a role model to live an ethical life, try new things and take chances. He helped beautify the township he lived in and helped build the bike path in his neighborhood. He cared about nature, the environment and waste long before it was on the world's radar. He volunteered to serve in the Army. He ran the Boston Marathon, was a triathlete, roller-bladed, kayaked and hang-glided. He traveled the world from Alaska to Antarctica. He loved rugged adventure, tools, chocolate and a good buffet. He was open to people and helped whomever he could. He taught us to ski, to camp, to set and reach important goals, and to always do the right thing. He had a way of deciphering right from wrong easily. We remember Burt as Fair, Friendly, Head-Strong, Heart-Strong, Pioneering, Piercingly Intelligent, Frugal, Down-to-Earth and Loving. He was a famously good dancer who loved freedom. His dance with life was challenged at the end, but his courage and spirit never dimmed. He will be in our hearts forever and we know he is now free. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva are private. There will be a Celebration of Life Gathering announced at a future time when it is safe. Donations may be sent to The Covid-19 Relief Fund at NorthwesternMedicine.foundation.nm.org to ensure all people are able to receive the healthcare they deserve. His family is enormously grateful to the Northwestern Memorial Hospital doctors, nurses and staff for his incredible care. For information or to leave condolences, **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

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Friedman, Mark

Mark H. Friedman, loving husband and devoted father of two, passed away unexpectedly on April 22, 2020, in Pleasanton, CA, at the age of 60. He was engaging in one of his favorite activities, rollerblading, when he apparently suffered a fatal heart attack.

He is survived by his wife Susan (Cohen) Friedman; their children Shayna and Mason; mother Annette; sister Noreen and husband Glen; sister Riva and husband Bob; step-mother Karen and countless other family members, friends and colleagues. He was predeceased by his father Samuel Friedman, and sister Karen Adina.

Mark was born in Chicago on November 30, 1959, and raised in Palos Park. He attended Carl Sandburg High School, and graduated from the University of Illinois in 1983 with a degree in Computer Science and Mathematics. In 1992, he and his wife Susan moved to the San Francisco Bay area to further pursue his career, and they remained there to raise their two children.

At the time of his passing, he served as a Director of Business Architecture for the University of the Pacific in Stockton, CA. He was passionate about social justice and non-violent communication practices, and in recent years had made it his mission to fight to improve the quality of the workplace. He had a love for sports and fitness that included running, hiking, rollerblading and regular workouts at the gym. He was a former basketball, softball player and racquetball champion, and loved the beauty and challenge of downhill skiing with his wife and family in the stunning mountains surrounding Lake Tahoe.

He had returned to Chicago as frequently as possible, and most recently celebrated his 60th birthday, as well as the Holidays, with his extended family in his native city. He was the appointed speech-giver of the family, and his wonderful sense of humor and quick wit enhanced his ability to give a touching and poignant toast at every family function.

He was incredibly empathetic, smart, calm and practical. He will be deeply missed by many, however his loved ones are taking solace in the fact that such a generous, fun and loving man died doing something he truly loved.

In light of the global circumstances, a private virtual memorial will be held by the family. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in his name to the Positive Coaching Alliance, or charity of choice.

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Fuksman, Hershel

Hershel Fuksman, a Holocaust child survivor, was born in Piaseczno, Poland, in 1933. He is survived by his wife of nearly 66 years, Zelda Marbell Fuksman, also a child survivor and kindred spirit, his daughters, Randee Owens (David), Elizabeth Bilow (Lee), and granddaughters Rebecca Owens and Taylor Bilow. His devoted siblings, Terry Nuss (Roberta), Eve Klein (Sam) and Sara Nuss-Galles (Arie Galles) looked up to Hershel with respect and love. A patriotic, proud veteran, Hershel served as a medic in the US Army from 1958 to 1960. He will be laid to rest at Shalom Memorial Park, Arlington Heights, IL. Donations in Hershel Fuksman's memory may be made to the Holocaust Documentation and Education Center, 303 N Federal Hwy, Dania Beach, FL 33004.

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Graff, Dorothy W.

Dorothy W. Graff, nee Wagner. Age 96 of Park Ridge. Beloved wife of the late Donald. Loving mother of Donald Jr. (Linda) and Diane (Eddy) Birkenstock. Proud grandmother of Todd (Jennifer) Graff, Tracy (Brad) Young, Brittany, Edward Jr. (Sarah), George and Thaddeus Birkenstock. Great-grandmother of nine. Private Services and Interment at All Saints Cemetery. Funeral information and to sign the guest book, visit www.ryan-parke.com.

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Halverstadt, Hugh Fleece

The Rev. Dr. Hugh Fleece Halverstadt, one of theological education's foremost experts on managing church conflict, died April 14 in Davidson, N.C., where he had moved in March from his home in Oak Park, Ill. He was 81.

Described by his former colleagues at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago as good-humored, wise, supportive and always authentic, Hugh taught in the seminary's DMin program from 1982 until his retirement in 2001. Prior to that, he was pastor at Presbyterian churches in Tuscaloosa and Union Springs, Ala., and interim pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tenn.-pastoral stints that provided material for his classic book, "Managing Church Conflict," which advocates an ethical process of conflict management that calls for respectfulness, assertiveness, accountability and a focus on the larger common good.

He was a retired minister of the Chicago Presbytery and a regular worshiper at Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago, where he counseled the personnel committee and guided its Lilly Pastor Residency. He served the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) extensively as trainer, presenter, consultant and faculty member from 1988 through his retirement at McCormick in 2002. Hugh also served on the ethics committee of the Chicago Transit Authority.

He received a PhD in Religion in 1973 from Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill., after obtaining an MDiv from Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., and a BA from King College (now King University), Bristol, Tenn.

Born in 1939 in Atlanta, Ga., to James Andrews Halverstadt and Charline Fox (Fleece) Halverstadt, he was raised in the Belgian Congo, now Democratic Republic of the Congo, by his missionary parents who served the American Presbyterian Congo Mission from 1946 to 1966. He was active in Chicago's refugee resettlement programs at Heartland Alliance and RefugeeOne, a reflection of his love and knowledge of central Africa.

He was married in 1965 to Barbara Ann Hornby of Welch, W. Va., which ended in divorce. Their two sons, Peter Breen Halverstadt and David Andrews Halverstadt, both born in Richmond, Va., predeceased him. In 2002, Hugh married R. Craig Endicott in a same-sex union in Oak Park, Ill. Their union culminated in marriage in 2014 when the state legislature approved same-sex marriage. The couple were long-time residents of Oak Park and were "snowbirds" on Saint Simons Island, Ga., during the winter months.

Extended survivors include Endicott of Davidson and his two stepsons, Seth James Killian of Raleigh, N.C., and Peter Arthur Killian of Brooklyn, N.Y.; and Barbara Doak Halverstadt of Fairview, Tenn., widow of Hugh's son, Peter; mother of Craig's stepsons, Mary Jane (Killian) Endicott of Chicago, Ill., and mother of Hugh's sons, Barbara (Hornby) Halverstadt of Nashville, Tenn.

Services will be held later this year at Fourth Presbyterian Church. Hugh can be honored with gifts to RefugeeOne (donor link at refugeeone.org); Fourth Presbyterian Church at 126 E. Chestnut, Chicago 60611, and McCormick at 5460 S. University Ave., Chicago 60615.

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Johnson, James C.

James C. Johnson, age 95, of Sturgis, KY. Resident of the Chicago area for over 40 years working in the hotel industry. Loving and devoted father of Jamie (Thomas) Egger and the late James A. Johnson. Perfect grandpa of Andi M. Bonner, Abbey M. Egger, and Aimee M. Egger, and April and Andrea Johnson. Proud great-grandfather. Caring brother of the late Willie Johnson, C.E. Johnson, Haynes Johnson, Lewis Johnson, and Mary Springer. Fond uncle of many. James leaves behind many dear friends. He loved U.K. basketball, fishing, working puzzles, playing games, and watching TV game shows. Services private. During this time of disconnect it is imperative to share your support at www.funerals.pro, there you can share a memory, a story or even a picture. Any act of kindness will be greatly appreciated or call 847.537.6600.

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Klaber, Anne

Anne Klaber, nee Rosenbaum, 96 1/2 years young. Beloved wife and best friend of the late Max. Cherished and loving mother of Stephen (Mona) Klaber. Treasured and very proud grandmother of Andrew (Jackie) and Robby (Deena). Precious great grandmother of Nathan. Dear sister of Ina (Les) Sterling. Anne, a Holocaust survivor, was born in Schoeppenstedt, Germany. She emigrated from Germany in August 1941 on the last boat to bring Jews from Nazi-occupied Europe to the United States. She was a person of great resiliency and was a beacon of love, strength and kindness to her family; she was a woman of great "chesed," who never said a negative word about anyone and in turn, was loved by everyone who knew her. She had a real "can do" spirit and was the epitome of a positive attitude. She was an art lover, gourmet cook and the embodiment of "class." She will forever be in our hearts. Graveside service in New Jersey and shiva will be private. Donations may be made to Alzheimer's Association alz.org, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society HIAS.org, and UJA-Federation of NY ujafedny.org. Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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Kosin, Elizabeth Ann

Elizabeth Ann Kosin (85), nee Svehla, aka Betty, Max, Moosie and Granny B. Betty moved on from this world on April 24, 2020. Known as Max to her loving and softhearted husband Robert, who predeceased her in 2016. Adoring and nurturing mother to Catherine and David (Marilyn). Caring, tender and devoted grandmother to Michael and Elizabeth. Living angel to her dog-babies, Elmer, Stanley, Happy, Jessie, Curly, Eddie, Buddy and Buster. Tolerant admirer of the cats, Stella, Basil, Bubba, Frida, Zoe, Vera, Figaro, Ebenezer, Sam, Louie, Mickey, Milo and Henry. Gracious fan of Nora the bunny and Jazz the horse. Noncommittal to the various gerbils, rats, mice and salamanders we foisted upon her in our youth.

Betty was always happiest when with her family and while patting a fuzzy head and a cold nose. She enjoyed travel and outings with friends. Her greatest pleasures were the simplest the world could offer. Moosie appreciated a good book and a quiet seat by a stream. Always the voice of compassion and quiet strength, she moves on leaving the world a better place. These will be her legacy to her family and for that we are thankful. Special thanks to Iona who gave mom the dignity she deserved during her final years. Maxie, when you see dad again, give him a break before you start getting him back in shape. Rome wasn't built in a day. Love you and rest in peace.

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Kurowski, Gerald A

Gerald A. Kurowski, 71, retired from Chicago Transit Authority as manager of payroll operations, loving husband of Elizabeth nee Korn, loving father of Brian (Rebecca), Aaron (Jaime), grandfather of Samuel, Yael, Jonah, brother of Richard (Trina), Nancy (Thomas) Guadagno, the late Edward Jr., brother-in-law to the late Michelle, uncle of Dan and Kevin. Services at a later date. Info www.kristanfuneralhome.com or 847-566-8020.

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Levi, Robert 'Bob'

Robert "Bob" Levi, passed away on April 26, loved son of the late Hugo and Miriam Levi; brother to Allan (Helene) Levi; husband to the late Barbara "Bobbi" Ticho; father to Michael (Erin) Levi and Douglas Levi; step-father to Karen (Dave) Eanet, Cyd (Tony) Otto and the late Terry Miller; grandfather to Zack, Sam and Hanna Levi, Jenna and Marissa Levi, Rand Miller, Lindsay (Una Sheridan) Eanet and Steve Eanet, and Hayley and Maddy Otto; uncle, cousin and friend of many. A lifelong Cubs fan, Bob was also a former professor of chemistry, a lover of classical music and opera, and was a self-proclaimed "punny" joke aficionado. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our family and friends, memorial service and shiva will not be held at this time. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Highland Park Senior Center, 54 Laurel Ave, Highland Park, IL 60035. For information and to leave tributes and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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Luscombe, Frederick Ronald 'Fred'

Frederick Ronald Luscombe, 84, of Elmhurst, IL, passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 19, 2020. Fred was born in 1935 to Fred and Elsie Luscombe. He grew up in Crystal Lake, IL, with a sister, Grace who preceded him in death. After graduating from Crystal Lake High School, Fred went on to the University of Illinois-Champaign, where he studied Music Education, and where he met his wife, Lucretia. He earned a Master's Degree in Music from DePaul University.

Fred will be fondly remembered as a trombonist and founder of Luscombe Music. He inspired many musicians from the Chicagoland area with his witty sense of humor, his kindness and his willingness to help. He was a member of the Chicago Federation of Musicians Local 10-208. He was also an active member of Visitation Catholic Church. Fred was loved by many and will be greatly missed. Fred was the loving husband of 63 years to Lucretia and proud father of Greg (Beth), Laura (Stephen), and Katherine (Brian). He was also unendingly proud of his grandchildren, Michele (Bryan), Jenna, Lisa (Andrew), Sarah, Julia (Anthony), Matthew, Emma, Abby and William, as well as great-grandchildren, Owen, Ahnikka and Jase. Services will be announced once the family has determined a date. Please check **Elmhurst Community Funeral Home - THE AHLGRIM CHAPEL**, www.Ahlgrim.com or call 630-834-3515 for information about the memorial mass.

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Manak, John E.

John E. Manak, age 92, World War II U.S. Marine Corps veteran, a resident of Cedarhurst of Woodridge, IL, formerly of Downers Grove, IL 1955-2018, passed away on Monday, April 27, 2020 at Edward Hospital in Naperville, IL. He was born January 1, 1928 in Chicago, IL. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL**. For a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.

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Mayer, Robert M.

Robert M. Mayer, age 72, US Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Veteran of the Vietnam War, at rest April 22, 2020; Beloved husband of 47 years to Janet (nee Norling); Loving father of the late John Kosmos and the late Damon Mayer, father of Rochelle Kosmos, Cheryl (Calumet City FD) (Grace Maria) Mayer, and Michael (Waukegan PD) Mayer; Cherished grandfather of Shannon, Christina, Alyssa, Gianna, Jordan, Brandon, and Justin; Dear great grandfather of Grace and Jeremiah; Fond brother of Lora Maxwell; Visitation Friday and Saturday from 1:00-4:00pm at **Curley Funeral Home** 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; A Celebration of Life, in honor of Robert with full Military Honors, will take place at a later date; For info: 708-422-2700 or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Miller, Dr. Albert J.

Chicago cardiologist Albert J. Miller died on April 21, 2020, at the age of 98, after contracting the COVID-19 virus. Al was born in Chicago on February 19, 1922, to Rebecca Jagolinzer Miller and George Miller, recent immigrants from Russia. He grew up in Albany Park with his sisters Rose and Pauline, and went to Hibbard Elementary School and Von Steuben High School. He attended Northwestern University, commuting every day from Albany Park to Evanston on the Lawrence Avenue streetcar. He attended Northwestern Medical School, graduating in 1946. Upon graduation, he served in the US Army Air Corps, first in Texas and later as a captain and flight surgeon stationed in Alaska, where he was on a team that established the first Arctic Aeromedical Research Laboratory. He treasured his memories of his military service and later became an active member of the Jewish War Veterans.

Al completed a residency in internal medicine followed by a fellowship in cardiology, both at Michael Reese Hospital. He became an attending physician at Michael Reese, where he saw patients and did research on cardiovascular disease. He also saw patients at the Hines VA, Children's Memorial Hospital, and Cook County Hospital. In 1960, he joined Dr. Benjamin Kaplan to form a private practice. The two became lifelong dear friends and colleagues.

By 1972, their practice, Clinical Cardiology Group, had moved to Northwestern Memorial Hospital and had grown to include Drs. David Abrams, Martin Grais, and Mark Upton, and later Dr. Jeannine Turner. In addition to seeing patients, Al did research on the lymphatics of the heart, published numerous articles on that topic as well as others, and wrote several books, including one for patients. He was a professor and later a professor emeritus at his alma mater, Northwestern University Medical School.

Al loved being a doctor – the intellectual challenge, the ability to help people, and the pleasure he got from interacting with his patients, many of whom he took care of for decades. His patients appreciated his warm and generous nature and his talents as a doctor. He deeply valued his colleagues in the medical and related professions. His work ethic was boundless, and he worked long hours to address his patients' needs. He believed that good health care should be available to all, never turned down a patient due to inability to pay, and supported universal access to health care. He did not retire from private practice until age 86, after which he volunteered at a clinic for low-income patients.

He was married to Judith Levinson from 1946 until their divorce in 1966. They had three daughters, Lisa, Susan, and Laura. He married Gwen Baker in 1972 and became stepfather to Gwen's four children, Alison, David, Lauren, and Todd. Gwen and Al were devoted to each other until Gwen's death, also from COVID-19, on April 18.

Al had an insatiable intellectual curiosity. He was a prolific reader, especially of history and philosophy. He loved to write, whether poetry, long letters, or published cardiology books. He wrote poems until shortly before his death. He loved to garden and had a greenhouse. As a boy, he created and got great joy from a darkroom, and as an adult he worked to become a fine photographer. He and Gwen had a passion for travel and enjoyed going to the opera and the symphony.

Al had a huge heart and a generous spirit. He believed deeply in the goodness of human beings and in the miracle of the human brain and body. He valued the human heart, both the physical heart that he studied and the emotional heart. He had a keen sense of justice and was never afraid to speak up for the rights of others, especially those without financial means or power. Core Jewish values of scholarship, honesty, charity, and treating others with dignity informed his days.

He was a wonderful father to his three daughters, for whom he had a deep love, and he was vocal about how important they were to him. He had high expectations for them to be good and responsible members of society and to embrace the fine values that guided him through his life. He shared with his children the large occasions of celebration and grief, as well as the small moments, such as delighting over a butterfly in the garden or bandaging a cut. He was always available to his children and they relied upon him often for his wise counsel.

He is survived by his daughters Lisa (Larry) Sablosky, Dr. Susan Miller, and Laura Miller (Eric) Eligator; grandchildren Karen (Joshua) Leavitt, Kate (Scott) Elengold, Lily and Talia Eligator; great grandchildren Sasha and Mitchell Leavitt and Isaac and Graham Elengold. He is also survived by Gwen's children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, for whom he had special fondness.

Memorial contributions can be made to Doctors Without Borders <https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org/support-us> or HIAS Immigration and Citizenship <https://www.jcfs.org/hias/donate-now>

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Osucha, Helen A.

Helen Angelina Osucha, nee Dregacz, age 97. Beloved wife of the late Edward. Loving mother of Pam (Michael) Colwell and the late Michael Osucha. Dearest grandmother of Nora (Logan) Thomson and Ellen Colwell (Michael) Benigno. Cherished great-grandmother of Leah Angelina. Fond sister of Stanley (Pat) and the late John, Walter, Angelina, Josephine, Carol and Frank. Aunt and great aunt of many nieces and nephews. Funeral services and interment are private at St. Adalbert Cemetery. A memorial Mass will be offered at a later date. Helen was a kind, loving person who placed other's needs above hers. Her family was the most important thing in her life. She will be missed by many. Memorials in Helen's name may be made to St. Katharine Drexel Parish, Sugar Grove, or the Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements entrusted to Modell Funeral Home, 630-852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com



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Peters, Eileen A.

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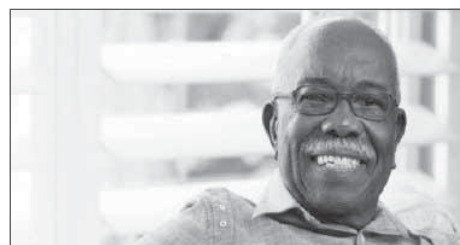
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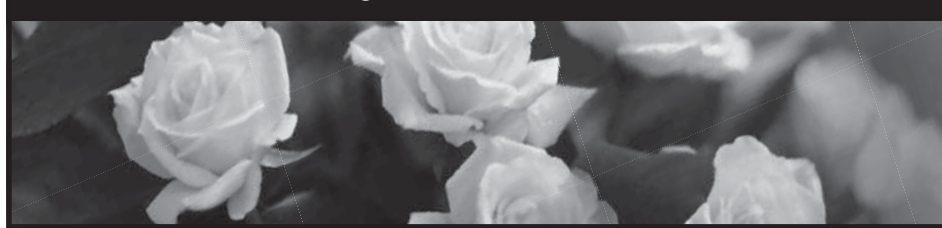
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Rocking the boat

Hawks Chairman Wirtz is a popular owner, but that could be about to change



PAUL SULLIVAN
In the Wake of the News

Chicago Blackhawks Chairman Rocky Wirtz is the rare owner of a Chicago sports team whose popularity has remained intact in spite of his team's bout with mediocrity.

Bulls and White Sox Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf has always had his detractors, even while bringing seven championships to this city over the last three decades. Many Sox fans blamed Reinsdorf for his role as a hawk in the 1994 players strike that canceled the season with his team in first place. And as "The Last Dance" reminds us, he made the worst decision by a Chicago sports executive in history, choosing Bulls general manager Jerry Krause over coach Phil Jackson, which led to Michael Jordan's departure.

Cubs Chairman Tom Ricketts had an easy act to follow when his family bought the team from Tribune Co. in 2009. But Ricketts quickly learned that ending the team's 108-year championship drought in 2016 didn't provide him with a lifetime pass from Cubs fans spoiled by the success of the rebuild, and he was booed at the Cubs Convention this year for moving telecasts to a team-owned channel many couldn't watch.

And as much as everyone respects Bears owner Virginia McCaskey, there has never been any love lost for her two sons who have run the team, Michael and George.

But you seldom hear a discouraging word about Wirtz, and if you do, it's usually in hushed tones. How can you possibly dislike someone nicknamed "Rocky"?

One reason for his quick acceptance in Chicago was the man he replaced, his father, Bill, happened to be one of the most disliked owners ever, nicknamed "Dollar Bill" for his frugal ways.

To his credit, Rocky immediately rejected the backward business model his father built, putting home games on TV and hiring marketing expert John McDonough away from the Cubs to run the organization.

But after McDonough was abruptly fired as Hawks president without reason Monday, we'll soon find out whether Rocky's Teflon image will also bite the dust. After all, McDonough made Wirtz, whether the Hawks chairman cares to admit it or not.

It was McDonough who transformed the Hawks from laughingstock to league power, who brought back iconic players Bobby Hull, Stan Mikita and Tony Esposito as team ambassadors and who rehired beloved broadcaster Pat Foley after the Hawks had let him go for being too honest about the team.



CHRIS WALKER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Three Stanley Cups have helped Blackhawks Chairman Rocky Wirtz avoid fan criticism, but the recent firing of team President John McDonough could change that.

Before agreeing to become Hawks president, McDonough made it a condition that he would be allowed to rehire Foley. Over the last two seasons, Foley was often the only reason to continue watching games once the snow melted and the playoffs were a mirage.

Why McDonough was fired during the suspended season remains a mystery. Wirtz told The Athletic in March that McDonough, general manager Stan Bowman and coach Jeremy Colliton were all safe, so something happened recently that made him change his mind.

A press release issued late Monday said "Wirtz cited the COVID-19 crisis and the league suspension as an opportunity to reassess the team's future and to set a renewed positive direction for the organization."

So does that mean he'll also reassess Bowman's future?

We'll have to wait and see. Because there's no hockey in the foreseeable future, he might as well let the mystery deepen and keep the Hawks in the news.

"While we can reassure our fans there will be hockey again, no one knows what that will look like," Wirtz said. "What we do know is that it will take a new mindset to successfully transition the organization to win both on and off the ice."

I don't know Wirtz at all, but I did interview him back in March after the NHL season was suspended. He professed hope the season would restart soon.

"Hopefully, if we open again, it's going to be a mad dash to the finish line," he said. "Who knows what's going to happen? Some of the teams were doing really well, and you break their momentum. ... Let's put it this way: We haven't given up on the season, even though we were going to be long shots. As they say, funnier things have happened."

Naturally, I felt the need to inform him the Hawks had no chance of making the playoffs. He didn't really respond, so I politely changed the subject. Wirtz then told The Athletic: "I know some of the writers, I talked to somebody from the

Trib, he said he wrote off the Hawks after the back-to-back losses to the Red Wings. But then I said, I haven't given it up."

Apologies for being that somebody, but it doesn't take a hockey expert to see the Hawks were too inconsistent and too far behind to have a realistic chance of getting in. Maybe Wirtz realized, after a month and a half of reflection, that guy from the Trib was right and his decision to fire McDonough stemmed from the team's inability to make the postseason again.

Who knows? Does it even matter?

No one is assured of lifetime employment, with the obvious exception of Sox pitching coach Don Cooper. So if McDonough is the fall guy for the Hawks' fall from grace, that's Wirtz's prerogative as the owner.

McDonough, as expected, had nothing but praise for Wirtz when he finally issued a statement Tuesday, saying the Wirtz family and the organization have "class a la mode." It was reminiscent of another conscious uncoupling of longtime friends — the no-blame divorce in October between Theo Epstein and Joe Maddon.

So what's next? Wirtz handed the president's job to his son, Danny, on an interim basis in the great Chicago tradition of nepotism. Unlike his dad and late grandfather, Danny Wirtz has no nickname that I know of. The Hawks might cast a nationwide search for a new president or stay in house with someone such as vice president of marketing Pete Hassen, who is widely respected throughout the organization.

Either way, the McDonough era is over, and Rocky and Danny will have to decide on Bowman's future and whether to go full-metal rebuild. Twitter already has a few suggestions on Bowman, some of which are printable.

Whatever the next move is, at least they'll have a while to think about it. Whether Rocky still gets the benefit of the doubt from disgruntled Hawks fans is a question that may be answered soon.

WHEN SPORTS STOOD STILL

Keeping an eye on the world of sports during the coronavirus crisis:



MIKE MCCARN/AP

NASCAR race gets essential green light

NASCAR can go forward with the Coca-Cola 600 at Charlotte Motor Speedway without fans in attendance at the end of May unless health conditions deteriorate in the state, the governor of North Carolina said Tuesday.

Gov. Roy Cooper said he and state health officials have had discussions with NASCAR and the speedway located in Concord regarding safety protocols for the race. Cooper said the state offered input on NASCAR's plan, but he believes the race can go forward on Memorial Day weekend for the 60th consecutive year.

"We believe that unless health conditions go down, we believe we can hold the Coca-Cola 600," Cooper said. "I think NASCAR will be making that announcement, but that's what will happen."

NASCAR on Monday gave teams its latest revised schedule, which shows racing resuming May 17 at Darlington Raceway in South Carolina, followed by a second race at that track on May 20. The 600 would be held May 24, followed by a second race at Charlotte on May 27.

Marcus Smith, president and CEO of North Carolina-based Speedway Motorsports, thanked Cooper for working with Charlotte Motor Speedway "to get NASCAR back on track with the Coca-Cola 600 on Memorial Day weekend where it belongs."

Cooper last week extended North Carolina's stay-at-home order through May 8. Most teams are based in the Charlotte area and are expected to return to work this week as essential businesses.

NASCAR completed four of its 36 races before the season was suspended. The sanctioning body has vowed to run all 36 Cup Series races, although the schedule will change dramatically and some tracks likely will be dropped this season if their state does not permit a sporting event.

NASCAR has yet to publicly release its safety plans but is expected to limit team rosters, have one-day events, and scrap qualifying and practice at many places. A proposal to eliminate pit stops to reduce the number of team employees at the track has stalled.

— The Associated Press

THE QUOTE

"In my view, it would be difficult to hold the Olympics unless effective vaccines are developed."

— Japan Medical Association President Yoshitake Yokokura

THE NUMBER

3 Major League Baseball is exploring various options that could allow the season to start, including a plan in which the 30 teams could be split into three regional divisions. Among the formats is one in which teams could be restricted to playing within their region in empty ballparks, according to reports. That plan, if used, would break up the traditional alignments of the American and National Leagues. It also would cut travel during the coronavirus pandemic. MLB also has looked at configurations for all-Arizona, Arizona-and-Florida and Arizona-plus-Texas-plus-Florida.



NBA Season suspended indefinitely	NHL Season suspended indefinitely	MLB Opening day delayed until at least mid-May
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MLS Season suspended until at least June 8	NFL Camps scheduled to start in mid-July	NCAA Spring sports schedule canceled
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Others: PGA Tour suspended until June 11. NASCAR suspended until May 17. WTA, ATP suspended through at least July 13.

