Ukrainians laud new U.S. policy in part

Ability to fire into Russia has helped, they say, but range is too limited

BY SIOBHÁN O'GRADY, ROBYN DIXON, **SERHIY MORGUNOV** AND KOSTIANTYN KHUDOV

KHARKIV, UKRAINE — A new U.S. policy allowing Ukraine to fire certain American weapons at Russian territory has led to a reduction in some Russian attacks but still restricts the range enough that it prevents Ukraine from hitting key airfields, two Ukrainian officials said. Those airfields are used by Russian jets that drop the deadly glide bombs now inflicting the greatest damage on military positions and civilians

The Ukrainian officials said the United States has restricted Ukraine to firing less than 100 kilometers, or about 62 miles, from the border. Both spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly about the rule. U.S. officials declined to specify the limitation but said the Ukrainians' assertion of less than 100 kilometers was incorrect.

"The U.S. has agreed to allow Ukraine to fire U.S.-provided weapons into Russia across where Russian forces are coming to attempt to take Ukrainian territory," said a Pentagon spokesman, Maj. Charlie Dietz. "This is not about geography or a certain radius, but if Russia is attacking or about to attack from its territory SEE UKRAINE ON A9

ELECTION 2024

Biden to assail rival as worse than before

Campaign attack strategy will frame a 'snapped' Trump as a larger threat

BY MICHAEL SCHERER

President Biden quietly revealed his campaign's master strategy to defeat Donald Trump last month at a private fundraiser outside Seattle.

"Let's get to the message of the campaign," Biden told a crowd of about 100 who had gathered in a sprawling lakeside mansion. Reading from a teleprompter, the president declared that Trump is now a greater threat to the country than during his time in office.

"When he lost in 2020, something snapped in him," Biden said, a bumper sticker slogan he has been repeating ever since.

The notion that the former president changed - becoming more self-obsessed, more dangerous and more extreme - has since been seeded throughout Biden's campaign, the result of months of polling, focus groups and ad testing, his advisers say. Independent Democratic groups that plan to spend hundreds of millions of dollars to help reelect Biden have come to similar con-SEE BIDEN ON A6

In the middle of a bruising heat wave, a brief respite



Richard Adams, 9, visiting from the San Francisco Bay Area, cools off at the Yards Park before a Washington Nationals game Thursday. Richard's father, Ryan Adams, said temperatures soaring into the 90s were welcomed. Then he's really going to love this weekend, because it's going to get even hotter. Story, A3

China backed criminal clans before a crackdown

Brutally run compounds turned Myanmar border area into cyberscam hub

> BY SHIBANI MAHTANI, **CHRISTIAN SHEPHERD** AND PEI-LIN WU

For the scion of a crime family linked to human trafficking and enslavement, money laundering and global cyberscams, Wei Qingtao was brazenly public. His Douyin account, the Chineselanguage version of TikTok, flaunted the excesses of his life in a remote corner of Myanmar by the border with China: Bentleys and Lamborghinis, rare cigars and private jets.

When the 27-year-old partied at the multistory glass-walled nightclub he owned in a region called Kokang, he'd throw crisp Chinese yuan bills into the crowd as international techno DJs, chauffeured in along dirt roads, performed their sets

In November, the good times rolled to a stop. Wei's social media presence vanished. He soon appeared in a different kind of video: reading a scripted confession while in Chinese custody.

"The money we make from cyberscams comes from the pensions of everyday Chinese people," Wei said, a baggy gray sweater replacing his bespoke blazers. "This time, the Chinese government has made up its mind. ... We must not cling to any illusions." Within weeks, his uncle was in cuffs on a plane to China, flanked by dozens of police officers.

The detention of Wei and at least 15 other alleged senior crime family members and their associates was lavishly covered by Chinese media, designed to showcase Beijing's reach. This was proof, Chinese officials said, of their determination to crush transnational criminals victimizing their citizens, no matter where they are based.

The official Chinese Communist Party news outlet called the arrests a "death knell" for the scams, which tried to dupe people into giving up their money, including through bogus investments schemes and fake online romances. "No matter how ... big you become," the People's Daily wrote, "you cannot escape the severe punishment of the law."

That crusading narrative is incomplete, however.

A Washington Post investigation found that Kokang's crimi $nal\ networks-principally\ led\ by$ the Wei, Bai and Liu families, according to U.N. officials, Chinese court records and analysts - had for more than a decade enjoyed close relations with Chinese officials, primarily in neighboring Yunnan province, along with support from Beijing and the military government in Myanmar. The Myanmar military chief, Min Aung Hlaing, further solidified the families as political and economic brokers after taking power in a 2021

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After days of chaos, Winnett

bows out as The Post editor

Justices uphold narrow gun ban

OTHER MEASURES STILL IN QUESTION

Ruling applies to those under restraining orders

BY ANN E. MARIMOW

The Supreme Court on Friday upheld a federal law that prevents people who are subject to domestic violence restraining orders from having firearms - its first major Second Amendment decision since a 2022 ruling that expanded gun rights.

The court said the Constitution permits laws that strip guns from those deemed dangerous, one of a number of firearms restrictions that have been imperiled since the conservative majority bolstered gun rights in New York State Rifle & Pistol Association v. Bruen.

