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Riders still waiting for T to catch up

Many service cuts made during pandemic have yet to be reversed

By Taylor Dolven
GLOBE STAFF

More than four years since the MBTA first slashed transit service in response to the pandemic, the agency still hasn't restored full service on its sub-

way and bus systems, repelling potential riders and frustrating those who have no other choice but to wait it out.

By now, subway trains in Greater Boston were supposed to be trending toward arriving

at platforms as frequently as every three minutes. Many buses were supposed to be coming every 15 minutes at most.

Instead, some rush-hour commuters are lucky if a train comes every 10 minutes, while buses remain infrequent and stuck in traffic.

The lag represents a so-far unfulfilled promise by T gener-

al manager Phillip Eng, who on his first day a little over a year ago vowed to "restore service for people." The lag also threatens the state's ability to relieve car traffic and reduce tailpipe emissions to avoid the worst effects of climate change.

"As hiring increases, vehicle availability improves and speed

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The MBTA's weekday bus and subway service is about **13-14%** less this spring than it was in the spring of 2019, before the pandemic.

UN court says Rafah offensive must end

Ruling highlights Israel's growing isolation in war

By Louisa Loveluck and Ellen Francis
WASHINGTON POST

A ruling Friday from the International Court of Justice ordering an immediate halt to Israel's military offensive in Rafah marked a stunning rebuke of the Israeli leadership's prosecution of the war in Gaza, including the decision to send troops and tanks into a city where more than a million Palestinians had sought refuge.

The incursion into Gaza's southernmost city, which began May 7, has already displaced more than 800,000 people, the court said, calling the developments "exceptionally grave." Israel must halt the operation and open the Rafah crossing for the "unhindered" provision of aid, the judges said, adding that the offensive could destroy Palestinian life in Gaza.

Israeli officials swiftly indicated that they would ignore the ruling, which is binding but difficult to enforce, even as the high-profile judgment deepened Israel's isolation on the world stage.

On Monday, the International Criminal Court's chief prosecutor said that he was seeking arrest warrants for Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, as well as three members of the Hamas militant

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'I heard they take care of people who don't have anyone here.'

ALEX ST. LOUIS, a migrant who sought shelter at Logan Airport with his family



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Top: Jomaillie Jeanbaptiste (left) and her brother Fawendy Jeanbaptiste rested on an air mattress at Logan Airport. Above: People slept on the floor of Logan's Terminal E.

MIGRANTS CONTINUE TO SEEK SHELTER AT LOGAN

Airport remains on the front line as many flee hardship and state struggles to help

By Danny McDonald
GLOBE STAFF

The migrant crisis continues to buffet the state, with scores of newcomers, including dozens of small children, sleeping on the floor of Boston's Logan International Airport, months after Governor Maura Healey's administration made moves to prevent such heart-wrenching scenes from unfolding.

On a recent night, it was déjà vu at Terminal E, as people sprawled out to grab some shut-eye while travelers whisked by with their luggage, en route to Dublin or Doha, Istanbul or Zurich. It was a similar scene in late January, when the state, scrambling to find places to house migrants given the maxed-out shelter system in Massachusetts,

took over the Melnea A. Cass Recreational Complex in Roxbury, converting it to a temporary shelter space, among other initiatives.

Now, with migrants set to move out of the Cass center by the end of the month, the crisis continues unabated, with Logan once again acting as the local front line of the humanitarian catastrophe.

"I heard they take care of people who don't have anyone here," Alex St. Louis, 29, said through an interpreter. St. Louis had been in town for one day. He said gangs took over his neighborhood in Haiti, making it unlivable. He said when he moved to a different town, the same thing happened,

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In Rome, Wu, Healey unified on climate

But at home, mayor and governor have differences

By Samantha J. Gross
GLOBE STAFF

VATICAN CITY — Massachusetts Governor Maura Healey and Boston Mayor Michelle Wu presented a united front at a high-profile international climate conference in Vatican City last week, pitching their home state as a model for the rest of the world on bold climate action and a place where the climate tech economy is ripe to boom.

"I could not be more blessed to have a partner at the state level in Governor Maura Healey, our green governor," Wu told an auditorium full of leaders and academics at the Vatican.

Healey shared the sentiment, boasting that Wu "shares this vision" of a green economy in Massachusetts and that they both "bring an urgency" to the issue. In a later interview, she said she is "very grateful for the partnership" she has with Wu "on so many fronts."

But beneath the unity and the gauzy rhetoric spun from within a villa nestled in Vatican City are two leaders who have different visions for the best way to tackle the existential crisis that is climate change for our waterfront state, where vulnerable

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The New England — and Massachusetts — history of a flag now tied to controversy

By James Pindell
GLOBE STAFF

Long before it became embroiled in the latest controversy involving a US Supreme Court justice, the "Appeal to Heaven" flag was known for its deep New England roots; versions of the flag are still associated with the Boston neighborhood of Charlestown and the state of Maine. To this day, it remains the official naval and maritime flag of Massachusetts.

Earlier this week, The New York

Times reported that Justice Samuel Alito flew the "Appeal to Heaven" flag, officially known as the Pine Tree Flag, at his beach house in New Jersey last year. Previously the Times had reported that Alito's home in suburban Virginia had flown an upside-down American flag, an official sign of distress and a banner carried by Jan. 6 rioters at the Capitol. (Alito said his wife hung the flag to troll neighbors as a part of a charged political dispute.)



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HEEDING THE CALL



ERIN CLARK/GLOBE STAFF

Fans screamed with excitement for Luke Hemmings as he performed on the first day of Boston Calling. The music festival continues through Sunday at the Harvard Athletic Complex in Brighton. Scores of performers are set to play over the three-day event.

Out and out

Saturday: Cooler, sunny. High: 69-74. Low: 56-61.

Sunday: Clouds and sun. High: 70-75. Low: 56-61

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A commission investigating the mass shooting in Lewiston, Maine, probed leaks to media as part of its ongoing review. B1.

Massachusetts named three companies to start building dozens of federally subsidized EV charging stations along the state's major highways. D1.

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The Nation

Harris gaining swing-state voters' trust

48 percent believe she is fit to lead country, says poll

By Akayla Gardner
BLOOMBERG

Vice President Kamala Harris is increasingly endearing herself to swing-state voters, a development that if it persists, stands to neutralize Republican attacks around President Biden's age.

Nearly half of swing-state voters, 48 percent, say they trust Harris to fulfill the duties of the presidency if Biden were no longer able to serve, according to a Bloomberg News/Morning Consult poll conducted in early May. The reading marks the highest level of confidence since the survey was first conducted in October.

In recent months, Harris — the first woman, Black or Asian vice president — has held a series of high-profile events that resonate with key parts of the Democratic base. They include a historic visit to a Minnesota abortion clinic, a nod to the roll-back of federal reproductive rights that has galvanized women voters, and an impassioned speech at the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Ala., a land-

mark of the Civil Rights era. Harris and the administration have also leaned into detailing her personal arc and record in public office.

Republicans have sought to attack Biden's fitness for a second term by casting her as unprepared to take his place. Polling shows voters are more concerned about the fitness of Biden, 81, for office than Donald Trump, four years younger at 77.

"It would be foolish to think that voters aren't thinking a little more about who the vice president is and whether she's capable of taking over," said political scientist Christopher Devine, who co-authored a book about vice presidential candidates.

Still, despite voters' uptick in confidence in Harris, she trailed Trump by 7 percentage points in a hypothetical head-to-head, wider than the 4-point advantage Trump held over Biden in the poll.

The poll showed Harris as the top choice among those considered Democratic rising stars if Biden were unable to continue his campaign. That list includes Governor Gretchen Whitmer of Michigan, Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg, California Governor



JEFF KOWALSKY/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES/FILE

Vice President Kamala Harris greeted attendees after speaking in Detroit earlier this month.

Gavin Newsom, Maryland Governor Wes Moore, and Illinois Governor JB Pritzker.

Warming sentiment toward Harris was on display at a recent stop in Milwaukee, Wis., a key swing state. During the on-stage interview with the vice president, comedian D.L. Hughley unexpectedly apologized.

"I have to say that I'm sorry," Hughley told Harris. "I had let a media narrative co-opt my perspective, and I think that tends to happen with women and

people of color."

Hughley, who met privately with Harris in November, explained that he was critical of her time as a prosecutor in California, where he grew up and Harris spent her early political career. But, he said, "some of the things that I have subsequently come to learn about you not only make me proud of you but make me be an advocate."

Biden defeated Harris in the 2020 Democratic primary before choosing her as a running mate. Her vice presidency got

off to an uneven start with Republicans pouncing on her gaffes.

Over the last year, the White House has deployed her on the offensive to counter political opponents, condemning book bans and new reproductive health restrictions. Harris frequently appears in front of audiences of color and young voters, which polls show are among the most disillusioned blocs of the Democratic base. Last week, she went viral online when she encouraged an audience of young Asian Americans to "kick that f-- door down" in pursuit of their careers.

The vice president has made more trips to competitive Western and Southern states than Biden this year, particularly North Carolina, Georgia, Arizona, and Nevada. Each has a high percentage of Latino or Black voters.

"She is engaging communities that have not been engaged," US Senator Laphonza Butler, a California Democrat, said in an interview.

Trump leads Biden 48 percent to 44 percent across the seven swing states, according to the poll. His lead over Biden is widest in North Carolina, Arizona, and Georgia. They're tied in Nevada.

Trump's lead has a shaky side

Many voters are disengaged

By Nate Cohn
NEW YORK TIMES

The polls have shown Donald Trump with an edge for eight straight months, but there's one big flashing warning sign suggesting that his advantage might not be quite as stable as it looks.

That warning sign: His narrow lead is built on gains among voters who aren't paying close attention to politics, who don't follow traditional news, and who don't regularly vote.

To an extent that hasn't been true in New York Times/Siena College polling in the last eight years, disengaged voters are driving the overall polling results and the story line about the election.

President Biden has actually led the last three Times/Siena national polls among those who voted in the 2020 election, even as he has trailed among registered voters overall. And looking back over the last few years, almost all of Trump's gains have come from these less engaged voters.

Importantly, these disengaged low-turnout voters are often from predominantly Democratic constituencies. Many continue to identify as Democratic-leaning and still back Democratic candidates for US Senate, but they nonetheless are backing away from Biden in startling numbers. In the Times/Siena polling, Biden wins just three-quarters of Democratic-leaning voters who didn't vote in the 2022 midterm election, even as almost all high-turnout Democratic-leaning voters continue to support him.

Trump's strength among low-turnout and less engaged voters helps explain a lot of what's strange about this election. It illustrates the disconnect between Trump's lead in the polls and Democratic victories in lower-turnout special elections. And it helps explain Trump's gains among young and nonwhite voters, who tend to be among the least engaged. His strength among young voters, in particular, is almost entirely found among those who did not vote in the midterms.

While the race has been stable so far, Trump's dependence on disengaged voters makes it easy to imagine how it could quickly become more volatile. As voters tune in over the next six months, there's a chance that disengaged but traditionally Democratic voters could revert to their usual partisan leanings. Alternately, many disaffected voters might ultimately stay home, which might help Biden.

Biden's weakness among disengaged voters reframes the challenge ahead for his campaign.

It's tempting to believe that less engaged voters are just like demographically similar but highly engaged voters with the exception that they're not paying such close attention. If that were true, Biden could count on disengaged young, Black, and Hispanic voters to flock to his side once they tune in to the race.

The Times/Siena data suggests it may not be so simple. Less engaged Democratic-leaning voters have distinct political views, and they get their political information from different sources. Even if the Biden campaign can reach these voters, it is not a given that they will return to the Democratic fold.

Trump's big edge among non-voters means the exact number of new voters could be hugely important or even decisive. And even beyond the proportion of new voters, exactly which new voters show up could be pivotal. In recent years, Democrats have benefited from a "hidden" turnout advantage — a tendency for Democratic-leaning who vote to be more anti-Trump than those who stay home.

DAILY BRIEFING

Uvalde families sue Meta, video game maker, gun company

AUSTIN, Texas — The families of 19 victims of the Uvalde school shooting announced new lawsuits Friday against Instagram parent company Meta Platforms, the maker of the video game "Call of Duty" and the gun company that made the assault rifle used in the shooting.

The lawsuits against Meta, Activision, and Daniel Defense were announced on the two-year anniversary of the attack on Robb Elementary School.

They accuse the companies of partnering to promote and create content designed to glorify combat, gun violence, and killing that effectively trained the teenage shooter before he killed 19 students and two teachers in one of the deadliest school shootings in US history.

"There is a direct line between the conduct of these companies and the Uvalde shooting," said Josh Koskoff, an attorney for the families. "This three-headed monster knowingly exposed him to the weapon, conditioned him to see it as a tool to solve his problems, and trained him to use it."

The same group of families on Wednesday filed a \$500 million lawsuit against Texas state police officials and officers who were part of the botched law enforcement response that day. More than 370 federal, state and local officers responded but waited more than an hour to confront the shooter inside the classroom as students and teaches lay dead, dying, or wounded.

Friday's lawsuits are not the first to accuse technology companies of having a role in radicalizing or influencing mass shooters.

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A WAVE OF EXCITEMENT — US Naval Academy graduates tossed their hats into the air at the conclusion of their graduation ceremony Friday at Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium in Annapolis, Md. One-thousand forty graduates will enter the Navy as ensigns or the Marine Corps at 2nd lieutenants.

More severe weather in Midwest

DES MOINES — Several tornadoes were reported in Iowa and Illinois as storms downed power lines and trees on Friday, just days after a deadly twister devastated one small town.

The large storm system began overnight in Nebraska before traveling across central Iowa and into Illinois. A weak tornado touched down in suburban Des Moines, according to the National Weather Service, which was also assessing damage from several other reported twisters south of Iowa City and near Moline, Ill. No injuries or deaths were reported.

The storm also brought rain that was heavy in some areas of Iowa, where totals have reached as much as 8 inches over the last week, according to the Weather Service.

Severe weather was expected in areas around the US throughout the long Memorial Day weekend, with a strong risk of tornadoes on Saturday in the Great Plains, particularly Kansas and Oklahoma. In New Mexico, strong winds and low humidity could fuel wildfires.

The latest severe weather comes as residents of Greenfield, Iowa, a community of about 2,000 people, have been cleaning up after a strong tornado on Tuesday. Friday's storm system inflicted heavy rains, dime-sized hail, and wind gusts of 75 miles per hour on a community still recovering after four people were killed and 35 others injured when a tornado destroyed more than 100 homes and hit a nearby wind farm.

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Study: Ozempic lowers health risks

Semaglutide, the compound in the blockbuster drugs Ozempic and Wegovy, dramatically reduced the risk of kidney complications, heart issues, and death in people with Type 2 diabetes and chronic kidney disease in a major clinical trial, the results of which were published Friday. The findings could transform how doctors treat some of the sickest patients with chronic kidney disease, which affects more than 1 in 7 adults in the United States but has no cure.

"Those of us who really care about kidney patients spent our whole careers wanting something better," said Dr. Katherine Tuttle, a professor of medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine and an author of the study. "And this is as good as it

gets." The research was presented in Stockholm on Friday and published in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The trial, funded by Ozempic-maker Novo Nordisk, was so successful that the company stopped it early. Dr. Martin Holst Lange, Novo Nordisk's executive vice president of development, said the company would ask the Food and Drug Administration to update Ozempic's label to say it can also be used to reduce the progression of chronic kidney disease or complications in people with Type 2 diabetes.

The study included 3,533 people with kidney disease and Type 2 diabetes, half of whom took a weekly injection of semaglutide, and half of whom took a weekly placebo shot. NEW YORK TIMES

New lawsuit accuses Combs of sexually abusing college student in the '90s

NEW YORK — A woman who says Sean "Diddy" Combs subjected her to violence and abuse over several years in the 1990s has filed a lawsuit in New York accusing the rapper of sexual assault, battery, and gender-motivated violence.

April Lampros, who met Combs in 1994 when she was a college student, described several "terrifying sexual encoun-

ters" with him including being forced to take ecstasy and have sex with Combs's late former girlfriend Kim Porter.

Lampros's lawsuit, filed Thursday in state court in Manhattan, comes after a series of allegations against the embattled hip-hop mogul. A former model accused Combs of sexually assaulting her at his New York City recording studio in

2003 in a separate lawsuit filed earlier this week.

Lampros, 51, said in the lawsuit that she was a student at New York City's Fashion Institute of Technology when she met Combs, who showered her with gifts and promised to help her achieve her dream of a career in fashion.

Lampros said Combs raped her in a Manhattan hotel room

in 1995.

The lawsuits filed by Lampros and the former model come days after CNN aired security video that shows Combs attacking singer Cassie in a Los Angeles hotel hallway in 2016. Combs on Sunday released a video admitting he attacked Cassie, saying he was "truly sorry" and his actions were "inexcusable." ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Sean "Diddy" Combs, in 2018, in Pasadena, Calif.



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The World

Ukraine starts freeing some prisoners to enlist

Nearly 350 released to serve in the military

By Constant Méheut
NEW YORK TIMES

KYIV — Ukraine has begun releasing prisoners to serve in its army, part of a wider effort to rebuild a military that has been depleted by more than two years of war and is strained by relentless Russian assaults.

Denys Maliuska, Ukraine's justice minister, said in an interview Friday that nearly 350 prisoners had been freed under a law enacted last week that allows convicts to serve in the army in exchange for the possibility of parole at the end of their service.

The country's courts must approve each prisoner's bid to enlist, and Maliuska said the judi-

ciary was already considering most of the 4,300 applications submitted so far. Up to 20,000 such applicants, including people who were in pretrial detention, could be recruited to join the hundreds of thousands of soldiers already serving in Ukraine's military, he said.

The policy echoes a practice

►Hungary would opt out of NATO plan to aid Kyiv. A6.

widely used by Russia to bolster its forces but differs in some ways. Russia's program is open to prisoners convicted of violent crimes, while the Ukrainian law does not extend to people convicted of two or more murders, rape, or other serious offenses.

Several Ukrainian lawmakers initially said that people convicted of premeditated murder would not be eligible. But Ma-

liuska clarified Friday that someone convicted of a single murder could be released unless the crime was committed with aggravating circumstances such as sexual violence.

"There is some similarity, but I can't say that this is the same as Russia did," Maliuska said.

Ukraine had mocked Russia's push to recruit prisoners in exchange for parole earlier in the war. But with the conflict now in its third year and with Ukrainian forces struggling all along the front line, Ukraine desperately needs more soldiers.

"The deficit of soldiers — of course, the difficulties with the draft of ordinary citizens — those were the main reasons for the law," Maliuska said.

President Volodymyr Zelensky said in February that 31,000 Ukrainian soldiers had been killed in the war — a figure



NICOLE TUNG/NEW YORK TIMES

President Volodymyr Zelensky said in February that 31,000 Ukrainian soldiers had been killed in the war.

that is well below estimates by US officials, who said in August that nearly 70,000 Ukrainian soldiers had been killed at that point.

In recent months, Ukraine

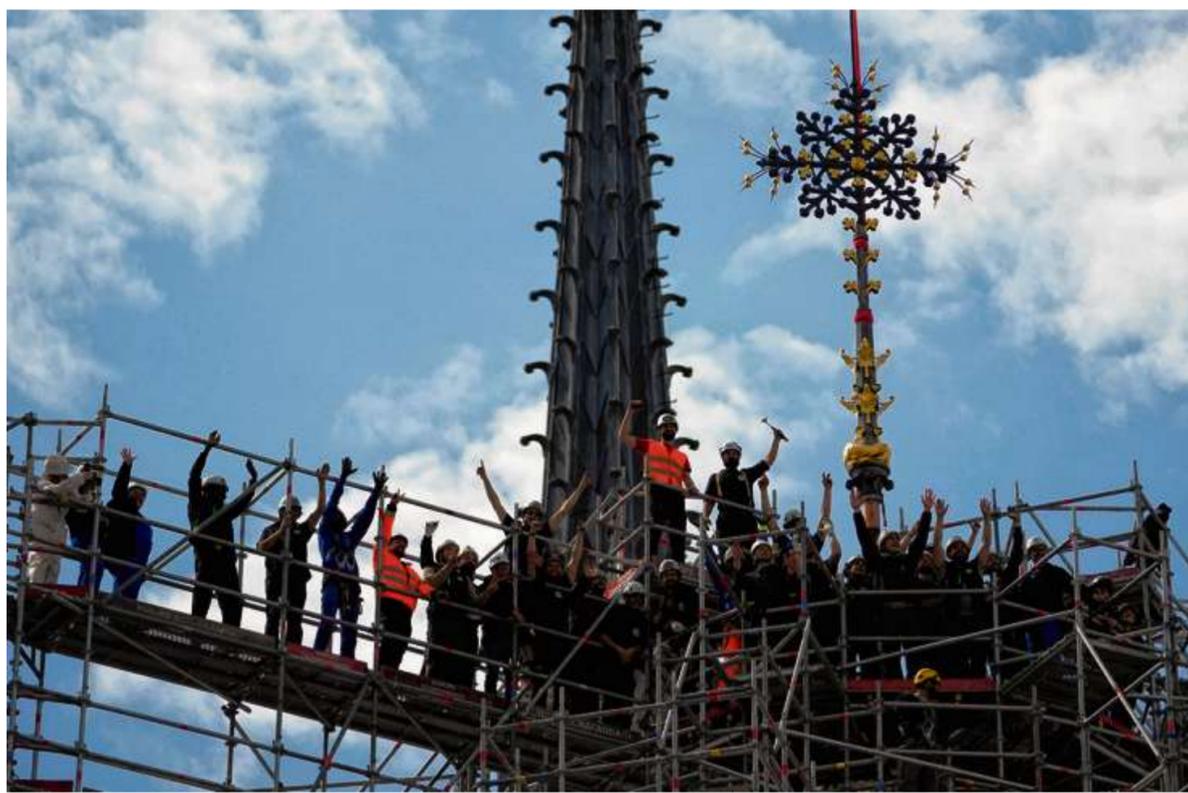
has stepped up border patrols to catch anyone trying to avoid being drafted and lowered the draft eligibility age to 25 from 27. It has not drafted younger men, to avoid hollowing out an already

small generation of men in their 20s, the result of a demographic crisis stretching back more than a century.

Most recently, Ukraine passed a law requiring all men of military age to ensure that the government had current details about their address and health status. Ukraine's Defense Ministry said this week that about 700,000 people had updated their details on an online platform.

Ukraine's urgent need for additional troops has become particularly apparent since Russian forces opened a new front in the northeast of the country two weeks ago, near the city of Kharkiv. The offensive by Moscow has stretched Ukrainian forces and compelled them to re-deploy units from other hot spots of the front line, weakening their defenses there.

DAILY BRIEFING



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TRIUMPHANT RETURN — Workers celebrated after reinstalling the Notre Dame de Paris cathedral's Croix du Chevet Friday in Paris. The Croix du Chevet is the only piece of the cathedral roof that did not burn in the devastating April 2019 fire.

Ex-Marine pilot accused of training Chinese aviators can be extradited to US

SYDNEY — A Sydney judge on Friday ruled that former US Marine Corps pilot Daniel Duggan can be extradited to the United States on allegations that he illegally trained Chinese aviators, leaving the attorney-general as Duggan's last hope of remaining in Australia.

Magistrate Daniel Reiss ordered the Boston-born 55-year-

old to remain in custody awaiting extradition.

The pilot has spent 19 months in maximum-security prison since he was arrested in 2022 at his family home in the state of New South Wales.

In a 2016 indictment from the US District Court in Washington, D.C., unsealed late 2022, prosecutors say Duggan con-

spired with others to provide training to Chinese military pilots in 2010 and 2012, and possibly at other times, without applying for an appropriate license.

Prosecutors say Duggan received about nine payments totaling around 88,000 Australian dollars (\$61,000) and international travel from another con-

spirator for what was sometimes described as "personal development training."

Duggan served in the US Marines for 12 years before immigrating to Australia in 2002. In January 2012, he gained Australian citizenship, choosing to give up his US citizenship in the process.

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Over 100 feared dead in landslide

MELBOURNE — More than 100 people are believed to have been killed in a landslide Friday that buried a village in a remote, mountainous part of Papua New Guinea, and an emergency response is underway, officials in the South Pacific island nation said.

The landslide struck Enga province, about 370 miles northwest of the capital, Port Moresby, at roughly 3 a.m., Australian Broadcasting Corp. reported. Residents from surrounding areas said boulders and trees from a collapsed mountainside buried parts of the community and left it isolated.

Residents said that estimates of the death toll were

above 100, although authorities haven't confirmed that figure. Some villagers and local media reports said the number of people killed might be much higher, though they did not cite sources.

The chief of the International Organization for Migration's mission in Papua New Guinea, Serhan Aktoprak, said the landslide struck Yambali village, which is about two hours' drive from Enga's provincial capital of Wabag.

Yambali sits along a road leading from the capital that is now blocked, hampering relief efforts, Aktoprak told The Associated Press.

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UN to mark Srebrenica genocide

UNITED NATIONS — The United Nations approved a resolution Thursday establishing an annual day to commemorate the 1995 genocide of more than 8,000 Bosnian Muslims by Bosnian Serbs, a move vehemently opposed by Serbs who fear it will brand them all as "genocidal" supporters of the mass killing.

The vote in the 193-member General Assembly was 84-19 with 68 nations abstaining, a reflection of concerns among many countries about the impact of the vote on reconciliation efforts in deeply divided Bosnia.

Supporters had hoped for 100 "yes" votes. Russia's UN Ambassador Vassily Nebenzia, who voted against the resolu-

tion, told the assembly the combined abstentions and "no" votes — 87 — was more than the 84 votes in favor. It is also noteworthy that 22 countries skipped the meeting and didn't vote.

The resolution designates July 11 as the "International Day of Reflection and Commemoration of the 1995 Genocide in Srebrenica," to be observed annually starting in two months.

On July 11, 1995, Bosnian Serbs overran a U.N.-protected safe area in Srebrenica. They separated at least 8,000 Muslim Bosniak men and boys from their wives, mothers, and sisters and slaughtered them.

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Italian teen set to become first saint of millennial era

ROME — Pope Francis paved the way for the canonization of the first saint of the millennial generation on Thursday, attributing a second miracle to a 15-year-old Italian computer whiz who died of leukemia in 2006.

Carlo Acutis, born on May 3, 1991, in London and then moved with his Italian parents to Milan as a child, was the youngest contemporary person to be beatified by Francis in As-

sisi in 2020.

Touted as the "patron saint of the internet," Acutis used his natural tech talent to create a website to catalog miracles and took care of websites for some local Catholic organizations.

Acutis, who died of acute leukemia on Oct. 12, 2006, was put on the road to sainthood after Pope Francis approved the first miracle attributed to him: The healing of a 7-year-old Brazilian

boy from a rare pancreatic disorder after coming into contact with an Acutis' relic, a piece of one of his T-shirts.

According to Vatican News, the second miracle is related to a woman from Costa Rica, who in July 2022 made a pilgrimage to Acutis's tomb in Assisi to pray for the healing of her daughter, who had suffered severe head trauma after falling from her bicycle. ASSOCIATED PRESS

China sends warplanes and ships near Taiwan

Show of anger toward island's new leaders

By Christopher Bodeen
ASSOCIATED PRESS

TAIPEI — Taiwan tracked dozens of Chinese warplanes and navy vessels off its coast on Friday, the second day of a large military exercise launched by Beijing to show its anger over the self-governing island's inauguration of new leaders who refuse to accept its insistence that Taiwan is part of China.

China has issued elaborate media statements showing Taiwan being surrounded by forces from its military, the People's Liberation Army. A new video on Friday showed animated Chinese forces approaching from all sides and Taiwan being enclosed within a circular target area while simulated missiles hit key population and military targets.

Despite that, there was little sign of concern among Taiwan's 23 million people, who have lived under threat of Chinese invasion since the two sides split during a civil war in 1949. Taiwan's parliament was mired on Friday in a dispute between political parties over procedural measures, and business continued as usual in the capital of Taipei and the ports of Keelung and Kaohsiung.

The defense ministry said it tracked 49 Chinese warplanes and 19 navy vessels, as well as coast guard vessels, and that 35 of the planes flew across the median line in the Taiwan Strait, the de facto boundary between the two sides, over a 24-hour period from Thursday to Friday.

Taiwanese marine and coast guard vessels along with air and ground-based missile units were put on alert, particularly around the Taiwan-controlled island chains of Kinmen and Matsu just off China's coast and far from Taiwan's main island.

"Facing external challenges and threats, we will continue to maintain the values of freedom and democracy," Taiwan's new

president, Lai Ching-te, told sailors and top security officials Thursday as he visited a marine base in Taoyuan, just south of Taipei.

The Pentagon said the United States was "monitoring very closely" the joint Chinese drills. It said Beijing's actions "are reckless, risk escalation, and erode longstanding norms that have maintained regional peace and stability for decades."

"We strongly urge Beijing to act with restraint," it said.

In his inauguration speech on Monday, Lai urged Beijing to stop its military intimidation and said Taiwan was "a sovereign independent nation in which sovereignty lies in the hands of the people."

China's military said its expanded exercises around Taiwan were punishment for separatist forces seeking independence. It sends navy ships and warplanes into the Taiwan Strait and other areas around the island almost daily to wear down Taiwan's defenses and seek to intimidate its people, who firmly back their de facto independence.

"As soon as the leader of Taiwan took office, he challenged the one-China principle and blatantly sold the 'two-state theory,'" the spokesperson of China's Taiwan Affairs Office, Chen Binhua, said in a statement Thursday night.

The one-China principle asserts that there is only one China and that Taiwan is part of China under Communist Party rule. Beijing views Taiwan as a renegade province and has been upping its military threats even as the island's electorate overwhelmingly favors de facto independence.

In Beijing, international relations professor Shi Yinong at Renmin University of China said the drills and China's verbal condemnations of Lai were intended to show Beijing's anger toward Lai and his administration's policies. Those include a continuance of his predecessor Tsai Ing-wen's policies of building a strong national defense and resisting Beijing's efforts to isolate Taiwan diplomatically.



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A photo released Friday by Taiwan's Defence Ministry showed Chinese military vessels at sea.



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An image of Carlo Acutis, 15, during his beatification ceremony in 2020.

Singapore Airlines to tighten procedures after death on flight

ASSOCIATED PRESS
 BANGKOK — Singapore Airlines said Friday it will halt meal services and get all cabin crew to buckle up when planes fly through turbulence as part of tighter cabin measures after one person died and dozens were injured on a flight from London this week.

The airline said it has adopted a “more cautious approach to managing turbulence in-flight” after the Boeing 777 jet heading to Singapore hit extreme turbulence in the Irrawaddy basin on Tuesday, hurling people and items around the cabin.

“In addition to the suspension of hot beverage service when the seat belt sign is on, the meal service will also be suspended,” the airline said in a statement. “Crew members will also return to their seats and secure their seat belts when the seat belt sign is on.”

The plane, carrying 211 passengers and 18 crew members, made a sharp 6,000-foot descent in about three minutes, after which it diverted to Thailand. Officials said the turbulence was believed to have occurred when meals were being served, and many people were not using seat belts. A 73-year-old British man died of a suspected heart attack. Forty-six passengers and two crew members remained hospitalized Friday.

Passengers described the “sheer terror” of the aircraft shuddering, loose items flying, and injured people lying on the floor of the plane.

Singapore Airlines said other existing safety measures during poor weather conditions include getting crew members to secure loose items in the cabin and galley to minimize turbulence-related injuries, advising passengers to return to their seats and buckle up, and monitoring passengers who may need assistance such as



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Passengers described the “sheer terror” of the aircraft shuddering, loose items flying, and injured people lying on the floor of the plane. In addition to one fatality, 104 people were hurt.

those in the toilet.

“Pilots and cabin crew are aware of the hazards associated with turbulence. They are also trained to assist customers and ensure cabin safety throughout the flight,” the airline said. “SIA will continue to review our processes as the safety of our passengers and crew is of utmost importance.”

The Singapore Straits Times newspaper said public records showed that authorities have investigated six other Singapore Airlines flights hit by turbulence in the past two decades, in which some passengers and crew members were injured. Tuesday’s incident was the only one involving a fatality.

Singapore Transport Minister Chee Hong Tat said investigators in Bangkok have secured data from the plane’s cockpit voice recorder and the flight data recorder.

“They are going through the data from these two recorders now to be able to ascertain what happened during those moments,” Chee told local media.

It is unclear what caused Tuesday’s severe turbulence. It is

believed to have been clear air turbulence, the most dangerous type that often occurs with no visible warning in the sky ahead. Wind shear can occur in wispy cirrus clouds or even in clear air near thunderstorms, as differences in temperature and pressure create powerful currents of fast-moving air.

Samitivej Srinakarin Hospital, where most of the 104 people hurt in the incident were treated, has said that the 48 people still hospitalized include those with spinal or spinal cord damage, skull or brain injuries, and damage to bones or internal organs.

Twenty people remained in intensive care, but the hospital said none was in life-threatening condition. They include six Britons, six Malaysians, three Australians, two Singaporeans, and one person each from Hong Kong, New Zealand, and the Philippines.

Singapore Airlines has issued a deep apology over the incident. Its CEO, Goh Choon Phong, has pledged it will cooperate fully in the investigation and has visited those in the hospital to offer his support.

100 years after immigration law shut America’s doors, its legacy revives

By Gordon F. Sander
 WASHINGTON POST
 Albert Johnson and David Reed were not on the list of public figures Donald Trump wanted to immortalize in the National Garden of American Heroes he proposed during the waning months of his presidency.

But his campaign promises suggest that if elected again, he might try to revive the legacy of the two Republican members of Congress who co-authored the landmark Immigration Act of 1924, signed into law 100 years ago Friday.

Driven by the notion that America was being drowned by a flood of newcomers from Southern and Eastern Europe, the bill — known as the Johnson-Reed Act — which President Calvin Coolidge signed into law on May 24, 1924, established national origin quotas as the basis of American immigration policy.

The sweeping nativist-inspired legislation limited the annual number of future immigrants to 2 percent of their share of the national population of the 1890 Census, before the “new types of people,” as Reed called them, were pouring off boats onto Ellis Island in the tens of thousands.