SPORTS

A GOOD TIME TO LOOK BACK

We're all missing sports these days. So with the games on hold, we're offering a daily dose of memorable moments as chronicled through sports history:

O's anguish finally ends

(APRIL 29, 1988)

This story published after the Orioles ended their season-opening 21-game losing streak with a 9-0 win over the White Sox on April 29, 1988.

By JEROME HOLTZMAN
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO — The streak stopped here Friday night. The Baltimore Orioles, awakening from a three-week snooze, whipped the White Sox with a vengeance, 9-0, behind the four-hit pitching of Mark Williamson and David Schmidt before 14,059 in Comiskey Park.

The victory was the first of the season for the Orioles and snapped their American League, record-breaking losing streak at 21 games. The victory left them two short of the major-league mark of 23 set by the 1961 Philadelphia Phillies.

As a reward, three cases of champagne were on ice and waiting for the Orioles in their clubhouse.

Eddie Murray's two-run, first-inning home run off Jack McDowell was all the Orioles needed. It was No. 2 for Murray and his ninth in his last 13 games at Comiskey Park. Cal Ripken had four hits for the Orioles—two singles, a double and a homer.

The Sox only once advanced a runner as far as second base. Three of the hits were off Williamson, who worked six innings.

With two outs and the bases empty in the first, the Orioles went to work in what was to become a blowout.

Ripken beat out a topped roller to third baseman Kenny Williams. Murray pulled a drive down the right-field line that looked like extra bases. But it was foul by about 15 feet. Murray then hammered McDowell next pitch into the lower right-field stands, and the Orioles were ahead 2-0.

It was the ninth time the O had had a lead during their streak. McDowell recovered from the shock and struck out Fred Lynn for the third out. The O increased their lead to 3-0 with another run in the fifth. Pete Stanicek, a rookie outfielder in the starting lineup for the first time this season, singled through the middle, stole

second, tagged up and went to third on a drive to right and scored on a wild pitch.

McDowell was knocked out in the seventh when the Orioles batted around and scored four more runs. This rally included only one hit, a run-scoring double by Stanicek that sent McDowell packing.

Orioles General Manager Roland Hemond, decked out in his old White Sox "victory suit," was the star of manager Frank Robinson's pregame press conference.

Hemond, the former White Sox GM, arrived at Comiskey Park carrying the suit. It is a rumpled, single-breasted gray with thin red stripes and was drenched in champagne on the night of Sept. 18, 1983, when the Sox clinched a divisional title, their first championship since 1959.

The suit had been in a display case adjacent to the owners' dining room and was sent to Hemond in hopes it would bring luck to him and the Orioles. This was more than a week ago.

Nobody with the Sox, at that time, thought the Orioles would be arriving for this weekend series still searching for their first victory.

Hemond brought the suit into Robinson's clubhouse office, took it out of the shipping box, said to a cluster of reporters, "You guys don't want to see my wheels" and darted into the washroom for a quick change.

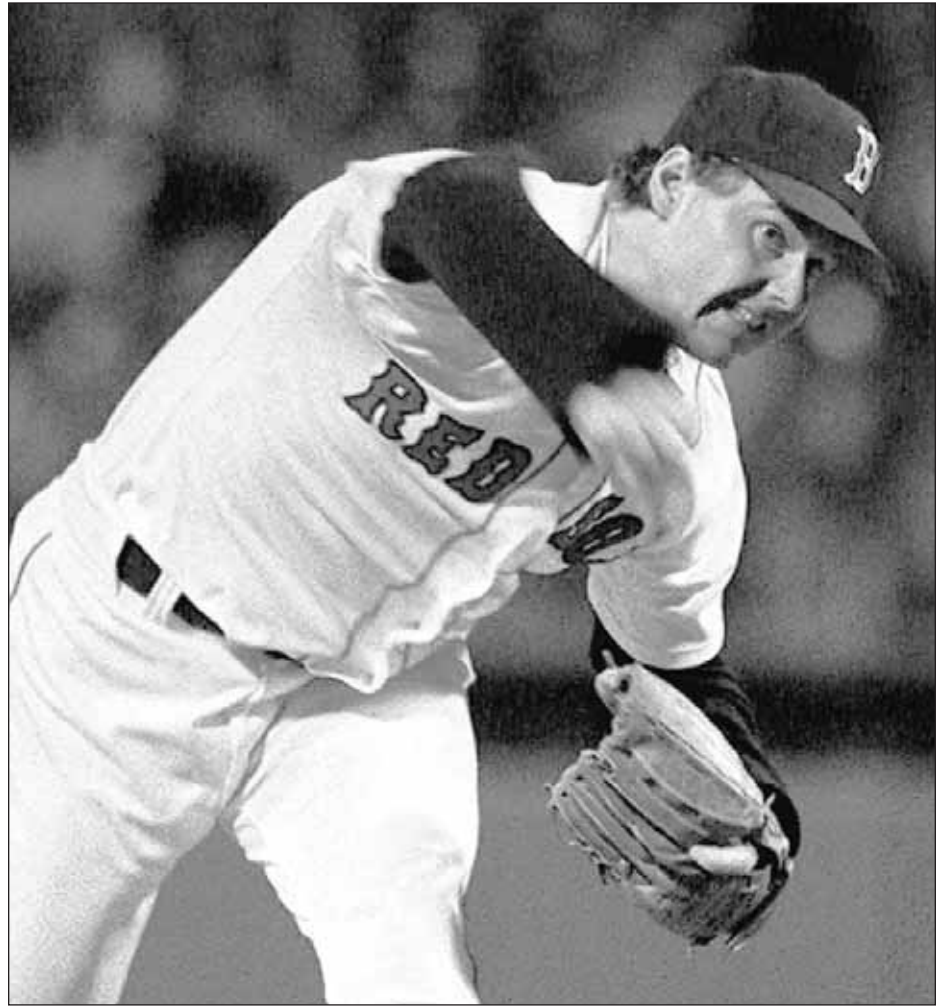
"There goes Superman into the telephone booth," Robinson said, laughing.

Hemond emerged several minutes later, flapping his arms back and forth, a big bird flying to the rescue. Laughing, he announced, "Here I am."

"What'd I tell you," Robinson said. "Superman."

Hemond revealed he had eaten breakfast with Charlie Finley, the Chicago insurance mogul who owned the Oakland Athletics for almost 20 years.

"Charlie wished me luck," Hemond said.



MICHAEL KULLEN/AP

Red Sox pitcher Roger Clemens throws a pitch while facing the Mariners on April 29, 1986.

OTHER APRIL 29 MOMENTS

1986: Roger Clemens set a major league record by striking out 20 batters as the Red Sox defeated the Mariners 3-1.
1990: Pat Riley becomes the winningest coach in NBA playoff history as the Lakers beat the Houston Rockets 104-100.
2010: The NCAA's Board of Directors approve a 68-team format for the men's basketball tournament beginning next season.
2013: NBA veteran center Jason Collins becomes the first male professional athlete in the major four American sports leagues to come out as gay.
2015: In what is believed to be the first major league game without fans in attendance, Chris Davis hits a three-run homer as the Orioles beat the White Sox 8-2. The gates at Camden Yards are locked because of concern for fan safety following rioting in Baltimore.

Questioning Bears' draft moves? Pace has answers

What was behind those two trades in the fifth round? General manager saw it as 'a sweet spot' for value

By DAN WIEDERER

When the final day of the NFL draft began Saturday, Bears general manager Ryan Pace and his talent evaluation team remained in agreement: Round 5, the consensus was, looked like "a sweet spot."

Pace believed a solid crop of Day 3 prospects would remain available. The value felt elevated. So rather than sit tight with the lone fifth-round pick the Bears entered the day with at No. 163, Pace started working the phones, maneuvering around and talking trades.

That, after all, has become a draft hobby for the sixth-year GM. And on Saturday afternoon, right in that sweet spot of Round 5, Pace pulled the trigger on two more deals to grab players the Bears really liked.

Pace started with a move to get Tulsa edge rusher Trevis Gipson, a player the Bears admired during the scouting process but fell deeper in love with during their pre-draft Skype visits. Pace worked a deal with the Vikings to scoop up the 155th pick. But Vikings GM Rick Spielman, who began Saturday with 13 — *thirteen!* — Day 3 picks, drove a bargain for the Bears' 2021 fourth-round pick. (Spielman made four trades over the three-day draft.)

Pace didn't balk at giving up a future pick in a higher round. The Bears, he believes, should be positioned to get at least one fourth-round compensatory pick in next year's draft. Plus Pace saw a player in Gipson whose upside as a pass rusher was complemented by what the Bears identified as a deep drive to get the best out of himself.

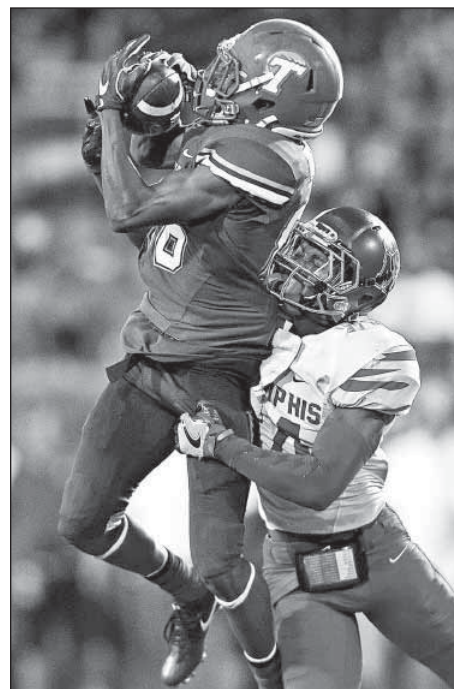
"Some guys come across as natural and authentic in their interviews, and Gipson definitely did," Pace said. "You could feel the hunger in his voice, the drive and the desire to be great. His passion. ... He was a player we had graded high. And we wanted to make sure we got him."

Less than an hour after picking Gipson, Pace worked a three-picks-for-two deal with the Eagles that allowed the Bears to jump 23 spots to take Tulane receiver Darnell Mooney at No. 173. The Bears also received the No. 227 pick in the seventh round from the Eagles while giving up two sixth-rounders (196, 200) and a seventh (233).

The Bears had their eyes on Mooney, a major speed threat who could inject Matt Nagy's offense with some much-needed big-play pop. But they also had their eyes on Saturday's run on receivers, grabbing Mooney during a Round 5 spree that saw eight receivers taken in a span of 16 picks.

Mooney was the sixth receiver taken during that surge and the 26th selected in that draft.

"Receivers were coming off there," Pace



JONATHAN BACHMAN/GETTY

The Bears traded up 23 spots to select Tulane's Darnell Mooney in the fifth round.

acknowledged. "And we liked Mooney. He was graded really high on our board — a guy where there was just a ton of conviction from a lot of people in our building."

With that trade, the Bears managed to leap two picks in front of the receiver-needy Packers, who never got one in their nine-player draft class.

Mooney's elite speed appealed to Nagy. The Bears coach also sees a detailed route runner who is passionate about fine-tuning that part of his craft. Nagy noted Mooney's feel for the game and "the snap" he has at the top of his routes.

"You just feel like every route he runs is real smooth," Nagy said. "He has big strides. For somebody of his stature, he chews up a lot of ground early, and then he has that top-end speed."

Between the trades to grab Gipson and Mooney, the Bears used their original Round 5 pick on Georgia Southern cornerback Kindle Vildor, who Pace believes has the versatility to play outside or in the slot and can factor in on special teams.

It will take a while to determine whether the Bears' conviction in trading up for Gipson and Mooney was worthwhile. But as Pace finished his seven-man draft class Saturday evening, he felt satisfied the Bears had taken advantage of that Round 5 sweet spot.

"To look up at the end of the draft and get three players we're really excited about in that area, I know our scouts and coaches were all fired up about that," Pace said.

Why didn't the team draft a developmental QB such as Georgia's Fromm? "The board fell a certain way," GM says

By COLLEEN KANE

Every 30 minutes or so Saturday, ESPN would flash Georgia quarterback Jake Fromm's photo on its broadcast and note he was one of analyst Mel Kiper Jr.'s top-rated players still available in the NFL draft.

A little more than an hour in, analysts talked about how Fromm's questionable arm strength and poor combine performance likely contributed to his dropping below Washington's Jacob Eason and Florida International's James Morgan, selected in the fourth round by the Colts and Jets, respectively.

Finally, more than three hours into Day 3 of the draft, the Bills took Fromm with the 167th pick in the fifth round.

Among the teams to pass on Fromm were the Bears. They traded a future fourth-round pick to get Tulsa edge rusher Trevis Gipson at No. 155 and used their original fifth-round pick, No. 163, on Georgia Southern cornerback Kindle Vildor.

For the fifth time in six drafts, general manager Ryan Pace didn't find the right fit for a quarterback with any of his picks. Mitch Trubisky, taken at No. 2 in 2017, remains the only quarterback Pace has drafted.

"It just has to align for us," Pace said Saturday night. "Every draft, different positions, there are strengths and weaknesses."

"But for us to take any position, it just has to align for us the right way. So sometimes there's players we like at that position, and the board doesn't fall that way for us."

"That's what happened for this draft, and we're OK with it because we came away with seven players that we're really excited about."

To be fair, the Bears already got their quarterback this offseason when they traded their fourth-round pick to the Jaguars for Nick Foles. But Pace has said he sees value in trying to draft and develop quarterbacks, and with questions about whether Foles or Trubisky is the long-term answer, this year it might have made sense to pick one. Teams with much steadier quarterback situations did so.

Pace also passed twice in the second round on Oklahoma quarterback Jalen Hurts, whom the Eagles took at No. 53.

Among the other possibilities that didn't line up: Morgan was long gone by the time the Bears picked in the fifth round. Pace traded his two picks in the sixth round — when the Jaguars selected Oregon State's Jake Luton — to get Tulane wide receiver Darnell Mooney at No. 173. And the Titans selected Hawaii's Cole McDonald two picks before the Bears' first seventh-round

QBS ... ER, NO QB

Here's a look at where quarterbacks were drafted this year. The Bears picked at Nos. 43, 50, 155, 163, 173, 226 and 227.

Round—Overall pick

1-1: Bengals, Joe Burrow (LSU)
1-5: Dolphins, Tua Tagovailoa (Alabama)
1-6: Chargers, Justin Herbert (Oregon)
1-26: Packers, Jordan Love (Utah St.)
2-53: Eagles, Jalen Hurts (Oklahoma)
4-122: Colts, Jacob Eason (Washington)
4-125: Jets, James Morgan (FIU)
5-167: Bills, Jake Fromm (Georgia)
6-189: Jaguars, Jake Luton (Oregon St.)
7-224: Titans, Cole McDonald (Hawaii)
7-231: Cowboys, Ben DiNucci (J. Madison)
7-240: Saints, Tommy Stevens (Miss. St.)
7-244: Vikings, Nate Stanley (Iowa)

pick at No. 226.

The Dallas Morning News reported the Bears were among the teams to talk to James Madison quarterback Ben DiNucci about an undrafted free-agent contract. But the Cowboys scooped up DiNucci at No. 231, not long after the Bears drafted offensive linemen Arlington Hambricht and Lachavious Simmons.

So the Bears march on with Trubisky and Foles competing to be the starter and Tyler Bray, who has one career pass attempt since 2013, as the third-stringer. Without a first-round pick, any quarterback the Bears selected in this draft was going to be more of a project than an immediate contributor. And perhaps Pace, who appears to be in win-now mode, didn't see the point in taking such a player.

Pace, however, stuck to his mantra that the Bears must take the best player available.

"From Mitch to Nick and to Tyler Bray, we have confidence in our quarterbacks, and we're looking forward to that," Pace said.

"The board fell a certain way. We have to be disciplined with it, and that's just the way it played out."

As for Fromm, who left Georgia a year early, Bills GM Brandon Beane told ESPN he wasn't planning on drafting a quarterback, but Fromm was "too good to pass up" at No. 167. Fromm, whose leadership was among his most praised traits, said he was excited and blessed to receive the call.

"My entire career, I've always kind of been the guy left out, the guy over(looked), the guy who's not tall enough, not strong enough," Fromm told reporters on a video call after the draft.

"Can't do this, can't do that. For me, it's just showing up to work and competing and doing whatever I can to help the team win."

'THE LAST DANCE'

Q&A WITH JEFFREY JORDAN

Eldest son discusses growing up in MJ's imposing shadow

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN

Michael Jordan's oldest son kindly answers to Jeff, Jeffrey, @HeirJordan13 (on Twitter and Instagram) and "Bones."

"That's my family nickname," he says. "Growing up I was really skinny."

He is reliving those days while watching "The Last Dance," the ESPN documentary series captivating Chicago sports fans.

The first episode featured 8-year-old Jeffrey sitting and dribbling a basketball with his left hand.

"Don't mess up," Michael tells him.

"Sounds about right," Jeffrey says now, chuckling at the memory of his demanding dad.

Jeffrey, 31, works in digital innovation on the Jordan Brand. The six-year veteran of Nike Inc. lives in Oregon and is recently married.

During two interviews lasting nearly an hour, the former University of Illinois guard spoke of growing up in the shadow of a legend, the high point of his hoops life and his hopes for "The Last Dance."

What's your stock answer when someone asks what it was like to grow up as MJ's son?

Normal. And it probably was normal to an extent. Relationship-wise, you'd go through your normal battles with your siblings, your mom, your dad, everything like that. But in a social aspect, it was far from normal or anything you could imagine.

Did your dad coach you much?

No, not at all. He was busy. Traveling a lot, obviously. We were blessed and fortunate to have somewhere to play at our house (an indoor court in Highland Park). That was our haven. (Younger brother) Marcus and I worked out with my dad one time. I was 17 or 18. We felt like we were in pretty good shape. *We can do this; this is what we've been waiting for.* It was brutal. I said: Now I understand why we don't do this more often.

Did your dad exhibit any sympathy?

No, none whatsoever (laughs).

What do you remember from the Paris trip in 1997?

We had to decide who was going to ride on the team plane and who was going to ride with my mom on the Concorde. Marcus and I actually were battling for the Concorde. I flew with the team and met some of my idols. During the season we couldn't go to the away games. My mom was a stickler. School was first and foremost.

Scott Burrell joked about wanting to give you guys a hug after the win in Paris.

He was a huge jokester, kind of the class clown of the squad. He was a really good dude and incorporated us like we were part of the team.

So when your dad says, "Don't mess up," does that reflect his perfectionism?

Yes, and it's part of who I am as well. Part of it is being the oldest. I'm driven to clear the path and be the best I possibly can. I'll be 32 this year and I've come to accept that the due diligence is how it will be for the rest of my life. I'm good with it, man. The way he was with me back then, I probably wouldn't have it any other way.

Did your mom ever suggest you guys not wear No. 23?

I was always searching for a new number or a way to differentiate myself. In high school (at Loyola Academy), switching the 2 and the 3 was enough. I didn't find out my mom played high school basketball until I was leaving (for Illinois), and 13 was her number. She was born on Friday the 13th and always had a feeling of luck around the number. Marcus was always a big proponent of 5 — the 2 plus 3.

You had scholarship offers but opted to walk on at Illinois. Why?

My first scholarship offer was Iowa State. But my dad was by the book and didn't want me to be committed at an early age. He felt like that was almost heresy of the game (laughs). I visited Valpo and Indiana, but it was more low- to mid-major (schools that offered). I had it in me to play at the high-major level. We were scrimmaging against the top talent in Chicago, and I felt I'd be able to make it and find a team. I felt I could make a name for myself at U of I.

You earned an academic scholarship?

Yes, and then Coach (Bruce) Weber put me on an athletic scholarship the second half of my sophomore year and throughout my junior year. I transferred to UCF and spent some time with my bro. I'm happy getting those two different types of experiences in college. It was the best of all worlds.

Did fellow students at Illinois leave you alone, or were they constantly coming up to you?

It was a little bit of everything you can imagine. One of the perks of being an athlete is you have a group of guys who embrace you and help shape what you become. I had a group of enforcers who were 6-7 to 6-10.

You had your own Charles Oakleys?

Exactly. I had my Oakleys, my (Ron) Harpers, my (Scottie) Pippens. My friends. Hanging out and kicking it. Definitely ran into a lot of characters throughout college. But all good times.



Jeffrey Jordan, top, says he appreciated the honesty of his dad's Hall of Fame induction speech in 2009.

AJ MAST/AP (JEFFREY)
BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE (MICHAEL)

Were fans of other Big Ten teams respectful?

They were for the most part. Michigan State was hilarious. One game they had life-size (cutouts) of MJ. And the "Who's your daddy?" chant was everywhere. The most ruthless was Indiana, if only for the Illinois-Indiana rivalry. But for the most part, the Big Ten fans were always respectful. They just love basketball. I loved to play at Northwestern against (Lincoln Park alumnus) Mike Thompson. Juice is a homey.

Did you almost go to Northwestern?

That could have been one of the early scholarship possibilities. But at the time I had to obey and listen to the GOAT, the master, and make sure I was doing the right thing. But, yes, it would have been a dream to play with Juice.

What was your all-time best moment on the court?

We had games in the summer (in Highland Park) after my senior year of high school with friends and AAU teammates. We'd invite the best of Chicago ... Eric Gordon, Evan Turner. It grew to Jamal Crawford and the NBA guys coming out. It was amazing, basketball for the love of the game.

You were in the front for your dad's Hall of Fame enshrinement speech in 2009. What did you think when he said to you and your siblings: "You guys have a heavy burden. I wouldn't want to be you guys because of all the expectations"?

That could not be more true, honestly. I'm glad he said it. I'm glad he recognizes it too. It's something my brother and my sister always knew and something my two younger sisters (with Michael's second wife, Yvette) will come to learn and appreciate. We're all in a unique situation.

Was that speech quintessential MJ?

Oh, yeah. Honestly it was pretty tame compared to the core, the raw MJ.

You and Marcus were interviewed for "The Last Dance"?

Yeah, around October. I haven't seen any edits, any cuts, any episodes. Hope they got my good side.

You're like us, watching new episodes each Sunday night. What do you hope the documentary will reveal?

That there are some things that come with being the best at what you do. The glory and the rings are front and center. A lot of the other stuff has been glossed over. I also hope it reveals the normalcy. My dad's inhuman at basketball and (made a) gross amount of money. But he's human. He has an enormous amount of compassion and empathy for people. He makes mistakes but, like everyone else, does the best he can.

Playlist from "The Last Dance" now on Spotify

BY PHIL THOMPSON

The soundtrack to "The Last Dance," ESPN's 10-part documentary on Michael Jordan and the 1990s Bulls, has generated praise from fans, athletes and musicians alike.

Now there's a Spotify playlist compiling some of the filmmakers' pinpoint music choices. Estee Portnoy, Jordan's business manager and an executive producer for "The Last Dance," tweeted a link Monday to the playlist, a diverse collection that includes DMX's "Ruff Ryders' Anthem," Janet Jackson's "Rhythm Nation," Queen's "We Are the Champions" and Soon E MC's "Sur le boulevard du rythm' funky."

One music/footage pairing that has drawn particular acclaim occurs in Episode 2. After the Bulls' Game 1 loss to the Celtics in a 1986 Eastern Conference first-round playoff series, Jordan and Danny Ainge exchanged a little trash talk on the golf course.

"We get done, we get in the car," author Mark Vancil says in the film. "We drop Danny off first. And Michael says, 'Hey, tell your boy DJ (Dennis Johnson) I got something for him tomorrow.'"

Cut to footage of Game 2. The camera zooms in on Jordan crouching during the opening tipoff, and you feel the tension building as LL Cool J's opening line of "I'm Bad" ("Aaahh!") and Jordan himself rise in intensity in perfect unison.

Jordan scored an NBA playoff-record 63 points in the Bulls' 135-131 double-overtime loss — a watershed performance in a career full of them — and "I'm Bad" strikes the perfect note for the highlight montage.

Actor O'Shea Jackson Jr., the son of rapper and actor Ice Cube, praised the selection of Prince's "Partyman."

"Whoever's responsible for the '89 Batman soundtrack drop in Last Dance is a hero," Jackson wrote on Twitter.

Memphis Grizzlies President Jason Wexler showed his appreciation as well.

"Had to go dig these up as a way to say thanks to whomever is the music supervisor for The Last Dance," Wexler tweeted, attaching a couple of Kool Moe Dee's album covers.

The rapper's "How Ya Like Me Now" is one of the highlights of the hip-hop-heavy soundtrack.

SPORTS

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Since the sports world went mainly dark



PATRICK MCDERMOTT/GETTY

The last PGA Tour round to be played without fans in the U.S. was in 2012 for the third round of the AT&T National at Congressional Country Club. Severe thunderstorms knocked down enough trees in Bethesda, Maryland, to render the course too dangerous for spectators.

No golf fans means same sport, far different arena

BY DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

Rory McIlroy contemplated what golf would be like without fans. This was five days before there was no golf at all.

"I'd be OK with it," he said at the Arnold Palmer Invitational, unaware the new coronavirus was about to shut down golf for at least three months. "It would be just like having an early tee time on the PGA Tour."

And then he added with a laugh, "I guess for a few guys, it wouldn't be that much different."

McIlroy had one of those early times when he was a 20-year-old rookie on the PGA Tour. He teed off in the second round of the Honda Classic at 6:59 a.m.

So this will be going back in time for McIlroy, along with the rest of the sport.

The PGA Tour set a target of June 8-14 at Colonial in Texas to resume its schedule, with no fans for at least a month. Even if the Charles Schwab Challenge doesn't prove to be the return, golf will be without spectators whenever it starts.

Will it matter?

Low score still wins, no matter who's there to see it.

But it will be a new arena.

"I could play without fans, but I don't think I'd play as well," McIlroy said Tuesday on his GolfPass podcast with Carson Daly and Stephen Curry. "Especially on a Sunday, back nine, you feed off that energy. You hear roars on other parts of the golf course and you sort of know what's going on. All those dynamics are in play when you have people there."

The dynamics go beyond noise, of course. Nathan Grube, the tournament director of the Travelers Championship in Connecticut, is preparing it to be the third tournament, the last weekend in June, if golf resumes on schedule. There is hope. There is excitement.

There are no grandstands being erected. That wouldn't be a big problem at the TPC River Highlands, which features a stadium design and allows for good viewing, especially over the closing holes.

But imagine other courses without stands, without hospitality suites, with nothing but green grass, white sand in the bunkers, the occasional water hazard.

Think about Mackenzie Hughes trying to play a cut into the 18th green at the Honda



LYNNE SLADKY/AP

Classic, only to pull it into the middle of the bleachers. He was given a free drop. Years ago, the safe play on the 18th at Doral was to put it into the grandstands beyond the green to take water out of the equation, knowing there would be a free drop.

"They're not going to catch errant shots on some holes," said Mark Russell, a senior rules official on the PGA Tour.

They are temporary immovable obstructions, and they are a big part of modern golf.

That's why the USGA, and then the R&A, created a number of drop zones (white circles) in front of the grandstands around the 18th hole, starting with Winged Foot in 2006, to avoid taking too much time figuring out where to drop for shots into or behind the stands. In a few cases, it allowed for a player to advance his ball closer to the hole without hitting it.

Speaking of Winged Foot, consider that no fans on the course means the rough will remain just that. Phil Mickelson, as an example, has been known to hit tee shots so far off line that the ball comes to rest in an area where gallery traffic has trampled

"I could play without fans, but I don't think I'd play as well."

< Rory McIlroy

thick grass and led to a reasonable lie.

(Maybe if there were no fans at Winged Foot, he would have had to play toward the 18th fairway instead of hitting 3-iron, which led to double bogey and a runner-up finish in the 2006 U.S. Open.)

Fans were Arnold Palmer's best friends — literally, in so many cases, but also keeping some of his wild shots from straying too far off line.

Tiger Woods once came to the 18th hole at Bay Hill tied for the lead when he pulled his tee shot. It was headed out of bounds but instead struck one of the thousands of spectators in the neck. From grass that had been flattened by the gallery, he hit 5-iron to 15 feet and made birdie to beat Mickelson by one shot.

No gallery? It's happened before, most recently in Japan because of flooding. Before that, Congressional had no fans for the third round of the AT&T National because of trees downed by a wind storm. Woods, the biggest draw in golf, won both tournaments.

Sound is underrated in golf, especially at scenic Augusta National. Woods spoke to studying every leaderboard so when he heard a roar, he would have a better idea of who did what.