"When a restraining order contains a finding that an individual poses a credible threat to the physical safety of an intimate partner, that individual may consistent with the Second Amendment - be banned from possessing firearms while that order is in effect," Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr. wrote in the

But the decision was limited in scope, leaving for another day more difficult questions about the viability of other gun-control measures, such as laws banning military-style semiautomatic rifles and large-capacity magazines, or restrictions on gun possession by nonviolent offend-

The 2022 Bruen decision required the government for the first time to point to historical analogues when defending laws that place limits on firearms. That ruling has led to a spate of court challenges against limits on gun possession, including the one in this case, United States v. Rahimi.

Even as the justices overwhelmingly upheld gun restrictions for domestic abusers, five of them chose to write separately SEE SUPREME COURT ON A4

Finally, answers in her mother's killing

A daughter gets news of an arrest after waiting 23 years. Now she's enraged.

BY EMILY DAVIES

For 23 years, she lived in the shadow of a question. In her waking hours, she turned to God and Montgomery County detectives. In her sleep, she looked for her mother.

"Mama," Lauren Preer would say, "we need to find out what happened."

Then another day would go by without Leslie J. Preer, or answers. So she carried on — living with the fact that her mother, then 50, had been beaten to death in an upstairs bedroom of her home in Chevy Chase, Md.

Now she was 46 years old with good friends and a good career. She had a 9mm Taurus pistol at home and pepper spray in her purse. And she had hope, still, that one day there would be an arrest and that closure - or something like it — might follow.

On Tuesday, like in the movies, the call finally came. On the other side was not freedom, but shock then betrayal and rage.

"We have evidence," she recalled a detective telling her. "It's



Lauren Preer and her parents at her graduation from Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School in Maryland in 1995.

Eugene Gligor."

He was the boy she had fallen in love with at 16.

"No," Preer said. "No."

The Gligor she knew was sensitive and warm. Now he is charged with first-degree murder and facing arraignment in Montgomery County, where court records show he has yet to enter a plea. His lawyers did not respond to SEE COLD CASE ON $\mathbf{A4}$

Robert Winnett, the British journalist recently tapped to become editor of The Washington Post later this year, will not take the job and will remain at the Daily Telegraph in London, according to a company email sent to Post employees Friday morn-

British journalist accused

of unethical practices will

stay at Daily Telegraph

BY ELAHE IZADI

AND ISAAC STANLEY-BECKER

The change of plans comes after days of turmoil surrounding The Post, triggered by the abrupt exit of executive editor Sally Buzbee on June 2 and questions about past journalistic practices of both Winnett and William Lewis, The Post's CEO and publisher.

Lewis had announced Winnett's hiring when Buzbee departed 21/2 weeks ago, along with plans for a "third newsroom" that would be tasked with attracting new audiences. Under the plan, former Wall Street Journal editor Matt Murray came on board to run news coverage until Winnett's arrival, at which point Murray would have handed the reins to Winnett and run the new division in November after the election.

Murray took over June 3 and was introduced to the newsroom; Winnett, who oversees news coverage at the Telegraph as a deputy editor, had not yet met The Post staff and was almost entirely unknown in American media circles.

Lewis and Winnett have faced accusations in recent days of using unethical newsgathering practices in Britain, where they previously worked together at the Telegraph and the Sunday Times -London newsrooms that sometimes operate by different rules their American counter-

Telegraph editor Chris Evans announced in a memo to his staff Friday that Winnett had pulled out of The Post job and would remain his deputy at the London SEE WINNETT ON A12

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Feds well-positioned to provide slavery reparations, Harvard study argues



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JOE DAVIDSON When President
Biden proclaimed
Wednesday as
Juneteenth Day of
Observance, he
called on
Americans to
"recognize how
the impact of
America's original
sin remains."
He listed his

administration's accomplishments of particular interest to Black America, including "one of my proudest," signing 2021 legislation making Juneteenth, which marks the end of slavery in Texas, a federal holiday.

One item not on Biden's list is reparations, the long overdue but still controversial payments to the descendants of enslaved people in compensation for that original sin. Reparations proposals are controversial because of people like Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), the chamber's Republican leader, who in 2019 said "none of us currently living are responsible" for slavery.

Now, a couple of Harvard University professors, Linda J. Bilmes and Cornell William Brooks, a White woman and a Black man, rebut McConnell's argument and related ones in a detailed, well-documented academic paper timed for this week's Juneteenth observance.

In convincing fashion, the two authors — one of European descent, the other a great-great-great-grandson of an enslaved man — write in The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences that the federal government "already has the norm, precedent, expertise, and

resources to provide reparations to Black Americans."

Washington has funded many and varied "reparatory compensation programs," their research shows, demonstrating "that reparations for nonracial harms is regular and routine" and "that America provides reparations to nearly everyone but Black Americans, even for comparably severe harms."

Although the politically contentious word is not commonly used to describe these forms of compensation, Bilmes and Brooks said "reparations are surprisingly commonplace practices in the federal government's role of compensating harms."

The reparations list goes well beyond often-cited payments to Jewish victims of the Holocaust and Japanese Americans incarcerated in World War II internment camps.