It closed the door to almost all Asian immigration. It capped the total number of immigrants allowed annually at 165,000, half the 1920 total. And it required all immigrants to receive a visa from an American consular officer stationed in their country before they left.

On the campaign trail, Trump has implied that America is receiving the wrong kinds of immigrants. “These are people coming in from prisons and jails,” the presumptive Republican presidential nominee griped at a fund-raiser last month. He added: “They’re coming from unbelievable places and countries, countries that are a disaster.” As he has in the past, he also bemoaned the lack of immigrants from “nice countries” like “Denmark or Switzerland or Norway.”

Meanwhile, Trump has

promised to revive and expand the ban he instituted as president on immigrants from some majority-Muslim countries, while beginning “ideological screening” of all arrivals.

A century ago, Representative Johnson declared that the wave of immigrants from Southern and Eastern Europe were “filthy, un-American, and often dangerous.”

“The races of man who have been coming in recent years are wholly dissimilar to the native-born Americans,” Senator Reed wrote in the New York Times on April 27, 1924, a month before the Johnson-Reed Act, which favored immigrants from Northern and Western Europe, became law. In contrast to their predecessors, the recent arrivals were “untrained in self-government, a faculty that has taken the Northwestern peoples many centuries to acquire,” the senator asserted.

The impact of Johnson and Reed’s legislation was enormous. “1924 is really a watershed moment,” Jia Lynn Yang, author of “One Mighty and Irresistible Tide: The Epic Struggle Over American Immigration, 1924-1965,” told Smithsonian magazine in 2020. “Once you add a whole visa process, once you bring in these strict quotas, you’re just in a whole different regime of immigration.”

For all the parallels between the immigration debate 100 years ago and the one today,

there are major differences.

The nativist movement of the 1920s was broadly based, backed by a coalition of groups that ranged from the American Federation of Labor, which feared new immigrants would drive its members’ wages down, to the Ku Klux Klan, then at its multimillion-member height. The legislation passed both Republican-dominated houses of Congress with little opposition from either party.

It is difficult to imagine such a coalition coming together today.

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Hungary wants out of NATO aid to Kyiv

Orbán cites defensive role

By Justin Spike
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BUDAPEST — Hungary will seek to opt out of any NATO operations aimed at supporting Ukraine, Prime Minister Viktor Orbán said Friday, suggesting that the military alliance and the European Union were moving toward a more direct conflict with Russia.

Orbán told state radio that Hungary opposes a plan NATO is weighing to provide more predictable military support to Ukraine in coming years to repel Moscow's full-scale invasion, as better armed Russian troops assert control on the battlefield.

"We do not approve of this, nor do we want to participate in financial or arms support (for Ukraine), even within the framework of NATO," Orbán said, adding that Hungary has taken a position as a "nonparticipant" in any potential NATO operations to assist Kyiv.

"We've got to redefine our position within the military alliance, and our lawyers and officers are working on ... how Hungary can exist as a NATO member while not participating in NATO actions outside of its territory," he said.

Orbán, considered Russian President Vladimir Putin's closest partner in the EU, emphasized NATO's role as a defensive alliance, and said he doesn't share the concerns of some other Central and Eastern European countries that Russia's military wouldn't cease its aggression if it wins the war in Ukraine.

"NATO's strength cannot be compared to that of Ukraine," he said. "I don't consider it a logical proposition that Russia, which cannot even deal with Ukraine, will come all of a sudden and swallow up the whole Western world."

Hungary has refused to supply neighboring Ukraine with military aid in contrast to most other countries in the EU, and Orbán has vigorously opposed the bloc's sanctions on Moscow though has ultimately always voted for them.

The nationalist leader is preparing for the European Parliament election on June 6-9, and has cast his party as a guarantor of peace in the region. He has characterized the United States and other EU countries that urge greater support for Ukraine as "pro-war" and acting in preparation for a global conflict.

UN court says Rafah offensive must end

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group's senior leadership, for war crimes and crimes against humanity. The United Nations Security Council has also ordered a temporary halt in the fighting, to no avail.

In a closely watched case brought by South Africa in January, the ICJ had already ordered Israel to take all measures within its power to prevent genocide and to allow urgently needed humanitarian aid to flow into the enclave. This time, the court was asked to consider whether changes on the ground since that initial ruling were sufficiently urgent to require the panel to order an end to the fighting in and around Rafah.

In a statement read aloud inside The Hague's Peace Palace, ICJ President Nawaf Salam said the court was not convinced by measures that Israel says it has taken to alleviate civilian suffering.

The panel voted 13-2 in favor of an order that Israel "immediately halt its military offensive, and any other action in the Rafah Governorate, which may inflict on the Palestinian group in Gaza conditions of life that could bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part."

In a hearing last week, Israel had argued that the granting of South Africa's request would leave Hamas free to launch attacks on Israeli territory. In a separate opinion, Dire Tladi, a South African judge on the court, described that position as a "false choice between two extremes."

"It suggests that Israel is obliged either to allow the violation of its rights and those of its citizens or to engage in limitless operations causing the catastrophic consequences that have been so widely reported," he wrote.

The court's order applied to offensive action in Rafah, he said. "Legitimate defensive actions, within the strict confines of international law, to repel specific attacks, would be consistent with the Order of the Court."

The conflict began Oct. 7, when Hamas militants killed some 1,200 people in southern Israel and took more than 240 others back to Gaza as hostages. Israel says its military campaign is aimed at eliminating the group, which ruled besieged Gaza for years, but the overwhelming firepower of Israeli forces has also leveled districts, destroyed the territory's ability to feed itself, and damaged much of its hospital network.

More than 35,800 Palestinians have been killed during the seven-month operation, and another 80,000 have been wounded. The ICJ also ordered Israel to allow international investigators to enter Gaza, and reiterated a



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Clockwise from top, members of the International Court of Justice. A displaced Palestinian man carried water along a devastated street in Khan Yunis. A man in Jerusalem viewed posters of the hostages taken by Hamas.



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previous order for the immediate release of more than 100 hostages still held by Hamas and other groups.

Israeli officials reject the genocide charges, arguing that the soaring death toll in Gaza is an unavoidable consequence of battling an enemy that embeds in civilian areas. Benny Gantz, a centrist member of Israel's war cabinet, said Friday that the Israeli military would continue its fight in Rafah.

"The State of Israel is committed to continue fighting to return its hostages and promise the security of its citizens — wherever and whenever necessary — including in Rafah," he said in a statement after the ICJ's ruling was announced. That fight, he said, would take place "in accordance with international law."

The mounting international pressure has helped Netanyahu at home, galvanizing even his opponents into outrage. Many

Israelis view the moves by international courts as misinterpretations of a war they see as existential.

Friday's ruling could also cause problems for the Biden administration. The United States has been a key supporter of the ICJ's work, but is also Israel's most important political and military ally, providing the majority of the weaponry that Israeli forces are using in their Gaza campaign.

The court's orders must be enforced by the UN Security Council, whose five permanent members, including the United States, can veto resolutions.

Oumar Ba, an assistant professor of government at Cornell University, said, however, that the court's decision was significant in the message it sent to Israel and its allies.

"It clearly states where the line has been drawn by the court when it comes to international law," he said. "There is certainly



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an acceleration here ... of Israel being basically on the accused bench and having to defend its stance and its action in the eye of the international community."

The ICJ had ordered "provisional measures" Jan. 26, declaring that Palestinians had a right to be protected from acts of genocide and calling on Israel to take "all measures within its power" to prevent such actions, including by facilitating humanitarian aid.

But four months later, aid has slowed to a trickle, and the World Food Program says that northern Gaza is in "full-blown famine."

Hundreds of thousand of people fleeing Rafah have packed into the rubble-strewn city of Khan Yunis, or pitched tents on a beachfront in the Ma'wasi district that is now so crowded that families are living just feet from the high-tide mark.

The Biden administration

had repeatedly warned Israel that a major military operation in Rafah constituted a red line for US support. Now, with the offensive underway, administration officials have characterized Israel's movements as "targeted and limited."

Egypt on Friday said it agreed to begin sending aid trucks through Israel's Kerem Shalom crossing, after Egyptian President Abdel Fatah El-Sisi spoke on the phone with President Biden.

Also on Friday, the bodies of three more hostages killed on Oct. 7, were recovered overnight from Gaza, Israel's army said.

The bodies of Hanan Yablunka, Michel Nisenbaum, and Orion Hernandez Radoux were found and their families have been notified, the Associated Press reported. The army said they were killed on the day of the attack at the Mefalim intersection and their bodies were taken.

Vice president announces commitment to African internet access

WASHINGTON — Vice President Kamala Harris announced Friday the formation of a new partnership to help provide internet access to 80 percent of Africa by 2030, up from roughly 40 percent now.

The announcement comes as follow-through on Harris's visit to the continent last year and in conjunction with this week's visit to Washington by Kenyan President William Ruto. Harris and the Kenyan leader had a public chat on Friday at the US Chamber of Commerce about how public-private partnerships can increase economic growth.

"Many could rightly argue that the future is on the continent of Africa," said Harris, noting that the median age in Africa is 19, a sign of the potential for economic growth. "It is not about, and simply about aid, but about investment and understanding the capacity that exists."

Africa has struggled to obtain the capital needed to build up its industrial and technological sectors. The United Nations reported last year that foreign direct investment in the continent fell to \$45 billion in 2022, from a record high \$80 billion in 2021. Africa accounted for only 3.5 percent of foreign direct investment worldwide, even though it makes up roughly 18

percent of the global population. Besides launching the non-profit Partnership for Digital Access in Africa, Harris announced an initiative geared toward giving 100 million African people and businesses in the agricultural sector access to the digital economy.

The African Development Bank Group along with Mastercard, among other organizations, will help form the Mobilizing Access to the Digital Economy Alliance, or MADE. The alliance will start a pilot program to give digital access to 3 million farmers in Kenya, Tanzania, and Nigeria, before expanding elsewhere.

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Obama attends state dinner for Kenya's president

Scanning the guest list for Thursday's state dinner for Kenya President William Ruto, there seemed to be a notable omission: Where was America's most famous citizen of Kenyan descent, a man who happens to live only two miles from the glass-ceilinged pavilion erected on the White House's South Lawn for the sixth state dinner of the Biden administration?

We're talking, of course, about former president Barack Obama, who had met with Ruto earlier that day at Blair House, where the pair reportedly discussed climate change and secu-



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Barack Obama attended the state dinner for Kenya's president and first lady at the White House on Thursday.

urity challenges in Africa.

"Didn't mean to mess up your shine there," Obama said, as he seemed to step on Ruto's shoe while going in for a hug.

Obama might have said the same thing in reference to the dinner that night. He managed to avoid being listed as an official invitee but Obama was there nonetheless: Photographers captured his arrival, and he was spotted mingling at the dinner, but President Biden called him out in his toast for leaving early.

"Jill and I are honored to have you here," the president said to Ruto, as well as "many members of the African diaspora. One just left. Barack." The crowd laughed.

Why the exit? Maybe he was just trying not to mess up anyone's shine. But the former president's presence — along with that of former president Bill Clinton and former secretary of state Hillary Clinton — added presidential star power to one of Biden's splashiest events as he enters campaign season, and perhaps made up for more than a decade of inattention to African nations while European allies were feted with dinners.

WASHINGTON POST

Cotton is top contender to be Trump's running mate

WASHINGTON — Senator Tom Cotton of Arkansas has unexpectedly emerged as a top

contender to become Donald Trump's running mate, a signal that the former president is heavily weighing experience and the ability to run a disciplined campaign over other factors.

Cotton's ascendance comes as Trump's leading vice-presidential options have increasingly come into focus, according to three people with direct knowledge of Trump's thinking who insisted on anonymity to discuss private meetings.

These people said Trump's other current favorites were Governor Doug Burgum of North Dakota and three of Cotton's Senate colleagues: Marco Rubio of Florida, Tim Scott of South Carolina, and JD Vance of Ohio. The former president has also discussed the five Republican men as potential candidates for administration posts if he were to unseat President Biden in November.

Still, the people close to Trump cautioned that his vice-presidential preferences might change. The former president declined to reveal his leading candidates in an interview Thursday with News 12, but mentioned Rubio and Vance as well as Ben Carson, the former secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Representative Elise Stefanik of New York as examples of people "who would do a really fantastic job."

NEW YORK TIMES

Trump indicates he'd welcome Haley on team

Former president Donald Trump suggested that Nikki Haley would have a place on his team "in some form" — in what appeared to be his first public response to his former Republican presidential rival's announcement that she will vote for him.

Trump, in an interview with News 12 New York after a Bronx campaign rally Thursday, was asked about the recent comments from Haley, who was UN ambassador under Trump, and whether there would be room for her on his team or even his ticket.

"Well, I think she's going to be on our team because we have a lot of the same ideas, the same thoughts — I appreciated what she said," Trump responded.

"You know we had a nasty campaign, it was pretty nasty," he continued. "But she's a very capable person, and I'm sure she's going to be on our team in some form, absolutely."

Haley's team could not immediately be reached for comment early Friday. Earlier this week, in Haley's first public appearance since suspending her 2024 campaign, Haley said Trump should not take her supporters' votes for granted.

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Healey, Wu not always united on climate plans

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neighborhoods flood on sunny days and where the water line in Boston Harbor will likely rise as much as 7 inches this decade.

While both City Hall and the governor's office have declared climate change a major priority, Healey and her administration have not embraced all of Wu's big swings, such as her ongoing push for free and improved transit, citing the reality of the T's tight operating budget.

Healey's administration has instead leaned harder into working to attract climate technology businesses and boost the state's green energy workforce.

In Rome, Healey's drive to find climate solutions that boost the state's economic competitiveness was on view as she pitched business leaders and consultants on bringing their companies to Massachusetts and used the world's stage to announce a brand-new loan program, funded by private philanthropic dollars, to jump-start the careers of future train operators, heat pump installers, and wind turbine technicians back home.

Wu, meanwhile, kept her focus on the steps municipal leaders can take closer to the ground to enable cities to adapt to — and protect against — the worst consequences of a warming planet, rallying mayors from around the world to follow some of the bold actions she's spearheaded in Boston, such as allowing residents to opt in to power their homes or businesses with "cleaner, locally sourced electricity."

When asked about the tenor of her relationship with Wu, Healey said in an interview that while "others might" feel that the two leaders are competitive, in reality, they share "an urgency and a desire and a recognition that this is a big deal."

"[Climate change] is hurting a lot of people," she said.

Pope Francis talks climate change

The three-day summit hosted at the Vatican gathered nearly 100 leaders representing more than a dozen countries inside a converted villa to take in lessons on responding to a warming planet and to hear Pope Francis' call to "heed the cry of the earth."

Massachusetts had an outside presence, with emissaries such as top brass from the University of Massachusetts, big names in research and administration from MIT and Harvard, and heavyweights including Timothy Sweeney, the CEO of Liberty Mutual, and deep-pocketed Boston philanthropists James and Cathleen Stone.

"There is an enormous consensus here that Boston and the Commonwealth are offering a general framework that the whole world can learn from," said UMass Boston Chancellor Marcelo Suárez-Orozco, one of the co-organizers of the summit.

In Rome, Wu betrayed some of her frustrations with the constraints of City Hall when she got a chance to engage with one of her top climate priorities: improving public transit. In a meeting with Rome's mayor, which the Globe was invited to observe, she explained to



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Governor Maura Healey (left) and Boston Mayor Michelle Wu (right) spoke with Tracy Palandjian, CEO of Social Finance, at the climate summit at the Vatican last week. Both City Hall and the governor's office have declared climate change a major priority.

him that while the city is in charge of the streets, the state is in charge of the MBTA.

Rome, on the other hand, controls its own public transit system, which consists of metro, buses, and trams. Mayor Roberto Gualtieri said he could understand how it feels to be a mayor who ultimately has less power than higher authorities who influence the city's fate.

"It's a fractured system," Wu said.

The MBTA, much of which serves those who live or work in Boston, is a division of the state's Massachusetts Department of Transportation and therefore operates under the state's purview.

It means city officials need the state's buy-in if Boston wants to make some of its bus lines or other transit free, dedicate new bus lanes, or install new infrastructure — all proposals Wu has pursued as means to curb emissions by getting more cars off the roads.

And while the T's general manager and the state's transit secretary have been "amazing partners," Wu said, the city remains hamstrung when it comes to pushing for more transit access, among other climate-related priorities.

"I look with envy upon other cities [that] can just decide where they need to add new stations or stops," Wu said in an interview at the Vatican. "We have a lot of arbitrary-feeling lines that get drawn across municipal boundaries."

The state has thrown up obstacles to Wu's climate goals in other areas, too. Wu had been ecstatic about the possibil-

ity of joining a state pilot program to ban fossil fuels in new construction — the only way for Massachusetts communities to take this step without violating state regulations. State lawmakers said at the time that the inspiration for some of the language in the program came from then-candidate Wu's Green New Deal for Boston.

Wu said at the time that state officials gave her "clear indications that Boston would not be chosen," and that the Legislature wrote the law in such a way to effectively bar Boston from the program.

Ultimately, Wu pulled back from the state's pilot program and blamed the state for her decision.

"It was frustrating from the beginning," Wu recalled in an interview at the Vatican. "The program was never designed for us and in fact, was explicitly designed hoping, planning, for us not to be in it."

Instead, the city moved ahead with more scaled-back goals, including an ordinance that requires large buildings to slowly reduce emissions over time and adopting a "stretch code" that sets energy efficiency requirements for new construction and major renovations.

A spokesperson for the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs said the office will "continue to collaborate" with Boston to "reduce greenhouse gas emissions and adapt to a changing climate."

To be sure, Boston has made some advances: embracing infrastructure up-

grades, helping residents and businesses move to renewable energy, and providing young people with job training in those industries, for example.

The city has invested money in environmentally friendly funds, and propped up a utility program that allows residents to opt in to powering their homes or businesses with "cleaner, locally sourced electricity."

Talking to a reporter about Wu's climate goals, London Mayor Sadiq Khan, who chairs an international group of nearly 100 climate-focused city leaders, including Wu, argued that mayors move faster than any other leaders when it comes to reducing emissions.

"Mayors are doers. National governments are delayers," Khan said. "Michelle is a good example of that."

Local climate leaders want more from Wu, Healey

Kannan Thiruvengadam, executive director of Boston's Eastie Farm, said on some issues, such as building emissions and investments in the MBTA, "it does feel like the city wants one thing and the state wants another."

Thiruvengadam said he was pleased to see Healey and Wu stand together in Italy, but said his East Boston community would have "more confidence and faith" with tangible results from the summit such as a proclamation or new program that would directly benefit the neighborhood. East Boston is a so-called environmental justice neighborhood, where the population on average

is low-income, has a high percentage of people of color, or where a sizable number of households do not speak English very well, if at all. These communities are more at risk of being unable to participate in decision-making on environmental issues or gain access to environmental resources.

"At home, a couple may quarrel, but when they go out, they try to be together. I don't see a problem there," he said. "The deeper questions do come up, though. Why can't they work together more?"

Hessann Farooqi leads the advocacy group Boston Climate Action Network, which has worked with the Wu administration to push a series of climate policies. He said he was proud to hear some of the city's biggest accomplishments championed on an international stage, and that he has been pleased to see Healey introduce investments in the climate workforce.

That said, he hopes to see those promises translate into action back in Massachusetts.

"We have got to do it here at home," he said, noting the urgency for Healey's push for more public transit funding and resiliency initiatives as the end of the Legislature's session approaches. "The proof will be in the commitments they make. ... If inspiration came through the summit, then great. Let's get to work."

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The New England history of a flag now tied to controversy

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The Pine Tree Flag also was among the flags carried during the Jan. 6 attack.

The Pine Tree Flag has come to represent a call for Christian revolution, said Brad Onishi, the author of "Preparing for War: The Extremist History of White Christian Nationalism — And What Comes Next."

"Supporters really see the flag as symbolic that we have run out of human options and ways to appeal with our normal ways of challenging, like a voting booth or the courts," Onishi said. The flag "signals an appeal to God to restore the United States to what they think it should be and includes a call for Christians to participate in a spiritual battle."

Historically, however, some version of a pine tree on a white background was used on New England merchant ships during the American Colonial era. The symbol then made sense. The Eastern White Pine, found all over New England, was sought after by the British for ship building. This was particularly true in New Hampshire, where sales of white pine to the British navy buoyed the economy.

It was such a valuable commodity that New Hampshire's Colonial state government passed a law making it illegal for Colonists to take down an Eastern White Pine for their own



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Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito with his wife, Martha-Ann. Right, the flags seen outside their vacation home in a photo provided to The New York Times.

purposes, such as building a house, even if the tree was on their own land. When the British governor of New Hampshire began enforcing this law, it led to the Pine Tree Riot, a precursor to the Boston Tea Party, which occurred a year later.

So when George Washington asked his personal secretary to draw up a flag for six naval ships during the American Revolution, the Pine Tree Flag emerged. It included not only a pine tree, but also the phrase "Appeal to Heaven," taken from British philosopher John Locke,

who wrote that since there were no international laws at the time, "The people have no other remedy in this, as in all other cases where they have no judge on earth, but to appeal to heaven."

By 1776, it became the official flag for the Massachusetts navy.

Peter Drummey, chief historian and librarian at the Massachusetts Historical Society, said that back then, the words "appeal to heaven" on the flag were viewed as "you look to God as your authority for rebellion." He



acknowledged that today it's being repurposed in "a pretty charged way."

In 1971, the "appeal to heaven" part was dropped by the Massachusetts Legislature.

The Massachusetts secretary of state's office confirmed the amended version without the phrase is still the ensign of Massachusetts maritime ships. That said, it's unclear exactly where the flag is flown. For example, it

isn't flown on campus or on any vessels at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in Buzzards Bay, according to a spokesperson.

A pine tree made its way to other flags, including one flown during the pivotal Battle of Bunker Hill in Charlestown in 1775. It was also on Maine's first ever flag adorned with a blue star. In November, voters in Maine, the Pine Tree State, will vote in a ref-

erendum whether to replace it with the first simple pine tree version. The flag, first flown in 1901, had a resurgence of popularity during the state's bicentennial celebrations in 2019.

The appearance of the flag at the Jan. 6 attack, in particular, created its recent popularity among a certain group, but it began to be used in a new political context in 2013 when William "Dutch" Sheets, a conservative South Carolina minister, began posting about it on social media.

Leslie Hahner, a Baylor University professor who researches symbols as communication tools, has tracked the use of the Pine Tree Flag and notes that repurposed more often in the digital age. Hahner noted the Proud Boys, a white nationalist group, began using the flag as a symbol the nation was in distress.

"The advent of the internet and social media has accelerated the process of re-signification," said Hahner. "We see this over the Pine Tree Flag where it starts online and then on Jan. 6 it becomes associated with being pro-Trump now along with Christian nationalism."

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Students walked through the Harvard campus in 2023.

US higher education is endangered

BY DREW GILPIN FAUST

The following essay is adapted from remarks that Drew Gilpin Faust, former president of Harvard University, delivered at the Phi Beta Kappa ceremony at Harvard on May 21.

What is a university? We have been taking its existence and its essence for granted, even as attacks on its character and purposes have over several decades steadily, if gradually, mounted. The polarizations of race, religion, and politics that grip our country today have focused increasingly on universities. They have become a symbol for those divisions as well as the theater in which they are being acted out. But this is not just theater; it represents a threat to the foundational assumptions that have long governed higher education.

We should from the outset understand what is at stake. American universities have since at least the 1940s been preeminent in the world. Universities' research discoveries have been central to American prosperity; their graduates have led the most important institutions of our government, society, and culture. Why are people working so hard to denigrate and destroy them?

One prong of these attacks has been directed at undermining belief in the value of college. A dramatic shift has occurred in Americans' faith that college matters. In the 2010s, 99 percent of Republicans and 96 percent of Democrats expected their children to go to college; now nearly half of American parents would prefer that they not. And this has occurred overwhelmingly among Republicans. College is becoming a partisan cause — with enormous potential damage both to students and the nation. College graduates still make an average of \$1.2 million more than high school graduates over the course of a lifetime. They have better health and longer life expectancy and are 64 percent more likely to describe themselves as happy. Economists estimate that declining college attendance will yield \$1.2 trillion lost in economic output by the end of the decade. To oppose college is to individually and collectively shoot ourselves in the foot.

An essential factor fueling hostility toward higher education is that college costs too much. Americans currently owe \$1.7 trillion in college debt. For all our invocations of the mantra of “access and affordability,” we have not succeeded in reining in cost. But we must also recognize that this rise in price and rise in debt are in part the result of a defunding of higher education, especially in the years since the Great Recession. Public universities have transferred a growing percentage of tuition from the

state to families. To offer just one example: In 1960, 78 percent of the budget of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor came from the state. In 2023 it was 13 percent. The shift in our understanding of college from a common good to a private good has left students to rely increasingly on loans to cover the tuition increases this transformation has required. Or perhaps to decide not to attend college at all.

In the case of private institutions, we might regard the tax on university endowments as another form of defunding higher education. Its passage in 2017 was acknowledged by many Republicans to be punitive, a means of expressing their objections to what they saw as universities' liberal bias. That no tax was considered for the endowments of religious groups, museums, or other nonprofits seems telling. The debates around the endowment tax cast many of America's finest universities as negative forces, as drains on society, not as powerful engines of its betterment. By 2017, partisan splits in views about higher education had taken firm hold.

Universities need to defend themselves against attacks that are uninformed, undeserved, or rankly partisan, attacks fueled by political opportunism, explicitly designed to weaken and marginalize a set of institutions that are foundational to American democracy and to the well-being not just of Americans but of people around the globe.

Recently 79 percent of Republicans said that a major problem in universities was professors bringing their liberal political and social views into the classroom. Only 17 percent of Democrats agreed. Statistics about political allegiances of faculty indicate there are five Democratic professors for every Republican. But what does such a statistic mean in practice? Increasingly partisan views about higher education are likely as much cause as effect of these divides. And do we assume that connection with one political party or another necessarily implies a distortion of what is being taught?

A B.A. has neither an R or a D attached to it. The lives of Republicans and Democrats alike are improved by college attendance, just as the well-being of our society overall is advanced by the work of free and independent universities. The fear that higher levels of education may correlate with Democratic voting should not become a reason for advocating ignorance.

Universities must resist being portrayed in this partisan light by continually strengthening their dedication to the ideals of free speech and the open exploration of ideas. Just as judges are expected to transcend political leanings in their loyalty to the rule of law, so the culture of a university requires loyalty to what we might call the rule of truth.

The essence of a university requires it to stand above the political fray, to uphold the value of rational argument and exchange as the pathway to finding the best ideas.

This does not mean that students and faculty cannot have their own political loyalties. But these must not marginalize other perspectives or undermine principles of academic freedom and rigor. We in higher education have been far from perfect in this regard. Frank disagreement and respectful argument are an ideal, not, alas, always a reality. And as our nation has become more polarized, and social media has made it possible to turn any interaction into an occasion of public shaming and canceling, it takes more courage to disagree with your peers or even your professors. I know that students have sometimes found it challenging to express disagreement with what seemed to be prevailing views in classrooms or in dining halls. In recent months deeply felt divisions over a raging war have made communicating across differences especially difficult. But I also know

how so many students have remained committed to rational and dispassionate exchange as they have listened to one another and reached for understanding.

Much is at stake in dedicating ourselves to being good and true speakers and generous listeners. And much is at stake in how and what we teach. Academic integrity entails the obligation that faculty have to their fields of inquiry — to what I have called a rule of truth that evaluates the debates defining their disciplines. These are substantive questions of knowledge, method, and fact that are fundamentally academic, not political in nature; they require expertise and judgment about subject matter and educational goals. That is why the long-held right of universities and their faculties to decide what they should teach is so precious.

Precious but under threat. Indiana, for example, has recently passed a law requiring faculty to teach a “variety of political or ideological frameworks.” Does that mean a biology professor must teach creationism? Or a historian must offer a portrait of our past that erases terrible injustices like slavery in service of painting an unrealistically celebratory notion of the American experience? Or given the strictures introduced against teaching what has been demonized as critical race theory,

will a historian be required to present a color-blind American history from which race is excluded altogether? To mandate what is often hailed as “viewpoint diversity” can mean presenting material that is just plain wrong. Does a politician know more about biology than a biologist? About history than a historian?

I have been arguing for the right of universities to establish their curricula and select their faculty by means of carefully established processes grounding such decisions in intellectual expertise. Such structures are designed to shield universities from political intervention, from becoming the handmaidens of a political party or agenda. Imperfectly, no doubt. But this must be our goal. We should not be permitting, and certainly not celebrating, a governor or a legislature or a member of Congress who is designing courses or degree requirements, hiring faculty, or proudly claiming responsibility for firing university presidents.

Universities must endeavor to maintain independence and distance from the partisan scrum. The value of university autonomy has been foundational to university excellence; it has made American higher education strong; it has made America strong. Universities need to imagine beyond the societies in which they find themselves — to pursue discoveries that will build a future that the present cannot yet envision; to transcend and even challenge the status quo; and to be free to criticize the powerful, whether politicians or plutocrats. Universities must have the freedom to think the unthinkable.

American higher education is endangered. Universities have rightly been reminded of the imperative to live up to their own values, to be accountable to the rule of truth that I have described. They need now more than ever to be their best selves. But they also need to defend themselves against attacks that are uninformed, undeserved, or rankly partisan, attacks fueled by political opportunism, explicitly designed to weaken and marginalize a set of institutions that are foundational to American democracy and to the well-being not just of Americans but of people around the globe.

We who have been nurtured and shaped by universities must be champions of the promise and purposes of higher education — of the rule of truth that universities stand for both within and beyond their walls.

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READERS' FORUM

MBTA Communities law has people talking about housing. That's progress.

State's zoning reform law adds an element to the municipal toolbox

Andrew Brinker's article "Communities develop plans to skirt intent of state's new housing law" (Page A1, May 19) paints a status quo picture when things are changing. Anyone who's attended a planning board meeting knows that very little actual planning happens as members oversee

When we start at yes, we can focus on how we create the homes we need. This is when we do what we do best: We innovate.

When we start at yes, we can focus on how we create the homes we need. This is when Massachusetts does what we do best: We innovate. Communities can innovate at the local level through thoughtful planning, inclusive zoning, and local investments. At the state level, the Legislature should pass Governor Maura Healey's Affordable Homes Act, which proposes \$4 billion for affordable housing while adding new zoning for accessory dwelling

units and financing for public housing, mixed-income developments, and home-ownership opportunities. Municipalities and state government can innovate together, prioritizing infrastructure dollars to support communities helping Massachusetts grow.

As additions to the toolbox go, the MBTA Communities Act has barely been removed from its packaging. Let's use all of our tools to create the homes that people, our communities, and the Commonwealth need to thrive.

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It's not a housing production program, but it is a key step

In "Communities develop plans to skirt intent of state's new housing law," Andrew Brinker details what can only be described as "paper compliance" with the MBTA Communities law by some communities, such as Wellesley, Dedham, and Sudbury, which is a real failure of the intent of the law and a failure of those communities to embrace the opportunity it presents.

But Brinker clouds the issue by going on to quote several experts bemoaning the fact that zoning reform under the law will not produce the maximum allowable units.

Neither those involved with these efforts at the local level nor the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities has ever asserted that zoning reform

alone will solve the housing crisis in Massachusetts or that we will build multifamily housing to the maximum theoretical density. Zoning is not a housing production program, but it is a necessary step.

The article and the concerns of some observers downplay one of the most important results of this law. As someone who has been a local housing advocate for more than 30 years, I know that the MBTA Communities law has been the single most important measure in forcing a debate in cities and towns about housing, housing affordability, and the future of our communities. I sincerely hope that the debate will continue and move forward both in the Legislature and at the local level.

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Norwood housing proponents see town's plan as a real step forward, not just a tiptoe

Norwood's adoption of multifamily zoning was a success for housing proponents. It was not, as Andrew Brinker's article depicts, doing "as little as possible without violating the ... law."

With limited space to develop and an already robust rental market near the town's transit stations, Norwood planners had to find sites ripe for investment, create regulations that worked for developers, and then persuade Town Meeting to vote in favor of the proposal. They drew up a 78-acre plan that achieved all

three objectives and is expected to yield 300 new units of housing in the coming years.

At March's Town Meeting, the longest-serving member of the Board of Selectmen pitched an alternative — a scaled-back plan with far less development allowed. Town Meeting rejected that proposal and ultimately supported the 78-acre plan by a vote of 103-48.

We are confident that Sarah Dixon, the town's director of community development; the town's planning board; the MBTA Communities task force; and Town Meeting chose a plan designed to create new housing, not keep it away.

Unfortunately, some readers might have gotten a different impression from the Globe's article, which was a disappointment for those who worked hard to pass this plan.

Progress isn't always flashy, but it's always worth the effort, however incremental or misunderstood.

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Skirting the intent of the housing law tells prospective residents they're not welcome

On family road trips in the early 1970s, I remember seeing billboards for resorts and hotels that were open to gentiles only. Separately, in his insightful book about housing regulations, "The Color of Law," Richard Rothstein notes, "As early as the nineteenth century, deeds in Brookline, Massachusetts, forbade resale of property to 'any negro or native of Ireland.'" With such past, ugly practices in mind, I suggest we please consider that when we meet in public forums to devise plans to skirt the intent of the MBTA Communities law, we in effect are saying that certain people are not welcome in our community, simply because they cannot afford to live here.

As a Commonwealth, we must ask ourselves a difficult question: If our children or grandchildren someday find themselves belonging to a group considered undesirable or less wealthy, do we truly wish to shut them out of our communities?