Max Homa recalled his first PGA Tour victory, a year ago this week at the Wells Fargo Championship, and how electric it was walking up the 18th fairway.

The next tournament he plays will be different.

"It will be weird," Homa said Tuesday. "I imagine the first person to win, it probably will be the strangest of their lives. It sounds very selfish of us to not want to play in front of fans because it won't be electric. But people are craving sports, craving entertainment. I'd carry my bag in front of nobody if needed."

Without fans, without noise and excitement, it won't be the same.

But it will be golf. And for the time being, that will do.

IN BRIEF

Saints sign QB Winston to 1-year deal

News services

The Saints made it official, announcing Tuesday that they signed quarterback Jameis Winston to a one-year deal.

Winston, 26, is expected to split backup duties behind Drew Brees with Taysom Hill, who signed a two-year, \$21 million contract extension Sunday.

The Saints have stressed that they believe Hill can become their starting quarterback after the 41-year-old Brees retires, but they wanted to have another experienced backup in the fold to allow them to keep using Hill in his vital offensive role as both a runner and passer.

The No. 1 overall pick in the 2015 NFL draft, Winston was displaced in Tampa Bay when the Buccaneers signed Tom Brady last month. Although Winston led the NFL with 5,109 passing yards in 2019, he also became the first quarterback in league history to throw for at least 30 touchdown passes and 30 interceptions in the same season.

■ The NFL plans to hold its draft outdoors in downtown Cleveland next year from April 29 to May 1. Cleveland officially was awarded the 2021 NFL draft last year. The Browns will be celebrating their 75th anniversary next year. ... The Chiefs released two-time Pro Bowl punter Dustin Colquitt after 15 seasons. Colquitt, who turns 38 next month, holds numerous franchise records, including most games played and most postseason appearances. ... Chiefs CB Bashaud Breeland was arrested on several charges Tuesday in South Carolina, including possessing marijuana or hash, driving with an open container of alcohol and resisting arrest. Breeland, 28, was charged with driving without a license, driving with an open container of alcohol, possession of less than 28 grams of marijuana or 10 grams of hash and resisting arrest. ... Harland Svare, a starting linebacker on the Giants' 1956 NFL championship team and later the team's defensive coach while still a player, died April 4. He was 89. No cause of death was given. For many years, Svare also held the distinction of being the NFL's youngest head coach at 31 years, 11 months. He was elevated from defensive line coach to head coach by the Rams midway through the 1962 season. He went 14-31-3 before he was fired following the 1965 season. In February 1971, Svare was hired as Chargers GM. He added the head coaching duties with four games remaining that year. The Chargers were 1-6-1 in 1973 when Svare resigned as coach with an overall record of 7-17-2. He was fired as GM after the 1976 season.

Baseball: Orioles OF Trey Mancini is undergoing chemotherapy for stage 3 colon cancer and expects to miss the season if major leaguers return this summer. Mancini had a malignant tumor removed shortly before turning 28 on March 18. He has been undergoing chemotherapy since April 13. ... MLB told teams they could decide their own ticket refund policies. Spring training was suspended on March 12 and the regular season was delayed from its scheduled March 26 start. A revised schedule hasn't been announced, and teams had treated the missed games as postponements and not announced refund policies. Two fans sued MLB, the 30 teams and ticket companies last week in federal court in Los Angeles, seeking refunds. The suit asks for class-action status. ... The Pirates are suspending retirement benefits for members of the organization's baseball operations staff in an effort to cope with the economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic.

College basketball: Daishen Nix, UCLA's top recruit and considered by many recruiting experts the country's top high school point guard, will forgo college basketball to become the latest high school player to join the NBA's pro developmental program. Nix, a 6-foot-5 guard from Las Vegas Trinity Prep ranked No. 11 nationally by 247 Sports, will join Fresno's Jalen Green and Virginia's Isaiah Todd on the NBA G League's select team.

Soccer: Prime Minister Edouard Philippe announced that no sporting events will take place in France until at least September, putting an end to the Ligue 1 season. The league had hopes of returning to training in May for a mid-June restart, and the decision now puts further pressure on UEFA regarding the Champions League, with Paris Saint-Germain in the quarterfinals and Lyon leading Juventus in their round-of-16 tie. UEFA had planned to play the Champions League to a finish in August.

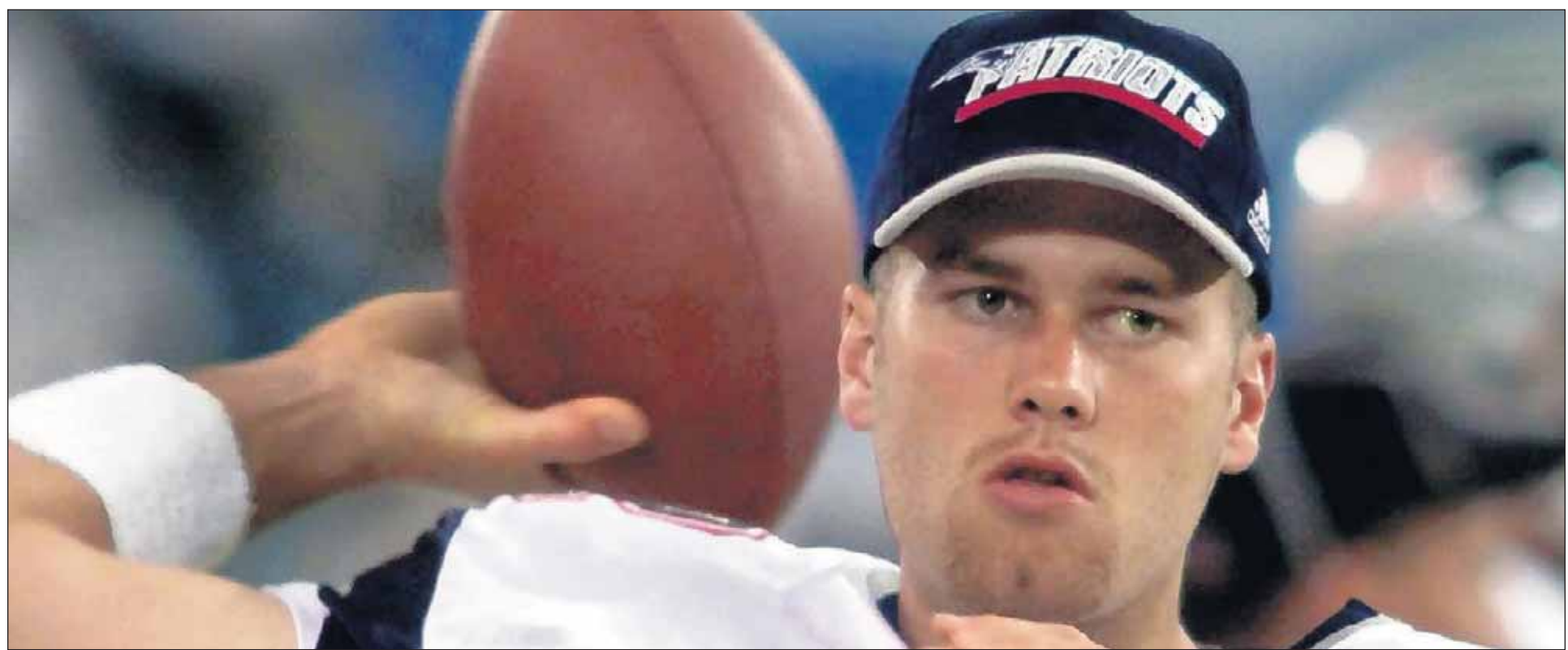
NFL DRAFT REWIND

First-round picks in bold

2020 — 1. **Joe Burrow**, LSU, Bengals; 5. **Tua Tagovailoa**, Alabama, Dolphins; 6. **Justin Herbert**, Oregon, Chargers; 26. Jordan Love, Utah State, Packers; 53. Jalen Hurts, Oklahoma, Eagles; 122. Jacob Eason, Washington, Colts; 125. James Morgan, FIU, Jets; 167. Jake Fromm, Georgia, Bills; 189. Jake Luton, Oregon State, Jaguars; 224. Cole McDonald, Hawaii, Titans; 231. Ben DiNucci, James Madison, Cowboys; 240. Tommy Stevens, Mississippi State, Saints; 244. Nate Stanley, Iowa; 2019 — 1. **Kyler Murray**, Oklahoma, Cardinals; 6. **Daniel Jones**, Duke, Giants; 15. Dwayne Haskins, Ohio State, Redskins; 42. Drew Lock, Missouri, Broncos; 100. Will Grier, West Virginia; Panthers; 104. Ryan Finley, North Carolina State; Bengals; 133. Jarrett Stidham, Auburn, Patriots; 166. Easton Stick, North Dakota State, Chargers; 167. Clayton Thorson, Northwestern, Eagles; 178. Gardner Minshew, Washington State, Jaguars; 197. Trace McSorley, Penn State; Ravens; 2018 — 1. **Baker Mayfield**, Oklahoma, Browns; 3. **Sam Darnold**, USC, Jets; 7. **Josh Allen**, Wyoming, Bills; 10. **Josh Rosen**, UCLA, Cardinals; 32. **Lamar Jackson**, Louisville, Ravens; 76. Mason Rudolph, Oklahoma State, Steelers; 108. Kyle Lauletta, Richmond, Giants; 171. Mike White, Western Kentucky, Cowboys; 199. Luke Falk, Washington State, Titans; 203. Tanner Lee, Nebraska, Jaguars; 219. Danny Etling, LSU, Patriots; 220. Alex McGough, FIU, Seahawks; 249. Logan Woodside, Toledo, Bengals; 2017 — 2. **Mitchell Trubisky**, North Carolina, Bears; 10. **Patrick Mahomes**, Texas Tech, Chiefs; 12. **Deshaun Watson**, Clemson, Texans; 52. DeShone Kizer, Notre Dame, Browns; 87. Davis Webb, California, Giants; 104. C.J. Beathard, Iowa, 49ers; 135. Joshua Dobbs, Tennessee, Steelers; 171. Nathan Peterman, Pittsburgh, Bills; 215. Brad Kaava, Miami, Lions; 253. Chad Kelly, Mississippi, Browns; 2016 — 1. **Jared Goff**, California, Rams; 2. **Carson Wentz**, North Dakota State, Eagles; 26. **Paxton Lynch**, Memphis, Broncos; 51. Christian Hackenberg, Penn State, Jets; 91. Jacoby Brissett, North Dakota State, Patriots; 93. Cody Kessler, USC, Browns; 100. Connor Cook, Michigan State, Raiders; 135. Zak Prescott, Mississippi State, Cowboys; 139. Cardale Jones, Ohio State, Bills; 162. Kevin Hogan, Stanford, Chiefs; 187. Nate Sudfield, Indiana, Redskins; 191. Jake Rudock, Michigan, Lions; 201. Brandon Allen, Arkansas, Jaguars; 207. Jeff Driskel, Louisiana Tech, 49ers; 223. Brandon Doughty, Western Kentucky, Dolphins; 2015 — 1. **Jameis Winston**, Florida State, Buccaneers; 2. **Marcus Mariota**, Oregon, Titans; 75. Garrett Grayson, Colorado State, Saints; 89. Sean Mannion, Oregon State, Rams; 103. Bryce Petty, Baylor, Jets; 147. Brett Hundley, UCLA, Packers; 250. Trevor Siemian, Northwestern, Browns; 2014 — 3. **Blake Bortles**, UCF, Jaguars; 22. **Johnny Manziel**, Texas A&M, Browns; 32. **Teddy Bridgewater**, Louisville, Vikings; 36. Derek Carr, Fresno State, Raiders; 62. Jimmy Garoppolo, Eastern Illinois, Patriots; 120. Logan Thomas, Virginia Tech, Cardinals; 135. Tom Savage, Pittsburgh, Texans; 163. Aaron Murray, Georgia, Chiefs; 164. AJ McCarron, Alabama, Bengals; 178. Zach Mettenberger, LSU, Titans; 183. David Fales, San Jose State, Bears; 194. Keith Wenning, Ball State, Ravens; 213. Tajh Boyd, Clemson, Jets; 214. Garrett Gilbert, SMU, Rams; 2013 — 16. **EJ Manuel**, Florida State, Bills; 39. Geno Smith, West Virginia, Jets; 73. Mike Glennon, North Carolina State, Buccaneers; 98. Batt Barkley, USC, Eagles; 110. Ryan Nassib, Syracuse, Giants; 112. Tyler Wilson, Arkansas, Raiders; 115. Landry Jones, Oklahoma, Steelers; 221. Brad Sorensen, Southern Utah, Chargers; 234. Zac Dysert, Miami (Ohio), Broncos; 237. B.J. Daniels, South Florida, 49ers; 249. Sean Renfree, Duke, Falcons; 2012 — 1. **Andrew Luck**, Stanford, Colts; 2. **Robert Griffin**, Baylor, Redskins; 8. **Ryan Tannehill**, Texas A&M; 22. **Brandon Weeden**, Oklahoma State, Broncos; 57. Brock Osweiler, Arizona State, Broncos; 75. Russell Wilson, Wisconsin, Seahawks; 88. Nick Foles, Arizona, Eagles; 102. Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, Redskins; 185. Ryan Lindley, San Diego State, Cardinals; 243. B.J. Coleman, Tennessee-Chattanooga, Packers; 253. Chandler Harnish, Northern Illinois, Colts; 2011 — 1. **Cam Newton**, Auburn, Panthers; 8. **Jake Locker**, Washington, Titans; 10. **Blaine Gabbert**, Missouri, Jaguars; 12. **Christian Ponder**,

249 quarterbacks have been drafted since Tom Brady. Here they are ...

Florida State, Vikings; 35. Andy Dalton, TCU, Bengals; 36. Colin Kaepernick, Nevada-Reno, 49ers; 74. Ryan Mallett, Arkansas, Patriots; 135. Ricky Stanzi, Iowa, Chiefs; 152. T.J. Yates, North Carolina, Texans; 160. Nathan Enderle, Idaho, Bears; 180. Tyrod Taylor, Virginia Tech, Ravens; 208. Greg McElroy, Alabama, Jets; 2010 — 1. **Sam Bradford**, Oklahoma, Rams; 25. Tim Tebow, Florida, Broncos; 48. Jimmy Clausen, Notre Dame, Panthers; 85. Colt McCoy, Texas, Browns; 122. Mike Kafka, Northwestern, Eagles; 155. John Skelton, Fordham, Cardinals; 168. Johnathan Crompton, Tennessee, Chargers; 176. Rusty Smith, FAU, Titans; 181. Dan LeFevour, Central Michigan, Bears; 199. Joe Webb, UAB, Vikings; 200. Tony Pike, Cincinnati, Panthers; 209. Levi Brown, Troy, Bills; 239. Sean Canfield, Oregon State, Saints; 250. Zac Robinson, Oklahoma State, Patriots; 2009 — 1. **Matthew Stafford**, Georgia, Lions; 5. **Mark Sanchez**, USC, Jets; 17. **Josh Freeman**, Kansas State, Buccaneers; 44. Pat White, West Virginia, Dolphins; 101. Stephen McGee, Texas A&M, Cowboys; 151. Rhett Bomar, Sam Houston State, Giants; 171. Nate Davis, Ball State, 49ers; 174. Tom Brandstater, Fresno State, Broncos; 178. Mike Teel, Rutgers, Seahawks; 196. Keith Null, West Texas A&M, Rams; 201. Curtis Painter, Purdue, Colts; 2008 — 3. **Matt Ryan**, Boston College, Falcons; 18. **Joe Flacco**, Delaware, Ravens; 56. Brian Brohm, Louisville, Packers; 57. Chad Henne, Michigan, Dolphins; 94. Kevin O'Connell, San Diego State, Patriots; 137. John David Booty, USC, Vikings; 156. Dennis Dixon, Oregon, Steelers; 160. Josh Johnson, San Diego, Buccaneers; 162. Erik Ainge, Tennessee, Jets; 186. Colt Brennan, Hawaii, Redskins; 198. Andre Woodson, Kentucky, Giants; 209. Matt Flynn, LSU, Packers; 223. Alex Brink, Washington State, Texans; 2007 — 1. **JaMarcus Russell**, LSU, Raiders; 22. **Brady Quinn**, Notre Dame, Browns; 36. Kevin Kolb, Houston, Eagles; 40. John Beck, BYU, Dolphins; 43. Drew Stanton, Michigan State, Lions; 92. Trent Edwards, Stanford, Bills; 151. Jeff Rowe, Nevada-Reno, Bengals; 174. Troy Smith, Ohio State, Ravens; 205. Joran Palmer, Texas-El Paso, Redskins; 217. Tyler Thigpen, Coastal Carolina, Vikings; 2006 — 3. **Vince Young**, Texas, Titans; 10. **Matt Leinart**, USC, Cardinals; 11. **Jay Cutler**, Vanderbilt, Broncos; 49. Kellen Clemens, Oregon, Jets; 64. Tavaris Jackson, Alabama State, Vikings; 81. Charlie Whitehurst, Clemson, Chargers; 85. Brodie Croyle, Alabama, Chiefs; 148. Ingle Martin, Furman, Packers; 164. Omar Jacobs, Bowling Green, Steelers; 194. Bruce Gradkowski, Toledo, Buccaneers; 223. D.J. Shockley, Georgia, Falcons; 2005 — 1. **Alex Smith**, Utah, 49ers; 24. **Aaron Rodgers**, California, Packers; 25. **Jason Campbell**, Auburn, Redskins; 67. Charlie Frye, Akron, Browns; 69. Andrew Walter, Arizona State, Raiders; 85. David Greene, Georgia, Seahawks; 106. Kyle Orton, Purdue, Bears; 121. Stefan LaFors, Louisville, Panthers; 145. San Orlovsky, UConn, Lions; 152. Adrian McPherson, Florida State, Saints; 213. Derek Anderson, Oregon State, Ravens; 230. Matt Cassell, USC, Patriots; 250. Ryan Fitzpatrick, Harvard, Rams; 2004 — 1. **Eli Manning**, Mississippi, Chargers; 4. **Philip Rivers**, North Carolina State, Giants; 11. **Ben Roethlisberger**, Miami (Ohio), Steelers; 22. **J.P. Losman**, Tulane, Bills; 90. Matt Schaub, Virginia, Falcons; 106. Luke McCown, Louisville Tech, Browns; 148. Craig Krenzel, Ohio State, Bears; 185. Andy Hall, Delaware, Eagles; 187. Josh Harris, Bowling Green, Ravens; 193. Jim Sorgi, Wisconsin, Colts; 201. Jeff Smoker, Michigan State, Rams; 202. John Navarre, Michigan, Cardinals; 217. Cody Pickett, Washington, 49ers; 218. Casey Bramlet, Wyoming, Bengals; 225. Matt Mauck, LSU, Broncos; 248. B.J. Symons, Texas Tech, Texans; 250. Bradlee Van Pelt, Colorado State, Broncos; 2003 — 1. **Carson Palmer**, USC, Bengals; 7. **Byron Leftwich**, Marshall, Jaguars; 19. **Kyle Boller**, California, Ravens; 22. **Rex Grossman**, Florida, Bears; 88. Dave Ragone, Louisville, Texans; 97. Chris Simms, Texas, Buccaneers; 110. Seneca Wallace, Iowa State, Seahawks; 163. Brian St. Pierre, Boston College, Steelers; 192. Drew Henson, Michigan, Texans; 200. Brooks Bollinger, Wisconsin, Jets; 201. Kliff Kingsbury, Texas Tech, Patriots; 232. Gibran Hamdan, Indiana, Redskins; 241. Ken Dorsey, Miami, 49ers; 2002 — 1. **David Carr**, Fresno State, Texans; 3. **Joey Harrington**, Oregon, Lions; 32. **Patrick Ramsey**, Tulane, Redskins; 81. Josh McCown, Sam Houston State, Cardinals; 108. David Garrard, East Carolina, Jaguars; 117. Rohan Davey, LSU, Patriots; 137. Randy Fasani, Stanford, Panthers; 158. Kurt Kittner, Illinois, Falcons; 163. Brandon Doman, BYU, 49ers; 164. Craig Nall, Northwestern State, Packers; 186. J.T. O'Sullivan, UC Davis, Saints; 216. Seth Burford, Cal Poly-SLO, Chargers; 232. Jeff Kelly, Southern Mississippi, Seahawks; 235. Ronald Curry, North Carolina, Raiders; 236. Wes Pate, Stephen F. Austin, Ravens; 2001 — 1. **Michael Vick**, Virginia Tech, Falcons; 32. Drew Brees, Purdue, Chargers; 52. Quincy Carter, Georgia, Cowboys; 59. Marques Tuiasosopo, Washington, Raiders; 106. Chris Weinke, Florida State, Panthers; 109. Sage Rosenfels, Iowa State, Redskins; 125. Jesse Palmer, Florida, Giants; 149. Mike McMahon, Rutgers, Lions; 155. A.J. Feeley, Oregon, Eagles; 172. Josh Booty, LSU, Seahawks; 177. Josh Hupel, Oklahoma, Dolphins; 2000 — 1. **Chad Pennington**, Marshall, Jets; 65. Giovanni Carmazzi, Hofsta, 49ers; 75. Chris Redman, Louisville, Ravens; 163. Tee Martin, Tennessee, Steelers; 168. Marc Bulger, West Virginia, Saints; 183. Spergon Wynn, Texas State, Browns; 199. Tom Brady, Michigan, Patriots. *Source: NFL.com*



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EASTERN CONFERENCE					EASTERN CONFERENCE					MLS					ATP SINGLES RANKINGS					WTA SINGLES RANKINGS					BETTING ODDS TO WIN....				
ATLANTIC					ATLANTIC					Eastern					1. Novak Djokovic, Serbia 10220					1. Ashleigh Barty, Australia 8717					OFFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR				
Toronto	46	18	.719	—	Boston	44	14	12	100	227	174	Atlanta	2	0	0	6	4	2	2. Rafael Nadal, Spain 9850	2. Simona Halep, Romania 6076	Joe Burrow, QB, Cincinnati 3/1								
Boston	43	21	.672	3	Tampa Bay	43	21	6	92	245	195	N.Y. Red Bulls	1	0	1	4	4	3	3. Karolina Pliskova, Czech Rep. 7045	3. Karolina Pliskova, Czech Rep. 5205	Tua Tagovailoa QB, Miami 8/1								
Philadelphia	39	26	.600	7½	Toronto	36	25	9	81	238	227	Montreal	1	0	1	4	4	3	4. Roger Federer, Switzerland 6630	4. Sofia Kenin, U.S. 4590	Clyde Edwards-Helaire, RB, Kan. City 10/1								
Brooklyn	30	34	.469	16	Florida	35	26	8	78	231	228	Toronto FC	1	0	1	4	3	2	5. Daniil Medvedev, Russia 5890	5. Elina Svitolina, Ukraine 4580	Jonathan Taylor, RB, Indianapolis 12/1								
New York	21	45	.318	26	Montreal	31	31	9	71	212	221	Columbus	1	0	1	4	2	1	6. Stefanos Tsitsipas, Greece 4745	6. Bianca Andreescu, Canada 4555	Henry Ruggs III, WR, Las Vegas 15/1								
SOUTHEAST					Buffalo	30	31	8	68	195	217	D.C. United	1	1	0	3	3	3	7. Alexander Zverev, Germany 3630	7. Kiki Bertens, Netherlands 4335	Jerry Jeudy, WR, Denver 15/1								
Miami	41	24	.631	—	Ottawa	25	34	12	62	191	243	Chicago	0	1	1	1	2	3	8. Matteo Berrettini, Italy 2860	8. Belinda Bencic, Switzerland 4010	D'Andre Swift, RB, Detroit 18/1								
Orlando	30	35	.462	11	Detroit	17	49	5	39	145	267	New England	0	1	1	1	2	3	9. Gael Monfils, France 2860	9. Serena Williams, U.S. 3915	DEFENSIVE ROOKIE OF THE YEAR								
Washington	24	40	.375	16½	METRO.					Washington	41	20	8	90	240	215	10. David Goffin, Belgium 2555	10. Naomi Osaka, Japan 3625	Chase Young, EDGE, Washington 7/2										
Charlotte	23	42	.354	18	Washington	41	20	8	90	240	215	Orlando City	0	1	1	1	1	2	11. Fabio Fognini, Italy 2400	11. Aryna Sabalenka, Belarus 3615	Russell Wilson, QB, Seattle 10/1								
Atlanta	20	47	.299	22	Philadelphia	41	21	7	89	232	196	Philadelphia	0	1	1	1	3	5	12. Roberto Bautista-Agut, Spain 2360	12. Petra Kvitova, Czech Rep. 3566	Tom Brady, QB, Tampa Bay 13/1								
CENTRAL					Pittsburgh	40	23	6	86	224	196	Cincinnati	0	2	0	0	3	5	13. Diego Schwartzman, Argentina 2265	13. Madison Keys, U.S. 2962	AJ Epenesa, EDGE, Buffalo 13/1								
Milwaukee	53	12	.815	—	Carolina	38	25	5	81	222	193	Inter Miami CF	0	2	0	0	3	5	14. Andrey Rublev, Russia 2234	14. Johanna Konta, Great Britain 2803	Patrick Queen, ILB, Baltimore 17/1								
Indiana	39	26	.600	14	Columbus	33	22	15	81	180	187	N.Y. City FC	0	2	0	0	0	2	15. Karen Khachanov, Russia 2120	15. Petra Martic, Croatia 2770	SEASON MOST VALUABLE PLAYER								
Chicago	22	43	.338	31	N.Y. Islanders	35	23	10	80	192	193	Western	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA	16. Denis Shapovalov, Canada 2075	16. Garbine Muguruza, Spain 2711	Patrick Mahomes, QB, Kansas City 4/1								
Detroit	20	46	.303	33½	N.Y. Rangers	37	28	5	79	234	222	Sporting KC	2	0	0	6	7	1	17. Stan Wawrinka, Switzerland 2060	17. Elena Rybakina, Kazakhstan 2471	Lamar Jackson, QB, Baltimore 11/2								
Cleveland	19	46	.292	34	New Jersey	28	29	12	68	189	230	Minnesota	2	0	0	6	8	3	18. Cristian Garin, Chile 1900	18. Marketa Vondrousova, Czech Rep. 2307	Russell Wilson, QB, Seattle 10/1								
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Houston	40	24	.625	—	St. Louis	42	19	10	94	225	193	San Jose	1	0	1	4	3	3	21. John Isner, U.S. 1760	21. Angelique Kerber, Germany 2040	Dak Prescott, QB, Dallas 18/1								
Dallas	40	27	.597	1½	Colorado	42	20	8	92	237	191	Seattle	1	0	1	4	3	2	22. Benoit Paire, France 1738	22. Anett Kontaveit, Estonia 1850	Kyler Murray, QB, Arizona 18/1								
Memphis	32	33	.492	8½	Dallas	37	24	8	82	180	177	Portland	1	1	0	3	2	3	23. Taylor Fritz, Serbia 1615	23. Elise Mertens, Belgium 1950	Drew Brees, QB, New Orleans 20/1								
New Orleans	28	36	.438	12	Dallas	37	24	8	82	180	177	Poultland	1	1	0	3	2	3	24. Dylan Lajovic, Serbia 1590	24. Donna Vekic, Croatia 1880	Aaron Rodgers, QB, Green Bay 25/1								
San Antonio	27	36	.429	12½	Winnipeg	37	28	6	80	216	203	Vancouver	1	1	0	3	2	3	25. Pablo Carreno Busta, Spain 1500	25. Dayana Yastremska, Ukraine 1835	Jimmy Garoppolo, QB, San Fran. 30/1								
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Utah	41	23	.641	1½	Chicago	32	30	8	72	212	218	San Jose	0	1	1	1	1	7	28. Daniel Evans, Great Britain 1359	28. Amanda Anisimova, U.S. 1717	Baker Mayfield, QB, Cleveland 40/1								
Oklahoma City	40	24	.625	2½	PACIFIC					Houston	0	1	1	1	1	5	29. Hubert Hurkacz, Poland 1353	29. Wang Qiang, China 1706	Christian McCaffrey, RB, Carolina 40/1										
Portland	29	37	.439	14½	Vegas	39	24	8	86	227	211	N.Y. City FC	0	2	0	0	1	3	30. Milos Raonic, Canada 1350	30. Ana Pavlyuchenkova, Russia 1540	Josh Allen, QB, Buffalo 40/1								
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Tentative date for the MLS All-Star Game
July 29 vs. La Liga MX All Stars
Banc of California Stadium
in Los Angeles

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie

NFL DRAFT REWIND



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A couple walks in front of the Ford Center, the Cowboys training facility in Frisco, Texas, as a large video screen on the wall of the building broadcast a NFL draft selection on April 25.