"Categories of those harmed who have been compensated include," they wrote, "coal miners; farmers whose crops have failed; workers whose companies have gone bankrupt; victims of terrorism and natural disasters; people exposed to nuclear radiation; military veterans; individuals wrongfully convicted in the legal system; people denied earnings on tribal lands; fishermen facing depleted fish stocks; individuals harmed by pesticides, toxins, vaccines, or medical devices; workers and businesses affected by U.S. trade agreements; depositors in banks; and numerous other categories."

The authors did not estimate the cost or mechanisms of a slavery reparations program. But "a key finding," Bilmes and



LEAH MILLIS/REUTE

President Biden, right, has touted his accomplishments for Black America, but reparations for slavery are not among them.

Brooks said, is "the federal government draws on designated fees, trust funds, excise taxes, subsidized insurance premiums, and customized financial arrangements to help pay for the wide system of reparatory compensation."

One thing they recommended is a presidentially appointed national commission to study reparations, similar to one proposed by former Rep. John Conyers Jr. (D-Mich.) and in legislation, H.R. 40, offered by Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (D-Tex.) in 2021. The professors also suggested an audit of federal reparatory compensation programs to gather more information about them.

Although the House and Senate have not voted on the 2021 bill, that doesn't mean action on reparations is stalled.

To the contrary, said Ron
Daniels, convener of the
National African American
Reparations Commission, the
issue is "on fire" around the
country, he said, citing
"Reparations on Fire," a 2022
book by D.C. lawyer Nkechi Taifa.
Daniels, a longtime political
activist, said he has "never, ever,
ever seen a more robust" time for
reparations advocacy. He
pointed to the 196 co-sponsors
on the House bill (the Senate

Evanston, Ill., is a leader on that front. As my colleague Emmanuel Felton reported earlier this month, the Chicago suburb is credited with the nation's first government-funded

legislation has 22) and scores,

"maybe a couple hundred" of

state and local actions related to

reparations program. Over the past two years, it paid almost \$5 million to nearly 200 Black residents. Evanston's program now is threatened by Judicial Watch, a conservative organization suing to stop the program, because, it said, the "race-based eligibility requirement" violates the Constitution.

The lawsuit is part of a much broader attack on affirmative action, following a Supreme Court decision last year against related college admission programs. The attack extends to the fundamental - and once widely praised — American values of diversity and inclusion. Last week, Senate and House Republicans introduced the "Dismantle DEI Act" to outlaw federal programs that promote diversity, equity and inclusion a keystone of Biden's administration.

Mike Gonzalez, a senior fellow with the conservative Heritage Foundation, said the Harvard professors' arguments "do not pass the test of justice, morality, logic, ethics or efficacy" and "establish collective guilt ... They mete out collective punishment and hand out collective rewards, nearly 160 years after the Civil War ended and the 13th

Amendment abolished slavery."
But the continuing impact of slavery has not been abolished.

Because of "major racial harms precipitated or aggravated by actions involving the federal government," there is, Bilmes and Brooks wrote, "a moral case, societal norm, and governmental precedent for paying reparations for these harms and the resulting racial

wealth gap."

Compensating those harmed by slavery's legacy is "based on this norm of generosity and the idea that America as a whole is better off if we do this," Bilmes, a former Commerce Department chief financial officer and assistant secretary, said by email.

But as the legislation outlawing federal DEI programs demonstrates, that "norm of generosity," or even basic fairness, stops for many people where programs to right past wrongs against African Americans begin.

To answer reparations opponents like McConnell, whose "two great-great-grandfathers, James McConnell and Richard Daley," according to NBC News, "owned a total of at least 14 slaves in Limestone County, Alabama," the article presents a list of issues to demonstrate "complex, interlocking, and compounding racial harms to Black Americans spanning centuries" that followed slavery and continue "into the present moment."

The authors argue that because "Black Americans have long been deprived of the ability to accumulate wealth," it is consistent with American norms, precedent and practice to compensate them "for unpaid contributions to the country and in recognition of the suffering endured" during slavery and since.

"Not only are reparations regular and routine," Brooks, a former NAACP CEO and president, said in an interview, "but we actually have the experience, the expertise and the resources to do it."

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FDA approves first menthol-flavored e-cigarettes

reparations.

Agency says benefits to adult smokers 'outweigh' the risks to youths

BY DAVID OVALLE

The Food and Drug Administration on Friday approved the first menthol-flavored e-cigarette products, drawing swift criticism from some public health advocates while signaling the agency believes vapes can help adult smokers quit smoking tobacco.

The decision arrives as the FDA faces increasing criticism for failing to rein in illegal but widely available flavored vaping products that appeal to young people and comes amid mounting legal challenges over its handling of e-cigarette regulations.

Friday's approval included two disposable e-cigarettes and two pre-filled e-cigarette pods manufactured by NJOY, a subsidiary of the tobacco giant Altria Group, which makes Marlboro and some menthol-flavored cigarettes.

The FDA decision supports the vaping industry's assertion that e-cigarettes can reduce the harms of smoking. Health experts say cancer and heart and lung disease caused by smoking kill more than 480,000 people in the United States annually.