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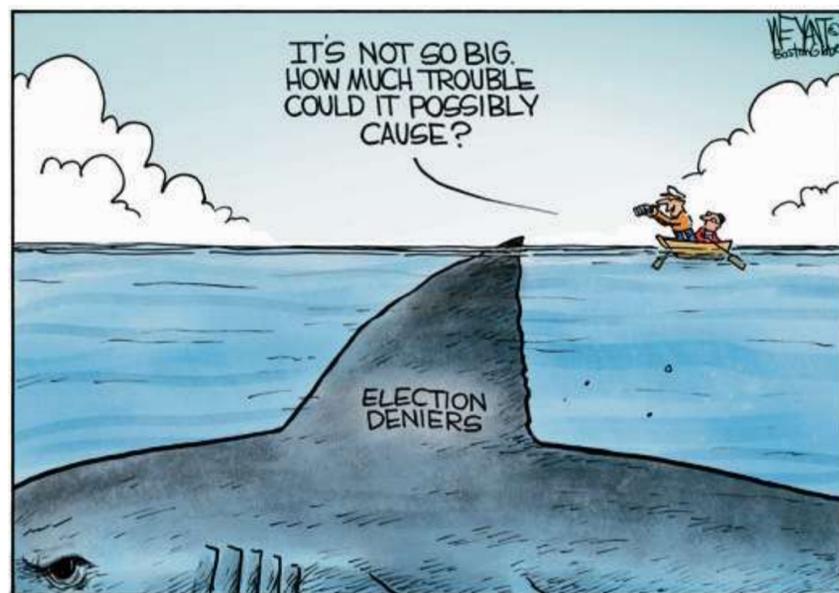
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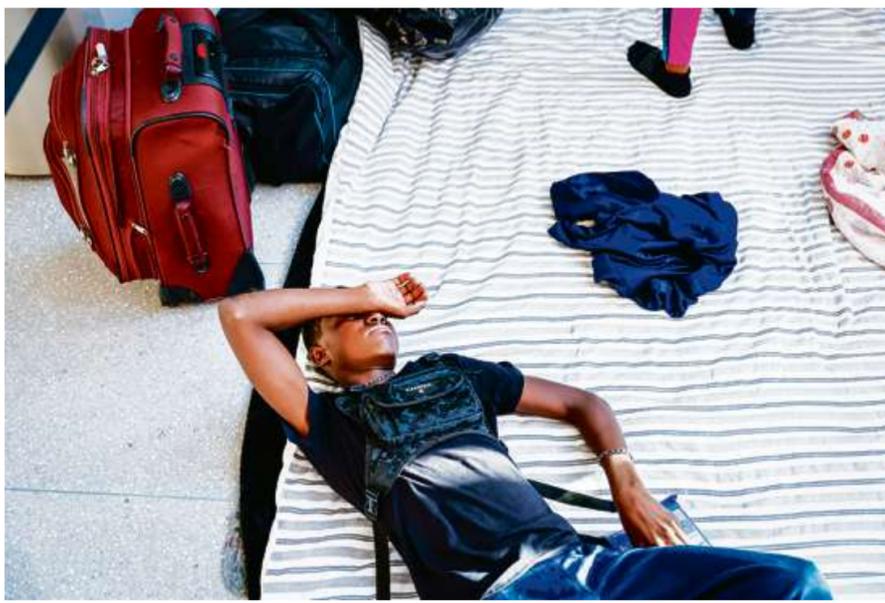
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Left, Guivensy Joseph, 14, rested on his family's makeshift bed at Logan, where they stayed the night. Right, Silence Marie Angeline Gressier wrangled her 2-year-old daughter, Mariana Clara Silence, after arriving at the airport. Gressier and her daughter traveled through 11 countries before arriving in Boston.

Migrants continue to seek shelter at Logan

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which is when he decided to flee the country. He spread out bedding for himself, his partner, Alexis Elianise, and their 1-year-old son, Arhav Judhensky, on the floor of Terminal E on Thursday evening. His first objective, he said, is to find a better place to sleep for his family.

"I am not afraid, I am not nervous or anything," said St. Louis, who worked as a handyman and in a factory back home. "Here it's much better. Where I came from, I was running for my life. There cannot be anything worse than that."

In late January, about 80 people were sleeping at the airport, and this week, it was more of the same.

More than 120 people were staying at the airport Thursday evening, including more than 25 small children. Some spoke of those left behind. Silence Marie Angeline Gressier, 42, traveled with her 2-year-old daughter through 11 countries before coming to Boston, where she arrived on Monday. Her focus remains on finding better shelter for her toddler and getting her other children here. Her 19-year-old daughter was sexually assaulted back in Haiti, she said.

"We'd like to bring her along with her brother," she said.

Guetty Carries, 43, has two of her children with her at the airport. Two more are in Mexico, she said.

"I have no one," she said through an interpreter. "I heard things about Boston; they said this is where they help people like me."

The airport, where she has been sleeping since May 17, is not good for her migraines. She would like to find someplace else to stay. Still, she said, "Haiti is worse."

Behind her, two of her sons, Roobensky Joseph, 11, and Guivensy Joseph, 14, used their fingers to pull peanut butter out of a jar and smear it on bread.

For decades, homeless families have been guaranteed a roof over their heads under a 1980s-era law in Massachusetts, the only state in the country with a so-called right-to-shelter requirement.

But a current statute makes



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Above, a woman and child walked toward the restrooms in the early morning. Right, Alex St. Louis pulled clothes from his suitcase after setting up a makeshift bed for his family.

the mandate "subject to appropriation," meaning the state is required to follow it only as long as it has enough money. And with ballooning costs, Massachusetts officials have asserted that they can no longer guarantee shelter past 7,500 families. Complicating things further, the region is in the midst of a housing crisis. The median sales price for a single-family home in Greater Boston reached a record \$950,000 last month.

As real estate prices rocket, the total tally of migrant families in the emergency shelter system in Massachusetts tops 3,700, according to the most recent state data, which is from May 16. More than 500 families applied for shelter during the previous two-week period. More than 330 families are in overflow shelter sites, while 118 exited the emergency shelter system during the previous two weeks. More than 770 families are on an emergency shelter waitlist for shelter; 162 of them have been placed on

the list in the last 14 days.

"Governor Healey has been clear that this is a federal problem that requires a federal solution from Congress, including stronger border security and more funding for states," Karissa Hand, a spokesperson for Healey, said in a statement this week. "Massachusetts has gone above and beyond to address this challenge — helping thousands of immigrants apply for work authorizations, placing hundreds in jobs, setting a capacity limit and time limits on shelter stays — but we long ago reached our limit and it is way past time for Congress to step up."

To control costs, the state enacted a law in April to limit most families' stays in the emergency shelter system to nine months. Under regulations the Healey administration wrote, which makes the limit retroactive to Jan. 1, some migrants may be getting kicked out of their temporary shelters as early as September, the State House News



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Service reported Friday.

Meanwhile, in keeping with a pledge that Healey made to Roxbury stakeholders months ago, state authorities will move migrants out of the Melnea A. Cass Recreational Complex by the end of the month. Dozens of migrants who were sleeping at Logan Airport started to move into the facility in late January.

In recent days, Kevin Connor, spokesperson for the state's Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities, said the center is on track to wind down as an overflow shelter for fami-

lies on the state's emergency waitlist before June 1. At that time, families who have not been rehoused or transitioned to shelters will be transferred to another safety-net site, according to Connor, such as a new site in Chelsea. Connor said there are about 70 people currently staying at the Cass.

Additionally, the state recently announced a safety-net shelter site at the former Bay State Correctional Center in Norfolk, which the Healey administration expects to be operational next month with the capacity to

serve about 140 families currently on the emergency shelter waitlist. (About half of those on the waitlist are newly arrived immigrants.)

"The state will work closely with school districts and families to ensure continuity of education. Per federal law, families will have the choice between staying in their current district or enrolling in their new district," Connor said in an email.

All told, 15 families staying at the Cass since January have found "alternative housing," according to Connor, while 51 moved into emergency shelters. The maximum capacity of the center, Connor said, was 350 people.

The proposal to open a shelter at the Cass center received pushback from some residents who said that Roxbury is already burdened with its own set of problems due in large part to decades of disinvestment and systemic racism. Roxbury is one of Boston's most diverse neighborhoods; about 85 percent of its 53,000 residents are people of color. The neighborhood's median household income is about \$38,000, well under the citywide median income of \$81,000.

From the get-go, Healey framed the Cass solution to the ongoing migrant crisis in Massachusetts as a temporary one. This week, Connor said the state is following through on that commitment. Healey said the facility will be reopened to the public by June. She also pledged to upgrade the state-run complex, and more details about the renovations have emerged in recent weeks.

The planned improvements are various: Solar panels installed on the roof. New shade trees near the entrance. An operational Wi-Fi network. A new sound system and new athletic equipment. Spray deck improvements. Lobby upgrades. A new athletic floor is slated for the indoor track arena, which is scheduled to reopen on Labor Day.

The complex's public swimming pool will open June 22, according to state authorities.

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Riders are still waiting for the T to catch up

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restrictions are removed, the MBTA continues to make schedule and service improvements throughout the system," spokesperson Joe Pesaturo said in an email. He did not say when the T would restore pre-pandemic service.

The MBTA's weekday bus and subway service is about 13 percent to 14 percent less this spring than it was in the spring of 2019, before the pandemic, according to data provided by the MBTA. The data displays in raw numbers why passengers have long been expressing their frustrations.

Riders of the Red Line and Green Line D Branch (between Union Square Station in Somerville and Riverside Station in Newton) have it the worst, where there are now 35 percent and 23 percent fewer scheduled weekday trips, respectively, than before the pandemic. The Blue Line has recovered the

most service, with just 3 percent fewer trips this spring.

The T says three major hurdles are keeping the agency from restoring service: not enough trains, not enough operators, and not enough speed.

On the Red Line, the MBTA is still waiting on hundreds of new train cars from CRRC, the Chinese manufacturer first contracted by the agency in 2014 to build them in Springfield. The Orange Line suffers from the same problem — the T is still missing 34 new cars (enough to complete nearly six train sets) that were supposed to be carrying passengers by now.

To remedy the delays, the MBTA agreed earlier this year to pay CRRC an additional \$148 million for the new cars that the company still owes the transit agency, bringing the total cost of the contract to more than \$1 billion with a promise that all the cars will be delivered by the end of 2027.

On the Green Line, the agen-

cy needs more cars in operation — more specifically, operators to drive them — to cover the additional Green Line extension track. The result: Riders are forced to wait longer for trains.

The same goes for buses. The T had planned to begin a five-year process of increasing bus service by 25 percent last year, but had to put the plan on hold because the agency doesn't have enough drivers. Now, the T says riders will start to see improvements come December.

As riders continue to wait, this spring's bus schedule more accurately reflects the number of trips the agency can actually deliver with the number of drivers it has.

The T says it has hired 344 bus operators so far this fiscal year since increasing starting pay to \$30 per hour, up from \$22.21. Last year the agency contracted just 191 new bus drivers. Hiring for the Red, Orange, Blue, and Green lines, and Mattapan Trolley Lines has in-

creased, too.

As for problem number three, not enough speed, the agency appears to have made the most progress there. Speed restrictions, which plagued 23 percent of subway track in May of last year, now affect just 9 percent of track, according to MBTA data.

The T puts speed restrictions on parts of tracks that are unsafe for trains to travel at full throttle until the agency can repair them. The Orange Line and the Red Line have the most slow zones with 18 percent and 15 percent, respectively. The T has committed to eliminating all speed restrictions on its subway tracks by December.

Even though progress has been made, subway riders in Greater Boston are going without pre-pandemic service far longer than passengers relying on other similarly sized systems.

The Washington, D.C., transit agency announced last year



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On the Red Line, there are now 35 percent fewer scheduled weekday trips than before the pandemic.

that it had not only restored pre-pandemic service, but it had exceeded pre-pandemic levels throughout the system. In New York City, the agency restored pre-pandemic bus service in 2020 and its 24-hour subway service in 2021. In Los Angeles, LA Metro restored pre-pandemic bus service in 2022 and has made improvements toward restoring its rail service.

Boston, however, is not alone

in its tardiness. The Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority in Philadelphia and the Chicago Transit Authority have not yet restored pre-pandemic service, though Chicago has committed to restore frequency on some bus routes and rail lines this year.

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The ‘assault’ that wasn’t



In a season of protests, this one didn’t stand out as especially dramatic.

Last Oct. 18, approximately 100 students and activists held a “die-in” on the grounds of Harvard Business School in Brighton to protest attacks on civilians in Gaza, in the wake of the Oct. 7 attack on Israel by Hamas.

As protesters lay on the ground, others noticed that they were being filmed. A chant rose up for the photographer to exit the protest, and two students attempted to block the filming, with at least one of them using his kaffiyeh, a traditional Muslim scarf, in an effort to block the camera lens.

The alleged victim was a Harvard graduate student named Yoav Segev. Two alleged assailants, both fellow Harvard graduate students, have since been criminally charged with one charge of assault and one civil rights violation in Brighton District Court.

Though the incident attracted little local notice at the time, it became a cause celebre in right-wing circles, which are suddenly aghast at the supposed failure of colleges to address antisemitism on campus. Congresswoman Elise Stefanik — Harvard’s designated tormentor — even wrote a letter to the school’s leadership accusing the school of dragging its feet on imposing punishment.

The students who have been charged are Elom Tettey-Tamaklo, a second-year student at Harvard Divinity School, and Ibrahim Bharmal, a dual-degree student at Harvard Law School and the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

When I spoke with them this week, they stressed that they had not assaulted Segev but have nonetheless been subject to death threats and online abuse for months.

“It’s been very intense — one of the hardest periods of my life, honestly,” Tettey-Tamaklo told me. “I had homophobic threats, racial slurs, multiple times the n-word was used against me, because of how the story had been presented.”

It hasn’t been any better for Bharmal, the second-year law student. He used the word “scary” multiple times to describe being targeted in response to this incident. The threats he’s received often make reference to his Muslim background.

“I still have a lot of anxiety when I get a call without a caller ID or identification, just holding my breath that it’s not another death threat.”

There is readily available video of the incident online — thanks in no small part to the Washington Free Beacon, a right-leaning news outlet that has regularly assailed Harvard, using what may as well be Stefanik’s talking points.

But the video is not nearly as dramatic as the talking points around it. It basically shows a group of people telling someone shooting video for unknown — possibly nefarious — purposes to get lost. As a journalist, I’ve dealt with plenty of crowds more hostile than that one.

They were charged by Harvard University Police in Brighton District Court. But the real question is what happens next. The decision about whether to pursue or drop this case rests now with Suffolk DA Kevin Hayden.

As someone who has covered crime in Suffolk County for decades, I’ll just say this: I can’t remember a weaker assault case. Not only does this case not clear the bar for prosecution, it doesn’t even approach it.

Assault by scarf? Please stop it.

I am not trivializing the issues of violent crime or antisemitism. Rather, I believe both causes are trivialized by latching onto something as minor as this in hope of making some larger point.

Both students told me they were protesting as a matter of conscience, struck by suffering they believe anyone should oppose.

“The reason I speak up, the reason I lift my voice, is because I think all people need to be safe, need to be protected, need to be cared for,” Tettey-Tamaklo said. “Folks in Gaza, folks in Palestine, folks in Israel. This case is not representative of who I am, or what my beliefs are, or how I try to approach the world.”

Bharmal said he worries that a criminal conviction could potentially derail a law career. He noted wryly that not many lawyers or potential lawyers have stood in the shoes of a defendant.

“I’m trying my best to see the lessons for this in future advocacy,” he said.

Of course, both Bharmal and Tettey-Tamaklo support a cease-fire in Gaza. That goal seems elusive. But an end to the battle they find themselves in shouldn’t be.

In a moment of agonizing moral dilemmas, ending this case doesn’t feel like one of them.

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Zecil Gravitz was recently honored with a commendation for exemplary service, dedication, and commitment during the World War II by the Canton Select Board.

AT 102, SHE RECALLS SERVICE TO THE NATION

‘I call myself a plain woman, an ordinary woman. And that’s how it is.’

By Lila Hempel-Edgers

GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

ANTON — At 102 years old, Zecil Gravitz looks back on many Memorial Days, a time when the nation pauses to salute the fallen and reflect on centuries of men and women who served their country.

A Navy veteran of World War II, Gravitz enlisted at a time when there were no warm uniforms or antibiotics. Female and Jewish soldiers were even more sparse.

She was both. Gravitz was recently honored with a commendation for exemplary service, dedication, and commitment during the war by the town’s Select Board.

“It felt odd for me because I’m not used to being commended,” Gravitz said, seated in her living room at Orchard Cove, a retirement community. “I call myself a plain woman, an ordinary woman. And that’s how it is.”

Gravitz, who on a chilly spring day wore a shiny silver brooch on a hot pink blazer, also embraced her role as a pioneer.

Born Zecil Kopeika, she was one of three-women on the pre-med track when she graduated in 1942 from the University of Pennsylvania in her native Philadelphia. She

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Shelter limits imposed in April may force some evictions by Sept. 1

By Sam Drysdale

STATE HOUSE NEWS SERVICE

Families may start getting kicked out of the state’s emergency shelter system on Sept. 1, and providers who thought families had until next spring are feeling blindsided.

Lawmakers and Governor Maura Healey passed a law in April limiting how long families can stay in the emergency shelter system for the first time since the program’s creation. The limits were approved while leaving the state’s right to shelter law in place.

The number of families looking to live in state-funded shelters has more than doubled over the last year and a half. With a cap imposed by Healey still in place, more than 750 families are on a waitlist to gain entry into those shelters.

Trying to rein in exploding shelter costs, Senate and House negotiators agreed in April to set a nine-month limit for how long families can stay in the state’s emergency shelters, with the option for families to seek up to two 90-day extensions if they are employed, participating in an approved training program, or



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Migrants stood in line in February. An April law limits the time families can stay in the emergency shelter system.

meet one of a slew of other protective criteria.

Legislators wrote that this section of the law would take effect on June 1, and many homelessness service providers assumed families would start hitting their nine-month limit next spring.

But the branch of Healey’s administration responsible for writing the regulations required under the law are telling providers that families could be getting notice in the mail as early as next week that they will have to leave by Sept. 1 — apply-

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Police queried on Lewiston response

Panel asks about leaks, organization

By Ivy Scott

GLOBE STAFF

LEWISTON, Maine — A state commission investigating October’s mass shooting at a bar and bowling alley on Friday probed leaks to media as part of its ongoing review, asking law enforcement officials if they were sufficiently organized in communicating details among agencies.

“Communication is critical, and communication can always be improved upon,” Maine State Police Colonel William Ross told the commission in his presentation. “Whether it’s the Lewiston incident or just a regular call, there can always be improvement ... [and] that’s why we’re here.”

The commission’s latest meeting comes after the Associated Press reported Tuesday that the search for the gunman in the shooting was a scene of “utter chaos,” according to an after-action report by the Portland Police Department.

The report underscored the danger posed by a group of allegedly intoxicated officers who nearly crashed an armored vehicle while responding to the location where the gunman abandoned his car, as well as other officers “self-dispatching” to different scenes rather than being directed to go there by a superior.

The number of officers arriving in plainclothes, specifically in “similar clothing to the suspect,” risked officers mistaking one another for the gunman, the report said.

The gunman killed 18 people at a bowling alley and pool bar in Lewiston in the state’s deadliest shooting.

Daniel Wathen, the chairperson of the independent commission, told the Associated Press this week that commissioners intended to address some of the report’s allegations, but others could be beyond the panel’s scope, including the allegations of drinking.

On Friday, Ross told the commission that he first addressed the issue of self-dispatching with the heads of police departments in the area during a virtual conference call two days after the shooting.

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Man facing charges says acts weren’t antisemitic

By John R. Ellement

GLOBE STAFF

By Ava Berger

GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

NEWTON — A Roslindale man allegedly drove an SUV with a Palestinian flag toward two Jewish teenagers wearing yarmulkes on a Newton street in April, and also allegedly tore down blue ribbons honoring Israeli hostages placed on trees near a major Jewish community center earlier this week, prosecutors said Friday.

Alexei Rodriguez, 49, a teacher at a Cambridge school, was arraigned in Newton District Court on Friday on multiple charges stemming from the April 30 incident and the acts of vandalism that authorities said took place near the Jewish Community Center of Greater Boston on Tuesday.

Not guilty pleas were entered on behalf of Rodriguez, who later posted \$500 cash bail ordered by Judge Jennifer D. Queally. He was also ordered to wear a GPS locating device.

During the arraignment, the judge abruptly stopped the proceedings and questioned Rodriguez directly after he appeared to be smiling as the prosecutor outlined his alleged actions.

“I’m just going to ask Mr. Rodriguez: Is there something funny about this proceeding?,” the judge asked, noting that “he has been smiling through most of the recitation of the

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Read trial continues with new details

At the Karen Read murder trial, an ATF agent disclosed some personal exchanges he had with Read. B2

No advance notice of Healey trip

Governor Healey’s office did not reveal her trip to DC for a White House dinner until she’d left town. B2

Witness describes his text exchanges with Karen Read

By **Tonya Alanez**
GLOBE STAFF

An ATF officer who socialized in the same circles as Karen Read and her boyfriend, Boston police Officer John O'Keefe, told Norfolk Superior Court jurors on Friday that he and Read exchanged flirty text messages and kissed once in the weeks before O'Keefe was found fatally injured and covered in snow in the front yard of a friend's Canton home on Jan. 29, 2022.

"I'm not proud of these text messages," Brian Higgins testified.

Higgins was at a Canton bar with Read, O'Keefe, and others on the night of O'Keefe's death. Higgins went to an after party at his friend Brian Albert Sr.'s home on Fairview Avenue. He said O'Keefe and Read did not show up at the party.

Prosecutors allege that the relationship between Read and O'Keefe was strained and that at the time of his death, O'Keefe was trying to end it.

Prosecutors claim that Read drunkenly and intentionally backed her SUV into O'Keefe after dropping him off at the late-night party and then left him to die in the snow.

Read, 44, of Mansfield, has pleaded not guilty to charges of second-degree murder, manslaughter, and leaving the scene of a crash involving injury.

Witnesses have testified that when Read returned to the scene early the next morning and found O'Keefe, she frantically repeated, "I hit him, I hit him."

Read's lawyers contend that Read is being framed and that O'Keefe was fatally beaten in the Fairview Road home, which was owned at the time by a fellow Boston police officer whose son was celebrating his 23rd birthday. The defense claims that O'Keefe's injured body was put



CHARLES KRUPA/POOL

Witness Brian Higgins answered questions from prosecutor Adam Lally Friday regarding text messages between Higgins and defendant Karen Read during Read's trial in Norfolk Superior Court.

outside on the front lawn and left in freezing temperatures.

Higgins testified that he was friends with both O'Keefe and Read. Higgins said he had never texted with Read before she messaged him on Jan. 12, 2022.

"Hey Brian, it's the weedwhacker," Read texted him on that day. Weedwhacker, he said, was "kind of a nickname that she adopted," after he saw Read using one and beeped at her, prompting her to give him "the finger."

They exchanged more texts the next day, Jan. 13, 2022.

"How did you get my digits?" Higgins wrote. "The Melissa and

Lito show," Read replied, referencing other regulars at the Hillside bar.

Read texted him later that he was "kind of a loner" and Higgins replied that he had "a ton of buddies" but only a few friends he was "tight with."

On Jan. 15, Read told Higgins via text: "You're hot."

He responded: "Are you serious or messing with me?"

Read said: "No, I'm serious." Higgins said: "Feeling is mutual."

Higgins said he was "taken aback" on another occasion in January when he was leaving O'Keefe's home after watching a

Patriots game there and "the defendant planted a kiss on me."

Higgins said Read told him to leave through the garage.

"The defendant kissed me," he said. "Not like a friend."

Higgins said he did not expect the kiss, and that he left "almost immediately."

Higgins said he texted Read another time and told her he thought she was "messing" with him because "this is so out of left field."

Higgins said he puzzled over the messages. "Was she trying to weaponize me against John and put me in the middle?" Higgins said. "I was having a hard time

[determining] ... what was happening."

In another text, Read wanted to know "do you like me?"

"Yes, from the jump," Higgins said, according to text records.

Read wrote to Higgins on another occasion, saying that she was "basically begging you" to come over, records show.

Higgins told her, "ball's in your court."

Read asked Higgins what he wanted. He replied, "loaded question."

"We're single and we don't have kids," Read texted him, records show. "We can do whatever we want."

Higgins plied Read more, asking why she was reaching out to him.

"I just think you're like me and I'm attracted to you," Read wrote, adding that "things have deteriorated" between her and O'Keefe.

"He seems very into you," Higgins wrote. He also asked if she was breaking up with O'Keefe, and Read said she didn't know, and that O'Keefe "hooked up" with someone else on a trip to Aruba weeks earlier.

Higgins testified that during their text thread he was constantly wondering if her interest in him was "legitimate."

Higgins later wrote that he was seeking "the real deal" in a relationship. Read replied, "it doesn't exist."

Higgins at another point invited Read over for a drink.

"I'm 42," Read responded. "I know what happens when you invite someone over for a drink."

Read wrote at another point that "things are far from perfect" with O'Keefe and that she's "not married and neither are you. Neither is John."

Read also wrote that she and O'Keefe had no intention of "EVER getting married."

Higgins said Read came over to his residence one evening earlier in January 2022, and it "was just a weird experience."

He said Read left after a brief period. Higgins said he was "very uncomfortable" while she was there and that "it was just a weird vibe."

The last text he received from Read came at 11:54 a.m. on Jan. 29. It said simply, "John died."

Higgins said he never heard from Read again.

His testimony came on a day that ended with aggressive cross examination by defense attorney Alan Jackson. The trial resumes Tuesday.

Healey didn't preview White House state dinner attendance

By **Samantha J. Gross**
and **Matt Stout**

GLOBE STAFF

Governor Maura Healey jetted to DC Thursday afternoon to attend the White House state dinner with the president of Kenya, a trip her office didn't publicly disclose until the governor had already left town and the White House had publicized the guest list.

On Thursday evening, Karissa Hand, a spokesperson for the governor, gave notice to reporters that Healey flew to D.C. on Thursday afternoon and that she planned to return Friday morning. A Globe reporter got a text from her at 5:42 p.m., with a link to the guest list the White House had just published.

Wire photos and video showed Healey and her partner, Joanna Lydgate, clad in evening gowns, posing in front of American and Kenyan flags and then walking into the dinner.

President Biden hosted 450 guests at the dinner, including two of Healey's fellow Democratic governors: Maine's Janet Mills and New Mexico's Michelle Lujan Grisham, according to the White House.

Grisham's office publicized her travel to reporters on Monday. A spokesperson for Mills did not immediately return a request for comment.

Massachusetts has a Kenyan

population of about 6,000, the sixth-largest in the country, according to Census data.

The state dinner was held outdoors inside a glass pavilion on the South Lawn, which was decorated with glittering candles and a 15,000-piece chandelier, set against a backdrop of fuchsia African orchids and American red roses, according to pool reports.

The star-studded guest list included a range of personalities from former presidents to members of Congress to Hollywood stars like Sean Penn and "Star Trek" actor LeVar Burton.

Guests dined on chilled heirloom tomato soup, fruitwood-smoked short ribs, and butter-poached lobster while listening to musical performances from the Howard University Gospel Choir and country singer Brad Paisley.

From the pavilion, they took in sweeping views of the White House and the Washington Monument as the sun set over D.C.

Including the Thursday dinner, Healey will have spent at least 69 days traveling outside of the state since she took office last year, according to a Globe tally.

Healey has no public events scheduled for Friday, according to the schedule put out by her office. On Thursday, the day



JACQUELYN MARTIN/ASSOCIATED PRESS

Governor Maura Healey and her partner, Joanna Lydgate, were among the guests at the White House on Thursday.

Healey traveled to D.C., that schedule only listed an 11 a.m. commencement address the governor gave at Bunker Hill Community College's graduation ceremony at MGM Music Hall in Fenway.

The unannounced trip to a very public Washington event is in keeping with the governor's policy of not divulging her out-of-state travel plans ahead of time, a stance Healey adopted in November, citing unspecified security concerns. A regional neo-Nazi group has twice demonstrated outside her Arlington home where she lives with her

partner, who has two children. Healey, the first woman and openly gay governor elected in Massachusetts history, later denounced the group for "trying to scare people."

At the time, her decision to not divulge when she was leaving the state marked a major break from her own past practice and that of her predecessors.

Healey's office has regularly provided her monthly calendar to news outlets that request it. But that means reporters or the public may not learn when she was out of state until weeks or

more after the fact.

In March, for example, the governor initially refused to disclose where she had gone during an out-of-state trip the previous month, saying it was for "personal" travel. At the time, she said that while she intended to share information publicly about "work-related travel," she would not for her private trips.

She reversed herself days later, acknowledging she had taken a four-day trip to Puerto Rico with her partner.

Her aides also said that going forward she would disclose the location of her out-of-state trips, including personal ones, after the fact.

But earlier this month, her office changed their tune.

They did not disclose that Healey twice left the state in April to attend a luncheon in New York and later, a four-day gathering with other Democratic governors in New Mexico.

Healey's office did give advance notice of a recent trip to a confab in Italy, where she met with business leaders, had an audience with Pope Francis, and announced a new climate initiative during a summit at the Vatican.

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This day in history

Today is Thursday, May 25, the 146th day of 2024. There are 220 days left in the year.

Birthdays: Actor Sir Ian McKellen is 85. Actor-singer Leslie Uggams is 81. Movie director and puppeteer Frank Oz is 80. Actor Karen Valentine is 77. Playwright Eve Ensler is 71. Rock singer-musician Paul Weller is 66. Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-Minn.), is 64. Actor-comedian Mike Myers is 61. Actor Cillian Murphy is 48. Actor Ethan Suplee is 48. Olympic gold medal gymnast Aly Raisman is 30.

►In 1787, the Constitutional Convention began at the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia after enough delegates had shown up for a quorum.

►In 1946, Transjordan (now Jordan) became a kingdom as it

proclaimed its new monarch, Abdullah I.

►In 1961, President John F. Kennedy told Congress: "I believe that this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the moon and returning him safely to the earth."

►In 1964, the US Supreme Court, in Griffin v. County School Board of Prince Edward County, ordered the Virginia county to reopen its public schools, which officials had closed in an attempt to circumvent the Supreme Court's 1954 Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka desegregation ruling.

►In 1979, 273 people died when an American Airlines DC-10 crashed just after takeoff from Chicago's O'Hare Airport.

►In 2008, NASA's Phoenix

Mars Lander arrived on the Red Planet to begin searching for evidence of water; the spacecraft confirmed the presence of water ice at its landing site.

►In 2011, a judge in Salt Lake City sentenced street preacher Brian David Mitchell to life in prison for kidnapping and raping Elizabeth Smart, who was 14 at the time of her abduction in 2002.

►In 2012, the private company SpaceX made history as its Dragon capsule docked with the International Space Station.

►In 2018, Harvey Weinstein was charged in New York with rape and another sex felony in the first prosecution to result from the wave of allegations against him. (Weinstein would be convicted of two felony counts in 2020, but an appeals court would overturn the conviction in 2024.)

►In 2020, George Floyd, a Black man, was killed when a white Minneapolis police officer pressed his knee on Floyd's neck for about 9 1/2 minutes while Floyd was handcuffed and pleading that he couldn't breathe; Floyd's death, captured on video by a bystander, would lead to worldwide protests, some of which turned violent, and a reexamination of racism and policing in the US.

►In 2022, Texas Governor Greg Abbott said that 18-year-old Salvador Ramos, the gunman who massacred 19 children and two teachers at a Uvalde elementary school a day earlier, warned in online messages sent minutes before the attack that he had shot his grandmother and was going to shoot up a school.

Lottery

FRIDAY MIDDAY 4770

Payoffs (based on a \$1 bet)

	Exact Order
All 4 digits	\$3,828
First or last 3	\$536
Any 2 digits	\$46
Any 1 digit	\$5

ANY ORDER

All 4 digits	\$319
First 3	\$179
Last 3	\$179

FRIDAY NIGHT 5980

Payoffs (based on a \$1 bet)

	Exact Order
All 4 digits	\$6,744
First or last 3	\$944
Any 2 digits	\$81
Any 1 digit	\$8

ANY ORDER

All 4 digits	\$281
First 3	\$157
Last 3	\$157

LUCKY FOR LIFE

May 24 13-17-24-29-33

Lucky Ball 07

Jackpot: \$1,000 per day; no winners

MASS CASH

May 24 01-07-10-28-32

Jackpot: \$100,000; one winner

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May 24 46-54-56-67-70

Megaball 16, Megaplier 3x

Jackpot: \$ winners

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State commission terminates probe of Ashland police chief

By Maddie Khaw
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

A State Police oversight panel voted this week to terminate its investigation into the conduct of Ashland Police Chief Cara Rossi, who was accused of failing to adequately respond to a dispatcher's complaint of sexual assault by an officer when Rossi was a lieutenant in Natick in 2020.

Rossi, who was reinstated as the Ashland department's chief in April after being on administrative leave, will face no disciplinary sanctions.

"The Commission concludes there is not clear and convincing evidence that [Rossi] engaged in a pattern of unprofessional police conduct that may escalate," said the final decision, issued Wednesday by the Massachusetts Peace Officer Standards and Training Commission. "The Commission also does not find substantial evidence that [Rossi] 'would benefit in [her] job performance if retrained.'"

In a statement posted Thursday on social media, Rossi's lawyer, Leah Barrault, said Rossi is "grateful" to the commission for its "thorough and fair review of this matter."

"She shall now move forward and continue to work to be the best Police Chief that she can be for the citizens of Ashland and for the police department that she oversees," the post said.

The decision, which was issued by hearing officer Judith A. Cowin, said that Rossi had already been "sufficiently sanctioned" for her errors in handling the 2020 sexual assault incident. Rossi was given a five-day suspension, which was shortened to two days because of her otherwise clean record since starting as a patrol officer in Natick in 1994. She also attended two days of training.

"Nothing more could be achieved by additional sanc-



DAILY NEWS, WICKED LOCAL STAFF PHOTO/KEN MCGAGH VIA IMAGN CONTENT

Ashland Police Chief Cara Rossi was reinstated in April after being on administrative leave.

tions," the commission's decision says.

In a March POST Commission hearing, Rossi expressed remorse for her failure to immediately file a written report on the assault complaint.

"I had an obligation to do more. I know that; I wish I had," Rossi said at the hearing.