A RESPITE, A RECORD

The NFL's test run of a virtual draft results in record viewership — 15.6 million viewers for Day 1 — and a needed relief from the stress, turmoil and uncertainty of the coronavirus pandemic in the U.S.



NFL Network analyst (from top) Rich Eisen is joined by Kyle Brandt, Cam Jordan, Isaiah Simmons, Bruce Smith, Dick Vitale, Chase Young, Gio Bernard and Barry Sanders participate in a discussion during the second night of the NFL draft on April 24.



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Lions CB Jeff Okudah speaks via teleconference after being drafted No. 3 overall.



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Cam Akers center, reacts as he's selected by the Rams in the second round.



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Neville Gallimore, right, reacts after being selected by the Cowboys on April 24.



AP

Chiefs head coach Andy Reid appears during the NFL draft on April 23. Kansas City had the last pick of the first round and selected LSU RB Clyde Edwards-Helaire.



AP

Members of the 104th Military Battalion, New York National Guard, are seen at the Javits Center's field hospital for COVID-19 patients in New York on April 24.

"As much stress and sadness and difficulty that our country is going through, I think the draft came at a time to help bring hope back, inspiration, and a look to the future. It brought us together around something that was vital — not that the draft is vital, but that feeling of coming together around something is."

— NFL commissioner Roger Goodell

Documentary explores secret relationship



Terry Donahue, left, and Pat Henschel wed at an assisted living facility in St. Charles in 2015. Their love story is explored in the 82-minute documentary "A Secret Love," which is due out Wednesday on Netflix.

Film focuses on woman who helped inspire 'A League of Their Own'

BY TRACY SWARTZ

Terry Donahue, an infield-turned-catcher for the Peoria Redwings women's professional baseball team, met Pat Henschel in 1947 while spending the off-season in Canada. They fell in love and lived together in the Chicago area for nearly six decades before coming out to their families in 2009, when they were in their 80s.

"They just started telling us their story, dating back from the 1940s," Donahue's great-nephew,

Chris Bolan, told the Tribune. "I was just absolutely amazed, and at the end of it they started dancing in the living room together. I remember thinking, 'Ohmigod, I have to tell this story.'"

Bolan teamed up with producers Alexa L. Fogel and Brendan Mason for "A Secret Love," which is due out Wednesday on Netflix. The 82-minute documentary follows the couple as they debate getting married after many years of telling family members they were just good friends who lived together because they feared the reaction if they told the truth.

The film recalls Donahue's time in the All-American Girls Professional Baseball League, the inspiration for the 1992 film

"A League of Their Own," and gives a special peek at the couple's budding romance. Bolan said this footage, shot decades ago, was discovered after production on the documentary had started.

"They had all these cassette tape recordings and all these photos. And so I asked them, 'Did you guys ever do any filming with any of the 8-millimeter cameras?' They said, 'No, we don't have anything.' And I was in their basement one day, and I came across this suitcase. I opened up the suitcase and all these reels and reels of 8-millimeter film fell out, and I remember just being like, 'Ohmigod,'" Bolan said.

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Bellamy Young, who played a recurring role on "Criminal Minds," had to learn to ride a bicycle for her first appearance on the show.

MY WORST MOMENT

Young was not big on wheels at this point

Actor had to learn to ride a bike to play role on 'Criminal Minds'

BY NINA METZ

On the Fox drama "Prodigal Son," the show looks at how a family has been impacted by the crimes of a serial killer (played by Michael Sheen), specifically the lasting aftermath affecting his two children, now adults, as well as that of his now ex-wife, played by Bellamy Young.

To an extent, they are all tarred with the same feather.

"We can never escape his choices, which seems so arbitrary and unfair," said Young. "It's interesting to start your life on one track, and the decision you make to partner with someone takes you on a 90-degree angle and you're off irrevocably into no-man's land for the rest of your life. No matter what your life has amounted to, no matter how you spend your days doing good work, being a good person — or being a mediocre person, just being your own person — you are now only a function of this other person."

Young has a flair for playing women who are patrician but closely observant of the ins and outs of the social scene they inhabit, whether as Jessica on "Prodigal Son" or her iconic role on the long-running drama "Scandal" as first lady Mellie Grant.

These are clear career high points. When asked to share a worst moment, Young let out a comical sigh and laughed.

"I'll tell you a story," she said. "It's funny because I was like, is this humiliating enough? As an actor you have so many of these stories to choose from, but I will tell you the one that was literally, like, *ugh* for me."

My worst moment ...

"I got a recurring role on 'Criminal Minds' and it was a job that I loved. I played Beth, Hotchner's girlfriend (played by Thomas Gibson) for a couple of seasons; this was right before 'Scandal.'"

"It was a big show, a big gig. The part was for a triathlete and I am not even a mono-athlete. I'm not *any* kind of athlete (*laughs*). Like, it's not ... *no*.

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ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chef Maya-Camille Broussard, owner of Justice of the Pies, delivers meals of lentil and kale with cinnamon butter and sweet mashed potatoes with garlic bread to health care workers at Roseland Community Hospital on the Far South Side on Monday.

Forces unite to feed front-line workers

Kerry Washington, pals sponsor meals for staff at Roseland Hospital

BY NINA METZ

When a kitchen employee at Roseland Community Hospital on Chicago's Far South Side started experiencing COVID-19 symptoms, the food service operation had to be shut down.

"When they reopened, they were only opening back up to make meals for patients," said Maya-Camille Broussard, the chef and owner of the bakery Justice of the Pies. "A doctor who works at the hospital is a family friend and she mentioned that she saw some of the doctors having to leave to get lunch and they were just so dejected because they didn't want to leave, but they couldn't get anything from the cafeteria. And you're talking about 111th Street, so it's not as if there's a bevy of options."

On Monday evening, Broussard cooked and delivered food for 100 medical personnel working at the hospital. The meals were paid for by actor Kerry Washington and some of her "Scandal" colleagues, including Bellamy Young and Highland Park native Jeff Perry, through a national grassroots organization called Frontline Foods. The group raises money that is funneled to restaurants and caterers, who then use those funds to prepare meals for people working on the front lines during the coronavirus pandemic.

The group's Chicago website explains how far each donation goes: \$50 feeds a team of three; \$100 feeds a team of six; \$500 feeds a small ER or ICU department. The donated money goes directly to the chef or restaurant that prepares the meals.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A time before face masks: Maya-Camille Broussard talks to a customer at her Justice of the Pies stand at Daley Plaza in 2018.

"Kerry reached out to us to say she heard about Frontline Foods and wanted to help Chicago and a couple of other cities that have been hit hard," said Karla Ikpi, a volunteer with Frontline Foods. "We happily accepted and then recommended New York, where she's from, and Southeast Michigan, a new chapter that could use the help. She accepted our proposal and it went from there. We coordinated meal deliveries to happen simultaneously (on Monday evening) in Chicago, New York and Flint. For Chicago, we specifically worked with Maya because she's a philanthropic chef whose mission and philosophy aligns so closely with Frontline Foods Chicago."

Black people in Chicago are dying

from the coronavirus at a higher rate than any other demographic and Roseland, a small 134-bed hospital on the Far South Side, is primarily caring for black patients. Though perpetually underfunded, Tribune reporter Stacy St. Clair recently noted that the hospital is a "place where anyone can receive medical care and not be turned away for lack of money or insurance." The hospital's president and CEO Tim Egan told her: "We are literally on the front lines and we are being bombarded from every angle."

The comparatively small but meaningful efforts of Frontline Foods to support

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CELEBRITIES

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Oprah to headline graduation event

Oprah Winfrey will be the commencement speaker, and Awkwafina, Jennifer Garner, Lil Nas X and Simone Biles will offer words of wisdom to the Class of 2020 in a multi-hour graduation streaming event on Facebook and Instagram on May 15.

The #Graduation2020 event will be broadcast on Facebook Watch, with some segments posted to the @instagram account on Instagram, along with the social media accounts of the contributors, according to the announcement Tuesday. Miley Cyrus will sing her hit, "The Climb."

The coronavirus pandemic has upended graduation season with many schools scaling back, or in some cases canceling, traditional graduations.

If you can't wait to hear from Oprah, tune in to the Call to Unite:

Oprah Winfrey, Julia Roberts and former President George W. Bush will be among 200 star-studded participants in a 24-hour global livestream event. The Call to Unite event will kick off Friday to offer performances and conversations about overcoming the challenges of the pandemic. Event organizers hope participants can help inspire people to "emerge from this crisis better than when it began."

Quincy Jones, Jennifer Garner, Common, Maria Shriver, Questlove, Yo-Yo Ma, Eva Longoria, Naomi Campbell and Alanis Morissette are expected to appear. Each participant will answer calls in their own way, whether through performing a song, sharing a story or offering a prayer.

The event will be livestreamed at unite.us and on Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, Twitch, LinkedIn and SiriusXM Stars.



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Oprah Winfrey will speak during two upcoming streaming events, #Graduation2020 and the Call to Unite.

Prince Harry records message for Thomas the Tank Engine:

Harry has recorded a special message to celebrate the 75th anniversary of children's favorite Thomas the Tank Engine.

The Duke of Sussex introduces a new program called "Thomas and Friends: The Royal Engine," which has a storyline that includes Harry's father and grandmother, Prince Charles and Queen Elizabeth II, as animated characters. Set when the Prince of Wales was a boy, the story sees the engine taking Sir Topham Hatt, the controller of the railway, to Buckingham Palace to receive an honor.

In his introduction — which was recorded in January before his move

overseas — Prince Harry is seen sitting in an armchair, reading from a book about the train's adventures.

In a statement, Prince Harry said he has "fond memories of growing up with Thomas and Friends and being transported to new places through his adventures."

The show will be aired May 1 by Netflix in the U.S.

April 29 birthdays: Singer Duane Allen is 77. Comedian Jerry Seinfeld is 66. Actor Daniel Day-Lewis is 63. Actress Michelle Pfeiffer is 62. Actress Eve Plumb is 62. Singer Carnie Wilson is 52. Actor Paul Adelstein is 51. Actress Uma Thurman is 50. Actress Megan Boone is 37. Actress Grace Kaufman is 18.



Prince Harry



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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New husband wrestling old problems

Dear Amy: I married my wife a few months ago. She and I have been friends for 33 years. She has three sons, ages 22, 17 and 15.

For the most part, they are all good kids. However, they have never been given any responsibilities. Ever. Our house constantly looks like a war zone — there are clothes everywhere, dishes in the sink, and they wrestle with each other until all hours of the night.

I tried to put my foot down and assign responsibilities, but they never follow through. My wife and I are constantly picking up, cooking and then cleaning up after them.

I am burnt out! The oldest has recently dropped out of college and lives with us, paying no expenses. I think he should be paying rent and his car insurance since he is no longer in school, but his mother won't have it.

We are struggling to pay our bills, and this is causing friction between us. I get upset with the kids, and then my wife gets upset at me for saying something.

Am I wrong for feeling angry? How do I get my wife to cut the cord and realize that I am just trying to help them to become responsible adults?

— Mr. Nice Guy

Dear Mr. Nice Guy: The dynamic you describe was already established when you chose to officially enter the family. If you hoped that things would magically change when you got married, then, well, you were wrong.

Instead of being your partner, your wife has partnered primarily with her sons, and your assigned role is to assist her

in making sure they grow up to be entitled man-boys, who have little respect for their surroundings, and no life skills.

These sons are behaving exactly as they have been taught. A 10-year-old can make his bed, load the dishwasher and learn how to make pancakes for the family. Even teens will do their jobs (reluctantly) if there are consistent consequences attached to both positive and negative behavior. High-functioning families work as a team, understanding that their daily health and happiness are interconnected.

For things in your household to change, your (new) marriage will have to change. Your wife will have to agree to put the marriage at the center of the family system. She will have to stand alongside you, instead of undermining you.

You and she should have a heartfelt talk — not about the kids, but about your marriage and how devalued you feel. This book should help you to get started: "10 Lessons to Transform Your Marriage: America's Love Lab Experts Share Their Strategies for Strengthening Your Relationship," by researchers John Gottman and Julie Schwartz Gottman (2007, Harmony).

Dear Amy: My family and I have been trapped in our home for a month now, due to our state's shelter-in-place rule.

We are all coping pretty well. Our kids are staying pretty much on track, and my wife and I are doing our best to stick to a routine. Our anxiety isn't too bad. Obviously, we are all

spending a lot of time together — and that has been (mostly) good for us.

My problem is this: Boredom. In normal times, my wife and I stay very busy. Now, I feel bored — super-bored — for a part of every day. Any advice?

— Bored Dad

Dear Bored: I could give you a list of suggestions about trying new things, doing home workouts and reading all the books, but for most of us, boredom creeps in anyway.

Boredom can actually be something of a gift, if you lean into it and simply let yourself feel that way!

A few years ago, I decided to do some of the exercises in Julia Cameron's groundbreaking book, "The Artist's Way" (25th anniversary edition, 2006 TarcherParigee). The game changer for me was a free association writing exercise. Every morning you write three pages of just whatever you want.

Doing this unlocks ... lots of things: Ideas, fantasies, feelings and insight.

Dear Amy: Thank you for publishing the question from "Caring Neighbors," who were looking for ways to help their hardworking immigrant neighbors during this challenging time. I thought your suggestions were good — and their intentions were golden.

— Impressed

Dear Impressed: Weird times can bring out the wonder in people.

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Moment

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"Anyway, I got on a plane from LA after the audition and came to a friend's wedding here in New York, and when I landed I had a message that I've gotten the part and I was so excited. I have a job. Everything's coming together!"

"The script for the audition had me in a scene where we're jogging, which is bad enough, and then another standing by a pool; I convinced myself that they would wrap me in a towel or something like that. So I get the new script and they've changed it. The pool scene is gone and we have a scene on bikes, like, racing bikes. And my heart went through the floor.

"I had to call my agent at the time and say, 'I don't know how to ride a bicycle.' And they laughed. And I was like, 'No, seriously, I don't know how to ride a bike.' And they were like, 'Oh! Let me call you back.'"

"They call 'Criminal Minds' to float the idea of getting the pool scene back and the producers said no because everybody at 'Criminal Minds' is a big cyclist; they go on these 100-mile rides in the Malibu mountains and they all have fancy bicycles, and Thomas had gotten this gorgeous graphite something that was super fancy that he wanted in the episode.

"They were basically doing this episode to talk about cycling; they love it that much. They wanted it all legit because they care a lot and I respect that. But it gave me a heart attack.

"So my reps call me back and they're like, 'It's a deal breaker. This character is going to ride a bike — is it going to be you?' And I was like, 'Yes! Yes! It will be me!' Uggghhh!"

"So my dear friend Kat, we went to college together (and) I was staying with her in New York. She goes on the interwebs and she finds a woman in Brooklyn who agrees to meet us the next day at 11 a.m. in



FOX

Bellamy Young plays a serial killer's ex-wife in the Fox series "Prodigal Son."

Central Park in this parking loop. She brings an extra bike and basically teaches me like I'm a 5-year-old: She drops the seat and takes off the pedals, so we were just walk-walk-walk-ing and working on balancing.

"Ninety minutes later she raised up the seat to an adult height, puts the pedals back on and we do the 1-mile loop of Central Park South. I hit a jogger, we land in horse (manure), but I felt victorious! (Laughs)

"So I thanked my dear friend Kat, I fly back to LA, and by this point 'Criminal Minds' was buoyed by my resolve and hired a nice man whose name I'll never forget, Ron Peterson. He's a cycle guru and he's going to teach me to ride a racing bike.

"You lock in with those shoes and you lean forward with those curvy handles, and you and the bike are one as your hurtling forward. These were the most terrifying two weeks for

me, but one of the things I love most about acting is it makes me do things I would never do and this is at the top of that column.

"Finally it's the day we're going to shoot the scene. We're in these little outfits, we're having this conversation straddling our bikes and then it comes time for the great ride-off, which is all I've been training for for two weeks.

"But no one has told me that there are cement pylons (across the path) so that cars won't drive on this road we're on inside this park. And I begin to freak out because I had only thought about staying upright; I hadn't thought about aiming. We're supposed to ride through (between) these pylons — any 5-year-old could do it — and then ride off into glory.

"So I try to calm myself down: People do this every day; kids can do it. I'm giving myself a mental pep talk. And what I don't realize is that I've started to

grind my teeth.

"Anyway, I wound up chipping my top tooth with my bottom tooth — not from falling off the bike, but from trying to psych myself up! All I know is I felt something gristly in my mouth and that's when I realized I had chipped my own tooth.

"I was like, 'Did I ... is my tooth chipped?' You know how it feels wrong in your mouth? But I got around the pylon! And then they had a stunt person do the fancy riding. I literally just had to ride away until I was off camera.

"But then I had to act the rest of the day with a chipped tooth, so now when you watch the episode my humiliation is right there smiling at you! "God bless my dentist. He saw me the next day and laughed a lot. And it reminded me that even when you make a mistake that you think you can't come back from, it's fixable."

Did she feel she could be honest about her anxieties with her colleagues?

"No!"

"I was never an actor that put stuff on my resume that wasn't true. Like, 'I can drive stick shift and speak French.' No, I was way too afraid somebody was going to call me on it. And this was one time where I was like, 'I can't do that and I will learn.' So everybody knew, but I didn't want to bring it up because I wanted them to think that I had learned. That is why I was having a very intense conversation with myself in my own head.

"I feel like it was one of my first days on the show, if not the first day, and you don't want to be the weak link. Your job as a guest star, beyond just delivering the content of the episode, is to not draw attention. First you've got to vibe the room and instantly understand the politics and know who to keep happy and who to

keep at bay. There are a lot of things involved in being a good guest star, more than just crying on cue or delivering your lines.

"You want to assimilate instantly, make them feel like you're a part of the family and get the day done well. So the last thing I wanted to do was be like (in a self-mocking voice) 'I can't ride a bicycle.' You just don't want to draw attention.

"I still have dreams about it sometimes. I have not been on a bike since. It was traumatic!"

"My sweetheart has gotten me on tandem bikes since, bless him. He's incrementally trying to woo me back (to cycling) because it would be nice I'm sure to ride bikes with the person you love. I just can't imagine it. Look, I also don't trust myself with big knives. I think I don't trust myself with things that might hurt me; I learned to drive late (laughs). I'm a late bloomer!"

The takeaway ...

"Let people help you. I mean, I was so grateful for Kat because otherwise I would have had to say no to the job.

"But on the day, don't fight your battles alone. If I had just said, 'I'm peeing myself over this. Please help me with the camera angles,' or, 'Can we move those pylons?' or just anything. It could have been easier.

"I don't want anyone to feel like they're in it alone. And on a set, people want things to go well, so it was only my own shame and not wanting to be the squeaky wheel that made it so internalized.

"I didn't watch the episode, maybe they CGI'd me a tooth, who knows (laughs)? But it could have been so much worse. All that I shattered was my self-esteem. Other than that, everything was fine.

"And perfection is overrated. Let's all just love each other and get each other through it."

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Non-Equity Jeff Award noms in for 2020

Virtual ceremony to be held in lieu of in-person event

BY CHRIS JONES

Despite the shortened theater season, Chicago's Jeff Awards has announced the nominations for its 2020 Non-Equity Jeff Awards.

These nominations cover shows without contracts with the Actors' Equity union and focus traditionally on Chicago's smaller and storefront theaters.

This year's nominations, the 47th year of the awards, are dominated by four productions, each with seven nominations. The shows are "All Quiet on the Western Front" by Red Tape Theatre, "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" by Underscore Theatre Company, "Big Fish" by BoHo Theatre, and "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" by Jackalope Theatre Company.

Institutionally, Griffin Theatre had the most nominations with a total of 10. The all-volunteer Jeff Awards committee says it judged 126 productions and "recommended" 52 of them.

The usual ceremony will not be held in person this year. Instead the committee plans a free virtual ceremony for the winners on June 8; the Jeffs are calling the ceremony a "community unity celebration." Details are yet to be announced.

2020 NON-EQUITY JEFF AWARD NOMINEES

Production – Play

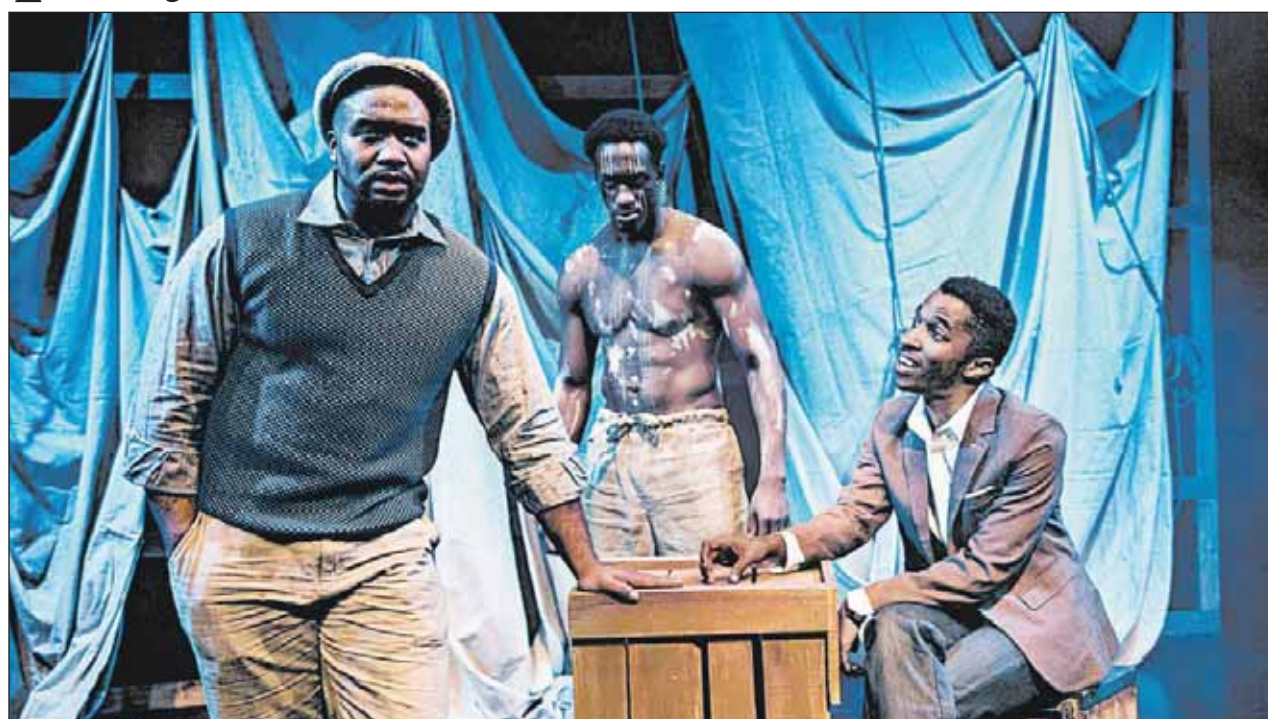
■ "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ "First Love is the Revolution" - Steep Theatre Company
 ■ "Middle Passage" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ "The Undeniable Sound of Right Now" - Raven Theatre

Production – Musical

■ "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre
 ■ "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes Productions
 ■ "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions
 ■ "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre

Ensemble

■ "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ "Blue Stockings" - Promethean Theatre Ensemble
 ■ "Emma" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes



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"Mlima's Tale" by Griffin Theatre Company was nominated for best play production.

■ "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company

New Work

■ Larry Todd Cousineau and Cindy O'Connor - "All That He Was" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Matt Foss - "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ Sam Kebede - "EthiopianAmerica" - Definition Theatre Company
 ■ Jillian Lef and Joe Lino - "Small World" - The New Colony
 ■ Kenneth Lin - "Life On Paper" - Jackalope Theatre Company

Director – Play

■ Lili-Anne Brown - "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ Spenser Davis - "Blue Stockings" - Promethean Theatre Ensemble
 ■ Spenser Davis - "Labyrinth" - Broken Nose Theatre
 ■ Matt Foss - "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ Jerrell L. Henderson - "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company

Director – Musical

■ Donterrio Johnson - "A Man of No Importance" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Ed Rutherford - "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes Productions
 ■ Stephen Schellhardt - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre
 ■ Rusty Sneyer - "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ Derek Van Barham and Elizabeth Swanson - "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions

Performer in a Principal Role – Play

■ Laura Berner Taylor (as Grace) - "Out of Love" - Interrobang Theatre Project
 ■ Dennis Bisto (as Bèrenger) - "The Killer" - Trap Door Theatre
 ■ Elaine Carlson (as Mrs. Kitty Warren) - "Mrs. Warren's Profession" - Promethean Theatre Ensemble
 ■ Bailey Castle (as Barbara, Barbara's Mom, Barbara's

Dad) - "Iron Kisses" - Theatre Above the Law

■ Bilal Dardai (as Samir) - "Language Rooms" - Broken Nose Theatre
 ■ Eric Gerard (as Blaky Blackerson) - "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ David Goodloe (as Mlima) - "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Jacqueline Grandt (as Du) - "Keely and Du" - Redtwist Theatre
 ■ Tracey Greenwood (as Vivie Warren) - "Mrs. Warren's Profession" - Promethean Theatre Ensemble
 ■ Brookelyn Hébert (as Ada Byron Lovelace) - "Ada and the Engine" - The Artistic Home
 ■ Mary Williamson (as Ida) - "Life on Paper" - Jackalope Theatre Company

Performer in a Principal Role – Musical

■ Jeremiah Alsop (as Musidorus) - "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions
 ■ Amanda Giles (as Elizabeth) - "If/Then" - Brown Paper Box Co.
 ■ Ryan Lanning (as Alfie Byrne) - "A Man of No Importance" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Will Lidke (as Hedwig) - "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 ■ Amanda Raquel Martinez (as Pearl, The Victim, Lady Usher, Soldier, Scheherazade) - "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes Productions
 ■ Shea Pender (as James "Crabbe" Hathaway) - "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ Kyle Ryan (as Theodore "Lefty" Childs) - "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ Tommy Thurston (as Edward Bloom) - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre

Solo Performance

■ Scott Gryder (as Alex More) - "Buyer and Cellar" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Scott Sawa (as Henry) - "Here Lies Henry" - Interrobang Theatre Project
 ■ Megan Wells (as Atina Diffley) - "Turn Here - Sweet Corn" - Saltbox

Theatre Collective

Performer in a Supporting Role – Play

■ Lynne Baker (as Charlotte) - "Beyond Therapy" - Eclipse Theatre Company
 ■ Shenise Brown (as Michilla Thomas) - "Spoken Word" - MPAACT
 ■ Elaine Carlson (as Luella) - "Why Torture Is Wrong and the People Who Love Them" - Eclipse Theatre Company
 ■ Renee Lockett (as Aunt Mama) - "Sugar In Our Wounds" - First Floor Theater
 ■ Marika Mashburn (as Eva Ardsley) - "For Services Rendered" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ John Mossman (as Charles Babbage) - "Ada and the Engine" - The Artistic Home
 ■ Krystal Ortiz (as Lois Ardsley) - "For Services Rendered" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Madeline Pell (as Actor 4, Harriet Smith and others) - "Emma" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Shariba Rivers (as Candydady) - "Hoodoo Love" - Raven Theatre
 ■ Michael Turrentine (as Geedi, Wamwara, Hassan Abdulla) - "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Kevin Webb (as Eduardo) - "The Killer" - Trap Door Theatre

Performer in a Supporting Role – Musical

■ Bridget Adams-King (as Kate) - "If/Then" - Brown Paper Box Co.
 ■ Kyrie Anderson (as Sandra Bloom) - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre
 ■ Brittney Brown (as Girlfriend) - "All That He Was" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Parker Guidry (as Pythio) - "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions
 ■ Parker Guidry (as Lucas) - "If/Then" - Brown Paper Box Co.
 ■ Brian Huther (as Gene Sherman) - "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ Jeff Pierpoint (as Will Bloom) - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre

Scenic Design

■ Alan Donahue - "Middle Passage" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Alan Donahue - "Whose Body?" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Jeffrey D. Kmiec - "The Undeniable Sound of Right Now" - Raven Theatre
 ■ Sotirios Livaditis - "For Services Rendered" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Manuel Ortiz - "Last Night in Karaoke Town" - Factory Theater
 ■ Sydney Lynne Thomas - "Hoodoo Love" - Raven Theatre

Costume Design

■ Aly Renee Amidei - "For Services Rendered" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Stefani Azores-Gococo - "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ Robert S. Kuhn - "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 ■ Uriel Gomez - "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions
 ■ Rachel M. Sypniewski - "Blue Stockings" - Promethean Theatre Ensemble
 ■ Mieka van der Ploeg - "First Love is the Revolution" - Steep Theatre Company

Sound Design

■ Barry Bennett - "Middle Passage" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Sam Clapp - "Sugar In Our Wounds" - First Floor Theater
 ■ L.J. Luthringer - "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Dan Poppen - "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ Erik Siegling - "Small World" - The New Colony

Lighting Design

■ Michelle Benda - "Out of Love" - Interrobang Theatre Project
 ■ Simean Carpenter and Scott Tobin - "Middle Passage" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Jared Gooding - "Mlima's Tale" - Griffin Theatre Company
 ■ Stephen Sakowski - "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre
 ■ Eric Watkins - "Sugar in Our Wounds" - First Floor Theater

Choreography

■ Breon Arzell - "Head Over Heels" - Kokandy Productions
 ■ Megan Farley - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre
 ■ Jesse Hoisington - "The Killer" - Trap Door Theatre
 ■ Jenna Schoppe - "The Ballad of Lefty & Crabbe" - Underscore Theatre Company
 ■ Leah Urzendowski - "All Quiet on the Western Front" - Red Tape Theatre

Original Music in a Play

■ Ben Chang - "The Hound of the Baskervilles" - City Lit Theatre
 ■ Jeffrey Levin - "Hoodoo Love" - Raven Theatre
 ■ Jeffrey Levin - "Kiss" - Haven Theatre
 ■ Aaron Stephenson - "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ Shawn Wallace and Desta Sound - "Spoken Word" - MPAACT

Musical Direction

■ Michael McBride - "Big Fish" - BoHo Theatre
 ■ Robert Ollis - "A Man of No Importance" - Pride Films and Plays
 ■ Jeremy Ramey - "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 ■ Jeremy Ramey - "Hello Again" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 ■ Nick Sula - "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes Productions

Fight Choreography

■ Rachel Flesher and Zack Payne - "First Love Is the Revolution" - Steep Theatre Company
 ■ Maya Vinice Prentiss - "EthiopianAmerica" - Definition Theatre Company
 ■ Maureen Yasko and Chris Smith - "Non-Player Character" - Red Theater Chicago

Projection Design

■ Clare Brennan, Aaron Sawyer, and Beth Wolf - "Non-Player Character" - Red Theater Chicago
 ■ Paul Deziel - "PY.G. or The Mis-Education of Dorian Belle" - Jackalope Theatre Company
 ■ Paul Deziel and Alex J. Gendal - "Middle Passage" - Lifeline Theatre
 ■ Yeaji Kim - "The Effect" - Strawdog Theatre Company
 ■ G. "Max" Maxin IV - "Ghost Quartet" - Black Button Eyes Productions

Artistic Specialization

■ Uriel Gomez (makeup design) - "Small World" - The New Colony
 ■ Keith Ryan (wig design) - "Hedwig and the Angry Inch" - Theo Ubique Cabaret Theatre
 ■ Robert-Eric West (wig and makeup design) - "Casa Valentina" - Pride Films and Plays

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Meals

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hospital employees such as those working at Roseland caught Washington's attention.