Matthew Farrelly, a top science

official with the FDA's Center for Tobacco Products, said in a statement that after "rigorous scientific review," the agency concluded that the benefit of adult smokers switching to e-cigarettes "was sufficient to outweigh the risks to

E-cigarette products are regulated as tobacco products because they often contain nicotine, which is addictive. The agency stressed Friday that the approval "does not mean these tobacco products are safe" and that all tobacco product can be harmful and potentially addictive.

In recent years, the agency has cited public health risks in denying marketing approvals for thousands of e-cigarettes — until Friday, it had approved just 23 tobacco-flavored products. Antitobacco groups say most teens prefer flavored or menthol vape products.

"Today's decision is hard to understand in light of the FDA's own repeated conclusions that flavored e-cigarettes, including menthol-flavored products, appeal to kids and have fueled the youth e-cigarette epidemic. What has changed?" Yolonda C. Richardson, president and CEO of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, said in a statement.

Sen. Dick Durbin (D-III.) said in a statement that the "authorization of menthol-flavored vapes will create an opening for more children to become addicted to



contains nicotine.
Nicotine is an addictive chemical.

The FDA approved four menthol-flavored e-cigarettes from NJOY, a subsidiary of tobacco giant Altria Group. harmful products."

The decision may boost the multibillion dollar U.S. e-cigarette industry.

In a statement Altria evecu-

In a statement, Altria executives said the FDA's action provides an important option for adults seeking to lessen the health consequences of tobacco use.

"We believe that, for tobacco harm reduction to succeed, adult smokers must have access to a robust marketplace of FDA-authorized smoke-free alternatives," said Paige Magness, senior vice president of regulatory affairs for Altria Client Services. "FDA authorization of NJOY menthol e-vapor products provides adult smokers and vapers with regulated alternatives to the illicit flavored disposable e-vapor products on the market today."

Big Tobacco companies have increasingly turned to Black and LGBTQ+ groups to sway public opinion in favor of vaping — as well as menthol cigarettes. The Biden administration delayed a decision on a proposed menthol cigarette ban amid concerns it might hurt President Biden with Black voters key to his reelection. African American smokers make up a significant portion of menthol consumers.

The Supreme Court is also weighing whether to review conflicting lower-court decisions regarding FDA regulation of e-cigarette products. In January, a divided U.S. Court of Appeals for

reconsider its decision prohibiting two companies from marketing their e-cigarette products. In a stinging decision, the majority said the agency's application process sent manufacturers on a "wild goose chase" of requirements.

The FDA has come under in-

the 5th Circuit ordered the FDA to

The FDA has come under increasing pressure to finish reviewing applications from companies seeking to market e-cigarette products. During a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing this month, Durbin and other senators ripped into the FDA over delays in reviewing company applications and over the proliferation of illegal flavored e-cigarette products, many manufactured in China.

Days before the Senate hearing, the FDA and federal law enforcement announced the creation of a task force to crack down on the flood of illegal e-cigarettes. The FDA also reversed a decision to ban products made by Juul Labs, the company widely cited for igniting youth vaping nearly a decade ago. Its products had remained on shelves as the company appealed the decision.

Tony Abboud, executive director of the Vapor Technology Association, a trade group, called the FDA's decision Friday the result of political pressure. He also blasted the agency for authorizing products only from a Big Tobacco company while denying or delaying those from independent companies that belong to his association.

Police: Tex. family of black belts stops attempted sexual assault

BY KELLY KASULIS CHO

Simon An, a 20-year-old college student, was mindlessly scrolling social media inside his family's Texas taekwondo school on Tuesday afternoon when he heard an unsettling scream. His father, Han An — a 59-year-old eighth-degree black belt who once served in the South Korean military — immediately sprung to action

"My dad led the charge, and then my sister was just right behind him," Simon said. As they ran out of the school, they heard a second, more urgent scream.

"Adrenaline just shot up, through the roof. No limit," Simon said. "I was kind of shaking."

Within seconds, Simon's father burst into a mobile phone store next door, where he said he saw a young man on top of a female, one hand over her mouth and the other touching her inappropriately. Simon's suspicions had already been raised — earlier in the day, he noticed a "weird" encounter between the two.

From there, the scene unfolded quickly: Simon said his father grabbed the man's shirt, but the man managed to take the shirt

off. Han then grabbed the man's pants, keeping one arm straight and stable while using the other to block any attacks. He was able to pin him down.

While the two struggled, the man allegedly bit Han on the arm and neck. Simon came to his father's aid, kicking and punching the man in the chin. His youngest brother, Christian, 18, locked the front entrance and barricaded it with furniture in case the suspect tried to escape, and his mother, Hong, 55, and his sister, Hannah, 22, started ushering the victim to safety in their taekwondo school. "She was pretty shaken up," Simon said.

Harris County Sheriff Ed Gonzalez praised the family of "good Samaritans" in a Facebook post. "By utilizing their training and discipline, they managed to stop the assault and hold him," he said, adding that the suspect, 19-year-old Alex Robinson, faces charges of attempted sexual assault, assault and unlawful detention.

A day later, the family discussed the incident together, and Han demonstrated what techniques he used to gain control of the suspect.