In addition to Rossi's failure to sufficiently investigate the assault, a prosecuting attorney also accused Rossi of engaging in an ongoing pattern of "unprofessional conduct," pointing to a confrontation she had with a former colleague at the Natick Police Department in June 2023.

The report said the 30-minute encounter, which was with Rossi's former colleague and friend Allan Graham, a current Natick lieutenant, "rapidly turned unpleasant," with Rossi walking away in tears.

Graham later reported the incident to the POST Commission, alleging he felt intimidated and verbally harassed by Rossi. But the Commission deemed his complaint an attempt to protect himself in case Rossi were to report him in turn.

"The altercation with Graham at the Natick Police station

on June 2, 2023, was inappropriate and unprofessional," the commission's decision says. "Rossi should have restrained herself from any unpleasant or hostile conversation with Graham. However, this behavior does not constitute misconduct. Even if it did rise to the level of misconduct, it does not establish a pattern of unprofessional misconduct that may escalate if discipline is not imposed."

In her testimony before the POST Commission, Rossi admitted that she mishandled the 2020 sexual assault incident, and said she "sufficiently learned" from the suspension and training.

James Quilty, the perpetrator, has since pleaded guilty to indecent assault and battery, court records show. He is decertified and resigned from the Natick Police Department, according to a list from POST that was updated Feb. 29. Decertified officers are entered into the National Decertification Index, which means they cannot work as a police officer anywhere in the country, according to POST.

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Lewiston panel asks police about leaks, organization

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[initially] felt they weren't getting enough information from us," he said, prompting him to convene a Microsoft Teams videocall. On the call, he said, he warned department leaders about both self-dispatching and leaks to media, and told them, "if you see that happening, make sure you correct it with your people." Ross said he didn't call out any specific police departments but rather issued a general warning.

Commission member Ellen Gorman asked Ross directly if self-dispatch was "enough of a problem that policies need to be in place" for the future.

Ross said he would be "very cautious" about implementing any policy that would discourage officers from responding to a major emergency but that he was in favor of tightening up the incident command process and reinforcing self-dispatch protocol during trainings.

"Once a command post is set up, all of that comes together," Ross added. "In the first few hours, it's very chaotic and it needs to be organized ... [and] that's what command does."

Commissioners posed additional questions to Maine State Police Sergeant Greg Roy, commander of the tactical team, about the agency's assessment of its own investigation.

"An active crime investigation and an active manhunt happening at same time can be very challenging," Roy said. "We had 16 different [tactical] SWAT teams operating — that's never happened before. There were teams in Maine that have never operated in Maine before."

Roy acknowledged that State Police never identified the plainclothes officers who self-reported to the scene where the gunman's empty car was found near a boat launch.

"We didn't have any identities of anybody that was there, and we didn't really have a process for doing that," he said, adding that his team "didn't even notice they were there while we were operating."



RUSS DILLINGHAM/SUN JOURNAL VIA ASSOCIATED PRESS

Maine State Police Colonel William Ross answered questions during a hearing at Lewiston City Hall, Friday, in Lewiston.

Roy echoed the importance of self-dispatch as an "essential" part of police response to active shooter situations. But he acknowledged that once the gunman's car was found and the situation transitioned to a manhunt, "the best practice is an organized apprehension effort and not self-deploying to certain sites, for efficiency and safety."

The commission also focused Friday on the latter half of the search, pressing police on the delay in searching the overflow parking lot of Maine Recycling Center.

The shooter had once worked at the center, where his body was ultimately found two days after the mass shooting.

Wathen asked Roy why, when tactical teams searched the Maine Recycling building and surrounding property, they failed to search the overflow lot.

"The short answer is, they weren't asked to," Roy said, adding that at the time of the initial search, officers "were worried someone was hiding in the building" and unaware that the full extent of the recycling center's property extended across the road into an overflow lot. "That just wasn't part of the task ... we weren't aware that that

was even related at the time."

The commission also asked law enforcement if the release of confidential information could have been prevented, specifically an internal police bulletin from the Maine Information Analysis Center the night of the shooting and information about a note the gunman left at his home discovered a day later.

"We now have two incidents involving leaks," commission member Paula Silsby said. "Moving forward, what policies have you implemented to address this issue of leaks, or is it just not possible?"

Ross said that identifying the source of a leak was "like looking for a needle in a haystack" and difficult to prioritize in the middle of an urgent investigation.

"Unfortunately, there's always undisciplined people," he said, adding that he believed that even if harsher discipline or new policies were to be implemented, "I think they're going to do it regardless, [because of] the pull for information from outside."

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LISTEN NOW

Anonymous gift means 6 students receive scholarships

By **Jeremy C. Fox**
GLOBE STAFF

Six high-achieving seniors from high schools across Boston went to Wednesday's School Committee meeting expecting to see one walk away with a \$10,000 scholarship and five others go home disappointed.

Instead, each of the college-bound students received a giant novelty check for the full scholarship amount, thanks to a \$50,000 donation from an anonymous donor.

The half-dozen teenagers were finalists for a scholarship offered by the book publisher Scholastic. They had no idea that everyone would be a winner.

"It was really shocking," said Mari Baker, one of the recipients, who attends Boston Latin School.

"I mean, it was very emotional for me, especially because it was just such a big surprise."

Baker, 18, of Dorchester, said she cried with gratitude when she received the check,

which she might hang in her dorm room this fall at Northeastern University, where she plans to pursue a degree in architecture.

She interned last summer at an architecture firm that designs mostly health care facilities, schools, and laboratories, and she's interested in designing buildings for public use, she said in an interview Thursday.

"I'm very interested in things that are able to give back to their communities and also focus a lot on sustainability," she said.

Julie Cyprien, a student at East Boston High School, was chosen as the scholarship's winner and was announced first, while her peers still expected to see only one person take home a check.

"My dream is to one day become a judge," Cyprien said in an interview with WCVB-TV. "Go to law school and be a lawyer for a little bit, and then I would like to be on the Supreme Court."

Baker said she was happy



BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Julie Cyprien, a student at East Boston High School, was one of six high-achieving seniors from across Boston who received a \$10,000 scholarship.

for Cyprien when she won because the students had introduced themselves to one another and talked for a while before

the ceremony, "and honestly, everybody was so deserving."

YiYang Zhong, who is graduating from Boston Green Acad-

emy in Brighton, said the money will help her seek out learning experiences.

"Now I can start applying

for any research opportunities, because I really want to be a scientist," she told WCVB.

Valquiria Tavares Monteiro, a student at Jeremiah E. Burke High School in Dorchester, told WCVB she plans to study child psychology in college.

"Because that's something that I've struggled with in the past ... I want to be there for those that didn't have that chance," she told the station.

Abul Azan, who is graduating from Boston International Newcomers Academy, told WCVB he was still "deciding in between Wentworth and UMass Boston."

Ana Tran, a senior at Boston Latin Academy in Dorchester, said she wasn't sure how she will spend the cash.

"I could use this money to either give back to my community or pay for my college tuition," Tran told WCVB.

"That will make me feel so happy."

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Roslindale man charged in two antisemitic acts in Newton

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facts of this case."

Rodriguez replied: "It's a nervous tick. I apologize."

According to Middlesex Assistant District Attorney Sheba Treworgy, Rodriguez was driving a white SUV with a Palestinian flag flying out of the window when he spotted two juveniles walking together, both of whom were wearing yarmulkes, on Alderwood Road on April 30. That was also the last day of Passover, a major Jewish holiday.

One of the juveniles later told police that a white SUV started speeding down the street. "They noticed that the car had a Palestinian flag sticking out of the window and it started speeding down and it swerved in their direction. Thankfully, it did not hit them," Treworgy said. "They were very scared."

Police said in a report that Rodriguez put his car in reverse and drove toward the boys, who were sheltered by a neighbor who witnessed the incident. The victims were both 14 years old, police wrote.

One of the boys told their parents, who contacted police, Treworgy said. Rodriguez was not identified as the driver at the time, but is now facing charges of assault for purpose of intimidation, assault with a dangerous weapon, and violation of constitutional rights for the April 30 incident. He was identified as the alleged driver after police responded this week to the Jewish Community Center of Greater Boston, where he was allegedly seen tearing blue ribbons off trees near the grounds of the center, Treworgy said. The blue ribbons are a reminder of the Israeli hostages seized by Hamas terrorists on Oct. 7.

While law enforcement reported the ribbons were on trees on the grounds of the JCC, a spokesperson told the Globe Friday that ribbons were on trees



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Alexei Rodriguez was arraigned in Newton District Court Friday in connection with two antisemitic incidents, including allegedly driving an SUV with a Palestinian flag toward two Jewish children wearing yarmulkes in April.

on city-owned property near the community center.

Nobody came onto the JCC's campus, the spokesperson said. The spokesperson said the JCC did report the incident to police because the report of vandalism near the center raised a "red flag."

The blue ribbons were put up by a separate organization, not the JCC, the spokesperson said.

When questioned by police, Rodriguez allegedly started sharing his views on the war between Israel and Hamas in Gaza, the prosecutor said. Treworgy did not disclose what he said to police.

In a Newton police report filed in court, Rodriguez was quoted as telling police that his

actions were not antisemitic because he is Jewish. In court, Rodriguez's court-appointed attorney described him as an observant Jew.

"Mr. Rodriguez stated that tearing down the ribbons wasn't antisemitic as he himself was Jewish. Mr. Rodriguez then began to expound on his critical views of Zionism and the ongoing conflict between Israel and Palestine, adding the JCC and other Jewish organizations were spreading 'propaganda,' and that Zionists were 'basically Nazis' who he wanted to punch in the face," police wrote.

Rodriguez was not arrested then, but after police linked him to both events, he was arrested

Thursday night. During his arraignment, his court-appointed defense attorney, David M. Jellinek, said Rodriguez is a teacher at the Prospect Hill Academy Charter School in Cambridge. According to the school's website, he is an English as a Second Language teacher for middle and high school students.

In a statement Friday, the school said it is "aware of the very concerning charges" brought against Rodriguez and that he had been placed on administrative leave. "The alleged conduct is repugnant and contrary to the values of our school," the statement said.

When prosecutors asked that he be barred from going near

any synagogue, Jellinek said that would impair his constitutional right to practice his faith.

"The gentleman's Jewish and you're getting into some areas of religious freedom if you are barring him from attending synagogue," Jellinek said.

The disclosure seemed to surprise the judge. "Does he practice his faith?" she asked. "He is observant," the attorney replied.

Rodriguez is currently receiving treatment for a mental health issue, Jellinek said. Rodriguez told reporters outside of the courthouse that he had been advised not to comment.

But when asked about the charges involving antisemitism, Rodriguez said they were "ridic-

ulous."

"The charges are ridiculous in that sense that antisemitism and anti-Zionism are not the same," he said. "I'm not going to sit here and break it down for you, but Zionism is in and of itself antisemitic."

The charges of "intimidation" against two juveniles wearing yarmulkes were "extremely exaggerated from reality," Rodriguez said, shaking his head. Rodriguez had no comment on his role as a teacher or his family.

In a statement on Rodriguez's arrest, Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller said she and the Newton Police Department "take hate incidents and crimes very seriously. I am so proud of the careful and persistent work of the Newton Police Officers which led to identifying and arresting the suspect in these disturbing and hateful actions," Fuller said in the statement. "Hate has no place in Newton."

Newton police confirmed Rodriguez's Facebook account and noted that in a posting on April 23 he called for the destruction of both Israel and the United States. On the confirmed Facebook page, Rodriguez linked to a Wikipedia page that appeared to have been written by him. The entry provided a biographical sketch about his career as a professional drummer that began in 1989 and continued into 2017 when he joined a Boston-based heavy metal band called Cortez.

That band went on hiatus in 2020 during COVID and Rodriguez wrote that he shifted to a career in public education. On Friday, the band said in posts on its website and Facebook page that Rodriguez would no longer be part of their group.

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Families in shelters may be facing a Sept. 1 eviction deadline

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ing the nine-month limit retroactively from June 1 to the start of 2024.

"We've heard [The Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities] and the administration say that the average length of stay is 14 to 16 months. So we're anticipating that thousands of families will be subjected to early termination based on this policy if they're not granted extensions," said Kelly Turley of the Massachusetts Coalition for the Homeless.

The state's most recent report on emergency family shelter said families stay an average 365 days in shelters, though previous estimates have put the average length of stay between 12 and 18 months.

Not all families whose length of stay is at or beyond nine months will be affected immediately, an EOHLC official said,

though they did not say how the office will choose which families will be asked to leave first.

"There's thousands of people," said Andrea Park of the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute, who along with Turley is in touch with providers across the state. "Who's going to go first? Someone who's been there for a year, 13 months, nine months? How will they prioritize people who could potentially get notices on Sept. 1?"

The law instituting shelter limits also explicitly states that no more than 150 families shall be terminated from the program in a single week, to avoid a situation where thousands of families are turned out of shelter at once. Still, many families could now be bracing to be removed from shelter much sooner than expected with uncertainty around who will be asked to leave and when.

Turley and Park said they believe the limit going into effect

on Sept. 1 was not the legislative intent of the law, which does not specify if the policy is retroactive or not.

The News Service asked state Senator Michael Rodrigues, the Senate's lead negotiator on the supplemental budget, whether he intended the limit to be applied retroactively.

"I don't remember," Rodrigues replied.

If senators wanted to clarify their intent to give families a full nine months from when they receive notice of termination to when they're removed, the lawmakers had their opportunity this week.

State Senator Pavel Payano of Lawrence filed an amendment to the Senate's fiscal year 2025 budget — which is being debated this week — to explicitly state that EOHLC should not consider emergency assistance shelter benefits received prior to June 1 in counting towards the nine month limit.

"The adjustment is especially important for large families, individuals with disabilities, and long-term residents facing eviction," Payano said. "Given that the supplemental budget now offers critical services such as job training, legal assistance, and housing support, it is imperative that these families have sufficient time to access and benefit from these resources. This amendment ensures they are afforded a fair opportunity to stabilize their lives without the looming threat of losing their shelter."

Senators Paul Mark, Adam Gomez, Liz Miranda, Jamie Eldridge, Pat Jehlen, Lydia Edwards and Robyn Kennedy all sponsored the amendment, but it was withdrawn without debate.

Asked about the amendment and if lawmakers meant for families to have until next spring in shelters, Senate President Karen Spilka replied, "We

will talk to providers and the administration to follow up with that more."

A spokesperson for Spilka then followed up, saying it was the branch's "understanding that the administration is implementing the provisions of the supplemental budget as they were intended when they were approved by the Legislature."

The House had a similar response when asked Wednesday.

"The intention behind the legislation was to provide the administration with the flexibility necessary to manage the crisis appropriately, while also ensuring that folks in the shelter system have access to the resources that they need in order to eventually exit the system, and to successfully enter the workforce," House Speaker Ron Mariano and House Ways and Means Chair Aaron Michlewitz said in a statement.

Michlewitz previously said

the new shelter policies are intended to make sure people have enough time to use new resources made available in the bill, such as workforce training, English language teaching services and assistance with rehousing, before they face the nine-month deadline.

"I think it's something that we're certainly concerned about, making sure that people have enough time to get the workforce visas, to be able to get their life in a situation where they can get out of the system," Michlewitz told reporters in April. "But we want to make sure that we have pieces that are in there, that moves it, keeps moving it along in a positive manner as quickly as possible."

He later added during that scum in April, "We may be in a completely different place nine months from now, so we have to continue to evaluate and make decisions based off of what's in front of us."



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A 1943 portrait of Zecil Gravitz displayed at her home at Orchard Grove, in Canton.

At 102, she recalls service to nation

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joked she was “one of the boys.” Armed with a degree in chemistry, she went to work in the Philadelphia Navy Yard. Her father encouraged her to go to medical school, but she had a different idea.

She learned the Navy was accepting applications for the Women’s Auxiliary Volunteer Emergency Service, or WAVE, a branch of the reserve established to free up men or sea duty.

She enlisted and soon was enrolled in a nine-week naval officer training course at Smith College in Northampton.

“I learned what it’s like to be in the military, and I learned a lot about people,” she said. “I’m a social person, I like people, and I’ve always been friendly.”

At one point in her training, Gravitz wrote home to tell her mother that the temperatures were well below freezing. The Navy hadn’t yet supplied officers with uniforms, and Gravitz said both women she rode to classes with also endured the freezing cold.

“The three of us were frostbitten,” said Gravitz, recalling her bleeding ankles and feet. “I still don’t feel my feet.”

Gravitz’s father mailed her an ointment that eased the pain, and the women were provided with warm socks. The weeks dragged on, but Gravitz was ultimately assigned to the US Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

There, she said she was the academy’s only Jewish WAVE. She suffered more pain after a botched wisdom tooth extraction left her with Ludwig’s Disease, a bacterial infection that prevented her from opening her mouth.

Gravitz requested a transfer and was eventually relocated back to Philadelphia to work for the Office of Procurement and Material under the secretary of the Navy. She was responsible for sourcing things that the Navy needed “immediately, if not sooner,” and she made over 100 calls each day.

When President Franklin Delano Roosevelt traveled to Yalta to meet with Soviet Premier Joseph Stalin and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill in 1945, Gravitz was instructed to locate a square tub for the president’s plane and specific carpeting to line the ship where the men would meet.

“Nobody knew that Roosevelt was paralyzed,” said Gravitz. “It

was odd that they should ask for certain things, but it was good to know that I was helping.”

That year, Gravitz was three months away from becoming a lieutenant commander. But the Navy didn’t allow enlisted women to marry. A dentist named Sidney Gravitz was waiting for her. So, she left the service in 1946 to marry and start a family.

“The only sad thing is when you think, ‘Where would I be if I stayed? How far could I go in rank?’” said Gravitz. “But I’m not one for power and influence, or I would have stayed.”

She raised her two children and volunteered for Hadassah in Pennsylvania and Florida. She and her husband moved to Canton in 2012 to be closer to her children. Sidney died in 2015, she said.

She will turn 103 in September. A month later, her eighth great-grandchild is due to be born, she said.

There’s no secret to living a long life, she said.

“I like people,” she said. “That’s where I am at the moment.”

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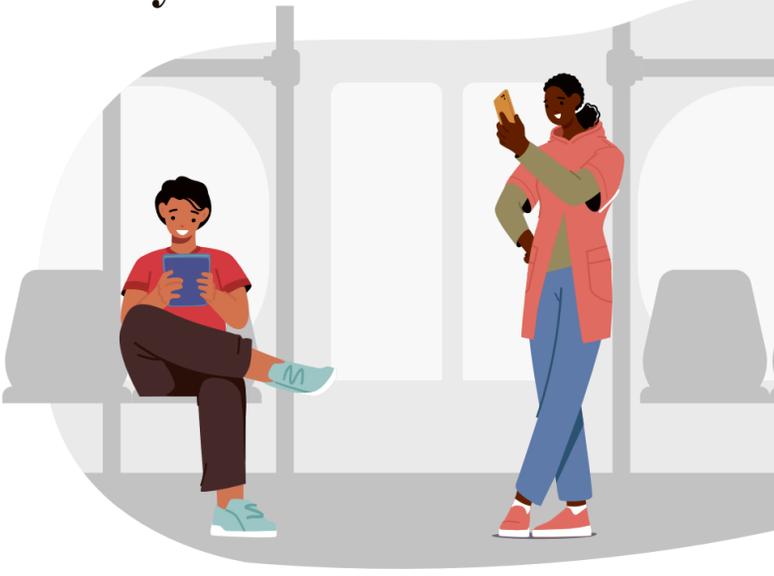
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Jennifer Lopez says ‘you know better than that’ when asked about Ben Affleck rumors

By Matt Juul
GLOBE STAFF

Don't mess with Jenny from the Block.

Jennifer Lopez was in Mexico City on Wednesday as part of the press tour for her new Netflix movie “Atlas.” During the event, which also featured an appearance by her costar and Marvel movie actor Simu Liu, Lopez was asked to address the ongoing rumors related to her marriage with Ben Affleck.

“Your divorce [with] Ben Affleck is real, these rumors?” the unidentified reporter can be heard asking the actress. “What is the truth?”

Liu quickly interjected to squash the question, saying, “OK, we’re not doing that,” before thanking the attendees in



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Jennifer Lopez at the LA premiere of “Atlas” Monday. Two days later, she responded to a question about her marriage to Ben Affleck.

an attempt to move things along. Lopez responded as well, leaning into her mic on stage to tell the reporter, “you know better than that.”

“C’mon, don’t come in here with that energy, please,” Liu added.

Neither Lopez nor Affleck have publicly addressed their rumored marital woes. While the couple was photographed together in California over the weekend — only the second time publicly in the past several weeks — Affleck did not attend the Los Angeles premiere of “Atlas” with Lopez on Monday, and was also absent from her side at the Met Gala red carpet on May 6, where she served as a co-chair for the event.

Despite the ongoing rumors, Lopez was spotted at the LA premiere wearing her wedding ring, while Affleck was seen wearing his ring while out and about with friends in California earlier this week, according to People.

Lopez and Affleck married in 2022 after rekindling their romance in 2021. The couple previously dated in the early 2000s and were engaged in 2004 before calling it off.

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“Greta Granite” (left) and “Eric Rock” are part of Thomas Dambo’s installation “The Thunderstone” in Ninigret Park in Charlestown, R.I.

By Lauren Daley
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

On a recent flight from his native Denmark to the United States, Thomas Dambo realized he brought the wrong phone charger.

But the recycle artist and activist has vowed not to buy anything this year except food and medicine.

“It was so tempting to buy a new charger at the airport, but I was like, ‘I can’t do it!’” Dambo said. “I looked over at the kiosk where I could just buy another one. . . . I was like, ‘I must be able to figure this out!’”

“So I took out my little three-in-one [nail clipper and file] and figured out I could MacGyver the charger I had,” he said. “I was so proud of myself after I MacGyvered it: ‘My charger’s working!’”

The anecdote speaks to Dambo’s personality, creativity, and values. He’s deeply passionate about recycling, and saving our planet. It’s the message he’s aimed to convey in his massive troll creatures — made of recycled wood and found objects — in natural settings.

“My message is: We can repair things and recycle and become part of the solution rather than the problem,” the 44-year-old artist said in an interview. “If we keep on consuming at this pace we will end up drowning in our own trash.”

Dambo, a former rapper and beatboxer, is delivering his message to Rhode Island in the form of two massive trolls in Charlestown’s Ninigret Park.

Dambo has found international fame making whimsical worlds out of recycled wood and found objects — from “Future Forest” in Mexico City made with plastic waste to “The 7 Trolls and the Magical Tower” in Belgium. There are more than 130 of his trolls around the world, according to his Trollmap. Sites in the US include Colorado, Michigan, Florida, New Jersey, Vermont, and Washington state. Three years ago he built “Guardian of the Seeds” in Maine. In Rhode Island, he’s built “The Thunderstone.”

The trolls, like all Dambo’s magical worlds, are inherently awe-inspiring. People tear up looking at them, he says. Slots to volunteer with construction fill up instantly. The excitement can be hard for Dambo to wrap his head around. For Dambo there’s only one message, he said: “We can make big and beautiful things out of our trash. I’m trying to show people

Activist artist Thomas Dambo on turning trash into trolls in R.I.

trash is not dangerous. It’s not disgusting. It’s not worthless. Trash is beautiful.”

Dambo’s Charlestown trolls were unveiled earlier this month. As he readied for a talk on trash and trolls in Westerly last month, he talked to the Globe about his mission, recycling, and the fairy tale he was building in Rhode Island.

Q. I know you get offers from all over the world. Why Rhode Island?

A. You pick the places you like, and the places you’d like to go to. [That] is the case with Rhode Island. Also my wife has family in New Hampshire. We have twin boys. So it’s nice for them to spend time with family. When we came here, I saw big stones and I’m a bit of a stone fanatic. I just love big stones.

In Denmark, we don’t really have bedrock. So we don’t have so many big stones. I thought: I should do something with these. So we’re using some for these sculptures. We’re going to come back next year to build more for one connected experience in a fairy tale I’m writing: “The Thunderstone.”

Q. These fairy tales are your framework for each installation.

A. It will frame the exhibition. The story is you have to help the trolls find the Thunderstone. The Thunderstone used to be the highest peak of the highest mountain. Through centuries, it was struck by lightning. That’s how it got hardened to become this special Thunderstone. The mountain eroded away through millions of years. The Thunderstone fell down, and over millions of years got pushed by tectonic plates and glaciers to Rhode Island, where it was then forgotten. Now it must be found again.

Q. You said Ninigret Park is phase one. Where will you build your other



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nesota, California, France, and other spots. Does the landscape inform your story?

A. I listen to hear if there’s stories I could be inspired by. In Minnesota, there was a legend about a three-legged wolf the community killed. . . . That inspired that installation.

Q. Did any Rhode Island folklore inspire “The Thunderstone”?

A. No. Ninigret Park’s story is that it used to be a naval air station. But it didn’t really feel troll-y.

That’s why I decided to go with stones. Maybe people from Rhode Island don’t see it, but it’s a really striking thing for the landscape.

Q. What are the Ninigret trolls doing?

A. One is sitting in a little clearing in the forest. There’s a big circle of stones around it, like a seating arrangement. There’s a big split stone, like an altar, in front of the troll. The troll holds these draping necklaces. We’re collecting beautiful pieces of driftwood, shells, to compose necklaces that’ll hang behind the altar. So it creates a ceremonial place where people can sit. The other one is by the water, leaning on a tree, just hanging out.

Q. You used to be a rapper and a beat boxer, and you just released, “The Dumpster Diver.” That was also a theme in your TEDx talk. Have you loved dumpster diving since you were a kid?

A. Yeah, I’d go exploring in abandoned factories. If I saw a plastic bag on the other side of the soccer field, I’d have to go over to see what’s inside — maybe something good. I always liked looking in containers.

Our teacher had a beautiful thing he’d do at school lunch. If the kids were like “Aaah! Your cheese smells nasty!” that kid would throw it out. Our teacher would say: “Don’t throw that. Give it to me.” He’d eat it and say: “Mmmm! This is so good.” He made a big deal out of teaching us that what is gross is to throw things out that work. That’s what I’ve dedicated my life to.

Q. Do you have a message for the Ocean State?

A. You have very beautiful nature. Remember that. That’s clear for me to see. Take good care of it. If you build giant second homes all over the coast, there’s no nature left for the future. You won’t grow a new coastline.

trolls when you return?

A. We don’t have all the contracts and all the locations pinned down yet, so I can’t say. It will be about five or six sculptures around the state. I’ll install the first two here.

Q. You typically only use recycled wood, old pallets. Is that what you’re doing in Ninigret Park?

A. We’re using a lot of pallets. But [for] one sculpture, we had to use some new timber. Our partner here couldn’t find recycled wood before we got here. . . . But we’ve since found recycled wood. So it’s not 100 percent recycled, but I’m hoping over the whole exhibition, it will be 85 or 90 percent recycled.

Q. I was watching your TEDxFargo talk on dumpster diving. You said there’s enough old pallets to build more than 2 million trolls.

A. We got the number from an article that said how much scrap wood was either incinerated or thrown into the landfill in the US every year. If we translated that into trolls, it’s almost 2.5 million. And that’s in one year, only in the United States. That’s enough to build a decent-sized city.

Q. Why trolls?

A. I wanted to tell the story about recycling. In my Danish heritage, we have troll folklore. The Danish word for magic means “troll magic.” The Danish word for wizard or magician is “troll man.” We have legends and stories about trolls. As a kid, I’d rent tapes with stories about trolls.

It just made sense for me to have that as the vehicle. I thought to make trolls out of wood, because trolls live in the woods. So the trolls are protecting nature from the humans, and those trolls are made out of the scraps [discarded by] humans who have cut down all the trees.

Q. You’re working right now in Min-

These Harvard grad siblings have changed how we party

By Christopher Barnard
NEW YORK TIMES

On an afternoon this spring, James Hirschfeld, a founder of Paperless Post, was at the company’s New York City office surveying moodboards for digital invitation designs. They included materials for forthcoming motifs like New Victorian, a collection inspired by 19th-century decor, and a line by Annie Atkins, a graphic designer known for her collaborations with director Wes Anderson.

As Hirschfeld examined the collagelike boards, he recalled a meeting about the design of new children’s invitations. “Someone said, ‘Dinosaurs are out, owls are in,’” he said. “And I thought: Is this my life?”

For the past 15 years, it has been.

Hirschfeld, 38, with his older sister, Alexa Hirschfeld, 40, started Paperless Post in 2009, when they were 23 and 25. He was a senior at Harvard University, and she was working at CBS as a second assistant to anchor Katie Couric.

Since then the company has sent some 650 million invitations, according to its own metrics, has grown to employ a full-

time staff of 110 people, and, as of last year, has been immortalized in a “Saturday Night Live” sketch. Paperless Post has also earned fans in the heritage stationery businesses it sought to disrupt, collaborating with brands like Crane and Cheree Berry on digital products.

Its approach of combining the flourish of physical invitations with the ease of digital correspondence has been adopted by several younger companies, among them Electagram, a digital stationery business developed by editor Graydon Carter and his wife, Anna Carter; Hi-Note, a similar business started by Alexis Traina, the wife of a former United States ambassador to Austria; and Partiful, a platform with a faster-and-looser sensibility that has resonated with members of Gen Z.

But when Paperless Post debuted, in certain corners of society its arrival was seen less as the dawn of a new era and more as a step toward the end of civilization as some knew it.

Pamela Fiori, an author who in 2009 was the editor of Town & Country magazine, told The New York Times back then that Paperless Post’s brand of digital



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James Hirschfeld and his sister, Alexa Hirschfeld, at the Paperless Post office in Manhattan’s Financial District.

stationery was representative of “a world increasingly uncivilized.” Fiori, now 80, said in an interview in April that although she still preferred using physical stationery, she could not deny the impact that the company has had in the years since it started.

“If you say Paperless Post now, people know immediately what you are talking about,” she said. “They do it well.”

The Hirschfeld siblings be-

gan developing what would become Paperless Post in 2007. James Hirschfeld had by then begun his sophomore year at Harvard after transferring from Brown, and was planning his 21st birthday party.

“Paper invitations were expensive and inefficient,” he said, adding that digital alternatives at the time like Facebook or the website Evite were “just unacceptable from a design perspective.”

Alexa Hirschfeld, who had graduated from Harvard, was living with their parents at the family’s home on the Upper East Side of Manhattan while starting her career in television. She had already begun to question that path, she said, when James Hirschfeld called her with an idea to start an online business.

The siblings used personal savings to develop a prototype of their online business, which has always involved some combination of free offerings, to entice users, and paid premium services like customization. (These days, sending digital invitations with custom touches like special artwork and lined envelopes to 20 people can cost up to about \$70.)

As the siblings began pitching the concept to investors in 2008, some balked at the notion that people would pay for digital invitations, no matter how nice they looked, Hirschfeld said. But they persuaded Ram Shriram, an early investor in Google; Mousse Partners, an investment firm for the Wertheimer family, which owns Chanel; and others to contribute almost \$1 million to their fledgling venture.

“They took a chance on us,”

Alexa Hirschfeld said. Mousse Partners even set the Hirschfelds up with their first workspace: a spare row of cubicles at the New York office of Eres, the French lingerie and swimwear brand, which is owned by Chanel.

When the Hirschfelds started the business, it was called Paperless Press. But a web address with that name already existed and its owner would not sell it to the siblings, so within months they had switched to a new name: Paperless Post.

Chloe Malle, 38, the editor of Vogue.com, was a skeptic of Paperless Post when it debuted. “I loved print invitations,” said Malle, who was a classmate of James Hirschfeld’s when he briefly attended Brown.

Then she started using the platform and, more recently, began receiving wedding invitations by email via Paperless Post. “That just wouldn’t have happened before,” she said. Now Malle is also receiving digital invitations through competitors like Partiful. But she thinks Paperless Post, much like print stationery, will remain for its fans.

“There is always for both,” she said.

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Kutter Crawford's 11th start of the season proved a futile endeavor after he allowed six runs on seven hits in 4⅓ innings of work.

Less filling

Crawford, Red Sox taste defeat in Brewers' mugging

By Alex Speier
 GLOBE STAFF

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Through 50 games, the fascinating and unexpected excellence of the Red Sox pitching staff came with a pair of curiosities: Can it last? And if so, for how long?

Friday night marked the beginning of a stress test that may help form answers to those inquiries. The arrival of the Brewers at Fenway Park marked the beginning of a stretch where the Sox will get a heavy dose of the top offenses in the league, with 14 of 22 contests against teams that entered Friday with one of the top nine run-scoring offenses in the game.

The stretch began inauspiciously. The Brewers, whose 5.0 runs per game ranked third, clobbered Kutter Crawford and the Red Sox to claim a 7-2 road victory witnessed by 30,992. The Sox fell to 1-12 when allowing six or more runs this year, and received a reminder that coming contests against the Brewers, Orioles, Atlanta, Yankees, and Phillies will come with a high degree of difficulty.

"They're good. They compete every single pitch. They didn't chase a whole lot, I noticed, like [teams] in some of my previous outings," Crawford said. "They're good hitters, they've got a good approach, they don't chase a whole lot, and make you get in the zone."

At the game's outset, the Sox defense masked some of Crawford's limitations. Aided by a double play in the first inning and a spectacular Superman diving catch by center fielder Ceddanne Rafaela on a liner into the gap in left-center in the second, the starter navigated two scoreless innings at the outset.

"At this point, when it's off the bat and it's in the center field area, I think [Rafaela] always has a chance," Crawford said. "Unbelievable catch."

But Crawford faltered in the third, when the Brewers broke through with three runs. Rookie Jackson Chourio smashed an elevated two-strike cutter to center, just off Rafaela's glove, for a lead-off double, then advanced to third on a bunt single by nine-hole hitter Blake Perkins. Chourio trotted home on Brice Turang's sacrifice fly to left to give Milwaukee a 1-0 advantage.

Two pitches later, Milwaukee's lead tripled when Crawford threw a breaking ball to masher William Contreras that was more sleeper than sweeper. The pitch broke into the heart of the strike zone and Contreras obliterated it, sending a 112-m.p.h. missile over the Wall that left inhabitants of the Monster Seats scrambling for safety.