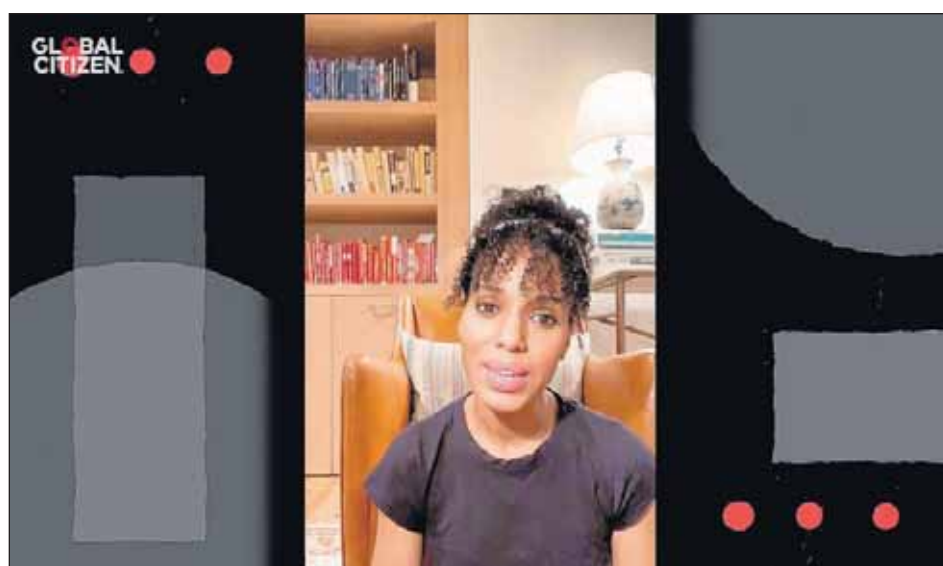
Ikpi said Frontline Foods specifically focuses on hospital staff because "restaurants near them were shutting down and they were working longer hours and didn't always have enough time to prepare meals before going in for their shifts. We saw this as a simple idea: Paying restaurants to make fresh meals and deliver to hospitals is a way to help struggling restaurants stay afloat while fueling front-line workers. And so far, it seems to be working. We just need more donations to keep this going for as long as the pandemic is here."

The organization currently has "more than 600

volunteers with 46 chapters. We launched Chicago a couple of weeks ago and have already donated over 5,000 meals to hospitals around the Chicagoland area. We're actually using the Chicago Tribune's map of COVID cases as a guide on which areas need the most help."

Participating restaurants are listed on the group's Chicago website, which also includes a rundown of area hospitals where it has delivered meals and notes that "we are thoroughly vetting our restaurants with stringent food safety handling, packaging, and drop-off instructions." (In addition to accepting donations, the website includes a tab where medical facilities can make a request to receive meals.)

Before partnering with Frontline Foods, Broussard said she was "already accepting donations on my website to create meals and deliver them to Stroger



In this screengrab, Kerry Washington speaks during "One World: Together At Home" presented April 18 by Global Citizen. The special helped support front line health care workers.

Hospital because I have a connection with some of their doctors, so this was a perfect opportunity for me to expand on my mission. I had only raised so much money and I could only provide so many meals,

whereas partnering with Frontline Foods I was able to provide so much more."

The meals she prepared on Monday included an entree of lentils and kale, with cinnamon butter,

sweet mashed potatoes and garlic bread. "I try my best to do vegetarian options as often as I can because I know there are so many people with dietary restrictions. The lentils have the protein and there's a little

something sweet with the mashed potatoes to hold them over until their shift is done. I'm trying to be conscious of the fact that they need something that will give them fuel for a while.

"Growing up, I hated when my dad would give me a bag lunch, I like hot lunches," she said. (Her father, Stephen J. Broussard, was a well-known Chicago trial attorney who died in 2009.)

"So I know that when someone's morale is low and there is a lot of confusion and there's a lot of hectic energy in one place, there's nothing more satisfying than just being able to sit down for 10 or 15 minutes and eat a hot meal."

For more information about Frontline Foods Chicago chapter go to frontlinefoods.org/chicago.

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BONUS PUZZLE PAGE

An extra array of word games, search, Jumble and other tests to help you pass the time at home

SUDOKU

5			1	7				8
					5	1		
		9						7
	5	8	1		7			6
9								4
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1						6		
	4	6						
8		2	3					5

Level: **1 2 3 4**

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

9	1	4	8	6	2	7	9	8
2	7	8	1	9	9	4	6	8
6	8	9	8	7	4	2	5	1
1	8	6	4	8	9	9	2	7
4	9	8	9	2	7	1	8	6
9	2	7	6	1	8	9	8	4
7	4	5	2	8	8	6	1	9
8	9	1	5	4	6	8	7	2
8	6	2	7	9	1	8	4	5

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WORD SEARCH

ON YOUR BIKE

Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, even diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.

C	E	R	U	T	C	N	U	P	F	X	M	B	S	T	U	N
N	R	O	A	U	T	C	T	I	K	R	I	A	P	E	R	Y
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| BICYCLE | GEARS | PEDAL | TANDEM |
| BIKE | HELMET | PUMP | TRAIL |
| BMX | HUB | PUNCTURE | TURN |
| BRAKE | INDICATE | RACE | TYRES |
| CABLES | LIGHT | RALLY | UPHILL |
| CHAIN | LISTEN | REFLECTORS | VALVE |
| CRASH | LOCK | REPAIR KIT | VELODROME |
| DOWNHILL | MIRROR | SPANNER | WATER BOTTLE |
| FAST | MUDDY | SPOKES | WET |
| FORKS | NUTS | SPROCKETS | WHEEL |
| FRAME | OFF ROAD | STOP | WIND |

BOGGLE

Boggle BrainBusters!

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

E	T	R	P
A	N	A	L
U	V	I	L
M	O	N	H

INSTRUCTIONS: Find as many words as you can by linking letters up, down, side-to-side and diagonally, writing words on a blank sheet of paper. You may only use each letter box once within a single word. Play with a friend and compare word finds, crossing out common words.

BOGGLE POINT SCALE
 3 letters = 1 point
 4 letters = 2 points
 5 letters = 3 points
 6 letters = 4 points
 7 letters = 6 points
 8 letters = 10 points
 9+ letters = 15 points

YOUR BOGGLE RATING
 151+ = Champ
 101-150 = Expert
 61-100 = Pro
 31-60 = Gamer
 21-30 = Rookie
 11-20 = Amateur
 0-10 = Try again

Boggle BrainBusters Bonus
 We put special brain-busting words into the grid of letters. Can you find them?
 Find AT LEAST FIVE LAND FORMATIONS in the grid of letters.

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WordWheel

Insert the missing letter to complete an eight-letter word reading clockwise or counterclockwise.

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TV CROSSWORD

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9					10	11	
12					13		
14					15		
		16	17	18		19	20
		23				24	
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30					31		
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		34	35			36	37
39	40	41			42	43	
44					45		
46					47		

Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews 9/30/18

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

RAHHS

CRTAT

FEWLAF

OPSPHO

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

ARROW WORDS

Fill in the grid using the clues provided in the direction of the arrows. When complete, unscramble the letters in the circles to reveal a mystery word.

Collapsed	Chess piece	Air bubble	Star bursts Emeritus (abbr)	Up to now	Slogan	Aussie hoppers	My Fair Lady lyricist
Boy Scout event	Flow regulator	Ballpark fare	Shredded	Debating society activity	Be penitent	Way off	Singles
Not worthy of	Stockpile	Luxurious lifestyle	Kind of duty	Blood fluids	Breeze (through)	Luggage ID	Torino
PC alternative	Fail to catch	Narcotics	Econ. statistic	Fairway golf clubs	Sounding stuffy	Folklore dwarf	Platoon setting
Try	Fathering	Hair bases					

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ACROSS

- Gooding and his dad
- "According to ___"
- Talk show hostess
- Frighten
- Rotten; miserable
- "Dawn of the ___ of the Apes"
- Curry or Cusack
- LL ___ J of "NCIS: Los Angeles"
- "___ of Old Smoky"; Gene Autry western movie
- "I ___ Lucy"
- Colorful cold cereal
- "___ a Teenage Werewolf"; Michael Landon film
- Adam's apple location
- "___ of S.H.I.E.L.D."
- "___ Man"; Tom Cruise/Dustin Hoffman movie
- One of the Maverick brothers
- "The King ___"; Yul Brynner classic
- Mr. ___; bald nearsighted cartoon character
- Actor Epps
- ___ Howard

DOWN

- Popular pop
- "Once ___ a Time"
- "Dancing with the Stars" judge
- Camera batteries, often
- Bashful
- One of the girls on "The Brady Bunch"
- Anger
- "How I ___ Your Mother"
- ___-pitch softball
- "Grey's Anatomy" role
- Herman Munster, to Eddie
- Wally or Courteney
- Gun rights org.
- ___ for tat
- "My ___ Worst Enemy"; Christian Slater film
- Large tub
- Suffix for govern or lion
- Refrain syllable
- Solo; "Star Wars" character
- Get ___ of; shed
- Setting for "Evita": abbr.
- Prizm, Spectrum or Storm
- Saloon
- "Last ___ Standing"
- Prefix for place or pronounce
- Sty cry
- ___ off; dozes
- A-E connection
- Letter from Greece
- Miner's discovery
- Garden soil after the rain
- King Kong, for one

S	K	S	E	D		E	O	D
G	N	E	J	N	S	I	R	H
O	I	B	W	N	I	T	O	B
N	O	H	R	W	I	O	B	
O	O	G	W	I	D	N	V	
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KIDNEWS FUN & GAMES

Toys

E	K	P	R	O	C	K	I	N	G
P	A	I	Y	B	T	E	D	R	H
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C	O	L	B	G	N	I	A	L	E
B	U	I	L	D	I	P	O	R	C

Find all the words from the word list (ignore spaces and dashes, if any):

- BALL
- BUILDING BLOCKS
- KALEIDOSCOPE
- KITE
- PAPER PLANE
- PINWHEEL
- PORCELAIN DOLL
- ROCKING HORSE
- RUBBER DUCK
- TEDDY BEAR
- YO-YO

This is zigzag word search puzzle. Words go left, right, up, down, not diagonally, and can bend at a right angle. There are no unused letters in the grid, every letter is used only once.

ANSWER:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
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FIND 6 DIFFERENCES

WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



"Destination Fear"

"Destination Fear" (9 p.m., 1 a.m., TRAVEL): Sibling paranormal explorers Dakota and Chelsea Laden return for their second season of chilling adventures, along with Tanner Wiseman and camera operator Alex Schroeder. In the Season 2 premiere, "Nopemoping Sanatorium," the quartet is in Duluth, Minn., screwing up their courage to explore the interior of the sinister 118-year-old building of the title, which once loomed over their childhood homes.

"Motherland: Fort Salem" (8 p.m., 9 p.m., FREE): Abigail (Ashley Williams) manages to forge a connection with Adil (Tony Giroux), a new visitor to the base camp, and also pushes a stricken Raelle (Taylor Hickson) to help the newcomer save someone's life in the new episode "Mother Mycelium." Weighed down by all her secrets, Tally (Jessica Sutton) uses Gerit (Kai Bradbury) as a distraction. Anastasia (Demetria McKinney) takes a deep dive into Scylla's (Amalia Holm) past.

"Celebrity Ghost Stories" (9 p.m., 1 a.m., AE): NeNe Leakes, whose TV projects include "The Real Housewives of Atlanta," joins psychic medium Kim Russo to investigate some paranormal events that transpired at a wedding Leakes attended in Georgia's capital city. When the duo revisit the scene of the uncanny activity, Leakes is stunned to discover that this haunting is far more personal to her than she ever could have imagined.

"What We Do in the Shadows" (9 p.m., 10:06 p.m., 12:38 a.m., FX): After several mishaps around the house, the resident vampires become convinced they are under some kind of malevolent electronic spell in a new episode called "The Curse." As they focus on solving that problem, the faithful Guillermo (Harvey Guillen) tries to thwart a genuinely deadly threat to his masters.

"Deadly Recall" (9 p.m., 12 a.m., ID): On a sleepy summer evening, when two college friends are gunned down just outside Fisk University, Detective Pat Postiglione immediately is summoned to the scene. After his investigation reveals that one of the victims had a girlfriend, Pat attempts to track her down, only to discover she has been murdered, too.

"Brockmire" (9 p.m., 3:04 a.m., IFC): Just as the union contracts for baseball players come up for re-negotiation, a potential strike rears its head, threatening the future of "America's pastime" altogether, in the new episode "Union Negotiations." Against that tense backdrop, Jim and Jules (Hank Azaria, Amanda Peet) decide to take one last stab at negotiating mutually acceptable terms for their own prospective relationship. Tyrel Jackson Williams also stars.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actress-comic D'Arcy Carden.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Shailene Woodley; Maluma talks and performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Sen. Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.); Pete Buttigieg, former mayor of South Bend, Ind.; Haim performs.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m. 11:36 p.m., ABC): Actor Anthony Anderson.*

* Subject to change

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WEDNESDAY EVENING, APR. 29

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Survivor: "Friendly Fire." (N) ©		(8:01) SEAL Team: "In the Blind." (N) ©		S.W.A.T.: "Wild Ones." (N) ©		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	Chicago Med: "Got a Friend in Me." ©		Chicago Fire: "Badlands." ©		Chicago P.D.: "Mercy." ©		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	Who Wants to Be a Millionaire ©		Who Wants to Be a Millionaire ©		Who Wants to Be a Millionaire ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	black-ish ©	black-ish: "Dr. Hell No." ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) ©		WGN News at Ten (N) ♦
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	3's Comp. ©	3's Comp. ©	Johnny Carson ©		Coach ©
	Court 9.3	Court TV Live (N) (Live) ©						Court TV (N)
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Spy in the Wild: A Nature Miniseries (Season Premiere) (N) ©		H2O: The Molecule That Made Us (N) ©		NOVA © ♦
	CW 26.1	Riverdale (N) ©		Bulletproof: "Episode 1." ©		Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	The U 26.2	Dr. Phil ©		Tamron Hall ©		Steve Wilkos Show (N)		Paternity
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	Green Acres	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek (Live) ©
	Bounce 26.5	In the Cut	Family Time			Maid in Manhattan (PG-13, '02) **	Jennifer Lopez. ©	In the Cut
	FOX 32	The Masked Singer (N) ©				Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family
	Ion 38	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods: "Pain Killers." ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Blood ♦
	TeleM 44	Cennet (N) ©		100 días para enam (N)		La reina del sur 2 (N)		Chicago (N)
MNT 50	Chicago P.D. ©		Dateline: "Black Friday." ©		Dateline ©		Chicago ♦	
UniMas 60	¿Qué culpa tiene	Nosotr.	Nosotr.		Noticiero (N)	Vas con todo ♦		
WJYS 62	Salem Baptist Church	Joyce Meyer	Robison		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	
Univ 66	Ringo (N)	Amor eterno (N)			Sin miedo a la verdad		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	Ghost Hunters ©		Ghost Hunters (N) ©		Ghost Stories (N)		Ghost ♦
	AMC	Gran Torino (R,'08) ***	Clint Eastwood. © (SAP)			Gangster Squad ('13) ***		
	ANIM	Lone Star Law		Lone Star Law		Lone Star Law		Lone Star ♦
	BBCA	Goldfinger (PG,'64) ****	Sean Connery, Gert Frobe. ©			From Russia With Love ♦		
	BET	♦ Madea's Family Reunion		Tyler Perry's Sistat (N)		Boomeran.	Boomeran.	Sistas ♦
	BIGTEN	♦ Women's College Soccer		College Soccer ©				Rowing ♦
	BRAVO	Real Housewives (N)		Summer House (N) ©		Watch (N)	Real Housewives/Beverly Hills (N)	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦
	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Yankers (N)		Daily (N) ♦
	DISC	Expedition Unknown: Uncovered: "Vikings." (N) ©				Legends of the Wild (N)		Expedition
	DISN	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven	Roll With It	Gabby	Coop	Sydney-Max
	E!	♦ Maid	(7:45) Maid in Manhattan (PG-13,'02) **			Jennifer Lopez. ©		Funny Dnc
	ESPN	♦ (6) 2004 NBA Finals				2014 NBA Finals From June 15, 2014. ♦		
	ESPN2	♦ (6) eSports (Tape)				eSports (Tape)		NFL Draft ♦
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Grocery ♦
	FREE	♦ (5:30) Grown Ups ('10) *		Motherland (N)		Motherland: Fort Salem		700 Club ♦
	FX	♦ (6:30) Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle ('17) ***				Shadows (N)	What We Do	What We Do
	HALL	Love on the Sidelines (NR,'16)	Emily Kinney. ©			Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	HGTV	Property Brothers (N)		Property Brothers (N)		Hunt Int'l (N)		Celebrity ♦
	HIST	Forged in Fire (N)		Forged in Fire (N)		Eating (N)	Eating	Forged ♦
	HLN	Inside Evil-Cuomo		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	♦ (6:30) Speed (R,'94) ***	Keanu Reeves. ©			Brockmire	(9:32) Speed ('94) ****	
	LIFE	Married at First Sight: "Where Are They Now?" (N) ©				Bride & Prejudice (Season Finale) (N)		Wedding (N)
	MSNBC	All in With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
MTV	The Challenge (N) ©			Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	
NATGEO	Borderforce USA ©		Borderforce USA (N) ©		Drug Lords: The Next		Borderfor ♦	
NBCSCH	Be Chicago: Together We Can						Bulls ♦	
NICK	Danger	SpongeBob	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	
OVATION	♦ (6) Demolition Man (R,'93) ** ©		Total Recall (R,'90) ***	Arnold Schwarzenegger. ♦				
OWN	20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 on OWN		20/20: Homicide		20/20 ♦	
OXY	Dateline: Secrets Uncovered: "Vanished." ©				Dateline: Secrets Uncovered ©			
PARMT	Sweet Home Alabama (PG-13,'02) **	Reese Witherspoon. ©			Grease (PG,'78) ***			
SYFY	♦ (6) Fast & Furious **		Pitch Black (R,'00) **	Radha Mitchell, Vin Diesel. ©				
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full (N)		Conan (N)	
TCM	The Magnificent Ambersons ('42) ****		(8:45) Expensive Women (NR,'31) *				When ♦	
TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: "Alicia and Pauline." (N)				My 600-Lb. Life: "LaShanta's Story." ♦			
TLN	Baptist	King	Focus on	The Three	Life Today	Prayer	Baptist ♦	
TNT	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) (Live) ©				Shaq Life	Shaq Life	Seven ♦	
TOON	Home Movie	Burgers	Burgers	Rick, Morty	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	
TRAV	Ghost Nation ©		Ghost Nation (N) ©		Destination Fear (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Destinat. ♦	
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	WWE NXT (N) (Live) ©				Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU ♦	
VH1	Black Ink Crew (Season Finale) (N) ©		Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	
WE	Law & Order: "Helpless." ©		Law & Order ©		Law & Order ©		Law ♦	
WGN America	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	Married	
PREMIUM	HBO	Bad Education (NR,'19)	Allison Janney. ©			(8:50) Anna (R,'19) **	Sasha Luss. ♦	
	HBO2	Autism	(7:45) Westworld ©		(8:45) Westworld ©		Axios ©	
	MAX	Z for Zachariah (PG-13,'15) ***			(8:40) The Chronicles of Riddick (PG-13,'04) **			
	SHO	The Affair: "102." ©		Couples	Work Pro.	The Sixth Sense (PG-13,'99) ***		© ♦
	STARZ	♦ Texas Chainsaw		21 Jump Street (R,'12) ***	Jonah Hill. ©			Bad Teach ♦
STZNC	♦ (6:15) The Wolfman **		The French Connection (R,'71) ****	Gene Hackman.			Funny Peo ♦	

Stratford Fest summer season is canceled

BY CHRIS JONES

The Stratford Festival of Canada said Monday that it was putting its entire 2020 summer season of theater "on hold," which meant a cancellation or postponement of all planned shows. There is some vestige of hope for special programming this fall or during the holiday season.

"This is devastating for the festival and for the city of Stratford," said Antoni Cimolino, the festival's artistic director. Among the cancellations is a dedication of the newly restored Tom Patterson Theatre. Those festivities now will take a place at a future date.

One of Canada's most important cultural institutions, the 67-year-old festival is a massive economic engine for its region of Southern Ontario, responsible for at least \$135 million (in Canadian dollars) in economic activity. It

supports numerous hotels, bed-and-breakfasts, restaurants and retail outlets in its bucolic hometown, not to mention 150 actors and scores of other artistic staffers who rely on the theater for months of steady employment.

The announcement impacts 15 major theatrical productions in four theaters, including "Much Ado About Nothing," the musical "Chicago," "Hamlet" and "The Miser" in the Festival Theatre.

Prior to Monday's announcement, Stratford had only canceled programming in May. But like other summer operations, it faced deadlines to make final decisions on hiring, rehearsing and whether to sell tickets. The largest comparable theater in the United States, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, also has canceled its summer season, along with many smaller seasonal operations.



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Stratford also relies heavily on U.S. audiences from cities like Detroit, Chicago and Cleveland. In August, the Chicago Trib-

une had planned a special weekend of events and programming for its readers at the festival, events that will now be postponed.

Since March 21, the borders between the United States and Canada have been closed to non-sensational travelers. Any re-

opening date has yet to be announced.

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Netflix

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"Having that 8-millimeter footage, I remember thinking, 'If I screw this film up, I'm a terrible, terrible director.'"

This is the film directorial debut for Bolan, who worked as an actor and theater director. Bolan said he and Donahue shared a deep connection — he even wrote a paper about her for his seventh-grade English class — but he had to work to get Henschel to open up. They eventually both became comfortable with the small crew, who hope their love will inspire young LGBTQ people.

"They were so game to be sharing this story that we usually had to say at the end of the day, 'Guys, we need to stop. We've been doing this for eight hours.' They truly were so enthusi-



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Terry Donahue, left, and Barbara Thompson sign photographs at a Field Museum exhibit in March 2003. Seven All-American Girls Professional Baseball League players participated.

astic once they understood what we were trying to do," Mason said.

Filming began in August 2013 and lasted four years. Much of the documentary was shot in the Chicago

area. A camera crew follows the couple as they return to the former John Hancock Center, which once housed the Watson & Boaler interior design firm, where they worked to-

gether for many years.

The pair are also shown leaving their longtime St. Charles home for the nearby Delnor Glen Assisted Living facility, where they wed in 2015, on Don-

ahue's 90th birthday.

"The wedding day was so emotional for all of us because at this point we had gotten to know and love them for so many years. And then for that day to actually happen in front of you, you're trying to work and you're having this profound emotional reaction to seeing these women come together," Mason said.

Donahue and Henschel, both natives of Saskatchewan, moved back to Canada in 2017 to be closer to family. Donahue suffered from Parkinson's disease. She died last year at 93.

Bolan said Henschel, 91, still lives in Canada and has spent her days going to casinos and movie theaters and playing bingo. She also frequently sees Bolan's mom, Diana, who is Donahue's niece. Diana Bolan and Henschel shared some tense moments in the film as Diana Bolan expressed

concern about her aunt's care.

The crew faced its own challenges. The documentary was supposed to premiere in March at South by Southwest, but the festival was canceled because of the coronavirus pandemic. Fogel said the team kept running out of money during production, but always found "angels" at the last minute to help out. "Get Out" producer Jason Blum is an executive producer, while hit maker Ryan Murphy is a producer. Murphy signed a major deal with Netflix in 2018.

"All we wanted to do is tell Pat and Terry's story, and all we ever dreamed about — I think I can speak for all of us — is hopefully having the fortune of having as many eyes on this film as possible," Bolan said. "It's just a dream come true."