"He gave me some tips in case



MARIANA ROARO

From left, Christian An, Hong An, Han An, Hannah An and Simon An at their Yong-In Taekwondo Academy in Katy, Tex., on June 19.

another emergency happened like that," Simon said, adding: "It still shocks me today just talking about it, because this is, for me, a once-in-a-lifetime thing."

Although he used his taekwondo skills to help stop the attack, he said he hopes the public knows they can always intervene.

"If a regular person were to see something like that, I would hope for them to go and help," he said. "Just help the person in need."

Simon said his father first noticed the suspect about 2 p.m. Tuesday, when he saw him riding a bike around the area. Then, after returning from a meal break around 4 p.m., he saw through the store window that the man appeared to be hugging the victim and "thought nothing of it," Si-

mon said.

But Han became uncomfortable when he saw the man pulling her into a room. Not too long after, he heard the screams, Simon said.

Robinson could not be reached Wednesday night, and no information about his legal representation was immediately available.

The An family has run the Yong-in Taekwondo Academy just outside Houston for roughly 17 years, and every family member except Han is a fourth-degree black belt. According to their dojang's website, Han is a taekwondo grandmaster, a sixth-degree black belt in hapkido, a fifth-degree black belt in gwongyokdo kickboxing and a master in haidong gumdo sword fight-

Most of the children began learning taekwondo at the age of 4 or 5, Han said in a text message, proudly stating that they have a test for their fifth-degree black belts on Saturday.

"My mom is, I would say, the toughest one in our family," Simon said. When it comes to her fighting abilities, "she can get pretty ugly sometimes," he added with a laugh.

POLITICS & THE NATION

Intense heat will keep tormenting the eastern U.S.

Don't expect a break until next week – and don't expect it to last

BY DAN STILLMAN

The heat wave that has baked the eastern United States for days continues this weekend into early next week, intensifying in some places while easing in others. While the number of record temperatures may be fewer and farther between after this weekend, the long duration of the heat in some places is among several factors that worry officials.

"The early arrival of the heat in the summer season, persistence of heat over multiple days, and light winds and limited cloud cover will be aggravating factors in terms of overall heat stress," the National Weather Service said.

The heat will persist at peak intensity in the Ohio Valley and Midwest on Saturday before starting to wane on Sunday. Intense heat will also scorch the Mid-Atlantic and the Interstate 95 corridor from D.C. to New York City all weekend before slightly cooler weather arrives. The most intense heat shifts southward and westward to the Southeast, mid-South and Plains early next week.

In the hottest spots, temperatures will rise to the upper 90s and near 100 on multiple days, while heat indexes climb to near or past 105 to 110. Nighttime temperatures will offer little relief. "Those without access to reliable air conditioning are urged to find a way to cool down as overnight temperatures will be very warm," the Weather Service add-

After a break for much of the nation later next week, there are signs the heat could make a comeback by July.

The most intense heat this weekend

A large swath of the nation from Kansas east to near the Mid-Atlantic coastline and from south Michigan southward to Tennessee is facing a Level 3 or 4 HeatRisk. Those are the highest levels of the Weather Service's HeatRisk forecast, which rates the danger to human health.

Indianapolis; Cincinnati; Columbus, Ōhio; and Pittsburgh should be among the hottest spots in the Midwest and Ohio Valley on Saturday, with forecast highs in the mid- to upper 90s and heat indexes spiking to near 100, before cooling to highs closer to 90 on Sunday.

The highest HeatRisk levels retreat from the Midwest and Ohio Valley on Sunday, instead focusing on the Mid-Atlantic and Northeast, while expanding southward into portions of the Southeast and westward into Arkansas and Oklahoma.

Washington, Baltimore and Philadelphia are expecting highs in the upper 90s to near 100 on Saturday and Sunday, with heat indexes climbing to near or past 105. Around New York City and just to the west, many spots should reach weekend highs in the mid-90s with heat indexes topping out in the upper 90s to near 100.

Cities including Washington; Harrisburg, Pa.; Columbus; New York City; Philadelphia; and Norfolk could come close to or set record highs this weekend. Sunday may feature more than 100 record warm lows from the southern Great Lakes to the East Coast.

Where the heat will be worst early next week

The worst of the heat early next week will stretch from Oklahoma eastward through Arkansas, northern Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee and portions of the Southeast. Sizzling heat will also stretch northward into Missouri, southern Illinois and eastern

In Oklahoma City, the heat will already be building this weekend, with highs reaching the mid- to upper 90s. Highs should reach the upper 90s to near 100 Monday through Wednesday as the heat index makes it near or past 100 Saturday through Wednesday, and possibly as high as around 108 on Tuesday.

Another likely hot spot is Little Rock. Highs there are forecast in the upper 90s to near 100 Sunday through Tuesday, and the heat index could top out near 105.

Those cities, along with Tulsa; Jackson, Miss.; Nashville; Baton Rouge; and Atlanta, are all fore-



ABOVE: People, many of whom are unhoused, escape the heat at the Downtown Day Services Center in Washington on Thursday. BELOW: Jose Merida of Gil Lopez Remodeling wipes away sweat as he and others hang awnings at the Yards Park on Thursday.

cast to reach a Level 4 HeatRisk at some point early next week. In Atlanta, highs are forecast to reach the mid- to upper 90s each day Saturday through Wednesday, with heat indexes a few degrees higher.