Though no patrons were harmed, the ball ricocheted off the back wall of the second row and off a container of popcorn to produce an in-park display of culinary pyrotechnics that signaled

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A rare Red Sox highlight in the loss to the Brewers was Dominic Smith's sixth-inning solo home run, his first of the season.

PWHL PLAYOFFS

Minnesota pushes Boston to brink of ending

By Kat Cornetta
 GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Minnesota 4
Boston 1

During the late regular season and the opening round of the PWHL playoffs, PWHL Boston didn't let an opponent's early lead knock them off its game. Comebacks became the team's trademark, especially in the semifinals against Montreal.

But Tuesday night, in Game 2 of the PWHL Walter Cup Finals, Minnesota shut Boston out for the first time in the postseason. On Friday's Game 3, Boston found itself in a deficit less than a minute into the game and because of a plethora of defensive breakdowns, could not come back.

With Minnesota's top line of Kendall Coyne Schofield, Taylor Heise, and Michela Cava combining for half of their team's scoring, Minnesota defeated Boston, 4-1, Friday at the Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul to take a 2-1 lead in the best-of-five series. Alina Müller scored Boston's lone goal in a game in which its defense struggle mightily.

"A lot of our forechecks are bro-

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ANGELINA KATSANIS/STAR TRIBUNE VIA AP

Boston forward Samantha Isbell (right) vies for the puck with Minnesota's Claire Butorac in Game 3.



NBA PLAYOFFS
CELTICS VS. PACERS
 Eastern Conference Final Game 3
 Saturday, 8:30 p.m. (ABC)
 Celtics lead series, 2-0

Inside 20-0 Celtics' run for 2-0 lead

Mazzulla's crew embraces Pacers' chaos in Game 2

By Conor Ryan
 BOSTON.COM STAFF

The Pacers thrive off chaos. With Tyrese Haliburton the primary conductor of a breakneck offense, no lead is safe when they are turning the game into a track meet.

In the regular season, the Pacers paced the NBA by averaging 123.3 points per game. They surpassed 140 points a record 11 times.

But for 6:29 of Thursday's Game 2 matchup against the Celtics at TD Garden, Indiana coach Rick Carlisle could only sit and stew as shot after shot from his team clanged off the rim.

Across the end of the first quarter and into the second, the Celtics shifted Indiana's souped-up offense into neutral — reeling off a 20-0 run that spurred them to a 126-110 win and a 2-0 series lead in the Eastern Conference finals.

"The bottom of the stat sheet is ugly," Carlisle said. "We lost the rebounds, those second-chance points were a big factor, and turnovers once again were a big problem."

While Carlisle harped on his team's lack of execution, Celtics coach Joe Mazzulla believed his players handed the Pacers a taste of their own medicine.

"When you play in the chaos, you have to embrace the chaos," Mazzulla said. "And so there's going to be possessions where it is chaotic, and you just have to be ready to handle that. And I thought our guys did a good job of handling it with just multiple efforts."

A revamped lineup and a spirited effort on the glass paved the way for the Celtics' momentum-shifting surge.

It took all of 1:21 in the second quarter for Carlisle to call a timeout in an effort to stem the tide. At that point, the Celtics had reeled off 7 straight points, and in one sequence pulled down three offensive boards on the same possession.

The sight of four yellow jerseys stagnating in the paint as Jaylen Brown soared for a putback bucket was enough for Carlisle to halt play in search of a regroup.

But it did little to reverse Indiana's fortunes, especially once Oshae Brissett drew into the Celtics lineup following a wrist injury to Luke Kornet.

Brissett, who had fallen out of the playoff rota-

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Brissett stood tall as Celtics went small

By Khari Thompson
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The Celtics' frontcourt depth took another hit when Luke Kornet left Game 2 against the Pacers Thursday with a sprained wrist, so coach Joe Mazzulla decided to experiment with some small-ball.

That allowed more minutes for Oshae Brissett, who subbed in for Al Horford with 10:39 remaining in the second quarter.

The Celtics had a 2-point lead when Brissett entered the game, and it grew to 12 by the time he left. They went back to Brissett with 5:20 remaining in the third, up 7. They ended the third quarter up 13.

Brissett played 12 minutes, more than twice as many as he had in any previous game this postseason. He provided an immediate spark, posting a team-high three steals off the bench to go with three rebounds and a dunk on his only field goal attempt.

"I feel like all of our guys can guard anyone they have out there," Brissett said. "Even if it's Jrue [Holiday] playing the 4, it doesn't matter. He's strong and he knows his positions defensively. Myself as well."

"We like to switch. We're all like-size guys. So it really doesn't matter who we have out there, who they have out there, we all know what we want to do defensively and we're able to execute out there."

Mazzulla said he didn't necessarily go into the game intending to play small-ball lineups, but the injury situation called for new wrinkles.

"It was a plan to just stay open-minded," Mazzulla said. "I knew every game was going to be different, especially with these guys and their ability to just put pressure on you in different ways with their lineups."

"So it was a plan to get to something like that eventually. We were kind of forced into it, but I thought it went well. I like the speed. I like the ath-

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Mavericks surge
 Doncic's 3-pointer lifts Dallas to 109-108 win over Minnesota, 2-0 series lead. **C2**

Back in title game
 BC women's lacrosse tops Syracuse to set up NCAA final vs. Northwestern. **C5**

Furious charge
 Wellesley's Eli Merritt rallies to win boys' 800 meter at MIAA Division 2 meet. **C6**

NBA PLAYOFFS

Doncic lifts Mavericks to 2-0 lead

By Dave Campbell
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mavericks 109 — Luka Doncic hit the go-ahead 3-pointer with Rudy Gobert guarding him at the top of the key with 3 seconds left, posting his fifth triple-double of the playoffs to lead the Mavericks to a 109-108 victory and a 2-0 lead over the Timberwolves in the Western Conference finals on Friday night.

Doncic had 32 points, 13 assists and 10 rebounds for his eighth triple-double in 42 career postseason games for the Mavericks, who erased an 18-point deficit that stood late in the second quarter and were still down 16 midway through the third.

Naz Reid went 7 for 9 from 3-point range for 23 points, but his last try at the buzzer rimmed in and out to send the Timberwolves to Dallas for Game 3 on Sunday in a big hole after another off night by stars Anthony Edwards and Karl-Anthony Towns.

Kyrie Irving had 13 of his 20 points in the fourth quarter, including a corner 3-pointer with 1:05 left that pulled the Mavericks within two. Then Minnesota sandwiched turnovers around a short miss by Doncic. Edwards recklessly threw the ball out of bounds off a drive with 13 seconds left, giving the Mavericks the ball with the chance to win.

Doncic took the inbounds pass and dribbled to set up a screen by Derek Lively II that triggered a switch by the Timberwolves, with NBA All-Defensive second team pick Jaden McDaniels dropping with Lively's roll and Defensive Player of the Year Gobert staying out on the top of the key.

After the swish, Doncic flexed his arms and yelled at the stunned Minneso-



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Luka Doncic hit five 3-pointers and had 32 points in the Mavericks' come-from-behind road win for a 2-0 series lead.

ta crowd as his teammates swarmed around him.

The lead for either side was 3 points or less from 10:50 remaining to 1:29 until Edwards — who had 21 points but is shooting 11 for 33 in the series — sank two free throws for a 108-103 edge. That came right after Irving missed both foul shots that had the crowd howling in honor of the promotion that awards a free Chick-fil-A sandwich.

Mike Conley scored 18 points and Gobert had 16 points and 10 rebounds for the Timberwolves, who needed Reid — the NBA Sixth Man of the Year — more than ever. His top-of-the-key swish at the end of the third quarter gave the Wolves an 86-79 cushion just after the Mavericks closed the gap hard with a 21-7 spurt — mostly while Conley rested — over a 6:36 stretch.

Irving, who scored only 5 points in the

first half after he had 24 of his 30 in Game 1 before halftime, gave the Mavericks their first lead since 7-6 with a 3-pointer to cap an 8-0 run that started the fourth quarter and made it 87-86.

Doncic, who flourished in the fourth quarter of Game 1 to finish with 33 points, has been fighting through what the Mavericks have listed on the league's official injury report as a sprained right knee and left ankle soreness.

Brissett shined when Celtics went small

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leticism. I like the spacing that we have.

"It presents strengths and some weaknesses that we have to be ready for, but I think the open-mindedness to play different ways throughout the year kind of prepares us for situations like this."

Brissett spent three seasons with the Pacers before signing with the Celtics in the offseason. Holiday enjoyed seeing him have an impact against his former team.

"I'm happy to see that, and he stays ready," Holiday said. "He hasn't seen many minutes this postseason. Probably didn't play as much as he wanted to during the regular season, but I just think that's a part of sacrifice and him staying ready."

"Him staying ready is tough because you're not really getting game reps like that. But the way he came out and played — I think in the first two minutes he had, like, two rebounds and great stops. Just really excited



DANIELLE PARHIZKARAN/GLOBE STAFF

Oshae Brissett (12) came off the bench in Game 2 and had a big impact in his 12 minutes.

and glad to see him do that because for one, it's a confidence booster and two, it's against his old team."

Indiana's Myles Turner and Aaron Nesmith did not play in

the fourth quarter, and Pascal Siakam was pulled with 9:25 remaining.

Pacers coach Rick Carlisle was asked why he opted to take his starters out so early.

"To look at some guys that I

thought needed a look," Carlisle said. "[Doug] McDermott went in there and played well. Isaiah Jackson brought a lot of fight to the game. Dylan Smith hasn't had much of an opportunity to play in the playoffs, and so I wanted to see where he was at."

"We weren't giving up. It was an opportunity to get some energetic, fresh guys in there to fight, and they did some good things."

"The guys that had played to that point — Pascal was very tired. Aaron had four fouls. He was tired. So, that was it."

In the two games against Indiana, Holiday is averaging 21.5 points on 69.6 percent shooting, including 7 for 12 from beyond the arc. Holiday has steadily ramped up his scoring output this postseason, averaging 7.8 points in the Heat series and 13 in the Cavaliers series. He's also off to an efficient start as a playmaker in this series, posting 18 assists against 5 turnovers.

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DANIELLE PARHIZKARAN/GLOBE STAFF

Pacers guard Tyrese Haliburton departed the third quarter of Game 2 Thursday night with left hamstring soreness.

Haliburton's status remains a question

By Khari Thompson
BOSTON.COM STAFF

The Pacers announced that guard Tyrese Haliburton is dealing with left hamstring soreness, and coach Rick Carlisle didn't have further details after Thursday's loss in Game 2 to the Celtics.

Carlisle said having to finish the 126-110 loss without Haliburton was a big blow.

"He was unable to return, so it wasn't like it was a coaching decision not to play him," Carlisle said. "He was unable to return, so we hope that this is a very short-term aggravation. But, again, we'll know more tomorrow and then Saturday, obviously. The next game is coming quickly."

The Pacers remained hopeful the All-NBA guard will play in Game 3 of the Eastern Conference finals after listing him as questionable on Friday's injury report.

Carlisle said that, to his knowledge, Haliburton did not come into the night with soreness.

"He was sore at halftime," said the coach. "He was getting worked on through the entire halftime. Came out and gave it a shot and was giving all the effort that he could."

"I haven't talked to him about it directly, so I can't read minds, but it wasn't going well. The trainers determined that he needed to go to the back and get worked on, so he was ruled out."

Haliburton also was dealing with a chest issue at one point in Game 2 but was able to make a quick return from that.

"I haven't watched it again, but Jaylen Brown looked like he almost went through him to get the ball and Tyrese hit the floor," said Carlisle. "So he came back here and he had a couple tests done with his chest and he fortu-

nately returned pretty quickly."

Haliburton missed 10 games with a left hamstring injury during the regular season.

"We've done a good job of that when he has been out and obviously it hurts when he goes down," guard T.J. McConnell said. "But one of those things where it's the next-man-up mentality, and obviously we'll see. We haven't heard anything about him yet, but guys just have to step up and be ready."

Center Pascal Siakam said the Pacers will need to find a way to play with energy even if Haliburton is unable to go.

"We've got to be ready and we've got to play together," Siakam said. "This team got to where we're at today by having all of us, and we've all got to stay together, continue to play together."

"Obviously we want Tyrese back out there, but I think obviously he wasn't feeling well, so it's on us to continue to play and bring that energy."

McConnell said Haliburton's production would be tough to replace because of his playmaking and versatility. He's averaging 18.7 points, 8.2 assists, and 4.8 rebounds in the playoffs while shooting 48.8 percent from the field and 37.9 percent from beyond the arc.

"He does so many things for our team where I think everyone just has to move the ball more and get in the paint more," McConnell said. "The ball movement, like I said, just has to be at another level."

"He gets, what, 10 assists in his sleep? It's hard for another person on our team to replicate that, so it's a group effort when he goes down to get people the ball and get it moving."

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Analyzing Game 2's vital 20-0 run for Celtics

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tion, served as a much-needed spark for an overhauled unit with Jayson Tatum primarily on the bench.

Brissett entered the game in place of Al Horford with 10:39 remaining in the second quarter. By the time the 25-year-old forward was replaced by Tatum with 7:49 left, the Celtics had outscored Indiana, 10-0, and led, 39-27.

Brissett reeled in two rebounds and recorded a steal while switching to Pacers guards on defense and limiting their ability to storm into the open court. He finished Game 2 with a plus-18 rating over 12 minutes, and also had 3 rebounds, 3 steals, and 2 turnovers.

"We know they like to get into the paint," said Celtics guard Jrue Holiday. "But I think because we're long and athletic, we can take some of those things away, and really just try to speed them up as much as possible."

By the time the dust had settled and Indiana's Aaron Nesmith stepped to the free throw line with 6:45 to go in the second quarter, what was once a 27-22 Pacers lead had flipped to a 42-27 Celtics advantage.

After the first quarter featured 10 lead changes, the Celtics' extended run gave them a cushion they did not relinquish.

According to the Celtics' team statistics account on X, the 20-0 run tied for their second-longest in a playoff game during the play-by-play era — surpassed only by a 21-0 surge against the Heat on April 20, 2010.

"They move the ball, they move bodies, and they play fast," Holiday said of the Pacers. "But we can also do that. We can go small, go big, we can play fast, we can slow down and execute."

Celtics vs. Pacers

Eastern Conference Final Boston leads series, 2-0	
Tuesday, May 21	
Thursday, May 23	
At Boston 133.....	Indiana 128 (OT)
At Boston 126.....	Indiana 110
Schedule	
Sat., May 25 at Indiana.....	8:30 p.m. (ABC)
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*Fri., May 31 at Indiana.....	8 p.m. (ESPN)
*Sun., Jun. 2 at Boston.....	8 p.m. (ESPN)

* If necessary

Celtics 126, Pacers 110

Thursday night game								
INDIANA								
Min	M-A	M-A	FT	Reb	O-T	A	F	Pt
Nesmith.....	25	3-7	2-2	0-3	1	4	9	
Siakam.....	31	13-17	0-0	2-5	2	3	28	
Turner.....	24	3-7	0-0	1-6	5	3	8	
Haliburton.....	28	4-8	0-0	0-4	8	0	10	
Nembhard.....	26	6-12	3-4	1-2	5	4	16	
McDermott.....	12	1-2	0-0	0-0	1	0	2	
Sheppard.....	23	3-6	1-1	2-2	1	2	7	
McConnell.....	17	4-10	0-0	1-5	2	3	9	
Toppin.....	22	4-6	2-4	0-3	0	1	11	
I.Jackson.....	17	1-3	1-2	3-5	0	0	3	
Smith.....	7	1-3	1-2	1-2	0	2	4	
Tilman.....	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	
K.Brown.....	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	0	0	
Totals.....	44-88	11-16	12-37	23	23	110		

FG%: .524, FT%: .688. 3-pt. goals: 11-29, .379 (Nesmith 1-3, Siakam 2-2, Turner 2-4, Haliburton 2-6, Nembhard 1-4, McDermott 0-1, Sheppard 0-3, McConnell 1-1, Toppin 1-2, Smith 1-2, Walker 0-1). Team rebounds: 6. Team turnovers: 16 (12 pts.). Blocks: 2 (McDermott, Toppin). Turnovers: 15 (Nesmith 2, Siakam 2, Turner 4, Nembhard, Sheppard, McConnell 2, Toppin, Smith, Walker, K.Brown). Steals: 5 (Turner, Haliburton, Nembhard, Smith, Walker). Technicals: I.Jackson, 6:45/4th.

BOSTON								
Min	M-A	M-A	FT	Reb	O-T	A	F	Pt
Tatum.....	42	9-20	4-4	1-6	5	3	23	
Brown.....	37	14-27	8-11	2-5	2	4	40	
Horford.....	25	3-6	0-0	4-10	0	0	6	
Holiday.....	36	6-7	0-0	2-3	10	2	15	
White.....	36	8-15	3-3	2-4	6	4	23	
Pritchard.....	19	4-6	2-2	1-2	2	1	12	
Kornet.....	5	0-0	0-0	1-2	0	0	0	
Hauser.....	12	1-5	0-0	0-5	3	1	2	
Brissett.....	12	1-1	0-0	0-3	0	0	2	
Tilman.....	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	
Mykhailiuk.....	1	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	3	
Totals.....	47-88	17-20	13-40	28	16	126		

FG%: .524, FT%: .850. 3-pt. goals: 15-37, .405 (Tatum 1-7, Brown 4-10, Horford 0-1, Holiday 3-4, White 4-8, Pritchard 2-2, Hauser 0-4, Mykhailiuk 1-1). Team rebounds: 6. Team turnovers: 12 (12 pts.). Blocks: 2 (White, Hauser). Turnovers: 10 (Tatum 4, Brown 2, Horford, Holiday, Pritchard, Kornet). Steals: 9 (Brown, Horford 2, White, Hauser 2, Brissett 3). Technicals: Hauser, 6:45/4th.

Indiana..... 27 24 29 30 — 110
Boston..... 25 32 36 33 — 126
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just a different element where I mean — all five guys, just if we're switching or if we're staying with our man, we're capable of doing so many different things."

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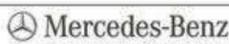
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Baseball

Lugo, Royals continue to rule

AL EAST W L Pct. GB Div. Last 10 Streak
*New York 35 17 .673 — 8-8 8-2 W 2
Baltimore 31 18 .633 2½ 7-2 5-5 W 2
Boston 26 25 .510 8½ 4-6 5-5 L 1
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Washington 22 27 .449 13½ 5-5 3-7 W 1
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At NY Yankees 5 Seattle 0 At Oakland 10 (11 inn.) Colorado 9
At Philadelphia 5 Texas 2 Toronto 9 at Detroit 1
San Diego 6 (10 inn.) at Cincinnati 4 Baltimore 8 at Chi. White Sox 6

SATURDAY'S GAMES

MILWAUKEE AT BOSTON, 4:10 p.m.
Wilson (R) Off 2-1 2.79 3-3 0-0 2.1 3.86 0-0 14.2 2.45
Pivetta (R) Off 2-2 3.04 3-2 1-0 5.2 4.76 1-1 15.2 4.60

TORONTO AT DETROIT, 1:10 p.m.
Berrios (R) Off 5-3 2.98 7-3 0-0 0.0 0.00 1-1 16.2 7.02
Olson (R) Off 0-5 2.16 1-8 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-0 16.2 1.08

SAN FRANCISCO AT NY METS, 1:40 p.m.
Hicks (R) Off 4-1 2.38 5-5 0-0 2.0 0.00 2-0 15.0 3.60
Severino (R) Off 2-2 3.84 3-6 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-0 16.2 5.94

BALTIMORE AT CHI. WHITE SOX, 2:10 p.m.
TBA Off — — 0-0 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-0 0.0 —
Fedde (R) Off 4-1 3.10 5-5 0-0 0.0 0.00 2-1 19.0 2.37

TEXAS AT MINNESOTA, 2:10 p.m.
Lorenzen (R) Off 2-3 3.61 2-5 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-2 19.1 3.72
Paddock (R) Off 4-2 4.47 6-3 0-0 0.0 0.00 1-1 18.1 3.93

ATLANTA AT PITTSBURGH, 4:05 p.m.
López (R) Off 2-1 1.54 5-3 0-0 1.0 9.00 0-0 16.2 1.62
Keller (R) Off 5-3 3.84 6-4 0-0 0.0 0.00 3-0 21.0 1.29

SEATTLE AT WASHINGTON, 4:05 p.m.
Gilbert (R) Off 3-2 3.20 6-4 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-2 16.2 7.56
Williams (R) Off 4-0 2.35 7-2 0-0 0.0 0.00 1-0 14.1 2.51

HOUSTON AT OAKLAND, 4:07 p.m.
Arrighetti (R) Off 2-4 7.16 3-4 0-0 0.0 0.00 2-1 16.1 6.06
Sears (L) Off 3-3 4.31 4-6 0-0 6.0 3.00 1-1 15.0 5.40

KANSAS CITY AT TAMPA BAY, 4:10 p.m.
Singer (R) Off 4-2 2.70 7-3 0-0 0.0 0.00 2-1 16.1 3.31
Civale (R) Off 4-4 5.92 4-6 0-0 0.0 0.00 0-2 15.0 5.40

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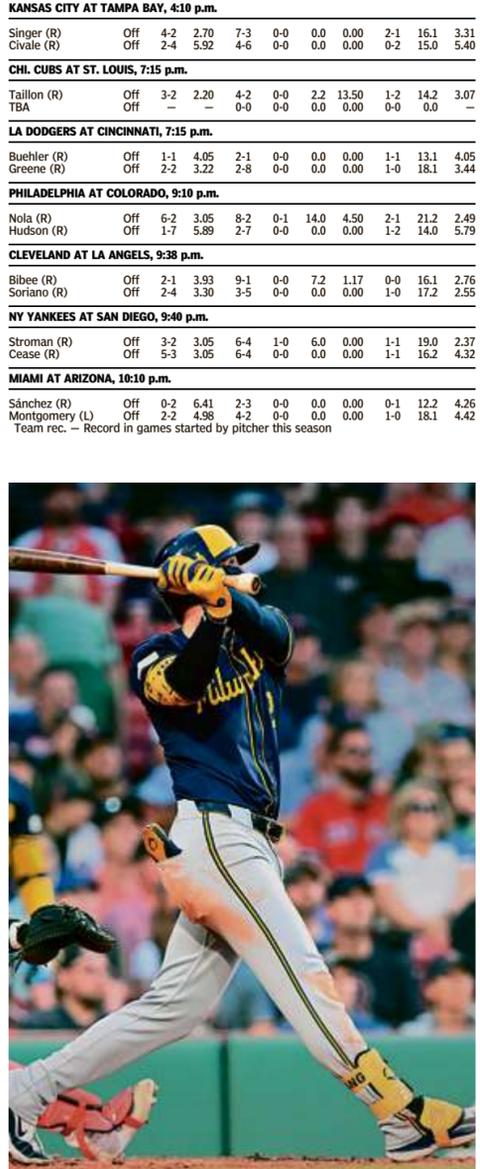
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Cease (R) Off 5-3 3.05 6-4 0-0 0.0 0.00 1-1 16.2 4.32

MIAMI AT ARIZONA, 10:10 p.m.
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Brice Turang lofted a sacrifice fly at Fenway Park as the Brewers scored first against the Red Sox.

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Seth Lugo became the American League's first eight-game winner, Michael Massey and Bobby Witt Jr. homered, and the Royals beat the Rays,

NOTEBOOK
8-1, Friday night in St. Peterburg, Fla., for their seventh consecutive victory.

Lugo (8-1) allowed one run and four hits, lowering his AL-best ERA from 1.79 to 1.74. Only Philadelphia's Ranger Suárez has more victories in the majors with nine.

The Royals are a season-best 14-game over .500 at 33-19. Kansas City was 15-37 after 52 games last season and did not get to 33 wins until Aug. 1.

Massey put Kansas City ahead 5-1 in the fifth with a three-run homer off Tyler Alexander (2-3). Massey, who has 21 RBIs in his last 21 games, left in the sixth due to lower back tightness.

Witt extended his hitting streak to seven games with a solo homer against Alexander in a two-run seventh that made it 8-1. Both dugouts were warned by the umpires after Alexander hit the next batter after Witt, Vinnie Pasquantino, with a fastball.

Tampa Bay has lost a season-high five in a row to fall to 25-27.

The Rays loaded the bases with one out in the first against Lugo, but scored just once on Jonathan Aranda's fielder's choice grounder.

After opener Shawn Armstrong went two perfect innings, Alexander gave up eight runs and 11 hits in five innings. Alexander took a perfect game into the eighth in his previous outing.

Unhappy in Chicago

The White Sox discussed the infield fly and interference call that ended Thursday's 8-6 loss to the Orioles with Major League Baseball and were told there is room for umpires to use judgment, general manager Chris Getz said.

"I certainly have not seen something like that before, and to end the game the way that it happened was disappointing because we didn't get a chance to build off of the momentum in the ninth inning," Getz said Friday in Chicago.

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Cleveland's Jose Ramirez accepts a hand from teammate Andres Gimenez after his two-run homer.

"That certainly was the most disappointing part. The uniqueness of how everything unfolded, the umpires were very confident in the calls that they made. I believe they remain confident and are sticking behind that."

Chicago trailed 8-2 entering the ninth inning Thursday. The White Sox scored four runs and had runners on first and second when Andrew Benintendi hit a popup to shortstop Gunnar Henderson. Umpires called an infield fly and ruled the runner at second interfered with Henderson, ending the game. Henderson went around as the runner retreated toward second. Henderson camped out to make the catch on the infield grass.

Third base umpire Junior Valentini made the game-ending call. Crew chief Adrian Johnson said there is no discretion when a base-

runner appears to make incidental contact with a fielder — even if the play results in a defensive out. But Getz said MLB told him otherwise. "It's a judgment call," he said. "There's discretion by the umpire to make that call or not."

Grifol wouldn't say if the league told the White Sox the umpires made the correct — or incorrect — call. But he made it clear he thought umpires got it wrong.

Orioles' Kremer out

The Orioles will have to get by without another starting pitcher after placing Dean Kremer on the 15-day injured list before Friday's 6-4 win over the host White Sox because of a strained right triceps. It's another rotation hit for Baltimore after John Means was placed on the 15-day list the previous day because of a strained left forearm.

Baltimore recalled pitchers Dillon Tate and Nick Vespi from Triple A and optioned pitcher Jonathan Heasley to the minors.

Harper tossed in first

Bryce Harper was ejected after striking out in the first inning of the Phillies' series opener in Denver against the Rockies.

Harper struck out on a 0-2 curveball from Ty Blach, dropped his bat, and threw his helmet. The two-time NL MVP said something to plate umpire Brian Walsh and immediately was ejected.

The ejection was the 21st of the first baseman's career. He had called a timeout after taking a borderline 0-1 sinker that appeared to be low and inside.

Colorado went on to beat Philadelphia, 3-2, in 11 innings on Ezequiel Tovar's RBI single.

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Matus cf 5 0 1 0 0 0 .280

REDS 9, DODGERS 6
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Betts ss 4 0 3 1 1 0 .338

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Crawford, Red Sox taste in mugging by Brewers

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Contreras's eighth homer of the year.

The Brewers furthered their ferment in the fifth. Christian Yelich clanged an RBI double off the base of the wall in center and Willy Adames cracked a cutter at the top of the zone for a two-run double over the head of Wilyer Abreu in right.

With Milwaukee ahead, 6-1, Crawford departed after his shortest (4½ innings) and least effective (6 runs allowed) outing of the year, his ERA having climbed from 2.17 to 2.89.

"Pretty terrible, to be honest," Crawford said. "I wasn't able to make quality pitches in certain counts and they put some good swings on the ball. Overall, just not a good outing by me."

The five-run gap seemed enormous on a night when the Sox mustered little against Milwaukee opener Jared Koenig (tasked with handling the first four Red Sox hitters) and bulk-innings pitcher Bryse Wilson, who leaned on a cutter/sinker combo to strike out seven and get plenty of weak contact over his 5½ innings. Wilson allowed the two Sox runs.

The Red Sox did their only damage against Wilson when David Hamilton, who notched his first career three-hit game, chopped an excuse-me RBI single down the left-field line in the fourth inning and Dominic Smith blasted a solo homer, his first of the year, to center in the sixth.

Jarren Duran added three hits. Otherwise, the lineup flailed, with Sox hitters striking out 10 times. Tyler O'Neill struck out all four times he stepped to the plate, and has fanned seven consecutive times over the last two games.

"Just a tough night," manager Alex Cora said. "Just got to keep working."

Milwaukee tacked on a run in the ninth against long-man Chase Anderson, who fulfilled his bullpen-saving duties with aplomb. Anderson allowed just the one score while absorbing four innings.

The Brewers' seven-run tally continued an early pattern. While the total body of work by Sox pitchers has been excellent, the team has allowed 5.5 runs per game when facing offenses that rank in the top third of the league in scoring (Baltimore, Cleveland, Atlanta, and Milwaukee) while going 2-11 against that group. The Sox have held the rest of the league to 3.3 runs per game, forging a 24-13 record.

Will the pitching staff prove itself capable against an array of top offenses

Brewers 7, Red Sox 2

At Fenway Park, Boston										
MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.			
Turang 2b	4	0	0	1	0	0	.302			
Contreras c	4	2	2	2	1	0	.337			
Yelich dh	4	2	3	1	1	1	.326			
Adames ss	4	0	2	2	1	1	.244			
Bauers 1b	4	0	0	0	1	2	.223			
Ortiz 3b	4	0	1	1	0	1	.277			
Frelick rf	5	0	0	0	0	0	.242			
Chourio lf	4	1	1	0	0	1	.211			
Perkins cf	3	2	2	0	1	0	.237			
Totals	36	7	11	7	5	6				

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.			
Duran lf	5	0	3	0	0	0	.278			
Abreu rf	3	0	0	0	1	3	.270			
a-Refsnyder ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	1	.338			
Wong c	3	0	1	0	1	0	.344			
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.270			
O'Neill dh	4	0	0	0	0	4	.241			
Smith 1b	3	2	2	1	1	1	.213			
b-Cooper ph-1b	1	0	0	0	0	0	.209			
Grissom 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.129			
Hamilton ss	4	0	3	1	0	0	.261			
Rafaela cf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.193			
Totals	35	2	9	2	2	10				

Milwaukee.....003 030 001 — 7 11 0
Boston.....000 101 000 — 2 9 1
a-struck out for Abreu in 7th, b-lined out for Smith in 8th, E—Smith (1), LOB—Milwaukee 5, Boston 8, 2B—Yelich (3), Adames 2 (15), Chourio (3), Duran (15), Hamilton (4), HR—Contreras (8), off Crawford, Smith (1), off Wilson, SB—Perkins 2 (5), SF—Turang, Ortiz, Runners left in scoring position—Milwaukee 7 (Turang, Ortiz 3, Frelick 2, Chourio), Boston 4 (Devers, O'Neill, Rafaela 2), RISP—Milwaukee 3 for 11, Boston 1 for 7, Runners moved up—Bauers, Frelick, Wong, GIDP—Contreras, Rafaela, DP—Milwaukee 1 (Ortiz, Turang, Bauers); Boston 1 (Hamilton, Grissom, Smith).

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Koenig	½	1	0	0	1	12	2.61	
Wilson W 3-1	5½	6	2	2	1	7	80	2.86
Hudson	2	1	0	0	0	2	23	0.64
Payamps	1	1	0	0	0	0	10	4.15

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Crawford L 2-3	4½	7	6	6	2	4	89	2.89
Bernardino	½	0	0	0	0	0	8	0.86
Anderson	4	4	1	1	3	2	70	4.56

Inherited runners scored—Wilson 2-0, Bernardino 1-0, IBB—off Anderson (Bauers), PB—Contreras, Umpires—Home, Brian Knight; First, Chris Guccione; Second, Gabe Morales; Third, Ryan Addison, T—2:57, A—30,992 (37,795).

HOW THE RUNS SCORED

THIRD INNING
BREWERS — Chourio doubled to center, Perkins hit an infield single to shortstop, Chourio to third, Turang hit a sacrifice fly to left fielder Duran, Chourio scored, Contreras homered to left on a 1-0 count, Perkins scored, Yelich struck out, Adames flied out to center fielder Rafaela.

FOURTH INNING
RED SOX — Devers fouled out to third baseman Ortiz, O'Neill struck out, Smith singled to center, Grissom walked on a full count, Smith to second, Hamilton doubled to left, Smith scored, Grissom to third, Rafaela fouled out to first baseman Bauers.

FIFTH INNING
BREWERS — Perkins hit an infield single to shortstop, Perkins stole second, Turang popped out to shortstop Hamilton, Contreras walked on a full count, Yelich doubled to center, Perkins scored, Contreras to third, Adames doubled to right, Contreras scored, Yelich scored, Bernardino pitching, Bauers grounded out, second baseman Grissom to first baseman Smith, Adames to third, Ortiz grounded out, shortstop Hamilton to first baseman Smith.

SIXTH INNING
RED SOX — O'Neill struck out, Smith homered to center on a 0-1 count, Grissom grounded out, pitcher Wilson to first baseman Bauers, Hamilton singled to center, Rafaela popped out to third baseman Ortiz.

NINTH INNING
BREWERS — Cooper in as first baseman, Contreras lined out to center fielder Rafaela, Yelich singled to left, Adames doubled to center, Yelich to third, Bauers was intentionally walked, Ortiz hit a sacrifice fly to center fielder Rafaela, Yelich scored, Adames to third, Bauers to second, Frelick grounded out, second baseman Grissom to first baseman Cooper.

in the next three weeks?
"We're about to see," Cora said. "We've faced some good offenses throughout the season and we've done a good job, so I'm not looking that ahead. Let's see what we've got tomorrow."

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BRIAN FLUHARTY/GETTY IMAGES

David Hamilton started again at shortstop and corraled a late throw as the Brewers' Blake Perkins stole second.

Hamilton now a dual threat

By Alex Speier
GLOBE STAFF

Through mid-May, David Hamilton's role with the Red Sox seemed tenuous.