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (April 29): Spread your wings and fly this year. Strengthen foundational professional infrastructure. Make a financial change this summer, inspiring creative and communication breakthroughs. Sidestep an obstacle along the road. Resolve a winter cash flow crunch before a shared venture pays off.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Avoid controversy and relax. Home and family draw you in. All may not go as expected. Communication resolves a structural breakdown.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Household matters have your attention. Make repairs and upgrades. Slow to listen closely, should miscommunications arise. Provide support for home and family.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. Edit, polish and revise creative works. Reinforce structural and foundational elements. Old rules may not work for new situations; if so, invent new rules.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Get inventive. Estimate what's needed and measure the gap between that and what you have. Expect traffic and shipping delays.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Stay sensitive to how changes are affecting others. Listen generously. Communication barriers require navigation. Wait for developments and stay patient.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. You can see what's not working. Misunderstandings propagate more misunderstandings. Find a quiet spot to think. Meditate on potential solutions.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Develop new team strategies. Shift procedures for new situations. Adjust, adapt and align forces for a common goal. Support others to transition to new methodologies.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Professional matters take priority. Adjust strategies to adapt to communication barriers and roadblocks. Things may not go as expected.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Slow for better road conditions. Your educational journey could seem blocked or redirected. Heed the voice of experience. Stick to practical priorities. Conserve resources.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Manage finances to benefit shared accounts. Collaborate patiently. Miscommunication, breakdowns and delays could hamper your plans. Work together to handle short-term priorities.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Share responsibilities. Prioritize basic needs. Resolve miscommunications in the moment or they grow. Treat each other with kindness and patience.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Prioritize work, health and physical fitness. Use gentle pressure, rather than force. Don't argue with a brick wall. Exercise builds strength and endurance.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater

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NOT-SO-FAMOUS SECOND CARRIERS

KIND OF AN EXPENSIVE SURGE PROTECTOR.

R2-D2

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Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, West deals

North	♠ K 8 7 5	♥ J 6 4	♦ K 9 6	♣ 7 6 2
West	♠ A Q	♥ K 10 9 7 2	♦ 10 4 2	♣ K 9 4
East	♠ J 3 2	♥ 8 5 3	♦ J 8 7 5	♣ 10 8 3
South	♠ 10 9 6 4	♥ A O	♦ A Q 3	♣ A Q J 5

It doesn't come up often, but a balancing jump to two no trump shows 18-20 points with a stopper. We are not big fans of "third and fifth" leads, where the lowest card is led from an odd number of cards and the third-highest card is led from an even number, even though it is widely played by today's experts. The count may be important to partner on some deals but it can also be important to declarer.

The bidding:

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♣	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All pass	

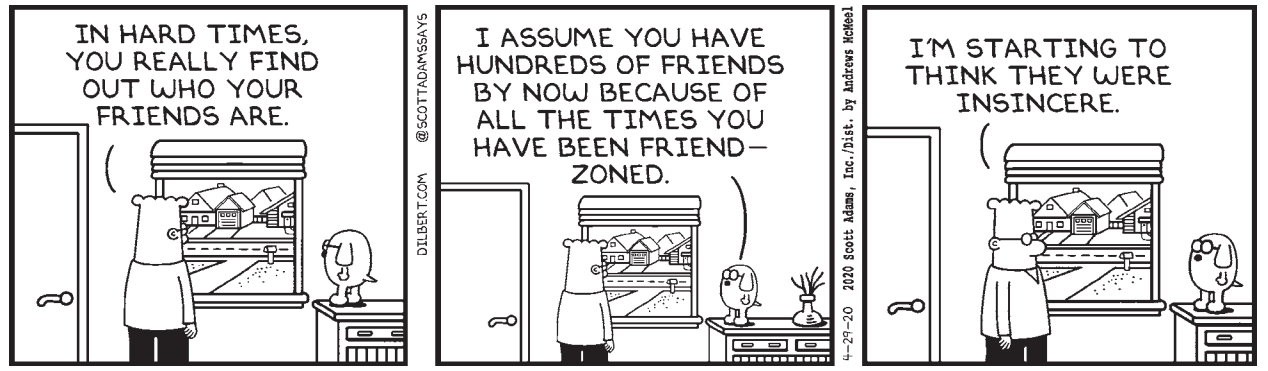
Opening lead: Two of ♦

West for his opening bid. South took advantage of the count information given by the lead by winning the diamond lead with dummy's king and then cashing the ace and queen of diamonds in his hand. This was followed by a low spade to West's ace.

West continued with the queen of spades and South ducked in dummy. West had only hearts and clubs remaining so he led a low club to the 10 and queen. South led a spade to the king, drawing the last trump, and took a moment to count the hand. West was known to have started with two spades, probably five hearts, and three diamonds. Therefore, West started with, at most, three clubs. South led a club to his ace and continued with another club, putting West on lead. West was forced to lead a heart and South had his contract. Well played!

— Bob Jones
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Baby Blues



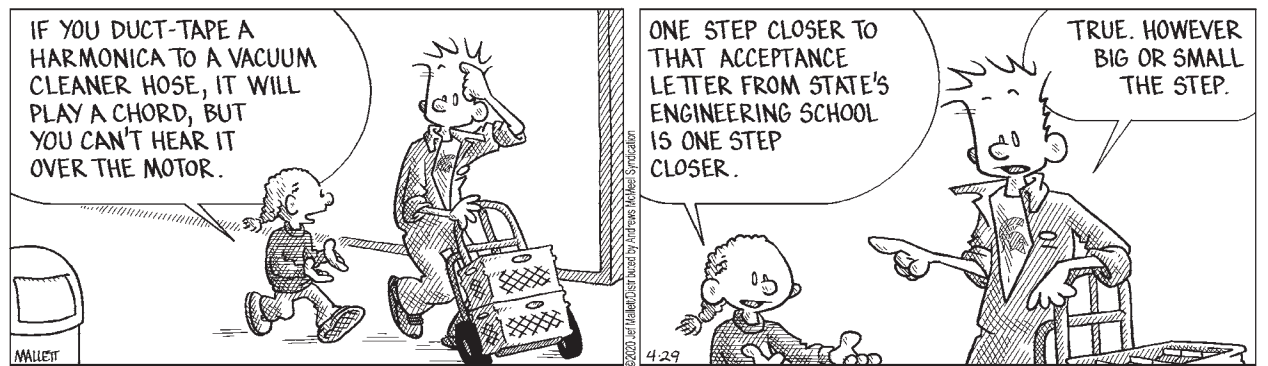
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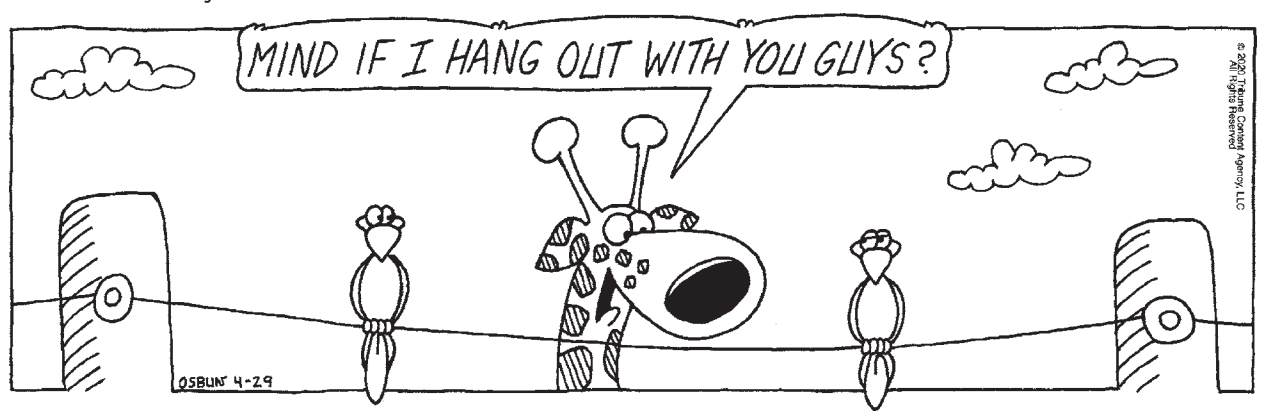
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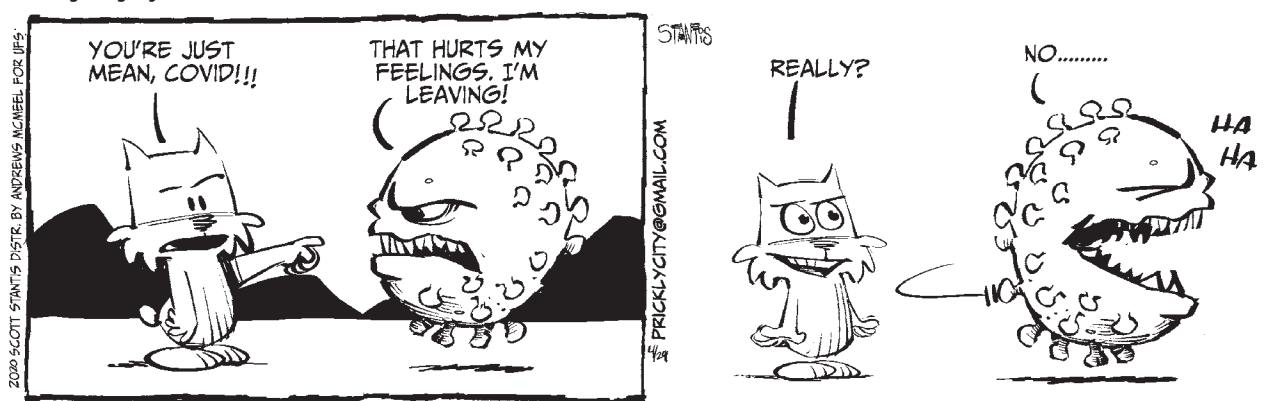
Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers



Prickly City



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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 NORMAL HIGH: 64° NORMAL LOW: 43° RECORD HIGH: 88° (1970) RECORD LOW: 31° (2008)

Wet and cool until a sunny, warmer Friday falls

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 56 **LOW** 44

■ A few a.m. sprinkles; showers become widespread in the afternoon. An isolated t-storm is possible.

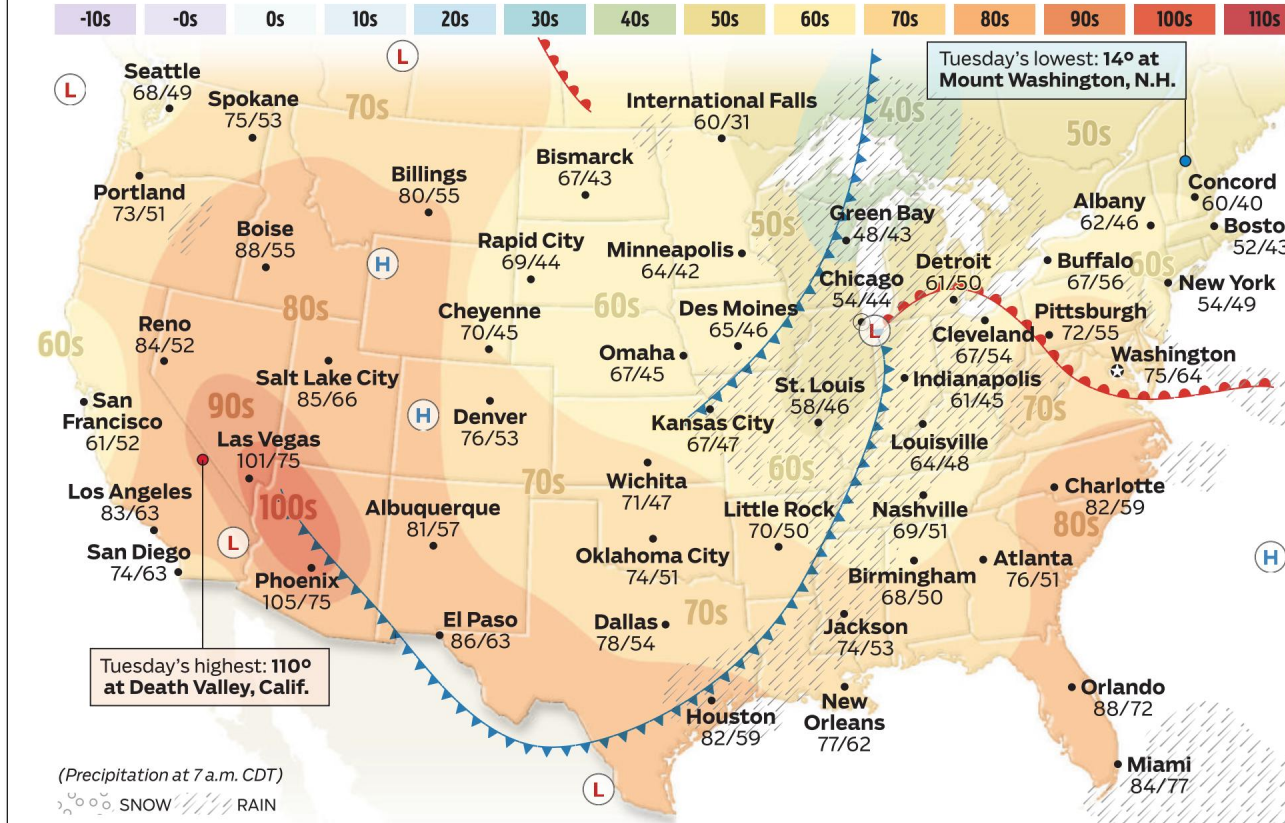
■ Extensive cloudiness, turning windy and not as mild in the afternoon. High in the mid 50s in the early afternoon, then slowly falls.

■ WSW winds turn WNW late a.m. Gusty afternoon winds 15-25 mph. Small craft advisory afternoon and evening. Gale warning Wednesday afternoon through Thurs. afternoon.

■ Evening showers continue into overnight but diminish.

■ Strong nighttime winds turn NW 16-32 mph.

NATIONAL FORECAST



A slow moving system will keep the area cool and wet today and Thursday. An isolated thunderstorm is a possibility today. Strong northwesterly winds will keep temperatures in the mid 50s today and tomorrow, about 10 degrees below normal for the end of April. Strong winds will produce high waves on Lake Michigan creating erosion concerns. Waves up to 12 feet are possible late this afternoon and this evening. The pattern will break Friday as high pressure helps bring sun and warmer temperatures. Saturday will provide a significant warmup to the mid 70 and some welcome sun, followed by much cooler temperatures for Sunday through Tuesday.

The high temperature reached 75 at O'Hare Airport on Tuesday, making it the second warmest day of 2020. The highest temperature of 2020 was 80 on April 7.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

HIGH 54 **LOW** 42

Mostly cloudy, quite windy. Morning showers diminish to sprinkles in the afternoon. NW winds gusting to 40 mph. Cool for late April with a high in the mid 50s. Skies begin clearing by late afternoon. N winds diminish overnight.

FRIDAY, MAY 1

HIGH 64 **LOW** 46

High pressure brings mostly sunny skies and milder temps for the first day of May. High near the normal of 65 but cooler near the lake. N winds 10-15 mph turn NE and weaken by late afternoon. Clouds increase overnight.

SATURDAY, MAY 2

HIGH 74 **LOW** 51

Partly sunny and much warmer with a high in the mid 70s, nearly 10 degrees above normal. SW winds 10-15 mph help warm afternoon temps. Partly cloudy overnight. Winds diminish and turn W then NW overnight.

SUNDAY, MAY 3

HIGH 60 **LOW** 46

Mostly cloudy. Morning showers may extend into early afternoon. High near 60 but cooler lakeside. N winds 10-15 mph in the afternoon continue into the overnight. Slight chance of light overnight rain.

MONDAY, MAY 4

HIGH 58 **LOW** 40

Some morning sun but clouds increase as the day progresses. NNE winds 10-15 mph. Cooler with a high in the upper 50s but cooler at the lake. Slight chance of a scattered shower. Mostly cloudy and cool overnight.

TUESDAY, MAY 5

HIGH 53 **LOW** 41

Mostly cloudy. Rain chances increase by afternoon. Cooler with breezy winds off the lake. High in the low 50s. Cloudy with rain likely overnight. Continued cool with a low in the low 40s.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during the day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
As we head into the 2020 warm season, how long has it been since the city reached a triple-digit temperature? Thanks.

Mike C., Olympia Fields

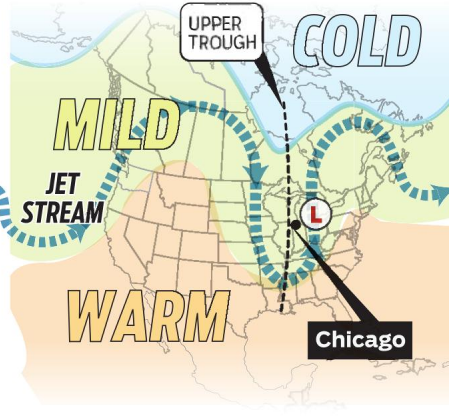
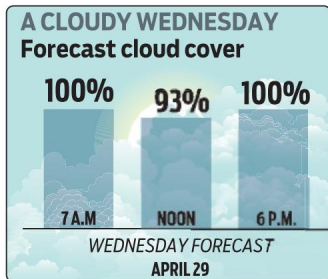
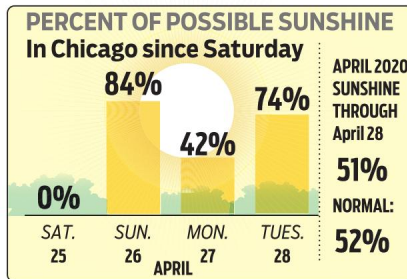
Dear Mike,
It's been quite a while. The city's last official 100-degree temperature was logged nearly eight years ago on July 6, 2012, one of four that summer-100 on June 28 followed by a three-day holiday run with 102 on July 4, and back-to-back highs of 103 on July 5-6. Since 2012, the city's highest reading has been a pair of 97-degree highs in 2018 on May 27 and August 4. In fact, the only other triple-digit high this century was 102, recorded on July 24, 2005. Dating to 1871, the city has logged just 65 triple-digit readings with the all-time record high of 105 reached in the 1930s Dust Bowl era on July 24, 1934.

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Clouds dominate Wednesday; April temps to end cool

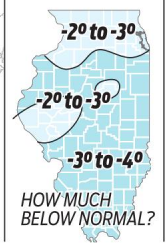
WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY
"Vertically-stacked" storm system
Center line of the upper low pressure trough is almost directly overhead of the surface low center results in very slow eastward movement of the low pressure system - skies slow to clear with remnant showers Wednesday/Wed. night over Chicago.



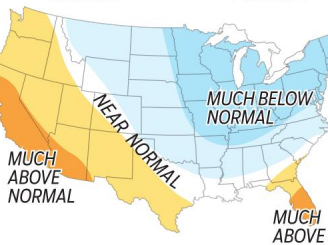
SEVERE WEATHER
Wednesday a.m. to Thursday a.m.
Marginal Risk
Slight Risk



APRIL 2020
Illinois temp to end below normal



TEMPERATURE OUTLOOK
May 4-8 forecast: After a warm Saturday (May 2) temps to cool



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MIDWEST CITIES				OTHER U.S. CITIES				WORLD CITIES							
WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	WEDNESDAY	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	ts	62	47	pc	67	44		Albany	su	80	52	su	89	64	
Carbondale	sh	57	43	sh	67	44		Albuquerque	su	81	57	su	89	61	
Champaign	sh	57	43	sh	60	41		Albany	su	80	52	su	89	64	
Decatur	sh	56	45	sh	63	42		Amarillo	su	76	48	su	91	65	
Moline	sh	55	44	sh	67	42		Anchorage	su	50	33	su	49	35	
Peoria	sh	55	43	sh	64	42		Asheville	ts	70	47	pc	60	42	
Quincy	sh	54	45	sh	69	45		Aspen	su	68	42	pc	72	42	
Rockford	sh	54	44	sh	61	43		Atlanta	su	76	51	su	64	48	
Springfield	sh	56	44	sh	65	43		Atlanta City	pc	56	53	su	62	54	
Sterling	sh	53	44	sh	63	40		Austin	pc	66	55	su	87	60	
								Baltimore	pc	70	61	su	86	57	
								Birmingham	pc	80	55	su	77	49	
								Bismarck	pc	67	43	sh	76	51	
								Boise	pc	88	55	su	70	45	
								Boston	pc	52	43	sh	54	49	
								Brownsville	pc	94	71	su	87	64	
								Buffalo	sh	67	56	su	80	64	
								Burlington	sh	67	56	su	80	64	
								Charlottesville	pc	76	67	su	71	56	
								Charlotte	pc	82	59	su	71	59	
								Charlottesville	sh	79	52	sh	81	66	
								Chattanooga	sh	67	50	sh	64	46	
								Cheyenne	su	70	45	su	81	51	
								Cincinnati	su	64	47	sh	52	42	
								Cleveland	sh	67	54	sh	57	46	
								Colorado Spgs	su	72	46	su	85	56	
								Columbia MO	su	55	45	su	71	45	
								Columbia SC	pc	83	61	su	72	52	
								Columbus	pc	65	51	sh	54	42	
								Concord	pc	60	40	sh	50	46	
								Corpus Christi	pc	83	64	su	84	66	
								Dallas	su	78	54	su	84	61	
								Daytona Bch	pc	83	70	su	77	56	
								Denver	su	75	53	su	87	58	
								Des Moines	pc	69	46	su	71	47	
								Dubuque	sh	56	44	su	65	41	
								El Paso	su	86	63	su	95	68	
								Fairbanks	pc	39	22	su	43	26	
								Fargo	pc	64	38	su	62	52	
								Flagstaff	su	80	45	su	67	53	
								Fort Myers	su	90	73	su	83	63	
								Fort Smith	pc	71	48	su	75	50	
								Fresno	pc	94	62	su	90	60	
								Grand Junc.	su	83	54	su	88	56	
								Great Falls	pc	79	55	su	74	45	
								Harrisburg	pc	66	57	su	84	54	
								Hartford	pc	59	45	su	57	55	
								Helena	pc	81	54	su	70	42	
								Honolulu	pc	82	72	su	83	72	
								Houston	pc	82	59	su	84	61	
								Int'l Falls	pc	60	31	su	66	45	
								Jackson	su	74	53	su	74	51	
								Jacksonville	pc	86	69	su	80	59	
								Janeau	pc	87	40	su	77	47	
								Kansas City	pc	67	47	su	74	52	
								Las Vegas	pc	101	75	su	93	69	
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								Los Angeles	pc	83	63	su	80	63	
								Louisville	pc	64	48	su	56	44	
								Macon	ts	83	54	su	70	47	
								Memphis	sh	70	51	su	74	51	
								Miami	pc	84	77	su	84	68	
								Minneapolis	pc	64	42	su	68	47	
								Mobile	ts	77	57	su	77	54	
								Montgomery	ts	74	52	su	70	48	
								Nashville	ts	69	51	su	65	47	
								New Orleans	ts	77	62	su	79	61	
								New York	sh	54	49	su	61	56	
								Norfolk	pc	81	64	su	72	57	
								Oklahoma City	pc	74	51	su	83	61	
								Omaha	pc	67	45	su	73	54	
								Orlando	pc	88	72	su	78	60	
								Palm Beach	pc	84	74	su	87	64	
								Palm Springs	pc	106	76	su	102	73	
								Philadelphia	pc	62	54	su	67	57	
								Phoenix	su	105	75	su	105	75	
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Coronavirus pandemic creates suicide risk

Experts worried
aftereffects could
linger for years

BY KATE THAYER

After years of a steady climb in suicide deaths, prevention advocates worry there could be a mental health fallout from the coronavirus pandemic for years to come.

Consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic are also risk factors for suicide, experts say, including prolonged isolation, a down economy with massive job losses, and an uptick in domestic violence.

That could lead to more suicides in the coming months, or even

years, said Jonathan Singer, associate professor of social work at Loyola University Chicago and president of the Washington, D.C.-based American Association of Suicidology.

"We've never been through this before, so we don't actually know, but there are things that concern me," he said, adding that studies show much of what the public is experiencing correlates with higher suicide death rates.

And studies also show that when a parent dies by suicide, children's risk also increases, Singer added. "So, this could last years."

The U.S. is already experiencing a tragic trend when it comes to suicide. From 1999 through 2018, the most recent year available, suicide rates in-

creased by 35%, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, making it the 10th leading cause of death in the U.S.

Yet mental health supports and funding for research continue to lag, Singer said.

In an article published earlier this month in JAMA, "Suicide Mortality and Coronavirus Disease 2019 — A Perfect Storm?" researchers call for prevention interventions for suicide to coincide with the unprecedented public health actions like stay-at-home orders put in place to fight the virus.

Along with social isolation and financial woes, the paper points to the lack of access to religious and community supports and overall barriers to mental health treatment in a time when in-



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Jonathan Singer, a Loyola professor and an expert on suicide.

person visits are prohibited and hospitals have restrictions.

Adding to those risk factors are reports that Americans have been buying up guns and ammunition as the pandemic heightened, according to the paper. (Firearms

are the most common method of suicide.) In Illinois, state police received a record number of background check requests to buy firearms in March — most occurring during the second half of the month as concerns about the virus grew and quarantine measures intensified.

And medical professionals are also at risk, the JAMA report states. Physicians already are at a higher risk for suicide, and during the pandemic, they're in even more stressful situations as they treat patients and worry about infecting themselves and their families.

Prevention efforts could include a ramp-up of teletherapy, as well as community support that

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Potato pancakes are often topped with applesauce and sour cream. Large potato pancakes can be cut into wedges.

A purpose for potatoes

If you have a stockpile, make savory pancakes



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Prep School

Merriam-Webster defines the potato pancake as a "lobe-finned fish known chiefly from Paleozoic and Mesozoic fossils."

Sorry. That's a coelacanth.

Regardless, while both the potato pancake and the coelacanth go great with sour cream and applesauce, that's where the similarities end. In fact, I'm not even sure why we're talking about coelacanths in the first place. This is a family newspaper, for the love of Mike.

Potato pancakes, on the other hand ...

Why you need to learn this

Well, taters are totally tasty and a whole heap cheaper than those 50,000-piece jigsaw puzzles you've been stockpiling of late. And speaking of stockpiling, I noticed that 20-pound sack of russets in the background of your latest livestreamed video rant.

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Before they spontaneously turn into vodka, why not get the whole family involved and rustle up some potato pancakes. What with all the peeling, the grating, bandaging the cuts and cursing the darkness, there's a job for everyone.

The steps you take

Most of you already know potatoes. Perhaps, like me, you're of good Irish stock with a nurtured if not natural predilection for the starchy tuber embedded deep in your psyche. On the other hand, perhaps you hail from a potato-free culture, like the Moonish or the Zombians. In which case, listen up:

Like you and me, potatoes are composed primarily of water and covered in a thin skin. Unlike us, though, with our bone and blood and grotty bits,

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Recycling paint is half the mission

Nonprofit also hires those with special needs

BY DARCEL ROCKETT

Matt Molenkamp, 24, had been looking for work for a year before Earth Paint came into his life.

"Having a disability and getting employed can be hard," said the Wood Dale resident, who has cerebral palsy.

But Christopher McCarthy, Earth Paint founder, offered him a job, and since he began work in August, life is "awesome," according to Molenkamp.

"I'm learning something new, as I go every day," he said. "My dad is a carpenter, and because of having a disability, I didn't see myself doing labor work, but now I come home every day covered in paint. I absolutely love what I do."

Molenkamp is part of the team at Earth Paint, a Wood Dale-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to recycle and sell paint and to create employment opportunities for people with special needs. The organization began six years ago after McCarthy saw a void when he was painting structures in Palatine's Little City, which serves the special-needs population.

"I was working in real estate and running a paint contracting company, and those two had one thing in common, which was every single one of my customers wanted me to get rid of all of the old paint that they had," said McCarthy, a Delavan, Wisconsin, native. "I started to collect cans of paint and keep them in my basement, and I also was working with some special-needs organizations, and one of them — the Little City Foundation — said: Hey, we have a lot of people that are capable of working. Are there any jobs they can do with you to try to create some employment?"

McCarthy asked for help recycling 300 cans of paint.



Wood Dale resident Matt Molenkamp works at the Earth Paint nonprofit in Wood Dale on April 20.



Earth Paint founder Christopher McCarthy recycles paint at his nonprofit company in Wood Dale.

With two people from Little City, the cans were processed in a couple of hours. Impressed with their work ethic, McCarthy created more employment opportunities for the special-needs population. Last year, he had 19 special-needs employees working on recycling paint as well as paint containers. People drop off their unused paint at a charge of \$5 a gallon, the contents get sorted by a variety of criteria (brands,

sheens, colors, interior or exterior, water-based, etc.), and new paint is produced and sold at \$25 a gallon in a variety of colors.

"We are half, if not two-thirds, cheaper than our direct chemically equivalent competition," McCarthy said. "We have more than 31,000 gallons of paint in our 5,000-square-foot building right now, and more will come. Every single container we get gets stirred, checked and pre-

screened with filters into containers, and once containers are more than half-way full, we test for chemistry, quality and color. For the last quarter of the container, we can control what color the paint is going to end up being, so we will make it into something that is super neutral that we know is trendy."