Excessive heat should extend northward to St. Louis, which is looking at Monday and Tuesday highs in the upper 90s to low 100s and a heat index nearing or exceeding 105.

The outlook for later next week and beyond

More-seasonable temperatures return to much of the eastern United States by the second half of next week as the heat builds across parts of the West.

Portions of Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Wyoming, Utah and Nevada could see temperatures 15 to 20 degrees above normal. Unrelenting heat in Phoenix could push daytime highs near or past 110 every day into at least early July.

There are signs that the heat dome - a large area of high pressure responsible for the heat could expand eastward again around the end of June or early July. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's outlook favors above-normal



temperatures for much of the country in July, especially in the central and eastern United States.

NOAA reports that hot spots are likely to appear around the Four Corners region — the inter-

section of Colorado, Utah, New

Mexico and Arizona, which is also expected to have below-normal precipitation — and along the Eastern Seaboard into New England. The Gulf Coast is also expected to experience hotter-thanaverage conditions, in part be-

cause of very warm waters around the Gulf of Mexico and Florida.

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Cannon hears arguments that special counsel was improperly appointed

BY PERRY STEIN

FORT PIERCE, FLA. — U.S. District Judge Aileen M. Cannon on Friday pressed the special counsel team prosecuting Donald Trump to explain Attorney General Merrick Garland's role in overseeing the classified-documents case and then criticized a lawyer on the team for being cagey with his re-

The back-and-forth took place at the end of a four-hour hearing on Trump's request to dismiss the case based on a widely disputed argument that special counsel Jack Smith was improperly appointed to lead the investigation.

Trump attorney Emil Bove argued that because Garland has repeatedly said Smith is acting independently, the special counsel should be considered a "principal officer" - a top government official who has no immediate supervisor and whose appointment requires Senate approval.

The special counsel team countered that Smith, like other special counsels before him, is not a principal officer. The team said that while federal regulations say Garland does not provide day-to-day supervision of special counsels, the attorney general ensures they adhere to Justice Department protocols and can review major investigatory steps.

Garland has appointed three special counsels during his tenure - to investigate Trump, President Biden and the president's son, Hunter. He has met with each of them during their investigations and has been briefed on significant steps in the cases, according to people familiar with internal conversations

Cannon asked prosecutor James Pearce, who is on the special counsel team, whether Garland reviewed, before it was filed, the indictment that accuses Trump of mishandling classified documents after leaving the White House and obstructing gov-



Special counsel Jack Smith in June 2023. The theory that Smith's appointment is unconstitutional, one backed by former president Donald Trump's lawyers, is popular in some conservative legal circles.

ernment efforts to get them back. "Has there been any actual

oversight," the judge said. "Yes," Pearce responded. But he said he could not discuss internal deliberations and was unable to directly answer whether Garland reviewed the indictment.

"Why would there be any heartburn to answer whether the attorney general signed off on the indictment?" Cannon shot back.

The pretrial hearing was the first of five that Cannon has scheduled over three days, including multiple sessions Monday and Tuesday. It's common for defense lawyers to file every motion they can to try to dismiss or delay cases against their clients. But judges usually hold hearings on only the biggest and most viable motions.

Friday's hearing highlighted Cannon's willingness to delve into the minutia and entertain some of Trump's more long-shot legal mo-

tions - even if she ultimately rules against the former president. Her tendency to allow inperson argument on many small and incremental questions has led to a backlog of key decisions and a delay in the start of Trump's trial.

Based on the proceedings, it's unclear how Cannon will rule on the dismissal motion, but she acknowledged that precedent seems to support Garland's appointment of Smith and that there would be a high legal bar for overturning it.

The theory that Smith's appointment is unconstitutional is popular in some conservative legal circles. Cannon invited three outside lawyers — known as amici — to argue in court Friday. Two said Smith was unlawfully appointed and a third sided with the government. Similar challenges to other recent special counsels, including Robert S. Mueller III, have been rejected in court - a decision that Cannon referred to on Friday.

"What do you make of this potentially tolerated practice," Cannon asked outside attorney Gene Schaerr, noting that previous attorneys general have made appointments similar to Garland's naming of Smith.

"It's an imperfect world, and people make mistakes," Schaerr responded. "And just because other people have made mistakes doesn't mean this court should

Trump's attorney said at the hearing that there are differences in the legal arguments they were making vs. the rejected ones made in D.C. around the Mueller appointment.

While Cannon has largely ruled against Trump's motions in the case, the timing of her decisions has favored the former president, who has argued that any trial should occur after the November

presidential election in which he is the presumptive Republican candidate.

The judge, a Trump nominee who has been on the bench since late 2020, has indefinitely postponed Trump's trial from its original May start date, even though both sides told her earlier this year they could be ready for trial by August. She has allowed motions to pile up and is going through them slowly, making it unlikely that the trial could happen before

the election. Trump, who did not attend Friday's hearing, faces dozens of counts accusing him of mishandling classified information after his presidency ended and plotting with two aides to obstruct government efforts to recover the material from Mar-a-Lago, his Palm Beach, Fla., home and private club. He has pleaded not guilty.