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Initially called up to fill in at shortstop when Trevor Story suffered a season-ending shoulder injury, Hamilton's stint as a regular lasted less than two weeks before his offensive and defensive struggles resulted in a move to the bench in mid-April. Over a 24-game stretch, he made only four starts and played in eight games.

The Sox considered sending Hamilton to Triple A to give him steadier playing time. Hamilton, who was staying at an Airbnb in Boston and had a temporary locker, likewise wondered if he'd be returning to Worcester.

"But," Hamilton said, "at the end of the day, there's nothing I can do [about the team's decision], so I just tried to take it day by day and work on whatever I needed to work on that day."

The Sox were pleased with what they saw as purposeful offensive and defensive pregame work, and on the recent six-game road trip decided to reintegrate him into the lineup. The 26-year-old played in each game, with five starts, and went 5 for 16 with a .313/.353/.750 line while playing crisp middle infield defense. After he seemed like he was rushing in every aspect of the game early in the season, Hamilton seemed better attuned to the pace of play.

"I hate the term 'the game speeding up on you,' but it kind of was," he said before going 3 for 4 with an RBI in Friday night's 7-2 loss to the Brewers at Fenway Park. "I'm not going to say it was a good thing [not to play], but sitting and watching for the time that I did, I think it helped me out just to see Major League Baseball, just watch the game and get more comfortable in the atmosphere."

Now, it is Hamilton who is helping the team to speed up the game. Against the Brewers, he was back at short and batting eighth, in a lineup grouping with fellow speedsters Cedanne Rafa-

ela (ninth) and Jarren Duran (leadoff).

"I like this group," manager Alex Cora said. "It's a bunch of athletes out there running around and hopefully we can keep putting pressure on the opposition."

With a more defined role has come a measure of comfort for Hamilton. He moved into an apartment in Boston on Thursday's offday, and now has a fixed locker.

More importantly, he has a place in the lineup.

"It was good [to watch the game], but it's more fun to be playing," he said.

Wesseirt a go-to guy

While closer Kenley Jansen and setup man Chris Martin typically anchor the eighth and ninth innings for the Sox, Greg Wesseirt was a go-to option of choice in front of that duo on the road trip.

Though he's often fallen behind this year (first-pitch strike percentage of 45 percent), the righthander has roared back by attacking the strike zone with a four-pitch mix that has helped him to a 2.21 ERA and 24-to-4 strikeout-to-walk rate in 20½ innings entering Friday.

"This guy should be one of our best relievers," Cora said. "The weapons — four-seamer, two-seamer, changeup, slider — he's nasty."

Weissert has inflicted particular misery on righthanded hitters, with 11 strikeouts and no walks in 46 matchups, a performance that has led the Sox to summon him as the matchup of choice for such luminaries as Mike Trout and Ronald Acuña.

"It is exciting when you get those situations," Weissert said. "I love coming in with guys on. Any type of situation like that is fun."

Cora praised Weissert's impact, suggesting that he's been everything the Sox hoped for when they made him part of the three-player return they received in the offseason (along with Triple A starter Richard Fitts and lower-level pitcher Nicholas Justice) from the Yankees for Alex Verdugo.

"That trade was huge for us," Cora said. "[Verdugo] was one of our best

players last year. But we got three good arms. One is impacting the roster already. The other one is throwing the ball OK in Triple A, and the other one, he'll help us at one point in the future."

Changeup called

The Brewers changed their pitching plans for the series opener Friday morning, electing to use lefthander Jared Koenig as an opener in front of righthander Bryse Wilson, the originally scheduled starter. . . . Bench coach Ramón Vázquez was away from the Sox while attending his daughter's high school graduation. . . . One day after he pitched in a rehab game at Double A Portland, oft-injured righthander Bryan Mata, who opened the year on the injured list due to a hamstring issue, felt soreness in his shoulder/lat area and likely will be pulled off his rehab assignment. The 25-year-old will visit with team doctors Saturday. . . . Righthander Isaiah Campbell, who threw a scoreless inning with three strikeouts in a Triple A rehab outing Wednesday, will pitch again Saturday for Worcester. He's been on the injured list since April 12 due to a shoulder impingement. . . . First baseman Triston Casas (torn rib cartilage) took ground balls for the first time since landing on the injured list. Casas, who hopes to come off the 60-day injured list when first eligible June 21, reported the session went well. He has yet to start swinging the bat. . . . Designated hitter Masataka Yoshida has yet to commence baseball activities in his return from a thumb strain that sent him to the IL. . . . Officials from Lexington honored Brewers outfielder and Lexington High alum Sal Frelick at Fenway in the morning (before one by the village clock), declaring it "Sal Frelick Day" in the player's hometown. Frelick, who played right field and finished 0 for 5, received a warm round of applause during pregame introductions. . . . New Patriots wide receiver K.J. Osborn threw the ceremonial first pitch.

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BRIAN FLUHARTY/GETTY IMAGES

Willy Adames (left) drove in two runs and celebrated with Jackson Chourio after the Brewers won the first of three games vs. the Red Sox.

BC women's lacrosse wins right to play for second NCAA title

By Shelby Swanson
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

BC 10 CARY, N.C. — The No. 2 seed Boston College women's lacrosse team will compete in its seventh consecutive national title game after defeating No. 3 seed Syracuse, 10-7, on Friday evening at WakeMed Soccer Park.

BC sophomore goalkeeper Shea Dolce made 12 saves, junior attacker Rachel Clark recorded five goals and junior attacker Mckenna Davis had four assists to lead the Eagles (19-3).

"I'm really proud of our team," BC head coach Acacia Walker-Weinstein said. "Really difficult opponent — Syracuse can be a giant with all the talent that they have — so I'm really proud of our girls for coming out and following the game plan and sticking together."

The Eagles will face the top seed and defending national champions in the Northwestern Wildcats (18-2), who advanced earlier Friday after a win over Florida (20-3). Boston College lost to Northwestern in late February, 14-11, thanks to five goals from reigning Tewaaraton Award winner and NCAA career goals leader Izzy Scane.

The Wildcats await the Ea-



JESSICA RINALDI/GLOBE STAFF

Shea Dolce made seven saves to preserve BC's semifinal win.

gles in a rematch of last year's national title game, set for noon Sunday. Notably, the Wildcats have five players from Massachusetts — Jane Hansen, Alex Blake, Dylan Amonte, Molly Laliberty, and Cara Nugent — and are coached by Massachusetts native Kelly Amonte Hiller.

Walker-Weinstein said there's no need to speak about past losses to the Wildcats with her team — the motivation is already there for the Eagles.

"We'll utilize the experiences over the last few years to kind of harden us and get smart," Walker-Weinstein said. "We'll do what we always do. We'll study a lot of the recent film — or maybe all of the film — and look at what they're doing differently as of

lately and create our game plan from probably more the last month or so."

This year, the Eagles will be taking on Northwestern in the title game with the help of Clark, who transferred to BC after two seasons with Virginia. It's clearly been a seamless transition — Clark leads the Eagles in goals and points.

"I really didn't feel any type of resistance from the first practice," Clark said. "Honestly, I felt like I've played with this group forever. Playing with Mckenna [Davis] and Emma [LoPinto] and Kayla [Martello], we're a unit."

After Syracuse (16-6) opened the semifinal game Friday with a goal from senior midfielder

Maddy Baxter, LoPinto answered, assisted by senior midfielder Belle Smith. Orange senior attacker Emma Ward scored a minute and a half later and LoPinto responded again off an assist by Davis. Clark added a solo goal to give BC a 3-2 lead.

To start the second period, BC added three more goals, with graduate midfielder Cassidy Weeks, Clark, and Davis each chipping in one. Facing a four-goal deficit, the Orange battled back with a goal and then an assist from senior midfielder Natalie Smith. The Eagles continued to fire away — recording three shots in the final minute and a half of the second period — but failed to score, entering halftime with a 6-4 lead.

The Eagles are now 17-0 this season when they lead at halftime. Martello broke the Eagles' scoring drought five minutes into the third period with a free-position goal. A minute later, Clark extended BC's lead to 8-4 off an assist from Davis.

With a minute remaining in the third period, Syracuse head coach Kayla Treanor protested a series of calls from the officials that created an unusual seven-on-four advantage for Boston College. Three Orange players

were placed in the box. Notably, the NCAA Tournament rules do not allow for replay.

After a hard-fought Syracuse defensive effort, BC capitalized on a free-position opportunity as Clark earned her fourth goal of the night to put the Eagles up, 9-4.

In the final period, the Orange recorded back-to-back-to-back goals in three minutes. However, the effort wasn't enough, as Clark tacked on her fifth goal of the night in the game's final minute to seal the 10-7 victory and championship-game berth for the Eagles.

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NHL NOTEBOOK

Goodrow, Rangers even it up in OT

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Barclay Goodrow scored at 14:01 of overtime and the New York Ranger beat the Florida Panthers, 2-1, on Friday night in Game 2 to even the Eastern Conference final.

Goodrow fired a snap shot from above the circles over goalie **Sergei Bobrovsky's** right shoulder, sending the Madison Square Garden crowd that has been sitting on edge into a frenzy.

Vincent Trocheck scored early and **Igor Shesterkin** made 26 saves for New York. Riding the excitement of having tough guy **Matt Rempe** back in the lineup, they showed a lot more life after being shut out 3-0 in the opener.

Carter Verhaeghe scored for Florida and Bobrovsky made 29 saves. The Panthers lost for only the second time in seven games away from home in the playoffs.

The series shifts to Florida for Games 3 and 4 on Sunday and Tuesday.

The Rangers missed on a good chance earlier in overtime when a rebound of **Chris Kreider's** shot bounced to **Filip Chytil**, but his shot toward an open net hit off the rear end of Panthers defenseman **Oliver Ekman-Larsson** and deflected just wide.

Rangers fans and pundits got what they wanted when coach **Peter Laviolette** inserted Rempe into the lineup and he delighted them by constantly hitting Panthers players and even winning a faceoff.

Just his presence seemed to ignite the crowd and the team and New York had a lot of jump to start, and the Rangers converted early on Trocheck's seventh goal of the playoffs 4:12 after the opening faceoff. The play

was set up by a collision between Verhaeghe and **Alexis Lafreniere** and it allowed **Adam Fox** to find Trocheck for a backdoor tap-in.

There was a skirmish after the goal — one involving Verhaeghe and Lafreniere — and New York got a power play. The Rangers didn't convert on that and another at the 10:04 when **Dmitry Kulikov** got two minutes for a hit to the head on **Alex Wennberg**. It was reviewed for a major.

Florida got its first power play late with 2:50 left in the period and Verhaeghe converted from straight on after sidestepping a block attempt by Wennberg.

Jets promote Arniel

The Jets promoted associate coach **Scott Arniel** to head coach Friday, replacing **Rick Bowness**. The move comes almost three weeks after Bowness retired.

A former Jets left winger, Arniel joined Bowness' staff in 2022. The 61-year-old Arniel helped Bowness lead Winnipeg to a 98-57-9 record and two playoff appearances.

This season, Bowness was a finalist for the NHL's coach of the year award after the Jets went 52-24-6 and finished second in the Western Conference. But the success did not translate to a postseason run.

'Canes GM steps down

Don Waddell has stepped down as president and general manager of the Hurricanes, the team announced. Waddell built a roster that reached the playoffs for six straight years.

Carolina said assistant general manager **Eric Tulsky** would work as interim GM.

NHL playoffs

Eastern Conference

NY RANGERS VS. FLORIDA	
Series tied, 1-1	
Wednesday, May 22	
Florida 3.....	at NY Rangers 0
Friday, May 24	
At NY Rangers 2 Florida 1 (OT)	
Schedule	
Sun., May 26 at Florida.....	3
Tue., May 28 at Florida.....	8
*Thu., May 30 at NY Rangers.....	8
*Sat., Jun. 1 at Florida.....	8
*Mon., Jun. 3 at NY Rangers.....	8

Western Conference

DALLAS VS. EDMONTON	
Oilers lead series, 1-0	
Thursday, May 23	
Edmonton 3.....	at Dallas 2 (2OT)
Schedule	
Sat., May 25 at Dallas.....	8
Mon., May 27 at Edmonton.....	8:30
Wed., May 29 at Edmonton.....	8:30
*Fri., May 31 at Dallas.....	TBA
*Sun., Jun. 2 at Edmonton.....	TBA
*Tue., Jun. 4 at Dallas.....	TBA

* If necessary

RANGERS 2, PANTHERS 1

Florida.....	1	0	0	0	-	1
NY Rangers.....	1	0	0	1	-	2

First period — 1. NY Rangers, Trocheck 7 (Fox, Panarin), 4:12. 2. Florida, Verhaeghe 5 (Bennett, Lundell), 18:09 (pp). Penalties — Verhaeghe, Fla (roughing), 4:12. Tkachuk, Fla (roughing), 4:12. Lafreniere, NYR (roughing), 4:12. Kulikov, Fla (interference), 9:56. Goodrow, NYR (interference), 17:10.

Second period — None. Penalties — Stenlund, Fla (interference), 12:15. Chytil, NYR (slashing), 12:15. Ekblad, Fla (hi stick), 12:50. Fox, NYR (holding), 19:15.

Third period — None. Penalties — Verhaeghe, Fla (hi stick), 0:29.

Overtime — 3. NY Rangers, Goodrow 4 (Trocheck, Trouba), 14:01. Penalties — None.

Shots on goal — Florida 7-9-5-6 — 27. NY Rangers 8-9-8-6 — 31.

Power plays — Florida 1-2; NY Rangers 0-4.

Goalies — Florida, Bobrovsky 9-4-0 (31 shots-29 saves). NY Rangers, Shesterkin 9-3-0 (27 shots-26 saves).

Referees — Chris Rooney, Francois St-Laurent. Linesmen — Devin Berg, Ryan Daisy.

A — 18,006 (18,200). T — 3:12.

OILERS 3, STARS 2

Thursday night game

Edmonton.....	0	2	0	0	1	-	3
Dallas.....	0	1	0	0	0	-	2

First period — None. Penalties — Kane, Edm (roughing), 7:09. Holloway, Edm (holding), 18:28.

Second period — 1. Edmonton, Draisahti 9 (Kulak, Hyman), 0:58. 2. Edmonton, Hyman 12 (McDavid), 4:17. 3. Dallas, Seguin 4 (JamBenn), 6:11.

Penalties — Bouchard, Edm (slashing), 6:51. Dal, served by Marchment (too many men on ice), 18:43.

Third period — 4. Dallas, Seguin 5 (Dadonov, Robertson), 16:37. Penalties — None.

Overtime — None. Penalties — McDavid, Edm, double minor (hi stick), 0:17.

Second overtime — 5. Edmonton, McDavid 3 (Bouchard, Nugent-Hopkins), 0:32. Penalties — None.

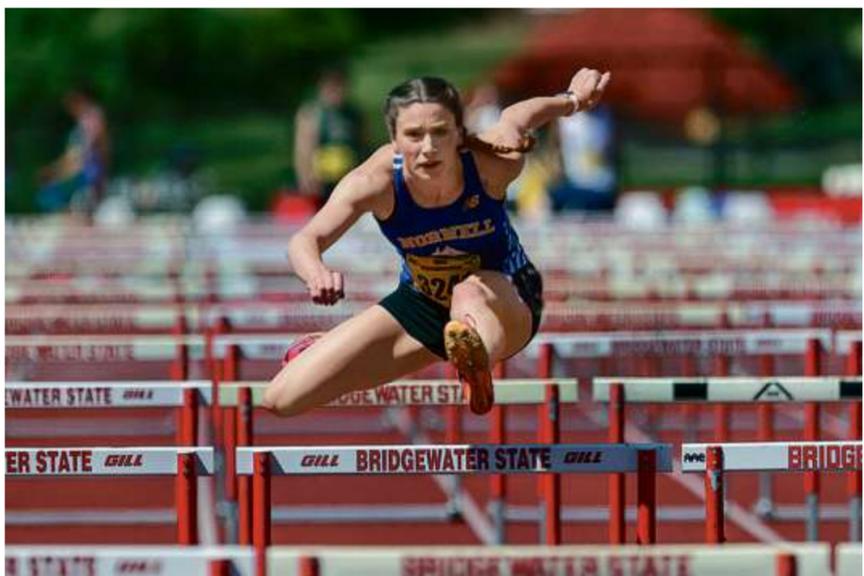
Shots on goal — Edmonton 3-14-12-8-1 — 38. Dallas 7-10-7-9-0 — 33.

Power plays — Edmonton 0-1; Dallas 0-5.

Goalies — Edmonton, Skinner 8-3-0 (33 shots-31 saves). Dallas, Oettinger 8-6-0 (38 shots-35 saves).

Referees — Eric Furlatt, Kelly Sutherland. Linesmen — Scott Cherry, Ryan Gibbons.

A — 18,532 (18,532). T — 3:35.



JONATHAN WIGGS/GLOBE STAFF

Norwell's Liliana MacDonald dominated in the pentathlon at the Division 5 meet.

MIAA STATE TRACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

Merritt's rally in 800 lifts Wellesley into 1st

By **Matty Wasserman**

GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Sitting in fourth place at the halfway point of the boys' 800 meter race, Wellesley senior Eli Merritt worried he was too far behind to mount a comeback.

Merritt, a cross-country All-Scholastic and one of the state's top milers, had never run a competitive 800 meter race prior to Friday. So he took to heart mid-race advice from his coach, Larry Corda.

"I was a little further back than I wanted to be," Merritt said. "Then at 500 meters, the pack really thinned out . . . and my coach was yelling at me that the kid in front [Marshfield's Graham Heinrich] was dying. So at that point, I knew I could get there."

Behind a ferocious late charge, Merritt captured 800 gold in 1 minute, 56.11 seconds, setting a two-second personal best. The result helped propel Wellesley (41 points) to a slight lead over second-place North Andover (39 points) through the first day of the Division 2 state meet at Merrimack College.

On the girls' side, North Andover (50.5 points) leads second-place Wellesley (45 points) halfway through the competition. The Scarlet Knights placed in five of the eight events tabulated thus far, with their lone first place finish from senior Makenna Dube in discus throw (125 feet, 8 inches).

The Wellesley girls recorded wins in three events, with sophomore Kayla Bohlin in the 800 (2:15.25), senior Annie Comella in the 200 (24.88), and junior Charlotte Tuxbury in the 2-mile (11:08.08).

The North Andover boys picked up 24 points in the pentathlon alone, with senior Michael McNaught (2,768 points), senior Lucas Ratcliff (2,726), and junior Nate Solivan (2,614) sweeping the top three.

The three combined to win each of the pentathlon's five legs, highlighted by McNaught winning both the long jump (20-1) and the 1,500 (4:56.38).

Division 1

With her fleet feet, jumps and leaps, and even a powerful throw, Sarah Dumas propelled the Franklin girls' track & field team to the lead through the first seven events on Day 1 of the MIAA Division 1 championships Friday at Westfield State University.

The University of Pennsylvania-bound senior won the 400-meter hurdles by nearly three seconds with her time of 1:03.16, and then captured the pentathlon, her 3,346 points far ahead of Natick's Sydny Chandler (2,857) and Westford's Alin Aydogan (2,855), with wins in the 100 and shot put, and seconds in the high jump and long jump.

Her 20 total points, along with a first from teammate Lily DeForge (133 feet, 9 inches) in the discus, and a fourth from Ella Chandaria in the 400 hurdles, put Franklin (39 points) ahead of Westford (36) — fueled by a win from sophomore Abigail Hennessey in the 800 (2:10.17) — Lowell (23), and Wachusett (22). Lowell had thirds from seniors Britney Ogiegog (200) and Ava Conroy



WINSLOW TOWNSON FOR THE GLOBE

Catholic Memorial's Thomas Kuefler jumps to a win in the triple jump at the Division 2 state meet.

(400 hurdles).

In the boys' competition, Taunton (24 points) has the lead, but barely, with Acton-Boxborough (23), Lexington (23), and Westford (23) lurking.

For Taunton, senior Ancil Alexander won the discus (176-7) and Kenny JeanMichel was the runner-up in the triple jump (45-4). A-B received seconds from Noah Steigmeier (400 hurdles) and Ajay Raina (800). Lexington senior McKenna O'Hare Gibson won the 400 hurdles (53.19), and sophomore Franz Schroeder was third in the discus. Paul Bergeron and Jack Graffeo went 1-2 in the 2-mile for Westford.

In a tremendous finish in the pentathlon, St. John's Prep senior Aithan Bezanson (3,384) edged St. John's (Shrewsbury) senior Antonio Wiafe (3,369), with the former winning the 1,500 and the latter placing eighth, the true separator.

Division 5

After a spring season that saw many tracks meets held in cool and wet conditions, Day 1 of the MIAA Division 5 Track and Field Championships at Bridgewater State on Friday afternoon served as a reminder that Memorial Day weekend serves as the start of summer around here.

Norwell senior Liliana MacDonald was among those who handled the heat, particularly in the jumping events as she won pulled off a double, winning the triple jump (in 38 feet, 6½ inches) and the pentathlon (with 2,952 points).

She will look to add to her medal haul on Sunday, as she seeded first in the long jump.

With wins in the 100-meter hurdles and the long jump, MacDonald entered the pentathlon's final event, the 800, with an 111-point lead. She needed almost all of them to hold off North Reading's Callie MacLellan by four points as MacLellan was 8.95 seconds

faster in the final event.

"It was a lot of work with the heat and so many events," said MacDonald, who will run collegiately at Rhode Island. "I'm really proud for the pentathlon, especially. The 800, I didn't know if I was going to win it."

North Reading coach Sotirios Pintzopoulos, whose team leads the team event with 50 points, said MacLellan was five-hundredths of a second short of taking the top spot.

Giuliana Ligor repeated her victory in the 400 hurdles (1:01.15), and junior Hayden MacLellan cleared 9-6 in the pole vault to lead the Hornets.

Weston is second with 30 points, Whitinsville Christian third on 29 and MacDonald accounting for 20 of the Clippers' 25 points, good for fourth.

Norton's Jillian Strynar won the 200 in 25.57, and will go for a third consecutive 100 title on Sunday.

Norwell senior Ryan Luccarelli won the boys pentathlon with 2,645 points, and junior Noah Mulligan won the triple jump in 44-10½ and placed third in the 200 (22.89) to help the Clippers lead at the boys' meet midway point with 42 points, nine clear of second place runner-up Weston.

Luccarelli, who is going to play football next year at Hamilton, had the best 110-meter hurdles and long jump performances, and was second in the high jump and shot put before finishing fourth in the closing 1,500, but had enough points to leap over runner-up D-R's Joel DaSilva.

Weston will have an advantage of potentially scoring in the pole vault on Sunday, and also had a strong day with Ben Tavares winning the 800 in 1:58.87, Oscar Torres second in the triple jump, and William Cahill and Carsen Valenta going 3-4 in the 2-mile for 11 points.

Keith Pearson reported from Bridgewater. Craig Larson contributed.



ANGELINA KATSANIS/STAR TRIBUNE VIA AP

Taylor Heise celebrates a first-period goal for Minnesota that was good for a 1-0 lead on the way to a win and a series edge.

Boston's season on the brink

►PWHL

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ken," said Boston captain Hilary Knight postgame. "Just having that disconnect really bit us tonight."

Boston fell behind early to speedier Minnesota. A mere 59 seconds into the game, Heise notched her fifth goal in her last four playoff games. Off a pass from Cava, she shot to the right of Boston goaltender Aerin Frankel to put Minnesota up, 1-0.

Boston found itself on the power play 7:41 into the first period, but Minnesota goaltender Nicole Hensley was masterful, blocking a Knight shot to start. Another Knight shot deflected off the right post near the end of the player advantage.

Boston created a few more opportunities after the power play, but it was also unsuccessful. Minnesota continued to play with more urgency than Boston, and its tenaciousness led to a 2-0 lead.

Boston defender Kaliegh Fratkin got tangled up with Minnesota's Sydney Brodt in front of the net as Brittny Fleming shot. Frankel made the save, but the rebound went right to Brodt, who shoveled the puck in, putting Minnesota up, 2-0, with 3:22 left in the first period.

Minnesota's transition game was strong in the second period,

and Heise played menacingly in the neutral zone, breaking up several Boston passes. But the visitors had a much better answer for Minnesota's speed, and a calmed-down Frankel made 11 saves in the frame.

Nearing the end of the second, Boston seemed on the verge of breaking through. With three minutes left, Müller and Megan Keller saw their shots blocked. The puck went back into the Boston zone, where Frankel stopped a Denisa K í ová shot. Boston moved the puck back into the Minnesota zone, where Jamie Lee Rattray's shot was denied by Hensley.

With the period quickly coming to an end, Rattray was by the boards and flung the puck to Susanna Tapani. She passed the puck back to Müller, who was skating toward the net. With Hensley positioned out of the net, Müller found an opening to get Boston on the scoreboard with 1.4 seconds remaining before the second intermission.

"I think going into the third, it gave the team some life," said Keller.

Müller opened the third period with another shot on Hensley, but this time she saved it. Boston saw another three shots blocked by Minnesota's defense before the hosts raced back into Boston's zone. Heise found the puck

on her stick again and passed it to Cava, who beat several defenders, weaved in front and lifted the puck over a sprawling Frankel's right skate and into the net to give Minnesota a 3-1 lead.

"Clearly she put two defenders in a blender on that move," said Heise of Cava's goal.

With a little over five minutes remaining, Minnesota's Claire Butorac tripped Boston defender Megan Keller, giving Boston a power play. Boston coach Courtney Kessel pulled Frankel to make it a six-on-four, but the decision backfired. Minnesota's Grace Zumwinkle jumped on a loose puck near the blue line and broke free toward the open Boston net with Keller and Knight trailing close behind. Zumwinkle sent the puck in for the empty-netter and then slid into the net herself, sealing Minnesota's victory.

Frankel led the way with 21 saves on the evening, while Hensley made 18. Boston has now lost two games in a row for the first time since before the league's three-week World Championships break in April. In order to keep its quest for the first-ever PWHL Championship alive, it will need to interrupt Minnesota's momentum Sunday.

"We know what it's like to fight back and we're going to continue to fight," said Kessel.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' VOLLEYBALL NOTEBOOK

New Bedford back to old ways with Barbosa

By AJ Traub
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT
Carter Barbosa's volleyball journey has been, in a word, surreal.

Ahead of his sophomore year, he couldn't imagine himself setting. Junior year, it didn't occur to him he could reach 1,000 assists until the team celebrated his milestone.

But captaining New Bedford to the state's only undefeated regular season (20-0) and the Whalers' first since 2007, that was a dream.

Until it all happened.

The senior three-sport athlete is a three-time Southeast Conference All-Star soccer player, including most recently, conference MVP. He is graduating fourth in his class with a 3.93 unweighted GPA and heading to Harvard in the fall.

In the spring sport he decided to join as a freshman, he helped restore a historic program to its winning ways in the grandest of styles.

"It's super surreal," Barbosa said. "New Bedford High School had such a good volleyball team in the '90s. So many state championships. To see how far we've come and say we're bringing that culture back, we're building it up."

While the 6-footer started at middle for the JV club, the varsity Whalers went 5-13. In Barbosa's sophomore pre-season came the first surprise. Old Rochester coaches were running the practice, and assistant **Ryan Grace** had him taking the second touch on the ball.

"I'm like 'You're crazy,'" Barbosa said. "That practice didn't go great, because I couldn't set. So we kept working on it. It was super frustrating. It sucks when other people rely on you to hit the ball and you're not able to set them well."

Barbosa settled into his role, knowing it filled a void for the team, and the rest is history. He enters his final post-season with 1,811 career assists, a program record.

"Any team, any coach, any teacher would love to have him and work with him," said coach **Ben Kaeterle**. "Soccer was his main sport. To see him pick up volleyball, he's gone above and beyond. He's one of the top players we've seen come through the program."

Not many skills translate from Barbosa's other sports to volleyball, but captaining the soccer team for two years helped him be the Whalers' only volleyball captain his junior and senior years.



BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Senior Carter Barbosa is the starting setter and leader of a Whalers team that went undefeated in the regular season.

Globe Top 20

No.	Team	Rec.	Last
1.	Newton North	17-2	1
2.	Needham	19-2	2
3.	Natick	15-2	3
4.	Brookline	13-6	4
5.	BC High	18-2	5
6.	Winchester	16-4	7
7.	Wayland	12-7	8
8.	Milford	12-5	9
9.	Lexington	14-5	10
10.	Methuen	17-2	12
11.	Acton-Boxborough	12-6	16
12.	Lowell	17-3	6
13.	Chelmsford	14-5	13
14.	New Bedford	19-0	14
15.	St. John's Prep	10-8	15
16.	Cambridge	9-10	11
17.	Andover	13-6	17
18.	St. John's (S)	9-10	18
19.	Barnstable	11-4	19
20.	Woburn	13-3	20

"What's universal is your work ethic," he said. "If you're going to work hard, you're good. Those qualities translate. Not the physical skills, but the leadership, the work ethic."

What is also remarkable about Barbosa's achievements is they come without club experience. As a three-sport athlete (indoor track in the winter), he has other things to focus on while his teammates developed their skills at Supreme Volleyball Club. That's why it was "shocking" to him when he saw just how good his teammates were looking in pre-season.

Each season, Kaeterle has players write down three goals. They always put down an undefeated season. "But we didn't really believe that," junior **Amir Salih Tavares** said.

They took down North Quincy in four sets to start the campaign, the first time they defeated the Raiders in years. Their fifth match, they swept city rival Greater New Bedford. "That really was the point

where we were like 'We could really do this,' because those were the two toughest teams in our schedule," Salih Tavares said.

On Thursday in Hingham, they made it official.

Barbosa surpassed 500 assists his sophomore year, 1,000 his junior year, and 1,500 earlier this season.

"With him being captain, leading us to these milestones, you can see everything coming together and good chemistry," said senior defensive specialist **Rylan Brody**, Barbosa's close friend whom he met in pre-school. "We stay humble, calm, collected, cool with it."

Set points

It didn't take long for Woburn to arrive. After a 5-13 debut last year, they submitted a 17-3 regular season that included a signature five-set victory over Lexington.

"We have hard working guys that fell in love with the sport," said coach **Scott Roy**.

Senior captain **Matt Raines** has more than quadrupled his kill total, now sitting at 221. **Bruno Costa** is an efficient and versatile hitter, and fellow senior **Finn Horton** is 6-foot-7 and hard to defend in the middle.

Sophomore captain **Ryan Le**, who plays a bit of everything, is second on the team in assists (185) and digs (186) and third in kills (100).

With its five-set victory over Latin Academy, O'Bryant did all it could to earn a home tourney match. They entered the last week of play at No. 17 in the power rankings, needing to move up just a place to stay in Boston for a round. A win over No. 6 BLA helps.

With Madison Park standing at No. 23, it looks to be the first year in the statewide format that all three City League teams make the post-season.

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SportsLog

Unionization effort still in play

Advocates say they won't slow their efforts to unionize college athletes even with the NCAA's agreement this week to allow players to be paid from a limited revenue-sharing pool. The NCAA and the Power Five conferences have agreed to a landmark antitrust settlement that will pay \$2.77 billion to players who were unable to profit from their skills under old NCAA rules. The settlement also permits schools to set aside up to \$21 million per year in revenue to share with players. What the agreement didn't do was address whether players are employees. In the Dartmouth case, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that schools exerted so much control over the men's basketball players that they met the legal definition of employees. The players then voted, 13-2, to join Local 560 of the Service Employees International Union, which represents some other Dartmouth workers, and asked the school to begin negotiations on a collective bargaining agreement; the school refused, setting up further court battles. The NCAA is also lobbying Congress to step in and declare that players are not employees.

TENNIS

Djokovic loses Geneva semi

Novak Djokovic will defend his French Open title in Paris still without a trophy this season after losing in the Geneva Open semifinals Friday. The 44th-ranked **Tomas Machac** beat Djokovic, 6-4, 0-6, 6-1, in the last clay-court event to prepare for Roland Garros, where main draw play starts Sunday. Djokovic's record in 2024 dropped to 14-6 overall and 0-3 in semifinals, including at the Australian Open against **Jannik Sinner**. "I don't consider myself a favorite there," the top-ranked Serb said of his chances at Roland Garros.

AUTO RACING

Dixon, Castroneves top Indy

Scott Dixon and **Helio Castroneves** turned the fastest laps on Carb Day during final practice for the Indianapolis 500. The two are starting way back in the seventh row, so that speed will certainly come in handy Sunday. Pole sitter **Scott McLaughlin** and Team Penske teammates **Josef Newgarden** and **Will Power** had stress-free days, spending most of the two-hour session going through pit-stop practice and other details.

VOLLEYBALL

BOYS	BAY STATE	Natick 1
Needham 3	Wayland 2	
Cambridge 3		

DUAL COUNTY	Whittier 1	Billerica 3	Burlington 2	Chelsea 3	Randolph 1	Lincoln-Sudbury 3	Brookline 1	Methuen 3	Newton South 0	Milford 3	Newton North 1
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Riley leads at Colonial

Davis Riley had to wait out a 70-minute weather delay before his last shot in the second round at Colonial. Riley made a 3-foot par putt right after play resumed, wrapping up a bogey-free 6-under 64 to get to 10 under at the Charles Schwab Challenge. He had a two-stroke lead over **Hayden Buckley** and **Pierceson Coody**. . . **Richard Bland** is still in front in his senior major debut at the Senior PGA Championship. Bland, who plays for LIV Golf, shot a 66 at Harbor Shores in Benton Harbor, Mich., and set the target at 12-under 130. The threat of dangerous storms in the afternoon made it unlikely the second round would finish. But it's going to be tough to catch the 51-year-old Englishman. He has a one-shot lead over **Scott Dunlap**, who had a 65. **Chris DiMarco** was three shots behind . . . Spanish golfer **Nacho Elvira** shot a 7-under 64 for the second straight day to take the lead of the Zurich Open after the second round in Antwerp, Belgium. Elvira had seven birdies in a bogey-free round at Rinkven International Golf Club. He's one stroke ahead of **Ross Fisher**, who shot a 63.