McCarthy said all the money goes back into the organization to pay workers. Until coronavirus closed nonessential businesses, McCarthy said, Earth Paint was selling 500 gallons of paint at nine locations in Chicagoland, including a number of Habitat for Humanity ReStores, Rebuilding Exchange and an Ace Hardware in Elgin.

Because it's a new product made from other paints that are used as a base, McCarthy says, Earth Paint offers better coverage with one coat. Earth Paint is a fully functioning paint store with tinting equipment; the only difference is that Earth Paint needs to add less colorant — and therefore fewer volatile organic

compounds — than other stores because its paints already have color in them.

"Basically we're putting everything together and coming up with something that covers better, dries faster and is more washable," he said. "Paint is typically 80% to 90% water, and our paints might be 70% water, thus we end up with thicker paint that covers better. Sustainability means that we use less resources to make our product, and we use 90% less resources than new paint manufacturers use to make new paint."

McCarthy says he wants to spend the rest of his life helping Earth Paint evolve. During the pandemic, McCarthy is not averse to delivering paint to customers, and since schools are out for the rest of the school year, Earth Paint is offering 2 gallons of paint for free to schools for each gallon they purchase for \$29.99.

This Easter, Earth Paint worked with the Center of Itasca on the Stained Glass Project to provide free paint kits to community

members who wanted to celebrate the holiday by painting windows of their home. A total of 270 kits were given out, said the Rev. Bob Butler.

"Chris' heart goes beyond paint; it goes to people," Butler said. "So when somebody asks me about Earth Paint, I say it's one of the greatest ideas to come around, and more people need to be aware of it. ... The idea is right for a time like this. The smallest thing can become something so cool."

"It really takes conscious thought to make recycling a more effective reality, McCarthy said. "We are controlling the paint part of recycling, but we have no control over what you do with all the rest of your products. Think of us when it comes to paint and where this product is going to end up even before you buy it. Don't be afraid to give us a shot, and you will be exceedingly happy with the quality and longevity of it and you can feel really good that it's a green product and we are giving back everything we can to the community."

Molenkamp is one semester away from completing his teaching degree in physical education at Illinois State University, but he said that even when he starts teaching with his degree, Earth Paint will be a part of his life. McCarthy said he can see Molenkamp managing a different location if and when Earth Paint expands.

"I'm planning to finish my degree, but Earth Paint is always going to be something that I will be a part of because I believe in it so much," Molenkamp said. "The guys who work here are a family. They believe in me, and it's just a great environment to be in. What we're doing here is we're trying to take care of the planet and do our best. My goal in life has always been to make a difference and help people and I feel like I can do that being here."

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Tips to avoid foggy glasses while wearing a face mask

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The world has been forced to make lifestyle changes large and small during the COVID-19 pandemic. So where do foggy eyeglasses fit in?

Since the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention began recommending that folks wear cloth face masks in public places, people with glasses have learned the hard way that these masks cause their glasses to fog up just about every time they exhale. While not a major issue, it's quite annoying.

Luckily for the bespectacled among us, there are ways to prevent condensation on your glasses while still following the CDC's

guidelines. Here are a few methods to help you maintain a clear view while wearing glasses and a face mask.

Soap and water: Doctors were on the front lines of this innovation long before the coronavirus pandemic as they wear face masks every day. They figured it out and codified this technique in a 2011 study published in the *Annals of the Royal College of Surgeons of England*.

"Immediately before wearing a face mask, wash the spectacles with soapy water and shake off the excess," the study recommends. "Then let the spectacles air dry or gently dry off the lenses with a soft tissue before putting them

back on. Now the spectacle lenses should not mist up when the face mask is worn."

The soapy water creates a "thin surfactant film" that temporarily prevents the surface tension that causes glasses to fog up from the breaths directed upward by face masks, according to the study. It's not a permanent solution, however, and must be repeated a few times a day. Woodworkers who have to wear safety goggles with dust masks have found that shaving cream is also effective in preventing condensation on glasses.

Anti-fog spray: Some chemical sprays stop moisture from collecting on your glasses. Competitive

swimmers sometimes use similar sprays to prevent foggy goggles in the middle of a race.

Like soap and water, these sprays are designed to keep condensation from sticking to lenses. *Environmental Design and Construction Magazine* recently put together a handy list of the best anti-fog sprays.

But be careful before putting chemicals near your eyes. Defogging your glasses isn't worth causing irritations.

A flexible 'nose': Some masks come with a metal nose clip that allows the wearer to limit the amount of moisture that comes in or out of the mask. If you're sewing homemade

masks, you can use flexible objects like bobby pins, paper clips or pipe cleaners to create a fitted "nose." It's worth mentioning that they should be fastened tightly to ensure they don't come out and scratch your face.

Fold down part of the mask: Though this sounds like the easiest way to mitigate the problem, it's not as simple as it sounds. Folding down the top quarter of a face mask provides extra space for your breath to escape before it hits your glasses. This method is championed by the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Department and has gained traction through YouTube tutorials like one from C

Channel.

Keep in mind, though, that this doesn't work in masks containing metal noses, and more importantly, it reduces the area covered by the mask.

Folded tissues: That same C Channel video also teaches us another way to keep glasses from fogging: folding a tissue into a rectangle and connecting it to the mask so it stays on the bridge of your nose. The tissue blocks and absorbs some of the moisture escaping the mask to keep lenses clear.

Keeping the tissue in place can be tricky, and it's vital to get it right the first time so you're not constantly touching your face to adjust it.

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can be done in a safe, remote way.

Singer noted that sessions with a counselor over the phone or by video chat or even text offer the same level of support as face-to-face visits. But even though most therapists are offering phone or video sessions, barriers remain, he said. Not everyone has access to the proper technology, and many insurance companies don't cover phone sessions as they do in-person visits, Singer said, even if some have temporarily lifted such restrictions during the pandemic.

Singer said he hopes the pandemic will highlight barriers to care, like issues with telehealth, as well as broader problems when it comes to prioritizing mental health.

Recognizing the possible

increased threat posed by the pandemic, the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline has reframed its #Bethe1To campaign to include suggestions for people who want to help a loved one they believe is at risk for suicide during the pandemic. Suggestions include ways to talk to someone about the risk, even if they can't physically be with their loved one, and ways to find help and follow up, said Christian Burgess, director of the Disaster Distress Helpline, an offshoot of the lifeline. Both are federally funded and overseen by New York-based Vibrant Emotional Health.

"Even if you're not with family members or loved ones physically, you can still do these things," Burgess said.

While the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, which includes a series of crisis hotlines and text lines across the country, has not

seen an increase in calls of late, Burgess said it's not unusual in a disaster situation for such fallout to come later.

"When you start to get into long-term recovery, several weeks or even months (after a disaster), that's when you start to see risk of suicidality increase," he said.

The Disaster Distress Helpline, which offers a variety of mental health supports to those suffering due to a specific disaster, saw a 338% increase in calls last month compared with the previous month, Burgess said, and a 900% increase over March 2019.

But Burgess also noted the coronavirus pandemic is the first-of-its kind disaster since the lifeline was created in 2012. And its calls cover more than suicide concerns. The lifeline is meant to help those experiencing mental health symptoms stemming from natural or human disasters,

like hurricanes or mass shootings. Typically, Burgess said, those are more localized, affecting a certain group of people.

The current pandemic, however, has national and even worldwide reach, he said.

At the DuPage County Health Department, which runs crisis lines, including one associated with the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, Executive Director Karen Ayala said calls have increased overall, but those specifically pathed to the suicide lifeline have held steady.

But anecdotally Ayala has heard that callers to both lines are worried about COVID-19. And, "if it's not COVID, it's the stress and concern over finances and the fallout from COVID on people's minds."

To help continue their work, Ayala said counselors who answer calls, considered essential workers, moved out of their small

space and are now spread out throughout offices in an unused wing of the building.

A recent national survey of crisis lines and other supports for suicide prevention showed the pandemic is having an impact on how they do their jobs.

The report, released by Michigan-based TBD Solutions LLC in conjunction with mental health organizations like the American Association of Suicidology, was compiled after surveying more than 350 crisis providers, including mobile crisis teams, residential programs and call centers.

Travis Atkinson, crisis systems consultant at TBD Solutions, said these supports are essential in reaching those at risk for suicide and other serious mental health problems before they need hospitalization — an especially important goal during a national pandemic.

"You don't want a psych

crisis in the ER right now," he said.

The survey found that for crisis call centers who responded, nearly half lacked supplies to protect their employees, and 45% reported their workforce felt "overwhelmed" due to increased referrals.

Atkinson also said this pandemic is likely to bring out more similarities among those calling the crisis lines and those answering the phones.

"This is unprecedented," he said, "to have all of the helpers likely being impacted the same as those who are calling."

"Crisis work is not for the faint of heart, but this is a whole new level."

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is 800-273-TALK (8255), and the Disaster Distress Helpline is 800-985-5990.

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HEALTH

Laid off?

Health insurance options exist if you have lost your workplace plan

BY CARLA FRIED
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Compounding the financial stress of losing income when you're laid off is the fact that your enrollment in your workplace health insurance plan will either end or require you to pay a whole lot more to stay on it.

To state the obvious, going without health insurance is never advised, but in the midst of a pandemic it is especially unwise.

If laid off, you have two options: In some instances, you may have the right to stay on your old employer's plan for up to 18 months, but the entire cost will be on your back, as your employer will likely no longer pay any portion of your premium. This is COBRA. (You may also be eligible for COBRA if your hours are reduced so much that you're no longer eligible for the insurance offered to full-time employees.)

The other option: Buy a policy through the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) marketplace. An ACA plan may be more affordable; if your household income has dropped, you may find that you qualify for subsidies.

Here's what you need to know about both options.

COBRA

By federal law, COBRA allows you to stay on the group insurance plan if in the last calendar year, the company had at least 20 full-time employees for at least half of the year. If you are eligible for COBRA coverage, you generally can stay on the plan for up to 18 months.

If your company had fewer than 20 full-time employees, you may still be covered by federal COBRA, based on how many part-time employees the company had. And if you aren't eligible for extended coverage federal COBRA, you may be eligible under your state's COBRA law. For instance, California's COBRA law entitles employees laid off from companies with two to 19 employees to keep their coverage for up to 36 months.

COBRA comes at a cost. Most employers pay a big chunk of the monthly premium for their workers. According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, employers in 2019, on average, paid more than 80% of the premium for individual coverage, and 70% for employees with family coverage. That employer subsidy ends when you're laid off.

If you want to stay in that group plan, you will typically be required to pay 100% of the premium: nearly \$7,200 for an individual and around \$20,600 for family coverage last year, on average, according to Kaiser.

If you are covered by

COBRA, you have up to 60 days from the date of the layoff (or when you receive notice of the COBRA option) to enroll.

Purchasing an ACA plan

Open enrollment for ACA plans is in November through mid-December. However, losing employer coverage in a layoff is a qualifying life event, meaning you are eligible to buy insurance through the ACA marketplace for the current year. You can do this online. Some states have their own website. Others use the federal online marketplace. Start at healthcare.gov.

You will be approved for coverage regardless of any preexisting conditions. This is a centerpiece of Obamacare.

If your household is dealing with reduced income, it raises the likelihood that you may qualify for help paying your monthly ACA premium. Your household modified adjusted gross income can be no more than four times the annual poverty rate, based on the size of your household. For one person, the 2020 cutoff is \$51,400 in the continental U.S. (It's higher in Alaska and Hawaii.) For a four-person household, the income cutoff to be eligible for a subsidy is \$104,800. Subsidies are larger for lower-income households.

The nonprofit (and nonpartisan) Kaiser Family Foundation has a free online calculator that will give you a fast estimate of whether you qualify for ACA subsidies.

There are a variety of coverage levels for ACA plans. Bronze typically carries the lowest premium, but it also has a higher deductible. Silver plans have a higher premium cost but lower deductibles. Gold covers the most, but at a higher premium. Whichever website you are directed to for your state's ACA plans, you can do side-by-side comparisons.

Some plans are PPOs, others HMOs, and you also likely have the option of choosing a high-deductible health plan (HDHP).

An HDHP health plan can be tempting. The premium is typically lower. But be careful; this only makes sense if you have the savings to cover your potential annual deductible, and you can also handle the maximum annual out-of-pocket costs.

Specific doctors you want to continue to work with? Contact that practice and confirm they accept the plan you're looking at. Do not rely on any online data from the insurance website listing doctors in the network. They are notoriously unreliable. If a doctor does not accept a plan, ask for referrals and



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One of the greatest challenges after being laid off is continuing your health insurance coverage.

check with those doctors. Ultimately, you need to decide if you're comfortable moving to a new doctor or not.

If you have continued to

carry an adult child on your workplace plan, being laid off requires a family rethink. Though the law requires that you be allowed to carry a child on

your workplace or ACA plan until the child turns 26, it's time to have them stand on their own financial feet. If they are working, they will be able to

qualify for ACA coverage (and at a lower premium than you, given how young they are). It's also likely they will qualify for subsidies.

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Several vaccines that are important for older adults aren't live vaccines and carry no risk beyond what occurs in those with healthy immune systems.

Q&A

Vaccines vital for those with suppressed immune systems

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Q: I am 72 and take a drug for rheumatoid arthritis that suppresses my immune system. I'm scheduled to receive a vaccine later this year. Is it safe for me to receive this vaccine?

A: Appropriate and timely vaccines are important for anyone with a suppressed immune system. That's because a suppressed immune system increases your vulnerability to infections, including those that vaccines can prevent. However, vaccine selection for a person with immune suppression is a nuanced topic.

It's important to have a detailed discussion with your health care provider, as the choices are individualized based on your circumstances. Many diseases and disease treatments can suppress the immune system. These include cancer and chemotherapy; drugs for autoimmune diseases, such as rheuma-

toid arthritis, psoriasis or inflammatory bowel disease; drugs given after organ transplant; and corticosteroids, which are used for various problems.

It's possible that vaccines with live viral or bacterial elements could cause an infection in people with suppressed immune systems. Therefore, these vaccines are avoided for people with severe immune suppression. However, select live vaccines sometimes can be safely used in people with milder immune suppression.

Thankfully, several vaccines that are important for older adults — such as the annual flu vaccine and the pneumococcal vaccine — aren't live vaccines and have no risk beyond what occurs in those with healthy immune systems.

Depending on the severity of your immune suppression, your immune system might not fully respond to the vaccine, providing only partial or

limited protection against infection. However, partial protection likely will be considered better than none. Also, some vaccines have the option of a stronger dose to boost effectiveness.

In addition, there may be periods of time when your immune function is less suppressed. Vaccine administration can be scheduled for these times for increased effectiveness.

Talk with your health care provider about your concerns. He or she likely will consider the safety, effectiveness and appropriate timing of the vaccinations before making a recommendation for your situation.

— *Priya Sampathkumar, M.D., Infectious Diseases, Mayo Clinic, Rochester, Minnesota*

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PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Reader says eating raisins before bed aided sleep

BY JOE GRAEDON AND TERESA GRAEDON
King Features Syndicate

Q: I read about eating raisins to keep from getting up during the night for trips to the bathroom. I eat 1/4 cup of raisins a few hours before retiring and it works for me.

I used to twist and turn half of the night. Since I started eating raisins, I now fall asleep easier and sleep through the night. Instead of getting four and a half to five hours of sleep, I now get seven or eight hours a night.

A: We are delighted to hear that you have benefited from this home remedy. Brush your teeth after munching the raisins so they don't contribute to tooth decay.

We learned about this interesting approach from readers rather than from the medical literature. Others have reported a similar benefit from eating beets or beet soup in the evening.

Q: Our daughter told us about taking elderberry extract. In fact, she brought us a bottle of the syrup. We've all been taking 2 tablespoons once per day.

She came down with the flu this winter and was running a fever of 100.3. She continued taking the elderberry extract and recovered completely in three days. She didn't see the doctor, but it sure looked like she had the flu. We will all continue to take it daily, especially in these uncertain times.

A: Many readers have asked about elderberry to treat viral infections. Only a handful of clinical trials have examined its use for influenza or other viruses.



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One meta-analysis found that black elderberry extract can "substantially reduce upper respiratory symptoms" (Complementary Therapies in Medicine, February 2019). Another study found that air travelers taking placebo had more colds and suffered longer with cold symptoms than those randomized to take elderberry extract (Nutrients, March 24, 2016).

However, a review found that there are too few studies comparing elderberry with standard antiviral medications (Phytotherapy Research, April 2017). Needless to say, no one has had a chance to study elderberry extract as a treatment for COVID-19, so we do not know whether it would be helpful or harmful.

Q: Three years ago, I developed a lung infection. The pulmonologist prescribed a short course of prednisone without any mention of side effects, which I promptly developed. Since I couldn't get any answers from him or my primary care physician, I stopped taking the drug. Last year the infection came back. The symptoms had me worried about a heart attack. The emergency room and the pulmonologist put me on an aggressive tapered

course of prednisone. but didn't talk about side effects. I experienced dry mouth, frequent urination, blurry vision, dizziness, constipation and mouth sores. After 15 days of this I went back to the emergency room. They apologized for not telling me that the prednisone would raise my blood sugar, which was at 605 when they checked. They administered insulin and showed me how to use it for the rest of the prednisone course. Let others know that prednisone can raise blood sugar!

A: Your blood sugar was critically high. Thank goodness you received emergency treatment.

You are correct that prednisone and other corticosteroids can raise blood sugar. Even inhaled steroids can have this effect (Diabetes, Obesity & Metabolism, online, April 1, 2020).

Dozens of other drugs, including statins and diuretics, can also interfere with blood glucose control. Physicians should alert patients to the possibility that a medication could raise blood glucose when they prescribe it.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.



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HEALTH

Feeling down? Anxious? Hostile?

A 4-day-a-week exercise regimen may help

BY GRETCHEN REYNOLDS
The New York Times

During these trying times, exercise could provide indispensable mental health support for many of us, according to a new study. The study finds that among a generally healthy but sedentary group of adults in their 20s, 30s and 40s, working out lowers levels of depression, hostility and other negative feelings.

The study also finds that the mood benefits of exercise can linger for weeks after people stop working out, offering another compelling reason for us to try to move, whenever and wherever we still can, during this coronavirus crisis.

There is plenty of evidence, of course, that physical activity affects mental health. In earlier studies, regular exercise substantially reduces risks for clinical depression among people with a genetic predisposition to the condition and helps to treat serious depression if it develops. Likewise, regular exercise often alleviates the severity of anxiety disorders, other research shows.

But those studies generally involved people with serious clinical conditions. In people without mood disorders, exercise research has been squishier.

Epidemiological studies show associations between physical activity and lower levels of depression, anxiety, hostility and other bad moods. But those studies were observational, meaning they looked at people's lives and found links between regular exercise and buoyant moods. They can't tell us whether the

exercise actually causes people to feel cheerful and resilient, only that active people tend also to be relatively happy people.

So, for the new study, which was published this month in *Health Psychology*, researchers at Columbia University Medical Center in New York City and other institutions decided to mount one of the first experiments to test the effects of an exercise regimen on the mental health of generally healthy, although inactive, people. They hoped to see, in effect, whether people in generally good mental health — without a history of depression, anxiety or other mood disorders — could become even better adjusted and happier if they started to exercise.

The scientists began by recruiting 119 sedentary adults, age 20 to 45, without any known mental health problems. The scientists invited them to the lab, where they confirmed the healthy state of their mental health with a series of questionnaires designed to measure people's current levels of depression, anxiety, hostility and anger.

The researchers then randomly assigned the volunteers to two groups. One continued their normal lives and served as a control group. The others began exercising four times a week at the lab.

Their exercise program was a standard moderate aerobic routine. They walked or jogged on treadmills or rode a stationary bicycle for about 35 minutes at a pace that left them somewhat breathless.

This routine continued for three months. Then, both groups of volunteers returned to the lab to re-



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People exercise in the outdoor common space of a condominium. A study shows working out lowers levels of depression and other negative feelings among generally healthy adults.

peat the mood questionnaires, and the members of the exercise group were asked to stop working out and resume their former inactivity for a month.

"Most of them didn't much want to quit," says Richard P. Sloan, a professor of behavioral medicine at Columbia who oversaw the new study. The exercising group had learned to enjoy the exercise, he says.

But they complied and avoided workouts for a month. Then everyone completed the mood questionnaires a final time, and the scientists checked for changes over the four months.

As expected, they found that all 119 men and women had begun the experiment with sturdy mental health. Their scores showed them to be well-adjusted and

joyful, with particularly low scores on anxiety.

But the group that exercised had managed to bump down their already low numbers. After three months of working out, their overall scores on the depression scale fell by about 35%, a significant difference from the control group, whose depression scores had barely budged. Hostility levels in the exercise group also plummeted. Declines in anxiety and anger were slighter, but the researchers think their volunteers began with such low levels of those feelings, they realistically could not fall much further.

The mood improvements also lingered. Even after a month of inactivity, the former exercisers showed healthier scores for depression and hostility

than the control group, although their numbers were starting to return to where they had been at the start. Overall, the results suggest that "exercise has real benefits for mood," even if our moods are not dour or surly to start with, says Kathleen McIntyre, an instructor in psychiatric social work who led the study.

The study did not examine how exercise might elevate our moods. But McIntyre speculates that the effects are likely to involve both physiology and psychology, with exercise altering various biological pathways related to affect and emotions, while also making exercisers feel more empowered.

The study also looked only at moderate aerobic exercise and involved only

adults without any known disabilities or illnesses.

But the findings still have obvious relevance now, when so many of us are feeling overwhelmed by the pandemic and its potential effects on our money, mortality, family, friends and futures.

"This study reminds us that we have this coping tool available to us," McIntyre says. "If you can get outside and walk or hike or run safely, it should help with the negative feelings that just about everyone is experiencing right now."

And if outdoor activities seem unwise where you are, substitute online exercise classes, she says, or bounce around the living room with your children. "Whatever physical activity you can manage is great," she says.



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HEALTH

Food allergies amplify families' grocery woes

BY ERIC ATHAS
The New York Times

Like many Americans these days, Lisa Delmont is kept up at night by worry. But for Delmont, it's the empty grocery store shelves that bring on dread.

Her son, Benjamin, 2, is severely allergic to milk, eggs, cashews, pistachios and bananas, so she has to be judicious about the items she brings home. Exposure to the wrong food could send Benjamin into anaphylactic shock, something that has happened three times since he was born.

"I am way more terrified of taking him to an ER now than I've ever been," said Delmont, 35, of Jacksonville, North Carolina.

The rush to stock up on food in response to the coronavirus pandemic has put an extra strain on the millions of Americans with food allergies who were already restricted in what they can safely eat.

Delmont, a part-time registered nurse, has gone to great lengths to find products that won't cause a reaction, researching ingredients, emailing manufacturers and cooking meals from scratch. Without access to certain brands — Delmont said her local store was sold out of many foods — her options are more limited than ever.

For now, Benjamin will have to eat a lot of beans. "They might not be the most exciting of meals," Delmont said, "but they won't kill him either."

Delmont isn't the only one hunting far and wide for harmless foods.

After the pandemic began to spread in the United States, Kelley Lord, of Orlando, Florida, wasn't able to find the brand of pasta she makes for her son, Mason, 12, who is allergic to eggs. She asked a friend — who lives nearly 400 miles away in Columbus, Georgia — to check out a nearby shop. The friend found the pasta, confirmed it was the right one in a text message and shipped it to Lord.

"It's so scary when your child has an allergy because it's literally a life-or-death situation," said Lord, 50, who runs a travel agency and is herself allergic to peanuts and onions.

"You can't substitute something else."

Even before the coronavirus outbreak, grocery shopping was stressful for people with food allergies. The federal government requires companies to tell consumers when particular ingredients are used. If something is made with one of eight types of foods — milk, eggs, fish, shellfish, peanuts, wheat, soybeans



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Empty shelves, like at this Whole Foods store in New York, are a common sight as shoppers rush to stock up on food in response to the coronavirus pandemic. But the surge has put an extra strain on millions of Americans with food allergies.

and tree nuts — the company must declare it on the label.

This alerts people to potentially dangerous ingredients, but not all allergens are on that list. In addition, companies sometimes need to warn consumers about possible "cross-contact" with allergens, telling them that something "may contain" peanuts, which can create more confusion.

Alicia Ames, of Elbridge, New York, said her son, Jackson, 4, is allergic to sesame, eggs, peanuts and legumes. Sesame is not part of the Food and Drug Administration's labeling law, and its presence is sometimes hidden under obscure descriptions such as "natural flavors" or "spices."

More than 1 million children and adults are estimated to have a sesame allergy, and the FDA is considering adding it to the list of allergens that manufacturers must include on packages.

Ames bakes her own bread, but her supplies of safe flour and yeast are running low.

"Our worry is that these foods aren't going to be available, and what are we going to feed our family?" said Ames, 32, a musician.

Her unease is shared by others across the country.

Recently, Elana Zimmerman put on gloves and a mask and ventured out to many grocery stores in her neighborhood on the Upper East Side of Manhattan. She did it again the next day, and the day after that. Zimmerman, 36, has a 1-year-old daughter and 2-year-old son, both with severe allergies.

Laura Schorn, of Aurora, Colorado, has been going to stores at various times in the day, hoping to catch a break and arrive after a restock. Schorn, who has an intolerance to wheat and soy, said she has left stores crying, feeling defeated.

"My fear right now is less that I'm going to get the virus and more that if I do get it and I become quarantined, I'm not going to have enough food to get through it," said Schorn, 25, who works as a supervisor at a restaurant chain.

On a recent Sunday, Eric Payne, of Hollis, Maine, found himself staring at empty store shelves. His son, Elijah, 3, is allergic to dairy, egg, cashews and pistachios. Produce and meat were almost entirely gone. Flour was completely sold out.

"The hoarding is the concern for us," said Payne,

operations. 33, a marine biologist whose wife, Kimberly, also has food allergies. "Be mindful of others. Be mindful of the allergy kids."

Some companies that cater to people with dietary restrictions are feeling the crush of demand.

Oatly, a Swedish oat milk company that has expanded its presence in the U.S. in recent years, has seen purchase orders and requests from retailers "increase by orders of magnitude," said Mike Messersmith, the president of Oatly's North America

operations.

To meet the surge, Messersmith said, the company has made more of its products available on its website and is keeping its facility in Millville, New Jersey, running during the coronavirus crisis.

Other companies said that demand has been sharply higher than usual — including MadeGood, which specializes in granola, cookies and other foods free of several allergens, and King Arthur Flour, which makes a gluten-free flour.

Lisa Gable, the chief executive of Food Allergy Research & Education, a nonprofit organization in McLean, Virginia, is concerned about the diminishing options. She is calling on shoppers to consider those with food allergies when filling their grocery carts.

"Be aware of that as you're pulling these things off the shelves," Gable said. "The ability to substitute food is something that keeps them alive and healthy and out of emergency rooms."

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Pasta with garlicky spinach and buttered pistachios makes for an easy dinner. Serve it topped with Parmesan.

Fast spaghetti Bolognese

Makes: 4 servings **Total time:** 30 minutes

Kosher salt and black pepper

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 medium yellow onion, finely chopped

2 garlic cloves, finely chopped

½ pound ground beef (preferably 20% fat), pork or dark meat turkey

12 ounces spaghetti, pappardelle or other long pasta

¼ cup tomato paste

2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

Grated Parmesan, for serving

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high. Add onion, garlic and ½ teaspoon salt and cook, stirring often, until beginning to soften, 3 minutes. Add beef and cook, breaking up with a wooden spoon, until no longer pink, about 3 minutes.

2. Add pasta to the pot and cook according to package instructions until al dente.

3. Meanwhile, add tomato paste to skillet and cook, stirring, until darkened, about 1 minute. Add 1 cup water, Worcestershire, ½ teaspoon pepper and ½ teaspoon salt and simmer until slightly reduced, about 5 minutes.

4. Using tongs, transfer pasta directly from the pot to the skillet along with 1 cup pasta water. Increase heat to high and simmer vigorously, tossing, until sauce reduces and coats the pasta, about 2 minutes. Season to taste with salt and pepper. Serve with Parmesan.



This spaghetti Bolognese comes together in 20 minutes.