Smith also did not attend the proceedings.

Smith is also overseeing the separate federal case charging Trump in D.C. over his efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 election. That case is on pause while the Supreme Court settles the question of whether presidential immunity from criminal prosecution extends to the allegations that federal prosecutors have laid out against him in the D.C. indictment. A decision from the nation's highest court is expected next week or in early July.

Trump separately faces a state case in Georgia over allegations that he attempted to overturn the 2020 election results in the state. That case is on pause as an attempt to disqualify the prosecutor in the case makes its way through the state appeal courts.

Last month, a New York jury convicted Trump of violating state laws when he falsified business records to cover up a hush money payment to an adult-film actress to influence the 2016 presidential

At Friday's hearing, Trump's at-

torney tried to argue that Garland a Biden appointee — must not be providing oversight of the special counsel, because the special counsel team has said in court that the Biden administration has not interfered with the prosecution. It's standard protocol for the Justice Department to have greater distance from the president than other federal agencies, and Biden and Garland have said that Biden has not interfered with

Trump's cases. Cannon asked Pearce whether there was any conflict between asserting that the Biden administration has not interfered and claiming that Garland has provided oversight to the special counsel. Pearce implied there was not and repeated that the Biden administration has not interfered with the case.

He also said Garland and Smith have followed Justice Department regulations throughout the investigation.

Next week, Cannon is scheduled to hear arguments on requests from prosecutors to restrict Trump from making any further incendiary claims that falsely suggest that FBI agents were "complicit in a plot to assassinate him," as well a motion from Trump's attorneys to disqualify the use at trial of audio notes that investigators obtained from one of his attorneys, Evan Corcoran.

Cannon will also consider whether Smith's position is legally funded and weigh Trump's request for what is known as a Franks hearing, to determine whether investigators falsified aspects of the affidavit they used to obtain a search warrant for Mar-a-Lago and, if so, whether the evidence collected when executing the warrant should be excluded from trial.

There is usually a high legal threshold to hold a Franks hearing. Cannon said she will schedule one at a later date if she determines it is needed.

Gun ban for domestic violence restraining orders is upheld

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from Roberts, suggesting deep divisions — including among the conservatives - over how lower courts should evaluate and consider historical practices when reviewing Second Amendment challenges to other gun-related

The ruling somewhat loosened the test outlined in Bruen by emphasizing that modern laws need not have a "historical twin," but rather a "historical analogue" to survive legal scruti-

"Some courts have misunderstood the methodology of our recent Second Amendment cases," Roberts wrote. "These precedents were not meant to suggest a law trapped in amber."

Justice Clarence Thomas, who wrote the *Bruen* decision, was the lone dissenter on Friday, insisting that it would be unconstitutional to take a gun from someone who is under a restraining order but not charged with a

"The question is whether the Government can strip the Second Amendment right of anyone subject to a protective order even if he has never been accused or convicted of a crime. It cannot," Thomas wrote. "The Court and Government do not point to a single historical law revoking a citizen's Second Amendment right based on possible interpersonal violence.'

Attorney General Merrick Garland praised the court's decision, saying the law protects victims by keeping guns out of the hands of people who threaten them.

"As the Justice Department argued, and as the Court reaffirmed today, that commonsense prohibition is entirely consistent with the Court's precedent and the text and history of the Second Amendment," Garland said in a

The challenge to the law was brought by Zackey Rahimi, a drug dealer who was placed under a restraining order after a 2019 argument with his girlfriend. He argued that the government had violated his Second Amendment rights by blocking him from possessing guns.

Rahimi knocked the woman to the ground in a parking lot, dragged her back to his car and fired a shot at a bystander, according to court records. The girlfriend escaped, but Rahimi



Jennie Spanos demonstrates at the Supreme Court on Friday. The court upheld a gun restriction in an 8-1 ruling, but five justices wrote separately from Chief Justice John G. Roberts Jr., suggesting divisions over how courts should evaluate Second Amendment challenges.

later called her and threatened to shoot her if she told anyone about the assault. The pair have a child together.

A Texas court found that Rahimi had "committed family violence" and that such violence was "likely to occur again in the future." It issued a protective order that suspended Rahimi's gun license, prohibited him from having guns, and warned him that possessing a firearm while the order remained in effect might be a federal felony.

Rahimi later violated the protective order and was involved in five shootings between December 2020 and January 2021, according to a government brief.

In early 2021, Rahimi was arrested at his Texas home, and police found guns, ammunition and the protective order. He was charged with illegally possessing a weapon since he had a restraining order against him.

Rahimi argued in federal court that he had the right to possess guns, but a judge ruled against him on that issue. Afterward, he pleaded guilty to the federal charge and received a sentence of six years in prison. He continued to challenge the law related to restraining orders. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit reheard his case and sided with Rahimi following the Supreme Court's Bruen ruling.

That decision struck down a New York law barring lawabiding citizens from carrying guns outside the home for selfdefense. In the opinion, Thomas established a new test for gun laws: Restrictions on ownership must have a parallel in American history. The decision has endangered all types of gun regulations and left lower court judges divided over how to evaluate longstanding restrictions, in some cases asking whether they should call on historians to help.