GOLF

Schools

TRACK	BOYS
MIAA Division 1 Championship at Westfield State University	200m — 1. Nico Begic, Lincoln-Sudbury, 0:21.65; 2. Natanael Vigo Catala, Haverhill, 0:21.7; 3. Dmitrius Shearrior, Taunton, 0:21.74.
400m hurdles — 1. McKenna O'Hara Gibson, Lexington, 0:53.19; 2. Noah Stegmeier, Acton-Boxborough, 0:54.15; 3. Mitchell Kisten, Xaverian, 0:55.	
800m — 1. Dylan Brenn, Wachusett, 1:55.72; 2. Ajay Raina, Acton-Boxborough, 1:55.77; 3. Cameron Walter, Brookline, 1:55.82.	
2-mile — 1. Paul Bergeron, Westford, 9:00.89; 2. Jack Grafen, Westford, 9:04.07; 3. Chris Larnard, BC High, 9:11.19.	
Triple jump — 1. Matthew Acquah, Natick, 46 feet 7.5 inches; 2. Kenny JeanMichel, Taunton, 45-5; 3. Adrian Rivera, Attleboro, 44-5.	
Discus — 1. Ancil Alexander, Taunton, 176 feet 7 inches; 2. Argenis Luciendo, Lawrence, 148-9; 3. Franz Schroeder, Lexington, 139-7.	
Pentathlon — 1. Aithan Bezanson, St. John's Prep, 3384 points; 2. Antonio Wige, St. John's (Shrewsbury), 3369; 3. Lincoln Massaro, St. John's Prep, 3226.	
MIAA Division 2 Championship at Merrimack College	200m — 1. Christopher Brooks, Wellesley, 0:21.35; 2. Dan Killian, Winchester, 0:21.48; 3. Sincere Fontaine, Wellesley, 0:21.88.
400m hurdles — 1. Jayden Francois, North Quincy, 0:56.55; 2. Bryce Tessier, Tantasqua, 0:56.81; 3. Brian Stevens, Peabody, 0:56.9.	
800m — 1. Eli Merritt, Wellesley, 1:56.11; 2. Tyler Johnson, Winchester, 1:56.33; 3. Graham Heinrich, Marshfield, 1:57.76.	
2-mile — 1. Wesley Kaukas-Quinn, Winchester, 9:33.95; 2. Stephen Goehringer, Wellesley, 9:35; 3. Dylan Cote, North Andover, 9:35.66.	
Triple jump — 1. Thomas Kueffer, Catholic Memorial, 45 feet 6.5 inches; 2. Amar Skeete, Catholic Memorial, 44-11.5; 3. Evan Bedard, Peabody, 44-10.5.	
Discus — 1. Alex Fitzsimmons, Arlington, 178 feet 3 inches; 2. Alex Jackson, Peabody, 176-4; 3. Chalais Santill, Malden, 165-0.	
Pentathlon — 1. Mike McNaught, North Andover, 2768 points; 2. Lucas Ratcliff, North Andover, 2726; 3. Nate Solivan, North Andover, 2614.	
MIAA Division 5 Championship at Bridgewater State	200m — 1. Nick Caputo, Wintthrop, 0:22.63; 2. Joel Spaulding, Pentucket, 0:22.71; 3. Noah Mulligan, Norwell, 0:22.89.
400m hurdles — 1. Dylan Priest, Cardinal Spellman, 0:57.83; 2. Zachary Barton, Advanced Math and Science, 0:58.14; 3. Joel DaSilva, Dighton-Rehoboth, 0:58.49.	
800m — 1. Ben Tavares, Weston, 1:58.87; 2. Matt Rooney, Dover-Sherborn, 2:00; 3. Sean Parham, Norton, 2:00.2.	
2-mile — 1. Andrew McConnell, Norton, 9:32.34; 2. Lucas Corbett, Norwell, 9:39.58; 3. William Cahill, Weston, 9:54.14.	
Triple jump — 1. Noah Mulligan, Norwell, 44 feet 10.5 inches; 2. Oscar Torres, Weston, 44-3.5; 3. Liam Dorr, Nipmuc, 43-11.5.	
Discus — 1. Liam Kneeland, Triton, 162 feet 0 inches; 2. Eben Consigli, Nipmuc, 159-7; 3. Donovan Turner, Bellingham, 153-10.	
Pentathlon — 1. Ryan Luccarelli, Norwell, 2645 points; 2. Joel DaSilva, Dighton-Rehoboth, 2589; 3. Aidan D'Aniello, Pittsfield, 2302.	
GIRLS	
MIAA Division 1 Championship at Westfield State University	400m hurdles — 1. Sarah Dumas, Franklin, 1:03.16; 2. Ashley Vrnith, Westford, 1:06.55; 3. Ava Conroy, Lowell, 1:06.65.
800m — 1. Abigail Hennessy, Westford, 2:10.17; 2. Emersyn Denno, Taunton, 2:13.34; 3. Emily Frawley, Newton South, 2:13.63.	
2-mile — 1. Aoife Shovlin, Cambridge, 10:47.86; 2. Greta Hammer, Andover, 10:55.45; 3. Emily Weidake, Westford, 10:57.2.	
Pole vault — 1. Emerson Gould, Acton-Boxborough, 11 feet 6 inches; 2. Katelyn Atkins, Lexington, 11-0; 3. Elsie Opykie, Wachusett, 10-6.	
Triple jump — 1. Gabrielle Pierre, Lincoln-Sudbury, 43 feet 0 inches; 2. Jady Grant, Newton North, 36-10.25; 3. Elsie Opykie, Wachusett, 36-10.	
Discus — 1. Lily Deforge, Franklin, 133 feet 9 inches; 2. Kyrah Mar, Newton South, 111-11; 3. Sophia Olanivan, Taunton, 111-8.	
Pentathlon — 1. Sarah Dumas, Franklin, 3346 points; 2. Sydney Chandler, Natick, 2857; 3. Annelys Baez, Latin Academy, 2855.	
MIAA Division 2 Championship at Merrimack College	200m — 1. Annie Comella, Wellesley, 0:24.88; 2. Alex D'Amadio, King Philip, 0:25.46; 3. Nora Kisiel, Essex Tech, 0:25.54.
400m hurdles — 1. Nicole Gangi, Woburn, 1:02.72; 2. Sasha Lamakina, Frammingham, 1:04.12; 3. Molly Duignan, Bishop Feehan, 1:08.25.	
800m — 1. Kayla Bohlin, Wellesley, 2:15.25; 2. Dana Lehr, Belmont, 2:16.13; 3. Erika Wojcik, North Andover, 2:16.85.	
2-mile — 1. Charlotte Tuxbury, Wellesley, 11:08.08; 2. Sinead Butler, Woburn, 11:13.27; 3. Lauren Augustyn, Bishop Feehan, 11:14.96.	
Pole vault — 1. Erin Moran, Arlington, 11 feet 3 inches; 2. Niko Conway, Algonquin, 8-0; 3. Janice Li, North Andover, 7-6.	
Triple jump — 1. Alice Brambati, Hopkinton, 36 feet 1 inches; 2. Kate DiTullo, Algonquin, 35-9; 3. Emily Carp, Wellesley, 35-5.	
Discus — 1. Makenna Dube, North Andover, 125 feet 8 inches; 2. Caroline Herlihy, Winchester, 123-6; 3. Mia Kurtz, Winchester, 119-5.	
Pentathlon — 1. Josie Hopkins, Hopkinton, 2782 points; 2. Olivia Swicki, North Andover, 2622; 3. Whitney Smith, North Andover, 2528.	
MIAA Division 5 Championship at Bridgewater State	200m — 1. Jillian Strynar, Norton, 0:25.57; 2. Olivia Carney, Bellingham, 0:25.9; 3. Janelle White, Abington, 0:26.44.
400m hurdles — 1. Giullana Ligor, North Reading, 1:01.15; 2. Avery Glidden, Whittinsville Christian, 1:02.45; 3. Slogane Hinton, Weston, 1:02.71.	
800m — 1. Emma Wierenga, Whittinsville Christian, 2:20.78; 2. Anna Romano, Triton, 2:22.49; 3. Hayden Robinson, Seekonk, 2:22.56.	
2-mile — 1. Emily Flagg, Whittinsville Christian, 11:31.21; 2. Izzy Wheeler, Weston, 11:44.43; 3. Kami Wlodyska, Belchertown, 11:51.66.	
Pole vault — 1. Hayden MacLellan, North Reading, 9 feet 6 inches; 2. Sara Curran, Oakmont, 9-6; 3. Gabriela Friel, Weston, 8-0.	
Triple jump — 1. Liliana MacDonald, Norwell, 30 feet 6.5 inches; 2. Annakaiti Donovan-Wilfred, Cardinal Spellman, 37-0.5; 3. Maddie Vant, North Reading, 36-5.	
Discus — 1. Charity Johnson, Medway, 130 feet 0 inches; 2. Savannah Gad, Hudson, 118-7; 3. Abigail Lilley, North Reading, 113-5.	
Pentathlon — 1. Liliana MacDonald, Norwell, 2952 points; 2. Hayden MacLellan, North Reading, 2948; 3. Cameron Ting, Belchertown, 2948.	

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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Connecticut	4	0	1.000	—
New York	4	1	.800	½
Atlanta	3	2	.600	1½
Chicago	2	2	.667	1½
Washington	0	5	.000	4½
Indiana	0	5	.000	4½

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct.	GB
Phoenix	3	1	.750	1
Minnesota	2	1	.667	1½
Las Vegas	2	1	.667	1½
Seattle	2	1	.667	1½
Dallas	1	2	.333	2½
Los Angeles	1	2	.333	2½

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Indiana at Los Angeles
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At Connecticut 83, Minnesota 82
At Phoenix 83, Washington 80

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	MIL 4:10 NESN	MIL 1:35 NESN	BAL 1:05 NESN	BAL 6:35 NESN	BAL 6:35 NESN	DET 7:10 NESN	DET 7:10 AppleTV+
	IND 8:30 ABC		IND 8:00 ESPN		IND (if nec.) 8:00 ESPN		IND (if nec.) 8:00 ESPN
	NYC 7:30 AppleTV						
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BASEBALL

1:40 p.m.	San Francisco at NY Mets	MLB
4 p.m.	Triple A: Norfolk at Worcester	NESN+
4:10 p.m.	Kansas City at Tampa Bay	MLB
4:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Boston	NESN
7:15 p.m.	LA Dodgers at Cincinnati	Fox
10:10 p.m.	Miami at Arizona	FS1

PRO BASKETBALL

1 p.m.	WNBA: New York at Minnesota	CBS
8 p.m.	WNBA: Connecticut at Chicago	CBSN
8:30 p.m.	Boston at Indiana	ABC
9 p.m.	WNBA: Indiana at Las Vegas	NBA

PRO FOOTBALL

noon	UFL: St. Louis at Arlington	ABC
3 p.m.	UFL: Birmingham at San Antonio	ABC
7 p.m.	IFL: Tulsa at Massachusetts	NESN+

GOLF

7:30 a.m.	DP World: Soudal Open	Golf
1 p.m.	PGA: Charles Schwab Challenge	NBC
1 p.m.	Senior PGA Championship	NBC
3 p.m.	PGA: Charles Schwab Challenge	CBS

MEN'S HOCKEY

8 a.m.	World semifinal: Sweden-Czechia	NHL
noon	World semifinal: Canada-Switzerland	NHL

NHL PLAYOFFS

8 p.m.	Edmonton at Dallas	TNT
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HORSE RACING

noon	America's Day at the Races	FS2
3 p.m.	Americas Day at the Races	FS1

MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

noon	NCAA semifinal: Denver-Notre Dame	ESPN2
2:30 p.m.	NCAA semifinal: Maryland-Virginia	ESPN2

PRO LACROSSE

5 p.m.	NLL playoffs	ESPN2
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In loving memory of Judith M. Anderson of Norwood, formerly of Dedham, May 21, 2024. Age 54. Beloved daughter of John F. and Patricia (Violette) Anderson. Sister of John T. Anderson of Dedham.

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of our beloved "Judi" who was a beacon of love in the lives of her family.

A true animal lover, she had a special place in her heart for all creatures, but especially her cherished kitties. Her love for animals was only matched by her beautiful twinkling blue eyes, which shone with kindness and compassion and a pinch of mischief.

Judi was an avid soccer player and creative with a remarkable talent for creating beautiful necklaces, earrings and rings. Her big heart and generous spirit were evident in everything she did and the feelings of love and joy will forever be remembered.

Though our hearts ache with her loss, her memory will live on in our hearts of all who had the privilege of knowing her. She will be missed deeply not only by her mother, father and brother, but also by her nieces and nephew, aunts and uncle and anyone else who had the pleasure of knowing her.

We love you Judi, you will be forever in our hearts.

Visiting Hours will be held at the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM, on Wednesday, May 29, from 8:30-10:15am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, Dedham, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Private interment in Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham.

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DRISCOLL, Jeanne Watson



Of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully after an exceptionally brief illness on May 21, 2024. Jeanne was preceded in death by her parents and older brother, Lt. Cn. Robert E. Watson III. She leaves behind a legacy that will live on as well as her husband, David, her children Lorraine (Ron Sousa) and Katie, her grandchildren Maddie, David and Angel, as well as her sister Christine Hibbits, and two brothers John and Tim Watson. We can't name all the family that will feel her absence greatly, but we know she will be sorely missed by so many and hope that in her memory you will always take good care of the babies and mothers in your lives and be a listener to those who need it. Everyone's story matters.

Visiting Hours will be held in the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Tuesday, May 28, from 4:00 to 8:00pm. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in the Holy Name Church, 1689 Centre St., West Roxbury, on Wednesday, May 29, at 10:00am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the Holy Name Conference of St. Vincent de Paul (1689 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA 02132, or online www.svdpboston.org/donate/, note in memory of Jeanne Driscoll to the Holy Name Conference).

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NOMIZU, Kimiko



Passed away peacefully in her home in Stonington, CT, on May 20, 2024, at the age of 94. Born on October 24, 1929 in Okayama, Japan, she was the widow of Katsumi Nomizu, Professor Emeritus of Mathematics at Brown University. She lived a full and vibrant life, living and traveling abroad, and sharing her mischievous sense of humor. She was a gourmet cook and talented seamstress. Kimiko is survived by her sister, Tomoko; her children, Naomi Nomizu, Yvonne Nomizu, Simone Palmer, and Raymond Nomizu; 10 grandchildren, and a great-granddaughter. There will be a Private Burial in Swan Point Cemetery in Providence and a Celebration of Life in the near future. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Kimiko's name to the New York Metropolitan Opera.

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KEEFE, Daniel C.



A lifelong resident of Weymouth, died peacefully at home, on May 21, 2024, at the age of 39, after a period of failing health.

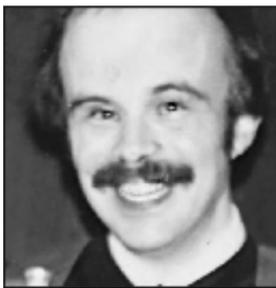
Dan was a people person and was happiest in the company of his family and friends. He was a graduate of the Cardinal Cushing Center in Hanover and was active in the Arc of the South Shore. Bowling, dancing and music were a few of his favorite hobbies. He will be remembered for his unbounded kindness.

He was the cherished son of Joan M. Keefe of Weymouth and the late Barry M. Keefe. Loving brother of Andrew Keefe and his wife, Sonia of Acton and Connor Keefe and his wife, Kelly of Hanover. Proud "uncle Dan" to Patty, John, Charlie and Annie. Loving nephew of Judy Alukonis of Weymouth, Richard Alukonis of Marshfield, Karen Dailey and her husband, Len of Hollis, NH and Brian Keefe and his wife, Lisa of Weymouth. Also survived by many cousins.

Services are private. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Dan may be made to The Arc of the South Shore, 20 Pond Park, Unit 113, Hingham, MA 02043. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.



McRAE, David Gordon



Of Utica, passed away peacefully on February 19, 2024. Born in Winchester, MA in 1950, he was the son of the late Gordon J. and Joan L. McRae. David was predeceased by his parents and his brother, Robert McRae. Survivors include his brother, Andrew McRae; his former wife, the Reverend Paula Hart; his sister-in-law, Kristin McRae; his nieces, Audrey McRae and Nicole (David) Beers; two aunts; and many cousins.

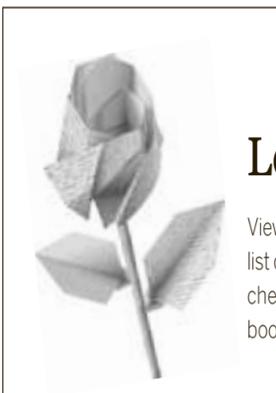
David grew up in Wakefield, MA and graduated from Wakefield Memorial High School in 1968. A talented musician, David played trumpet in various musical groups. He performed in the inaugural season of the Greater Bostonians group of high school musicians. David attended Lowell State College, majoring in music. He worked for two music companies in Boston, Wurliitzer and Carl Fischer.

In 1986, David moved to upstate New York and remained active in music, playing trumpet and arranging choral music and hymns. David became a certified Lay Speaker in the United Methodist Church.

As a child, David's beloved father took him to a Red Sox game, where he saw Ted Williams play. David had a kind, outgoing personality.

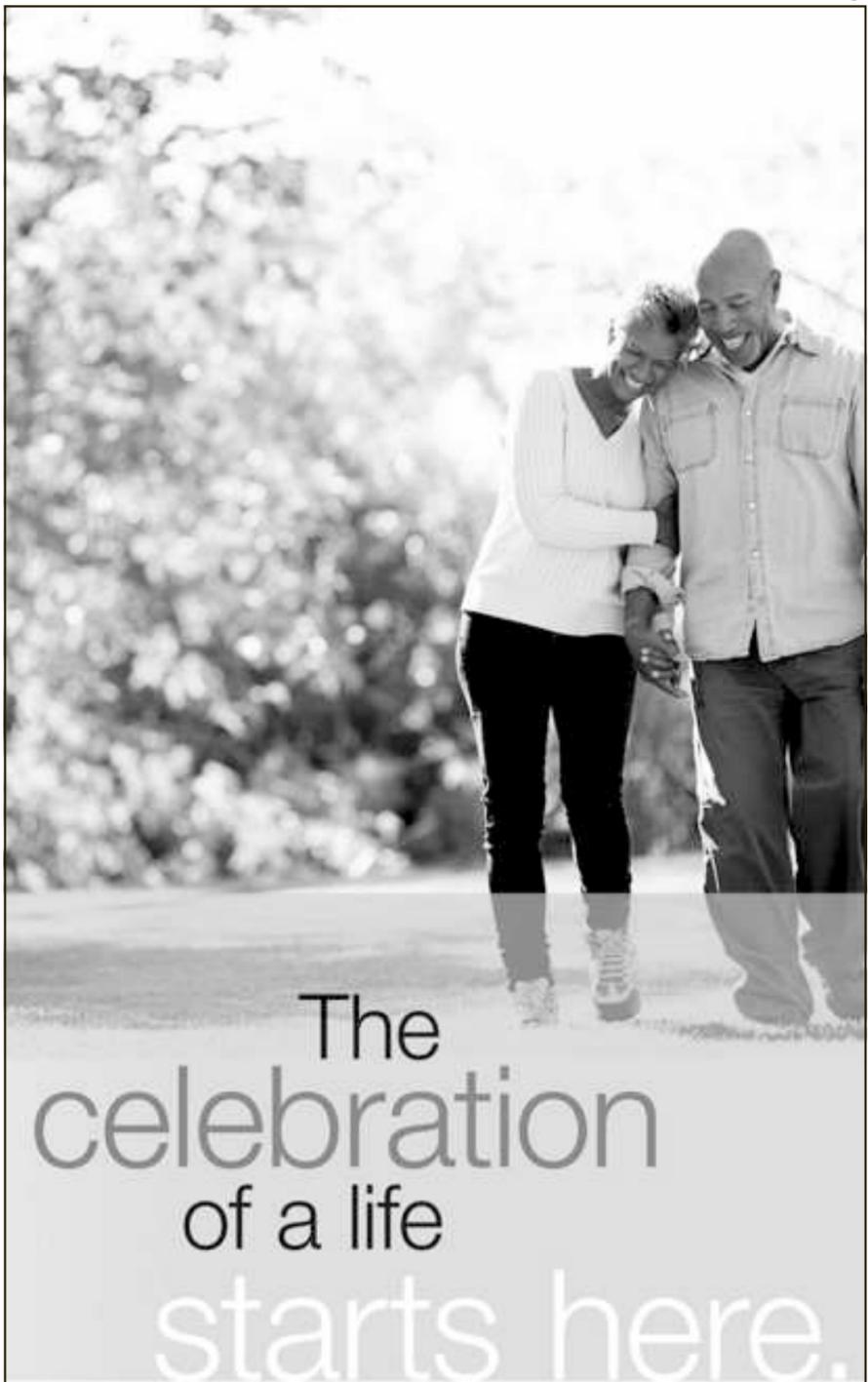
Services were held in Utica, NY and Wakefield, MA earlier this year.

Donations in memory of David may be made to the Sandwich Ministry of Historic Old St. John's Church, 240 Bleecker St., Utica, NY 13501.



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Morgan Spurlock, ‘Super Size Me’ documentarian, at 53

By Mark Kennedy
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Documentary filmmaker Morgan Spurlock, an Oscar nominee whose most famous works skewered America’s food industry and who notably ate only at McDonald’s for a month to illustrate the dangers of a fast-food diet, has died. He was 53.

Mr. Spurlock died Thursday in New York from complications of cancer, according to a statement issued Friday by his family.

“It was a sad day, as we said goodbye to my brother Morgan,” Craig Spurlock, who worked with him on several projects, said in the statement. “Morgan gave so much through his art, ideas, and generosity. The world has lost a true creative genius and a special man. I am so proud to have worked together with him.”

Mr. Spurlock made a splash in 2004 with his groundbreaking film “Super Size Me,” which was nominated for an Academy Award. The film chronicled the detrimental physical and psychological effects of Mr. Spurlock eating only McDonald’s food for 30 days. He gained about 25 pounds, saw a spike in his cholesterol, and lost his sex drive.

“Everything’s bigger in America,” he said in the film. “We’ve got the biggest cars, the biggest houses, the biggest companies, the biggest food, and finally: the biggest people.”

In one scene, Mr. Spurlock showed kids a photo of George Washington and none recognized the Founding Father. But they all knew the mascots for Wendy’s and McDonald’s.

The film grossed more than \$22 million on a \$65,000 bud-



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get and preceded the release of Eric Schlosser’s influential “Fast Food Nation,” which accused the industry of being bad for the environment and rife with labor issues.

Mr. Spurlock returned in 2017 with “Super Size Me 2: Holy Chicken!” — a sober look at an industry that processes 9 billion animals a year in America. He focused on two issues: chicken farmers stuck in a peculiar financial system and the attempt by fast-food chains to deceive customers into thinking they’re eating healthier.

“We’re at an amazing moment in history from a consumer standpoint where consumers are starting to have more and more power,” he told the Associ-

ated Press in 2019. “It’s not about return for the shareholders. It’s about return for the consumers.”

Mr. Spurlock was a gonzo-like filmmaker who leaned into the ridiculous. His stylistic touches included zippy graphics and amusing music, blending a Michael Moore-ish camera-in-your-face style with his own sense of humor and pathos.

“I wanted to be able to lean into the serious moments. I wanted to be able to breathe in the moments of levity. We want to give you permission to laugh in the places where it’s really hard to laugh,” he told the AP.

After he exposed the fast-food and chicken industries, there was an explosion in res-

taurants stressing freshness, artisanal methods, farm-to-table goodness, and ethically sourced ingredients. But nutritionally not much had changed.

“There has been this massive shift and people say to me, ‘So has the food gotten healthier?’ And I say, ‘Well, the marketing sure has,’” he said.

Not all his work dealt with food. Mr. Spurlock made documentaries about the boy band One Direction and the geeks and fanboys at Comic-Con. One of his films looked at life behind bars at the Henrico County Jail in Virginia.

With 2008’s “Where in the World is Osama bin Laden?” Mr. Spurlock went on a global search to find the Al Qaeda

leader, who was killed in 2011. In “POM Wonderful Presents: The Greatest Movie Ever Sold,” Mr. Spurlock tackled questions of product placement, marketing, and advertising.

“Being aware is half the battle, I think. Literally knowing all the time when you’re being marketed to is a great thing,” Mr. Spurlock told AP at the time. “A lot of people don’t realize it. They can’t see the forest for the trees.”

“Super Size Me 2: Holy Chicken!” was to premiere at the Sundance Film Festival in 2017 but it was shelved at the height of the #MeToo movement when Mr. Spurlock came forward to detail his own history of sexual misconduct.

He confessed that he had been accused of rape while in college and had settled a sexual harassment case with a female assistant. He also admitted to cheating on numerous partners. “I am part of the problem,” he wrote.

“For me, there was a moment of kind of realization — as somebody who is a truth-teller and somebody who has made it a point of trying to do what’s right — of recognizing that I could do better in my own life. We should be able to admit we were wrong,” he told the AP.

Mr. Spurlock grew up in Beckley, W.Va. His mother was an English teacher who he remembered would correct his work with a red pen. He graduated with a BFA in film from New York University in 1993.

He is survived by two sons — Laken and Kallen; his mother, Phyllis Spurlock; father, Ben; brothers Craig and Barry; and former spouses Alexandra Jamieson and Sara Bernstein, the mothers of his children.

Bob McCreadie, dirt racing legend, 73

By Michael S. Rosenwald
NEW YORK TIMES

Bob McCreadie, who was one of the winningest drivers in dirt racing history and was regularly introduced by announcers as “the master of going faster,” died May 15 at his home in Watertown, N.Y. He was 73.

His son Tim, who is also a dirt racing driver, confirmed the death. He said his father had been ill for several months and was in hospice care.

Mr. McCreadie won more than 500 races at weekly events and on the touring Super Dirtcar Series circuit, driving dirt-modified stock cars at 150 mph around short, tight-cornered tracks at fairgrounds and speedways along the East Coast. In the course of his 35-year-career, he occasionally broke his back in spectacular wrecks.

Dirt racing is not nearly as popular (or as lucrative) as the NASCAR circuit. But to the more than 2,500 fans who typically attend races, the sport is an enduring source of small-town pride and entertainment.

Mr. McCreadie was dirt racing’s perfect Everyman: Scrawny, bespectacled, with a bushy beard, he chain-smoked, cursed vigorously, and hauled his race cars with his own pickup truck instead of the fancy trailers that many of his contemporaries used.

In northern New York state, where he lived, the news media covered him with roughly the same exuberance with which New York City newspapers covered Babe Ruth in his heyday. The Post-Standard of Syracuse mentioned him more than 1,200 times in his career.

“He looked like a country bumpkin,” Ron Hedger, a long-time writer for Speed Sport Insider, said in a phone interview. “The fans identified with him, and they really loved him. There was always a mob . . . waiting in line for an autograph.”

As a teenager, he hot-wired cars and sped around Watertown with his buddies, an activity that eventually led to a year-long visit to a juvenile detention center. He passed the time by reading auto magazines and studying car engines. “Best thing that ever happened to me,” he told The New York Times in 2003.

He got a job as a mechanic after his release and tinkered with beat-up stock cars. He figured he’d race once or twice. “Then I’d get out,” he told the Times.

He started racing in 1971 and won his first race four years later. He then began dominating the circuit. In 1986, he won the Miller American 200 at the New York State Fairgrounds — the Super Bowl of dirt racing. His best year was 1994, when he won 47 of 93 races.

In his best year, Mr. McCreadie won somewhere between \$300,000 and \$400,000 in race prizes. But his aggressive racing style had an occupational hazard: dozens, perhaps even hundreds, of crashes.

Robert David McCreadie was born Jan. 19, 1951, in Watertown. His father, William, was a taxi driver. His mother, Betty (Vincent) McCreadie, was a server.

Mr. McCreadie often spoke about growing up poor. Racing, he said, was his salvation.

“If it wasn’t for auto racing and for my wife, I’d probably be in jail today. Or shot dead by now,” he wrote in his autobiography, “Barefoot” (2005).

His career ended in 2006 after an accident in a parking lot. A woman crashed her SUV into him as he left his doctor’s office on his Harley-Davidson motorcycle. His injuries included a fractured femur and a chip fracture in his lumbar. A jury later awarded him more than \$1 million in a lawsuit stemming from the incident.

Mr. McCreadie married Sandra Ritton in 1974. In addition to their son Tim, she survives him, as do another son, Jordan; a daughter, Tyne McCreadie; a sister, Kathleen Woodard; a brother, Patrick McCreadie; five grandchildren; and a great-grandson.

Shirley Conran, British author best known for the steamy ‘Lace,’ at 91

By Penelope Green
NEW YORK TIMES

Shirley Conran, the industrious and prolific British author whose 1982 novel, “Lace,” was a tale of female autonomy disguised as a bonkbuster (to use the British term for a steamy bestseller) that made her a millionaire and introduced the lowly goldfish into the erotic canon, died on May 9 in London. She was 91.

The cause of her death, in a hospital, was pneumonia, her son Jasper Conran said.

Shirley Conran was already a household name in England when she set out to write a sex guide for schoolgirls but ended up writing the potboiler that was “Lace.” In 1968, she was the founding editor of Femal, The Daily Mail’s popular and revolutionary women’s section; when it was launched, a photograph of her face, with a rose between her teeth, was plastered on billboards throughout London.

She was also the author of “Superwoman,” a witty and proudly feminist primer on household management. Its premise, still novel in 1975, was that domestic skills are not tied to gender and that women can learn to fix a dripping faucet just as easily as men and children can learn to shop for groceries and wash their own clothes. The title was ironic, Ms. Conran wrote: “A Superwoman isn’t a woman who can do anything, but a woman who avoids doing too much.”

Her mantra, “Life is too short to stuff a mushroom,” became a feminist rallying cry, finding its way onto matchbooks, dish towels, and throw pillows.

Yet the book, her first British bestseller, was comprehensive and encyclopedic, ranging from meal planning to financial literacy and fuel conservation. It was based on Ms. Conran’s own hard-won experience.

In 1962, when she divorced her husband, Terence Conran, the lifestyle mogul who taught a generation of Britons to appreciate modern design — and for whom she worked as a textile designer — he gave her four weeks’ pay and no divorce settlement. The couple had lived grandly, despite Terence Conran’s spartan, Scandinavian aesthetic, in a fully staffed town house. When Shirley Conran moved out, she had to fill the



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Ms. Conran was the founding editor of Femal, The Daily Mail’s popular and revolutionary women’s section.

gaps in her own education — economic, domestic, and mechanical — while teaching her two young sons, Jasper and his older brother, Sebastian, to pull their weight at home.

Then she tackled sex. As a women’s editor, and as a child of the ‘40s, she knew that many women were mystified by their own bodies and dismissive of their own pleasure. Men, she reckoned, were even worse; she liked to say that most of them still thought a clitoris was a Greek hotel. When she began her research by diving with characteristic zeal into sex manuals, she lectured her elder son, to his horror, on the mechanics of the female anatomy in forensic detail. When she interviewed female sexologists, she was stunned that a few seemed as woefully dim as some men.

“The ignorance was so abysmal,” she told The Observer in 2012, when “Lace” turned 30. “I spent 18 months researching it. But then I got so bored I thought I might as well have a go at writing a novel. So ‘Lace’ is really intensely researched

sexual information dressed up as a novel.”

“Lace” is the story of four young women who meet at a finishing school in Switzerland, one of whom gets pregnant, and a porn star turned Hollywood celebrity who is the child she gave up for adoption. “All right. Which one of you bitches is my mother?” is the book’s memorable salvo.

There are sexy bits — notably a goldfish that swims where no fish has likely ever swum before — in its 600-plus pages, but there are more words devoted to the women’s careers, their friendships, and the superfluity of the men in their lives. One character’s domineering husband — a designer who will eat only from plain white china and drink from perfectly proportioned glasses and who turns out to be a cross-dresser with terrible taste in clothes and makeup — is clearly a stand-in for Ms. Conran’s ex.

Ms. Conran sold the book for a reported \$1 million to Simon & Schuster, and Michael Korda, her editor, set out to teach her how to write a bestselling novel.

She moved into an office next to his, “doggedly rewriting in a tiny hand,” as he put it in his memoir, “Another Life: A Memoir of Other People” (1999), covering the walls with plotlines and chronologies in different color ink and “driving a succession of typists mad.”

“Few writers have taken to criticism with more cheer and harder work than she did,” Korda wrote, “and we soon became friends. Her determination was something of a force of nature and was, in its own way, infectious.”

“Lace” was promoted to the hilt — some publishing industry types called it the “Mommy, Who?” book — not just in bookstores but also in clothing shops in Beverly Hills, and with giveaways like lace garters embroidered with the book’s title in gold. It was panned by critics: “It is a work of such transparent and exquisite cynicism that its triumphant march to the upper reaches of the bestseller lists seems divinely ordained,” Jonathan Yardley wrote in The Washington Post. But it fulfilled its promise, and Yardley’s prediction selling many millions of copies (teenagers passed the book around like contraband) and inspiring a miniseries starring Phoebe Cates (critics panned that, too) and a sequel, “Lace II” (1985).

The much-ballyhooed goldfish adventure, according to Sebastian Conran came from his father, but not because he had lived it. He had heard about the practice while on a business trip to Scandinavia and passed the tale along to Shirley Conran, though the original anecdote apparently involved a stickleback.

“Both my parents self-perpetuated mythologies,” Sebastian Conran said. “But there’s likely a kernel of truth behind every story.”

Shirley Ida Pearce was born on Sept. 21, 1932, in London, the eldest of six children. Her father, Thirlby, was a master mariner who became a dry cleaning magnate. He was also an alcoholic who abused and terrified his family, while her mother, Ida (Wakelin) Pearce, tried to keep the peace. Shirley learned to mute her personality to stay out of his way.

She attended the St. Paul’s Girls’ School in West London, where she was taught, she told The Independent, “by a genera-

tion of women who’d lost their fiances in the first World War and were quietly feminist,” and then a finishing school in Switzerland.