Pasta priorities: Good, fast, easy

BY DAWN PERRY
The New York Times

Some people are perfecting their laminated pastry, their sourdough boules or, at the very least, simmering through their stash of dried beans.

But some of us are re-learning multiplication tables or bouncing a baby on one hip while fielding emails with a nondominant hand. The cooking projects may call us, but they'll have to wait. Good, fast, easy: These are the priorities.

Still, pasta is a sure thing. Boil the water, cook the noodles, crack a jar and top with cheese. But that's not why you're here. You want something quick to twirl your fork around, something good and interesting.

Enter a hardworking troupe of interchangeable ingredients: Bacon or other cured pork products render a salty, punchy fat for cooking. Nuts are toasted right in olive oil for flavor and crunch. Whole grain or Dijon mustard help create a silky sauce. Worcestershire brings the funk. Butter plays base.

The only recipe in this collection that isn't loaded with vegetables — a 20-minute cheater's Bolognese — gives you just enough

Pasta with garlicky spinach and buttered pistachios

Makes: 4 servings **Total time:** 25 minutes

Kosher salt and black pepper

12 ounces mezze rigatoni or other short pasta

4 tablespoons unsalted butter

½ cup roasted salted pistachios, almonds or hazelnuts, chopped

4 garlic cloves, chopped

2 tablespoons capers, drained

12 ounces spinach, stems trimmed to 1-inch length, or Swiss chard, trimmed and chopped

Grated Parmesan, for serving

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add pasta and cook according to package instructions until al dente.

2. After pasta has been cooking for about 2 minutes, melt the butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the pistachios, garlic and capers and cook, stirring to keep the garlic from scorching, until fragrant, about 1 minute.

3. Add spinach to skillet one handful at a time, season with salt and cook, tossing, until wilted, about 1 or 2 minutes.

4. Using a slotted spoon, transfer pasta to the skillet along with ½ cup pasta water. Season with salt and pepper and cook over medium-high, tossing, until liquid reduces and coats the pasta, 2 to 3 minutes; season with salt and pepper. Serve topped with Parmesan.

time to whip together a side of roasted broccoli (450 degrees, olive oil, salt and pepper).

Most of the recipes here clock in around 15 minutes

of active time, that is, actual hands-moving, stirring, tossing, pay attention time. With distractions — kids, email, the headlines — they'll realistically be done

in about 30. They require some chopping but not a ton. They all come together using just two burners on the stove, one big pot and a large skillet.

The goal of these recipes is to maximize your inactive time. In the case of pasta, that means using the time it takes for the noodles to cook, about six to 12 minutes, to make your sauce. Suggested pasta cooking times will vary by brand. These recipes offer a ballpark range but refer to the box or bag for the best results.

As soon as you're ready to cook, fill up your biggest pot, put a lid on it and set it over high heat. You'd be surprised how many minutes are wasted watching uncovered pots come up to a boil over medium heat. Cover and crank it.

Now prep your ingredients. Don't worry if you don't have the exact ingredients each recipe calls for. Use broccoli raab or cauliflower in place of broccoli; use any sturdy leafy green instead of spinach or kale; swap chopped cabbage (it truly lasts for ages) for Brussels sprouts; and use whatever shape pasta you have or want.

We made it through another day. Let's cook.

Brussels sprouts pasta with bacon and vinegar

Makes: 4 servings **Total time:** 30 minutes

Kosher salt and black pepper

8 thin slices of bacon

8 ounces cavatappi or other short pasta

1 pound Brussels sprouts, trimmed, halved and outer leaves separated

2 shallots, thinly sliced

1 tablespoon olive oil (optional)

¼ cup cider vinegar or red wine vinegar

2 tablespoons whole-grain or Dijon mustard

Shaved Parmesan, for serving

1. Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Meanwhile, cook bacon in a large skillet over medium, turning occasionally, until golden and crisp, 5 to 8 minutes. Using tongs, transfer to a plate.

2. Drop pasta into the boiling water and cook according to package instructions until al dente.

3. Meanwhile, heat the remaining bacon drippings in the skillet over medium-high. Add Brussels sprouts and shallots, season with salt and pepper and cook, tossing occasionally and adding olive oil if the skillet looks dry, until the sprouts are dark brown in spots and beginning to be close to tender, 3 or 4 minutes. Add vinegar and mustard and toss to combine, scraping the bottom of the pan.

4. Using a slotted spoon, transfer pasta to skillet, then stir in 1 cup pasta water. Cook, tossing often, until liquid reduces and coats the pasta, 2 to 3 minutes. Crumble bacon over top and serve with Parmesan.

Cookie cake takes you back to the '90s

BY JESSE SZEWCZYK
TheKitchn.com

For anyone who grew up frequenting their local shopping mall, the concept of a giant chocolate chip cookie cake is not unfamiliar. The oversize cookies decorated with festive frosting and rainbow sprinkles were a Mrs. Field's staple, and the centerpiece of many '90s birthday parties.

Since we're spending more time indoors, it's a great time to re-create this nostalgic favorite in the comfort of your kitchen. Turn it into a baking project with the kids or use it as a blank canvas to express your feelings. "Happy Birthday" isn't the only sentiment that can be piped on with icing! You could even meal prep it over the weekend, then enjoy an after-dinner slice all week long.

Baking the cookie cake couldn't be easier. Homemade chocolate chip cookie dough is pressed into the bottom of a cake pan, then baked until crisp on the outside and gooey in the



JOE LINGEMAN

Making a massive cookie cake can be a fun baking project to do when you're stuck at home.

center. Decorating it is where the fun comes in.

This recipe makes enough chocolate frosting to pipe a border around the perimeter of the cookie cake, with a little extra to add some additional decorations if desired. We like to use a star piping tip to create the border, although a zip-top bag with the corner cut off would work just fine. If you want to pipe letters in the center of the

cake, a small straight piping tip works best (such as Wilton's No. 2 tip).

We finished the cake with a flourish of rainbow sprinkles for an extra pop of fun, but you can decorate it with just about anything, from candy to edible glitter. The thing that makes this cookie cake so great is the playfulness of it all, so don't be too precious about the decorations — it's meant to be fun.

Homemade chocolate chip cookie cake

Makes: 8 to 10 servings

For the cookie base:

Cooking spray

8 tablespoons (1 stick) unsalted butter

¾ cup packed light brown sugar

⅓ cup granulated sugar

2 large eggs

1½ teaspoons vanilla extract

2 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon kosher salt

¾ teaspoon baking soda

1 cup plus 2 tablespoons semisweet chocolate chips, divided

For the frosting and assembly:

4 tablespoons (½ stick) unsalted butter

2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder

1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon milk

¼ teaspoon vanilla extract

1 cup powdered sugar

2 tablespoons rainbow sprinkles

1. Make cookie base: Place 1 stick unsalted butter in the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment for the cookie base (or in a large bowl if using an electric hand mixer) and 4 tablespoons unsalted butter for the frosting on the counter. Let sit out at room temperature until softened, about 45 minutes.

2. Arrange a rack in middle of oven and heat oven to 350 degrees. Coat 1 (9-inch) round cake pan with cooking spray, then line the bottom with parchment paper.

3. Add ¾ cup packed light brown sugar and ⅓ cup granulated sugar to the bowl of butter. Beat on medium-high speed until light and fluffy, 2 to 3 minutes. Beat in 2 large eggs one at a time, waiting until the

first one is fully incorporated before beating in the second. Add 1½ teaspoons vanilla extract and beat just until combined, 1 minute.

4. Turn off mixer. Add 2 cups all-purpose flour, 1 teaspoon kosher salt and ¾ teaspoon baking soda. Beat on low speed until incorporated, 1 to 2 minutes. Stir in 1 cup of chocolate chips by hand.

5. Transfer the dough to the baking pan and press into an even layer with your hands. (If the dough is too sticky, lightly coat your hands with cooking spray.) Sprinkle the remaining 2 tablespoons chocolate chips on top.

6. Bake until the top is lightly browned and no longer shiny, 20 to 25 minutes. Place the pan on a wire rack and let the cookie cool completely in the pan.

7. Make the frosting: Place the 4 tablespoons room temperature unsalted butter in the clean bowl of a stand mixer fitted with a whisk attachment. (Alternatively, use an electric hand mixer and large bowl.) Add 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder, 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon milk and ¼ teaspoon vanilla extract. Beat on low speed until smooth, 2 to 3 minutes. Turn the mixer off.

8. Add 1 cup powdered sugar and mix on low speed until combined, 1 to 2 minutes. Increase the speed to high and beat until the frosting is light, fluffy and doubled in volume, scraping down the sides of the bowl halfway through, 1 to 2 minutes total. Transfer the frosting into a piping bag fitted with a star tip or a zip-top bag and set aside.

9. Assemble the cookie cake: Place the cookie on a cake stand or serving plate. Pipe small, decorative mounds of the frosting around the edge of the cookie. Sprinkle the frosting mounds and cookie with 2 tablespoons rainbow sprinkles.

FOOD

France defines natural wine; is that enough?

BY ERIC ASIMOV
The New York Times

Natural wine is healthy and pure; natural wine is wretched and horrible. It's the future of wine; it's the death of wine.

For 15 years, natural wine has been a contentious time bomb that has divided many in the wine community, creating conflicts fought with the sort of anger that stems only from extreme defensiveness.

Since 2003, when I first encountered what has come to be called natural wine at the seminal restaurant 360 in Red Hook, Brooklyn, I have been a fan, though a clear-eyed one, I hope.

I believe in the promise and beauty of natural wines, while acknowledging that many examples are not good, as is true with all genres of wine. The truth is that natural wines have made all of wine better.

Natural wines could not have offered a more luminous contrast to the industrial practices of the wine industry, a business that marketed itself as pastoral. Many mainstream wines are made from chemically farmed grapes, then produced like processed foods, with the help of technological manipulations and artificial ingredients, to achieve a preconceived aroma-and-flavor profile.

Natural wines, made from organic grapes or the equivalent, and fermented and aged without additions, are unpredictable but alive, energetic, vibrant and surprising.

The winemaking spectrum offers many shades and degrees. Not all conventional wines are processed wines. Not all wines called natural adhere to a strict "nothing added, nothing taken away" protocol.

But the appearance around 20 years ago of natural wines as a group challenged an industry dominated by a postwar promise of better living



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Organic grapes for cabernet sauvignon grow near the town of Cowaramup in the Margaret River region of Australia.

through chemistry and technology. Back then, the prevailing wine culture was marked by increasing homogeneity. Wine was elevated to a luxury good, and grapes were placed in a caste system and ranked by their "nobility."

Natural wine, on the other hand, promoted a diversity of styles. It resurrected and celebrated indigenous grapes and local traditions that had been forgotten or dismissed by wine authorities. It sought to knock wine off its pedestal with irreverence, presenting it as a delicious, fun drink that nonetheless packed emotional and cultural power.

This new popularity has forced the sort of reckoning that natural wine producers have for so long successfully avoided — namely, what exactly is natural wine and who is permitted to use the term?

In the past, it was the wine mainstream demanding a definition for natural

wine, an entreaty that most producers blithely ignored. Definitions smacked of authority, orthodoxy and bureaucracy, exactly the binding forces that many natural wine producers have long viewed as inhibiting their freedom.

But the notion of natural wine producers as independent bohemian artisans is tough to maintain when the genre's popular breakthrough radiates dollar signs, not only to corporate bean counters but also to small-business poseurs.

Jacques Carroget, of Domaine de la Paonnerie in the Loire Valley, led a group of natural wine producers that after a decade of work won approval last year for an official, though voluntary, certification of natural wine in France. Wines that join the approved trade syndicate and follow its rules governing viticulture and winemaking will be able to label their wines Vin Methode Nature.

As long as natural wines

were the province of a small number of producers, he said, he saw no reason for an official definition. "Alas, the business, the greed — when we see natural wine emerge from its niche, we find unacceptable abuses," he said.

The Vin Methode Nature charter requires its members to use only grapes that have been certified organic and harvested by hand. They must be spontaneously fermented with yeast found naturally in vineyards and wine cellars, and made without what the charter calls "brutal" technologies like reverse osmosis, thermovinification or cross-flow filtration.

Only small amounts of sulfur dioxide, an antioxidant and preservative, may be used, and two different labels will distinguish between wines made with or without even this low level of sulfites.

The use of sulfur dioxide has been a difficult issue in the natural wine world.

Some producers and consumers oppose any additions, while others are more tolerant of minimal use. The effort to accept both points of view is unlikely to satisfy everybody.

Neither will the requirement that grapes be certified organic at a minimum. Many producers work organically, biodynamically or the equivalent, but avoid certification because of the expense and the paperwork. That is unlikely to change.

Some leading figures in natural wine like Isabelle Legeron, founder of the Raw Wine fairs, which bring consumers and producers together, generally favor the charter, though not without reservations.

"I understand people's concerns around stifling creativity and freedom by applying rules," she wrote in an email from England, "but from my personal perspective I don't think this is something to worry about as a definition won't

How to find natural wines

Here are five importers that specialize in natural wines, though not always by strict definition. You will also find many selections among the portfolios of established sellers like Louis/Dressner Selections and Kermit Lynch Wine Merchants.

Jenny & François

Selections: Longtime proponents with a worldwide portfolio.

José Pastor Selections:

Specializing in Iberian wines, though not all fit the natural category.

Selection Massale:

Mostly focused on France, with toes dipped into Italy, Germany and elsewhere.

Tess Bryant Selections:

Small portfolio of fine Australian wines.

Zev Rovine Selections:

Excellent, wide-ranging portfolio.

kill the spirit of natural wine."

Aaron Ayscough, a blogger who is also wine director at Table restaurant in Paris and is writing a book on natural wine, argues that labeling like "Vin Methode Nature" asks a lot of small producers and nothing of large industrial producers.

"It's fundamentally regressive, because it puts the financial and administrative burden of proof on small-scale, artisanal natural winemakers rather than on industrial wine producers," he wrote in an email.

Ultimately, nothing is wrong with the French label, which is voluntary and available only to producers in France. But for people who have not educated themselves, it may merely provide the illusion of discernment. They may be buying wines that are made naturally according to a set of rules, but that are not in the end natural wines.

How to clean, season the grill

BY ELIZABETH KARMEL
Associated Press

Unless you are like me and grill year-round, warmer weather signals the start of the grilling season. This spring, as millions of us are told to stay home, a trip outside to the backyard or patio is a welcome change.

If you have a new grill or have taken one out of winter hibernation, you'll need to clean and season it before you cook.

Remember, outdoor grills are like cast-iron skillets: They get better and more seasoned the more you use them. When food cooks on the grill, the fats and juices are vaporized by the heat and create the smoke that flavors the food. The smoke accumulates on the inside of the grill and is "seasoned," making your food "sing" with grilled flavor. For this reason, you don't want to over-clean your grill.

If you've had your grill for a year or two and use it frequently, you may notice that the inside of the lid looks like the "paint" is peeling. This is simply the accumulation of layers of smoke, and not paint at all. You will want to remove this build-up so it doesn't flake off and fall into your food. Scrape the inside of the lid first. If the grill still has layers of food left on the grill grates, turn all the burners on high for 30 to 45 minutes, or until everything has burned into a white-gray ash. Brush the grates with a grill brush while they are still hot, and let the grill cool before continuing to clean.

Warm soapy water, a scrubbie and a little elbow



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grease will easily take off the excess grime. Don't scrub so hard that the grill becomes shiny again. Be sure to leave the first layer of seasoning on the grill, but get rid of any excess soot and ash.

If you've had any flare-ups, you may also want to clean the outside lip of your grill, the part of the lid that meets the rest of the grill. Be sure to rinse with cool, clean water.

Once the grill is clean, it's time to season or re-season it. My favorite way is to fill the cooking grate with uncooked sausages, such as bratwurst or Italian sausage — not the bulk breakfast variety. You don't want to waste good sausage, so make it a meal.

Normally, I grill raw sausages slowly on a low-medium indirect heat. But when I am seasoning the grill, I opt for a medium-low direct heat to get more of the juices rendering and releasing on all the surfaces of the cooking grates. Turn the sausages a couple of times to make sure they don't burn, and let them cook until very brown and bubbling hot. Remove the sausages and re-set the burners to high, letting the grill burn off any residue until it turns ashy white, or for about 20 to 30 minutes.

Meanwhile, you can enjoy the sausages. When you're done eating, clean the cooking grates with a grill brush, turn off the gas or close all the vents on a charcoal grill to extinguish the coals — and you are ready for the season!

If you are someone who forgets to clean your grill regularly throughout the season, put this list on your refrigerator or somewhere close to remind you:

Grill checklist

Follow these steps and grill maintenance will never be a big job.

- Preheat every time you use the grill.
- After removing cooked food from the cooking grate, allow residue to burn off for 10 minutes.
- Before and after each use, use a grill brush or crumpled aluminum foil to loosen and clean residue on the cooking grate.
- Remove accumulated ashes from charcoal grills each time you cook out.
- Check the drip pan, and clean and replace it when it is half full.
- Clean your grill once a year with warm soapy water but no harsh abrasives.
- A grill is like a cast-iron pan: The more you grill, the better food will taste!

SERIOUSLY SIMPLE

Roasted cherry tomatoes, garlic show their versatility

BY DIANE ROSSEN
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As a chef and cookbook author, I always enjoy a challenge. So, given what we are all going through around the globe, I have tasked myself with developing dishes that offer a burst of flavor with few ingredients.

I've been combining various components to add to simple dishes to amp up their flavor, and I've come up with a recipe for a delightfully rustic cherry tomato and garlic sauce. It should be easy to find the basic ingredients for this dish. Hopefully, most of them are already in your pantry.

This dish reminds me of a lunch I enjoyed at a Venetian trattoria I visited a few years back. While none of us will be traveling anytime soon, it's uplifting to enjoy a taste of Italy.

A colorful variety of cherry tomatoes are available right now; they are a cook's best friend while we await the real tomato season. They have little bursts of sweet flavor when



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tossed into a salad and are a nice surprise when roasted in the oven, allowing their rich, intense flavor to come forward.

Rustic in presentation, this recipe can be served right out of the baking dish, so use a pretty one that can come to the table.

Serve this with a mixed green salad. The sauce is also delicious spooned

over a simple piece of roasted or grilled fish, or you can spoon the sauce on top of toasted French bread slices. I often add a dollop of ricotta cheese or a grating of Parmesan cheese on top of the tomato mixture and serve it as a lovely appetizer. A glass of sparkling wine would be a nice addition to this meal.

Pasta with roasted cherry tomato and garlic sauce

Prep time: 20 minutes

Cook time: 40 minutes

Makes: 4 to 6 servings

1 1/2 pounds ripe cherry or grape tomatoes, halved

4 garlic cloves, minced

1/2 cup breadcrumbs

1/2 cup freshly grated Parmesan cheese

Salt, to taste

Freshly ground black pepper, to taste

1/4 cup olive oil

1 pound penne, fusilli or spaghetti pasta

1/2 cup finely chopped fresh basil

1. Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Put the tomato halves in a large ovenproof baking dish that can be brought to the table.

2. In a small bowl, combine the garlic, breadcrumbs, cheese, salt and pepper. Spoon evenly over the tomatoes. Spoon the olive oil evenly over the mixture.

3. Roast the tomatoes for 30 to 35 minutes, or until the mixture is bubbly, browned and slightly thickened.

4. In a large pot of salted boiling water, cook the pasta for about 10 minutes, or until al dente. Drain well.

5. Add the pasta to the tomato mixture in the baking dish. Add the basil and toss well to combine so that sauce clings to the pasta. Serve immediately.

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FOOD

Bourbons on high-rye side of spectrum

By LISA FUTTERMAN
Chicago Tribune

I've always sought out the dark spicy notes of rye when drinking whiskey. I prefer its dry toastiness to the more cloying dominant notes of corn found in most bourbons. Rye's powerful flavor, traditional in the whiskeys made in Maryland and Pennsylvania, gets added to bourbon in Kentucky to punch up the taste. High-rye style bourbons came into favor in the days of peaty scotch and hoppy IPAs, and stuck around for people like me to enjoy.

Bourbon, legally defined and regulated by the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau, is required to be 51% corn, which can tip the flavor to the sweet side. Many "high-rye" bourbons (which are not legally defined) balance the required corn with up to 36% rye in the mash bill (the combination of grains in the "recipe"). For reference, American rye whiskey must have 51% rye in its mash bill.

Here are some favorites for those who prefer their bourbon on the rye side.

High West Bourye

Released every February at an apres ski party at the distillery's Park City, Utah, saloon, Bourye is a secret blend of mature bourbons and ryes that changes every year, but always focuses on a flavor profile accentuating the "earthy notes of a sweet corn field in fall (bourbon) combined with a dry rye spice finish," says Brendan Coyle, the master blender for High West.

"Bourye was our first foray into what I call 'eccentric blending,' where we mix finished rye and finished bourbon," adds Coyle. The resulting limited release is a rich treat for high-rye fans.

Four Roses Single Barrel Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey

Four Roses Master Distiller Brent Elliott gets paid for his palate. He gives seminars on tasting whiskey, so I asked him to describe the particular flavor rye adds.

"It doesn't really taste exactly like anything else. It's minty, spicy, herbal, with notes of cinnamon and nutmeg, at the same



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Four Roses Master Distiller Brent Elliott describes the rye whiskey as "minty, spicy, herbal."

time bringing cocoa and caramel ... plus fruit like apricot or pear."

That colorful description explains why Four Roses and other whiskey makers use a mash bill that's high rye (35% for the Single Barrel) — rye adds a ton of flavor. Says Elliott of high-rye drinkers like me: "The rye speaks to 'em."

New Riff Kentucky Straight Bourbon Whiskey

New Riff Distilling offers just that — a newish ap-

proach to traditional whiskey making. Located just across the Ohio River from Cincinnati, and just a half-hour from Lawrenceburg, Indiana, where much of the country's rye for blending is distilled, New Riff came on the scene in 2014, offering a rye-centric "progressive style of whiskey." Says co-founder Jay Erisman, "high-rye wasn't a style when we were born."

They use 30% Northern European rye grain that is cleaned through sieves before the mashing process begins. The mash bill shows a lot less malted barley (as low as 4%) than that of most bourbon, which, according to Erisman, "makes extra room in the recipe for the rye to really shine."

He asserts that rye ages faster than bourbon, which leads to high-rye bourbons showing better younger — a plus for those of us who don't want to wait more than four years (and pay the extra money) for extra aged whiskey.

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Pancakes

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potatoes are pretty much just starch. And here's why that's important: Different potato varieties have different amounts of starch, which affects how they react to cooking.

Happily, for potato pancakes, any potato will work, and I wouldn't worry about those differences. Save your worry for things that matter, like how you're going to pay the robber barons who run the college your kid wants to attend.

Other ingredients include binders and flavor enhancers, but we'll get to those after I've prattled on a little more.

Now, like Satan, potato pancakes come in many forms and go by many names. The Swiss, for example, mostly omit the binding ingredients and call it rosti; the Irish combine raw and cooked potatoes and call it boxty; Satan himself calls them "scrapey flat browns" (It's in the Bible; look it up).

Here's the thing to remember, no matter the nomenclature: In a world where monkeys play canasta and vampires rule the night, it's not a bad idea to flatten a potato and cook it in fat to a golden brown. Let's examine more closely the ingredients:

The potatoes. Most po-

tato pancakes are made from grated raw potatoes, but you can also use cooked, pureed potatoes. The texture's different, more like a syrup-soaked breakfast pancake, but, what the hay. You could also combine raw with cooked potato, like the aforementioned boxty. Or — and you'll want to remember this next holiday season — you can get all Nutsy Fagan and use your leftover mashed potatoes. Figure about a quarter- to a half-pound of potato per person.

The binder. Binders, such as beaten raw egg, help keep grated potato from falling apart like the Habsburg Empire. I'd say one egg per couple pounds of potatoes should do the trick, but, add more if you like. Who am I, Leslie Lim-It-Your-Egg-Consumption? Besides, more egg equals more protein.

You can also add some flour, maybe a couple of tablespoons per pound for starchy potatoes like russets, and a touch more for what we call "waxy" potatoes, like red potatoes.

The flavoring ingredients. I love white pepper in potato pancakes, but not so much that it tastes crazy. It's a peculiar flavor, white pepper. My friend and former colleague chef Dina Altieri says it always reminds her of Band-Aids. So, maybe it's ix-nay on the ite-pepper-whay.

You know what else I love? Well, comfortable socks, but, apropos of this article, onion. You can dice it, but, I like to grate it, maybe half an onion per pound. Grated onion is very watery, but, if you grate it into cheesecloth or a clean (duh!) kitchen towel, you can squeeze out the juice. You should try a sip of that juice, by the way. It's one of the most offensive things I've ever put in my mouth. If you have mortal enemies, use it to make them a cocktail. Like a rum 'n' onion. Pairs well with coelacanth and applesauce. Anyway, I never bother with the squeezing.

You also can add fresh herbs or cheese — cheddar, Parmesan and ricotta are all nice — or cooked and crumbled bacon or sausage. It's all delicious.

Salt. Potatoes are as bland as an Andy Williams album. (Here come the angry letters calling me "Sonny.") They need more salt than you probably realize. I'll say more about this below, but, as always, taste as you go. Here's what you do:

1. Combine all your ingredients in a bowl. If you're using raw potatoes and especially if you've added grated onion, water will start oozing out and it'll look fairly scary, like a hand might reach out of it and grab you by the neck. Don't panic. Just stir it all back together right before cooking. Or, pour off the water and give another quick stir.

2. Now, here's some really good advice: Before making your pancakes, cook off a little portion of the mixture so you can taste it for sea-

soning. That way, you can make any adjustments — like adding more salt — before you cook it for real. Dig?

3. When you're confident the seasoning is correct, heat up a nonstick pan or two and add a bit of fat, just enough to coat the bottom of the pan, or, if it's super nonstick, just enough to roll around from side to side in the bottom of the pan. When the oil is hot, add the potato mixture. I use two 8-inch nonstick saute pans and cover the entire bottoms with the potato glop. It makes big pancakes that I cut into extremely attractive wedges to serve. You could also use a giant nonstick pan or a sprayed griddle and make smaller pancakes.

4. Whatever you decide, cook the pancakes over medium to medium-high heat. Thinner ones cook more quickly and are crispier, whereas thicker pancakes (like the ones I make) are softer with a creamier interior. If your pancakes are thick, you could cover the pan to ensure that the interior cooks before the bottom burns. It'll retain more moisture that way, giving you less crunch. Figure about 3 to 5 minutes per side, depending on the size.

If your potato pancakes are well-seasoned and flavorful, you can just eat them as is, straight out of the pan, like the storied bachelors of yore. Or, you could serve them on a plate as if Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands were coming over.

Now, go gather the gang and commence peeling.

Potato pancakes

Prep: 15 minutes **Cook:** 20-25 minutes

Makes: about 8 servings (four 8-inch pancakes)

- 1 egg
- 2 pounds russet potatoes
- 1 medium onion
- ¼ cup flour
- 2 teaspoons kosher salt
- ¼ teaspoon white or black pepper, ground
- Vegetable oil as needed
- Sour cream and applesauce
- 1. Break** egg into a large bowl and whisk lightly.
- 2. Peel** potatoes, grate them, then add to the bowl on top of egg.
- 3. Peel** onion, grate it, then add to the bowl on top of potatoes.
- 4. Add** flour, salt and pepper. Stir to combine all ingredients thoroughly. As the batter sits, the water will separate from the potatoes. Either pour it off or stir it back into the mixture to create an even consistency before cooking.
- 5. Heat** an 8-inch nonstick skillet over medium heat. (Note: If you have two 8-inch pans, use them both to cut down on cooking time.) When hot, add oil to coat bottom. Spoon one-quarter of potato mixture into pan and smooth out to cover entire bottom evenly. Cook over medium heat until golden brown and crisp, 8 to 10 minutes. Flip and cook other side until bottom is brown and crispy and potatoes are cooked through, 8 to 10 minutes. Remove to a warm plate and keep in a warm oven until all pancakes are made.
- 6. Cut** pancakes into wedges and serve immediately with sour cream and applesauce.

Nutrition information per pancake: 165 calories, 4 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 29 g carbohydrates, 3 g sugar, 4 g protein, 495 mg sodium, 2 g fiber

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