When she returned to England, her father threw her out of the house in an alcoholic rage. She worked as a model in London which paid for art school classes. She met Terence Conran while waitressing in his soup-and-salad bar, the Soup Kitchen. They married in 1955, and she went to work for his company, Conran Design Group. “He had a sense of mission,” she said. “I was head acolyte.”

But Terence Conran was chronically unfaithful, and Shirley Conran caught him out by giving a bar of Roger & Gallet carnation-scented soap as a Christmas present to the woman she suspected he was having an affair with at the time. When he came home smelling of the stuff, she left.

Ms. Conran wrote five more potboilers after “Lace,” but none proved to be as popular. “Savages” (1987) was about a group of women who are left to fend for themselves on a desert tropical island after their husbands are executed by a dictator. With typical enthusiasm, Ms. Conran threw herself into researching survival skills.

“It wasn’t the reviewers who killed the book,” Korda, her editor, wrote. “The problem was that Shirley’s readers evidently didn’t want to read about women eating raw fish or building a raft or learning to kill with their bare hands.”

After her midlife windfall — during which time she bought, and sold, an apartment in Manhattan and an 11th-century castle near Cannes, France — Ms. Conran devoted herself to founding organizations promoting work-life balance, financial literacy, and math skills. She was made a dame, the female equivalent of a knight, in Britain in 2023 for her services to mathematics education.

In addition to her sons, Ms. Conran is survived by two grandchildren and her siblings, Isabel Carr and Richard Pearce. Two brief marriages, to John Stephenson and Kevin O’Sullivan, ended in divorce. Terence Conran died in 2020.

As Shirley Conran said, “A woman has to be her own Prince Charming.”



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Squirrels can cause power outages by chewing on the lines, building nests in the equipment, and going where they shouldn't.

LITTLE CRITTERS CAN CAUSE BIG PROBLEMS

By Amanda Gokee
GLOBE STAFF

We all know that heavy winds, snowfall, and ice can be at fault when it comes to big power outages.

But squirrels?

Utility company Until Corp. did a deep dive into its data and discovered the critters are to blame for 11 percent of routine power outages.

That number increases to 14 percent when all kinds of "animal contact" is taken into consideration.

Most of the squirrel-related damage occurs in the spring, according to the company, which launched an annual awareness campaign — Squirrel Week — three years ago.

Here's how critters create chaos: Squirrels can chew on the lines, build nests in the equipment, and enter areas they shouldn't.

Alec O'Meara, the director of external affairs for Unutil, said squirrel problems have persisted in spite of the measures the company has taken to deter them.

"We're all well aware of the threat that bad weather poses to power lines and other electrical equipment, but the reality is that despite steps we've taken to add animal guards and other protective equipment in an effort to keep our wildlife safe and prevent damage to infrastructure, some animals are still able to sneak around these



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Whether the cause is critters or bad weather, power outages and waiting for them to be resolved can be hard on consumers and utilities.

safeguards and cause damage," he said in a statement.

He said the Squirrel Week campaign is meant to draw attention to an issue few people think about on a regular basis.

Unutil is also donating \$500 to the Wildlife Heritage Foundation of New Hampshire

as part of its campaign, in addition to the Center for Wildlife in Maine and the Mass Audubon Flat Rock Wildlife Sanctuary in Massachusetts.

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State picks firms to build EV charging spots

By Aaron Pressman
GLOBE STAFF

Massachusetts on Friday named three companies to start building dozens of federally subsidized EV charging stations along the state's major highways. But uncertainty at Tesla, the leading charging station builder in the state and the country, is keeping the company on the sidelines for now.

To start, the state's EV station building team will be Applegreen and Global Partners, which both operate gas stations and convenience stores statewide, as well as construction and engineering firm Weston & Sampson, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation said. The three will be able to draw on about \$60 million of subsidies available to Massachusetts under the 2021 federal infrastructure law.

EV drivers in Massachusetts can already use more than 800 fast charging ports, capable of adding hundreds of miles of range to a vehicle's battery in as little as 15 minutes. But with the state aiming to have almost 1 million EVs on the roads by 2030 to meet its climate goals, thousands more chargers are needed.

Other states have moved much more quickly to build charging stations with the federal subsidies, including Maine, Ohio, and Pennsylvania, which already have some up and running.

Tesla was in talks with Massachusetts last month to be included in the subsidized charging station effort under the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure program created by the infrastructure law. But at the end of April, Elon Musk laid off the company's entire charging station team and its leader, Rebecca Tinucci. That has thrown many of the company's construction projects into chaos and led to pullbacks in other states. Tesla was the leading recipient in the country of subsidy funds under the program, according to research firm EVAdoption.

Tesla applied for the Massachusetts highway

subsidy program and was initially selected to be included. But after the sudden layoffs, Tesla has not "decided if they as a company wanted to continue or not," Hayes Morrison, the state's undersecretary of transportation, said in an interview. "But they still could."

With a stock market value of more than \$500 billion and annual operating cash flow of \$13 billion last year, Tesla would be the station builder with the most resources by far compared to the other three companies selected by the state. Tesla did not respond to a request for comment.

The next step in the process will require the



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three participating companies to select sites and submit plans to MassDOT. Once plans are approved, building stations can take anywhere from six months to two years.

The NEVI program requires that EV fast charging stations be built with at least four chargers every 50 miles or less along major highways. In Massachusetts, qualifying roadways include Interstates 84, 93, 95, 395, and 495, US Routes 3 and 6, and state highways 2 and 24, according to the state's 2022 plan filed with the Federal Highway Administration. The Massachusetts Turnpike, which predates the federal highway system, does not qualify for funds under the program,

however, the state has said.

The 2022 plan estimated the subsidies could fund more than 90 fast charging ports at 10 to 18 locations to fill in all gaps of 50 miles along major highways. Federal funds can cover up to 80 percent of charger costs, and leftover money after all of the 50-mile gaps are covered could go toward operating and maintenance expenses or building more chargers, the plan said.

A MassDOT official said in November that the state planned to prioritize Route 2 and Interstates 91, 495, and 195 as the areas most in need of additional charging. But now the state is planning to rely on the three selected firms to decide where to build stations, undersecretary Morrison said.

"Sites are selected and prioritized based on competitiveness, financial sustainability, reliability and equity," she said. "The sites, as long as they meet our criteria ... then they are pre-approved."

Critics have said the state's process is overly complicated and, since it is working with just a handful of companies, could be more costly and slower than other states.

"Bidding for individual sites allows for more competition," EVgo chief executive Badar Khan said in an interview. The charging company has been selected to build more than 50 NEVI-funded stations in other states but was not selected in Massachusetts. "I'm not completely sure why Massachusetts has gone the direction it has," he said.

MassDOT's Morrison said the agency's goal was to build stations more quickly by not having to negotiate separate state contracts with too many builders. "We like to refer to it as front loading the work," she said. "We are much closer to breaking ground at kind of the end of a process than it may seem."

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In tax cases, Senate would ban seizing all equity

Amendment hailed as big step in ending practice

By Sean P. Murphy
GLOBE STAFF

The state Senate on Thursday unanimously passed an amendment to its annual spending plan that would prohibit municipalities from taking all of the equity homeowners have in their property in tax-taking cases.

Critics of a practice they call "home equity theft" — hailed the vote as a major step forward in a years-long effort to protect the equity homeowners have in property taken from them due to delinquent property taxes.

"For far too long my constituents, and homeowners across Massachusetts, have been robbed of their rightful equity," Senator Mark Montigny said in a statement.

Montigny, who began drafting legislation to eliminate the loss of home equity in 2018, cited two recent court decisions for adding momentum to the effort to end "home equity theft."

Last year, a unanimous US Supreme Court said municipal and county governments may only recover the taxes owed, and not seize the remaining equity in a foreclosed property.

And last month, Judge Michael K. Callan of Hampden Superior Court cited last year's Supreme Court decision (Tyler v. Hennepin County, Minn.) in ruling that an attempted taking was unconstitutional. That blocked the City of Springfield from taking about \$123,000 in equity from a delinquent homeowner.

Those two cases "brought new hope that this thievery would finally come to an end," Montigny said. "The Senate has taken the lead on ending this injustice in Massachusetts."

Massachusetts is one of a dwindling number of states that allow local governments to take not only the taxes they are owed (plus interest and fees) but also the rest of the equity in properties.

Since the Supreme Court decision last year, nine states have outlawed the practice and Senate action "brings Massachusetts one step closer to finally resolving the predatory and unconstitutional practice," Montigny said.

Most often, the home equity cases involve people who have inherited real estate and own it without a mortgage but can't pay the taxes. In some instances, municipalities keep hundreds of thousands of dollars when the amount owed in taxes is a small fraction of that.

In the Springfield case, for example, the homeowner's tax debt was about \$22,000, on property worth about \$145,000. After taking the property for non-payment of taxes the city wanted to keep the entire \$145,000.

In Tyler, the Supreme Court ruled a tax-taking by a county in Minnesota violated the Fifth Amendment's prohibition against the government taking private property "without just compensation."

Callan, in his ruling, said the state law used by municipalities in tax-takings, known as Chapter 60, "in its present form, is untenable and requires legislative correction."

Adam Chapdelaine, executive director of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, which lobbies on behalf of towns and cities, said in a statement: "We have been partnering with the Legislature to find a legislative solution to this issue that clarifies practices under state law and aligns with the recent Supreme Court decision."

The House has a bill in its Ways and Means committee that is similar to the amendment passed by the Senate. When House and Senate representatives eventually meet in the joint conference committee to reconcile differences in their respective budget plans the Senate home equity amendment may be adopted without changes, modified, or dropped, without a full vote of the House.

"This is a major step forward," said Al Norman, a retired Beacon Hill lobbyist who took up the cause when one of his Greenfield neighbors faced the total loss of equity in a tax-taking case.

The amendment, if it becomes law, besides prohibiting the taking of equity, would also mandate that delinquent homeowners receive written notice in easy-to-understand language about their outstanding tax debt, how to settle it, and the consequences for failing to do so, Montigny said.

The Senate amendment would also cut in half the current 16 percent interest rate applied to tax debts, double the time homeowners have to settle their debt, and allow municipalities to waive accrued interest to make debt repayment plans easier to complete, Montigny said.

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MassDOT Highway Division Proposal

Electronic proposals for the following projects will be received through the internet using Bid Express until the date and time stated below and will be posted on www.bids.com forthwith after the bid submission deadline. **No paper copies of bids will be accepted. All Bidders must have a valid vendor code issued by MassDOT in order to bid on projects. Bidders need to apply for a Digital ID at least 14 days prior to a scheduled bid opening date with Bid Express.**

The Bidding for and award of the contracts for the following projects are to be in accordance with the requirements of **Mass General Laws Chapter 30 § 39M.**

TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
TOWNSEND – Bridge Preservation, T-07-003, State 13 (Fitchburg Road) over the Squannacook River (612811)	\$1,314,000.00

The Bidding for and award of the contracts for the following projects are to be in accordance with the requirements of **Mass General Laws Chapter 149 as amended.**

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
DISTRICT 6 – Scheduled and Emergency Mechanical and Millwright Services at Various Locations (613351)	\$987,000.00

OPENING OF BIDS POSTPONED TO: WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.

DISTRICT 1 – Facilities Repair at Various Locations on I-90 (Western Turnpike) (613368)
 DISTRICT 5 – FAP No. NHP(MHS)-ITS5(001)X ITS Roadway Equipment for Highway Operations (613142)
 WAREHAM TO RAVINHAM – FAP No. HSI-4955(085)X Guide and Traffic Sign Replacement on a Section of Interstate 495 (613194)
 WEST BROOKFIELD – FAP No. STP/TAP-0032(040) Resurfacing & Related Work on Route 9, from Ware T.L. To 850' West of Welcome Road (1.1 Miles – Phase I) (606517)

OPENING OF BIDS POSTPONED TO: TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.

WALTHAM – FAP No. NHP(M)-0954(005)X Interstate Maintenance and Related Work On I-95 (612048)

All prospective Bidders must complete and e-mail an electronic copy of "Request Proposal Form (R109)" to the MassDOT Director of Prequalification for approval: prequal_r109@dot.state.ma.us. The blank "Request Proposal Form (R109)" can be obtained at: <https://www.mass.gov/prequalification-of-horizontal-construction-firms>.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not pre-qualified by the Department prior to the opening of proposals.

Proposal documents for official bidders are posted on www.bids.com. Other interested parties may receive informational Contract Documents containing the Plans and Special Provisions, free of charge. All parties who wish to have access to information plans and specification must send a "Request for Informational Documents" to MassDOTBidDocuments@dot.state.ma.us.

Plans and Contract Documents will be on display and information will be available at the MassDOT Boston Headquarters Office and at each District Office wherein a project is located.

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BY: Monica G. Tibbits-Nutt, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
 Jonathan L. Gulliver, Highway Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
 SATURDAY, MAY 25, 2024

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City of Boston Public Improvement Commission
 May 23, 2024

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Commission is of the opinion that in said City of Boston the following public improvements will be considered at the request of the petitioner: Cambridge Network Solutions.

On a petition by the petitioner for the **Rental of City Shadow** to install new telecommunication fiber in existing conduit within the following public ways in Brighton:

- **Western Avenue** – between Everett Street and Telford Street;
- **Everett Street** – south of Western Avenue.

This Commission appoints **June 13, 2024** at 10:00 AM, in Boston City Hall room 801, as the time and place for the Public Hearing to consider the petition of the petitioner.

JASCHA FRANKLIN-HODGE
EAMON SHELTON
NICHOLAS GOVE
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PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

A true copy of an order passed by said Commission on said day.

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Takeda plans 641 layoffs in Mass.

By Jonathan Saltzman
GLOBE STAFF

Takeda Pharmaceutical, the largest drug maker in Massachusetts by headcount, on Friday confirmed that it plans to lay off 641 employees in the state between early July and next March.

Some 495 layoffs will be in Cambridge and 146 in Lexington, according to a filing by the Tokyo-based drug giant with the state Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development.

A company spokesperson declined to specify what kinds of workers would be laid off but said the job cuts were part of a restructuring plan announced on May 9 by Takeda's chief executive, Christophe Weber.

Takeda's US headquarters is located in Cambridge and the company employed 6,290 workers in the state in 2023, according to the most recent "industry snapshot" of the Massachusetts Biotechnology Council. That was far more than any other company in the state's robust biopharma sector.

Takeda is "committed to our presence in Massachusetts" and expects to remain the largest life sciences employer in the state, according to the spokesperson.

On May 9, Weber announced a restructuring plan after annual profits fell by more than half following the loss of patent protection of several major drugs. The company estimated it would incur about \$900 million in costs while it reorganized and trimmed its drug pipeline.

Weber said at the time that the firm needed "rigorous prioritization, efficiencies, and organizational agility."

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Healey names former city councilor to BPDA board

By Tim Logan
GLOBE STAFF

Governor Maura Healey has appointed former Boston city councilor Matt O'Malley to be her representative on the board of the Boston Planning & Development Agency, BPDA officials said Friday.

O'Malley, who served six terms on the City Council representing a district that includes much of Jamaica Plain, Roslindale, and West Roxbury, left City Hall in 2022 for a job as chief sustainability officer at Vicinity Energy, where he oversees the energy company's decarbonization efforts. Now he'll be back, at least for the BPDA's monthly board meetings.

"As a born and raised Bostonian, it is an honor to be a part of the board that will grow Boston over the next few decades," O'Malley said in a statement. "I'd like to thank Governor Healey for appointing me, and I look forward to working with my fellow board members to ensure Boston's future is green and accessible to people from all walks of life."

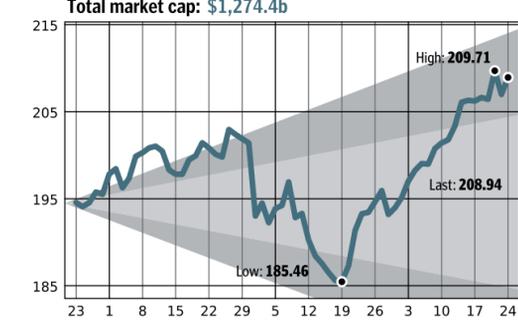
While on the council, O'Malley was a leading voice on environmental issues and in 2021 sponsored a measure requiring large buildings to monitor, report, and sharply reduce their carbon emissions. Now as one of five members of the BPDA board, he'll be in position to vote on the next wave of large development projects being designed with those new lower emissions targets in mind from the ground up.

"Matt O'Malley is a proven leader with a track record of engaging community in the work of building a brighter and healthier future," said Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, who often worked with O'Malley when they were colleagues on the Boston City Council.

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Index of publicly traded companies in Massachusetts



Yesterday 208.94 ▲ 1.96 ▲ 0.9% ▲ YTD 10.8%

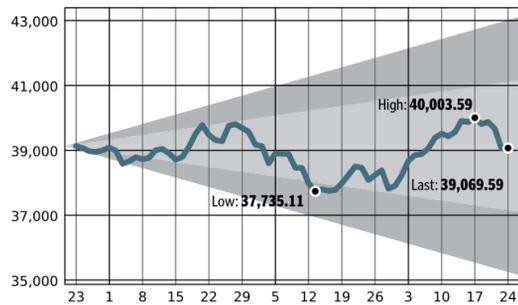
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Thermo Fisher Sci (TMO)	584.05	-0.98	-0.2	222.9
Vertex Pharma (VRTX)	456.95	+6.15	+1.4	117.9
TJX Cos Inc (TJX)	102.14	+1.98	+2.0	115.7
Analog Devices (ADI)	232.51	-2.05	-0.9	115.4
Boston Scientific (BSX)	75.63	+1.25	+1.7	111.2
American Tower Corp (AMT)	185.93	-0.67	-0.4	86.8
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	166.61	+2.60	+1.6	63.9
GE Vernova Inc (GEV)	177.43	+15.76	+9.7	48.6
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc (KDP)	34.19	+0.21	+0.6	46.3
Biogen Inc (BIIB)	217.81	-0.25	-0.1	31.7
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	590.16	-4.70	-0.8	30.1
Veralto Corp (VLTO)	102.19	+2.33	+2.3	25.2
Symbolic Inc (SYM)	40.91	-0.57	-1.4	23.9
Iron Mountain (IRM)	80.23	+0.95	+1.2	23.5
State Street Corp (STT)	75.39	+0.58	+0.8	22.7
Teradyne Inc (TER)	144.01	+3.76	+2.7	22.5
PTC (PTC)	183.00	+0.40	+0.2	21.9
Eversource (ES)	57.53	-0.00	+0.0	20.2
Waters Corp (WAT)	336.46	-0.33	-0.1	20.0
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	132.29	+3.94	+3.1	19.9
DraftKings Inc (DKNG)	40.81	+0.21	+0.5	19.7
Alnylam Pharma (ALNY)	147.76	-1.62	-1.1	18.7
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	73.80	-0.19	-0.3	17.2
Akamai (AKAM)	94.14	+0.18	+0.2	14.3
Dynatrace Inc (DT)	46.93	-0.67	-1.4	14.0

Markets

US stocks bounce back on Friday

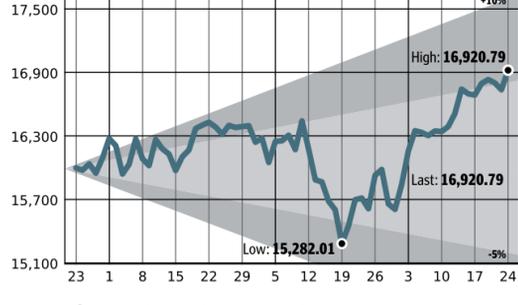
US stocks rose Friday in a bounce back from Wall Street's worst day since April. The S&P 500 gained 36.88 points, or 0.7%, to 5,304.72 and won back all its losses from the prior two days. It eked out a tiny gain for the week, enough to extend its weekly winning streak to five, and is sitting just below its record set on Tuesday. The Dow Jones Industrial Average rose 4.33 points, or less than 0.1%, to 39,069.59, and the Nasdaq composite gained 184.76, or 1.1%, to 16,920.79 and topped its all-time high set earlier this week. Deckers Outdoor jumped 14.2% for the biggest gain in the S&P 500 after reporting stronger profit and revenue for the latest quarter than expected. The company behind the Hoka, Ugg, and Teva brands also gave a forecast for revenue this upcoming fiscal year that was in line with analysts' expectations. Ross Stores also lifted the market after leaping 7.8%. The retailer reported better profit for the latest quarter than analysts expected. That was despite its revenue only edging past expectations, as customers continue to hold back on purchases of non-essentials. The market got a bit of a boost Friday from a report showing overall sentiment among US consumers weakened by less in May than preliminary data had suggested. (AP)

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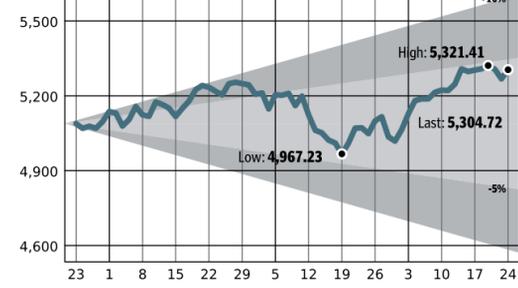
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NASDAQ Composite index



Yesterday 16,920.79 ▲ 184.76 ▲ 1.1% ▲ YTD 12.7%

S&P 500 index



Yesterday 5,304.72 ▲ 36.88 ▲ 0.7% ▲ YTD 11.2%



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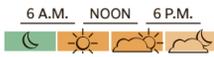
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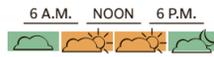
TODAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.



HIGH 69-74 Cooler but pleasant with sunshine mixing with some clouds. LOW 56-61 Winds ENE 7-14 mph.

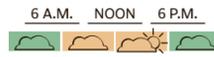
Mostly cloudy tonight. Winds SSW 7-14 mph.

SUNDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.



HIGH 70-75 Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Winds SSE 7-14 mph. Overcast at night. Winds SE 6-12 mph.

MONDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.



HIGH 65-70 Cloudy. Winds ESE 8-16 mph. Overcast at night with a couple of showers, mainly later. Winds S 8-16 mph.

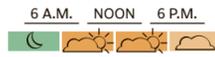
TUESDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.



HIGH 80-85 Mostly cloudy, breezy and warmer. Winds SW 12-25 mph. Mainly clear at night. Winds WSW 7-14 mph.

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WEDNESDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.



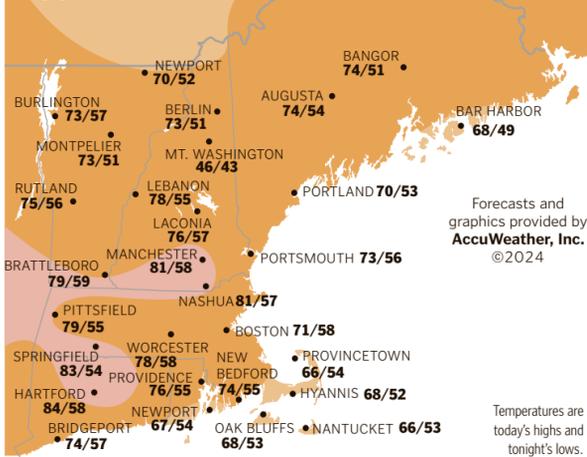
HIGH 73-78 Sun and clouds with a shower in places. LOW 55-60 Winds S 7-14 mph. Mostly cloudy at night. Winds NW 7-14 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Cooler with a mix of clouds and sun. Rain and a thunderstorm or two will move into western areas late in the day and at night.

TOMORROW: Warmer with clouds breaking to allow some sunshine. There can also be a few widely separated showers.

EXTENDED: Warm and humid Memorial Day with showers and strong thunderstorms in the northwest. There can be hail and damaging winds.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Cities Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

Table with 4 columns: City, Today, Tomorrow, and Conditions. Lists cities like Atlanta, Los Angeles, Miami, etc.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low 85°/60° Sunrise 5:14 a.m. Sunset 8:09 p.m. Moonrise 10:55 p.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday) Weather Mostly cloudy Visibility 60 miles Wind west-northwest at 48 m.p.h. High/low temperature 45/38 Snow depth at 5 p.m. 0.0"

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday) Yesterday 0.00" Month to date 2.81" Year to date 23.00"

Precip days in May 10 Norm. month to date 2.46" Norm. year to date 16.99"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides table with columns: A.M., P.M., High tides, A.M., P.M., High tides, A.M., P.M. Lists locations like Boston, Gloucester, Hyannis Port, etc.

New England marine forecast

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Trees Weeds Grass Mold High Low N.A. N.A.

Yesterday's mold and spore rating.

Eastern Massachusetts air quality



For more information on today's conditions, call the state hotline at (800) 882-1497 or Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection web site www.state.ma.us/DEP

SUDOKU

9x9 Sudoku grid with some numbers pre-filled.

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

South dealer — Both sides vulnerable

North

- A K 10 8
J 9 8 6 2
8
A J 10

West

- 7 6 4 3
7 4
7 2
7 6 4 3 2

East

- Q 2
5 3
A Q J 10 9 4
K 8 5

South

- J 9 5
A K Q 10
K 6 5 3
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South

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West

- Pass
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East

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All Pass

Opening lead — 7

"Simple Saturday" columns focus on basic technique and logical thinking.

If you held today's miserable West hand (a "Yarborough," with no honors), could you maintain a "bridge face" and not betray disgust or boredom?

North-South got to six hearts after East had overcalled in diamonds. West led a diamond, and East took the ace and returned the queen. Declarer played low, ruffed in dummy, drew trumps and saw that he could win 12 tricks by winning a finesse in either black suit.

South figured that East had the king of clubs for his two-level overcall, but West might have the queen of spades. And since West didn't seem to have lost interest in the proceedings, South let the jack of spades ride. Down one.

South relied on his "table presence" — nothing wrong with that — but he missed the best technical play: He cashes the A-K of spades. If the queen didn't fall, South would return a trump to his hand and finesse in clubs. He gets two chances instead of one.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: A K 10 8 J 9 8 6 2 10 8 A J 10. You open one heart, your partner responds one spade, you raise to two spades and he next bids three diamonds. What do you say?

ANSWER: Partner's three diamonds is a try for game (at least). He asks you to bid game with any maximum raise or with a decent raise that has help for diamonds. Your hand was almost worth a jump to three spades at your second turn, hence you must jump to four spades now.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, May 25, 2024: You are intelligent and compassionate. You are also multitalked.

However, you guard your privacy and your personal feelings. This year is more laid-back, a gentler pace. Take time to rejuvenate and replenish your energy. Focus on relationships and people who have your back. Why settle for less?

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You might feel obsessed about shopping for something today. "I have to have it!" If this is the case, please be aware of the restrictions of the Moon Alert. By the same token, you might feel equally determined about a moneymaking idea or working in your job. Tonight: You're noticed.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Today you have passionate feelings about many things! You will feel passionate about your relationships. You will also feel intensely passionate about many other issues as well. Be aware of this in case you go off the deep end. Easy does it. Tonight: Explore!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Secrets are a strong theme for your day for some reason. You might be keeping a secret from someone. Or possibly, you think that someone is keeping a secret from you. Obviously, secret love affairs will be par for the course. Actually, you'll have strong feelings about all aspects of privacy. Tonight: Check your finances.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Your interactions with a friend or a member of a group will not be casual today. In fact, they might be quite intense. You might have strong feelings about what this person says or does, or you might have strong feelings about this person. For some of you, a platonic relationship will become romantic. Tonight: Cooperate.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You might develop a strong crush on a boss or someone in authority today. You almost have that feeling that it was meant to be — "written in the stars!" Don't get too carried away. Many people have intense, even obsessive feelings today because Venus is lined up with Pluto. This is temporary. Tonight: Work.

VRIGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Tread carefully if you're involved in discussions about politics, religion, racial issues or ideologies, because people are entrenched in their point of view today. This means they can't listen to the other side. They can't see over the fence. You might be in this category as well. (It's an intense day.) Tonight: Play!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

If you have to decide how to divide something, share an inheritance or deal with loans and mortgages, you will have strong feelings today. You have a definite point of view. Don't come on too heavy with others. Be reasonable. Meanwhile, romance is passionate! Tonight: Relax.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

All your dealings with those who are closest to you will be intense today, because to you, everything matters. Issues are black-and-white. But the truth is, most issues are actually a graduated scale of gray. Don't get your belly in a rash. (You know who you are.) Tonight: Conversations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

This is an interesting day! You might feel very strong about something that is work-related.

Possibly, a work-related romance has you emotionally in its thrall. Or you have strong feelings about a precious pet. Feelings are intense today, even obsessive. Tonight: Check your belongings.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Romantic passion will be strong today. No question. However, this same passion might be expressed through the arts, the entertainment world or exciting sports events and enjoying playful times with children. Tonight: You win!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You might entertain at home today or do something to beautify your home or buy something attractive for where you live. If so, you have very strong feelings about what you want to achieve. Don't shop during the Moon Alert. Tonight: Privacy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

A new relationship might begin with someone today that is intense. You might feel attracted to this person as if it were destined. No matter what you're doing today, you might also feel obsessed about achieving your goals. Lighten up. Tonight: Friendships.

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Michael C. Hall (pictured in "Dexter: New Blood") will not appear in "Dexter: Original Sin."

Prequel 'Dexter: Original Sin' will present serial killer's origin story

The "Dexter" franchise is coming back again, this time without Michael C. Hall. The murdering vigilante first returned in the 2021 limited spinoff series "Dexter: New Blood," which focused on him and his son. Now the character will return in a prequel called "Dexter: Original Sin," which will tell his backstory, much of which we heard about in the first series.

The Showtime-Paramount+ series will be set in 1991 Miami, and young Dexter will be played by Patrick Gibson, from "Shadow and Bone" and "The OA." We'll see him go from student to serial killer, with guidance from his father, homicide detective Harry, who will be played by Christian Slater (he was played by James Remar in flashbacks in the original series). Molly Brown, from the movie "Senior Year," has been cast as Dexter's sister, Debra.

LOVE LETTERS BY MEREDITH GOLDSTEIN

I have a boyfriend — and a crush on a woman

Q. I'm wrapping up my first year of college, probably young and naive, but that's exactly why I need help.

I've been in a relationship with my high school boyfriend for over two years, and things with him have been going great. He's a year younger than me, so for the past nine months we have been long-distance and we're going to have to continue long distance for another year (with the exception of summer breaks), at least while he prepares to transfer into a college closer to me.

Long-distance, too, has been super smooth. I love him, and we both are pretty confident in our future together.

But I'm pretty sure I'm also into women. And the prospect of never knowing the truth of my sexuality really scares me. I've told him this before, but it didn't sink in. He still always makes the assumption that I am only attracted to men.

Which is why he isn't suspicious at all about how close I am to the new friend I met in college; I'll call her Maria. The two of us flirt and joke about being in love with each other. When we hang out together, it's usually in a pretty romantic setting — picnics, farmers' markets, going on walks after getting coffee. Sometimes she'll rest her head in my lap or hold my hand. I always long to be closer with her.

Maria also has a boyfriend; I'll call him John. Maria, John, and I are all friends and often hang out together. During late-night chats, the three of us often discuss topics relating to sexuality. None of us are fully straight, and Maria and I have often spoken about how it can be difficult to differentiate attraction from friendship, but with John being there, that conversation never went further.

Both of us really love our boyfriends, but I think we also both know that our relationship is deeper than friendship, but haven't acknowledged that to each other. The second we acknowledge it, I think it's going to force us to do something about it — make decisions, discuss it with our boyfriends, change/lose our friendship, etc. — and I'm fairly certain it would cause problems with my relationship with my boyfriend, be-

cause, by the way, Maria and I are roommates next year.

I'm tired of movies and TV shows glorifying the new relationship just because it is the more exciting and dramatic one in front of you. What really makes the most sense? What is more important? Preserving the relationship with the man I think I want to grow old with? Or discovering how it feels to be in love with a woman?

JUST A GIRL

A. This might be easier to navigate after a summer break. You'll have a great few months with your boyfriend. Then you and Maria will return to school with fresh eyes.



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Maybe it'll make the path more clear — that what you have with Maria will seem less intense.

Table it for now. But consider this: If you stay in an exclusive relationship with your boyfriend forever, you'll miss out on more than just Maria. You'll forgo the experience of being with anyone else — and that might be totally OK! I'm not suggesting it

isn't! I just wonder if there are ways to open the relationship or take breaks without losing your partner. Maybe he wants a little freedom, too. Sometimes it doesn't have to be all or nothing.

I love your point about what's new and shiny, by the way. We're very quick to tell young people that if they have feelings for someone new, they should move on to the next experience. But some people are happy staying with their first love.

Also, you say "the prospect of never knowing the truth of my sexuality really scares me," but it sounds like you do understand what you like. You're just confused about acting on it.

You might want to reconsider the roommate situation. Maybe it's too late to change that plan, but ... it could be a recipe for confusion and yearning. Or maybe the experience will turn this into a stable platonic relationship.

I just want you to be able to escape when you need space. Think about where you might go when you need a break.

MEREDITH

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The answer is to be honest. If you want to see where things go with Maria — or another woman or man — then you need to tell your boyfriend that. Maybe he'll be open to something open. If not, you're way too young to sacrifice figuring out what you want because you think you met the one. Maybe rethink this long-distance thing and focus on your experiences at school.

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You're old enough to decide whether you want to accept Maria's clear overtures. Beyond that, I can't tell you what to do. I can say that people do sometimes find their partner in life when young (high school or college), and that breaking up with one of my boyfriends in college was one of my biggest life mistakes. If you have to break up with him, it's only fair to know that he would go on to date others and probably marry someone else, as may also be the case for you. What would that be like?

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This is why we don't take high school relationships into college; they simply don't work as we grow and change and learn new things. Let him go, but don't jump into just anything. Date around, do your thing.

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A high school boyfriend and I went to separate colleges, and after a few months I realized there was NO WAY we could make it work. He'd call me and ask me to come see him all the time on weekends, and I needed time to integrate into my school, and he needed time to integrate into his. That includes being able to enjoy weekend college events. We broke up and it worked out for the best, I feel. If this guy transfers to be closer, that is a BIG commitment/change on his part for her sake; meanwhile she wants to play around with others? Doesn't seem very nice to him. The nice thing would be to consider his life as well and cut him loose while experimenting.

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