On Friday, the Supreme Court expanded the historical sources courts can look to when evaluating modern gun restrictions to include not just statutes and regulations, but also commonly $followed\ legal\ practices\ -\ such$ as the tradition in the nation's founding era of stopping individuals who threaten harm to others from using a firearm.

Laura Edwards, a Princeton University legal historian, said the separate opinions from multiple justices, including all three Trump nominees — Neil M. Gorsuch, Brett M. Kavanaugh and Amy Coney Barrett — suggest real differences over how courts should use history and tradition.

"What you're seeing is the court confronting the complications of using the past as the means of securing and legitimatizing legal principles," said Edwards, who submitted a brief in the case with other historians. "History does not have definitive answers for you."

The Bruen decision's emphasis on historical tradition continues to ripple out through lower courts in other gun-related cases, and historians have been summoned to testify on the issue and provide expertise.

Tim Carey, a law and policy adviser at the Johns Hopkins Center for Gun Violence Solutions, predicted the justices, as well as the lower courts, "will likely continue to disagree on what relation to historical tradition is sufficient to uphold modern gun laws."

"So far, we know that exact historical twins of modern-day laws are not required and relevantly similar means of regulation are okay," he said in an email. "But what exactly fills the murky space in between these two ends of the spectrum remains unclear."

The justices seemed to acknowledge that plunging into history is a sizable task.

Justice Ketanji Brown Jackson, in her concurring opinion, said Bruen has required a "mad scramble for historical records."

"This case highlights the apparent difficulty faced by judges on the ground," she wrote. "Make no mistake: Today's effort to clear up 'misunderst[andings]' ... is a tacit admission that lower courts are struggling. In my view, the blame may lie with us, not with them."

Gun-control advocates and groups representing victims of domestic violence praised the court Friday for upholding what they described as an effective protection for women and their families. Firearms are used in about half of domestic violence homicides, and more than half of female homicide victims are killed by current or former male partners.

The Supreme Court "rightly refused to end a common-sense safety measure that has been making our families and communities safer for decades," Esta Soler, president of the nonprofit Futures Without Violence, said in a statement.

The gun-rights organization Gun Owners of America decried the court's decision, saying it would result in the disarming of people who have never committed domestic violence. Individuals like Rahimi who are deemed dangerous should be prosecuted, the organization said, and punished.

"These restraining orders do not prove someone guilty of a violent crime, and they often are weaponized by attorneys," the group's senior vice president, Erich Pratt, said in a statement. "For those people to lose their enumerated rights, even for a temporary period of time, is a disgrace. If someone is dangerous, charge them with a real crime, convict them in a court of law, and get them out of society."

Last week, the Supreme Court ruled against the federal government in a different gun rights case, overturning the federal ban on bump stocks announced by the Trump administration after the devices were used in a 2017 mass killing on the Las Vegas

In its 6-3 ruling, the majority said bump stocks, which allow guns to fire bullets in rapid succession, do not qualify as machine guns under a 1986 law that barred civilians from owning new versions of the weapons.

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DNA evidence links daughter's ex-boyfriend to killing of Maryland woman

requests for comment Friday evening. A family member declined

In high school, Preer said, she liked Gligor for his good looks deep-brown hair and a wide smile - and because everyone liked him. He was gregarious and sweet. He was friends with her friends at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, where they both were students. They liked to go to hip-hop shows and sneak into country clubs to sled down hills blanketed in snow. He wanted to

be a computer engineer. Their families lived close by, Preer said, so they spent time at each other's houses. Her dad would barbecue, her mom would cook pasta, and they would eat around the kitchen island.

He would join her family on trips to a lake near the Outer Banks and beaches in Delaware

and Maryland, she said, where the four of them played games of Life and Parcheesi.

She never noticed anything out of the ordinary.

"We were just kids," she said. Preer said in the five years that they dated, she watched Gligor struggle with his parents' divorce and knew that certain relatives of his had volatile tempers. But she said she never experienced violence with him nor suspected he was capable of it.

Preer said her mom always talked fondly about Gligor. It was her dad who insisted over and over again: "Lauren, there is something off about him."

They broke up two years into long-distance dating, just after Preer's second year of college. The conversation unfolded outside of Madam's Organ, a bar in Northwest Washington.

She remembered saying something like, "We're so young. Let's

see what is out there," and that Gligor agreed.

They didn't talk for three years. Then, on a Wednesday in May 2001, Leslie J. Preer did not show up to work at Specialties Inc., an advertising production company in D.C. A co-worker and her husband, concerned, went to their house in the 4800 block of Drummond Avenue. They found blood in the fover. Soon after, police found Leslie Preer dead in a bedroom. A detective later told a reporter it was "a pretty brutal crime scene."

Preer said police asked her for a list of close family associates. She said she included Gligor.

On Thursday, a Montgomery County police spokeswoman, Shiera Goff, said that "a tip was called in for Eugene Gligor from one of his neighbors" and that the original case file included "the tip, an interview with the tipster, and his criminal history and incident reports that mentioned his name." He was not interviewed or swabbed, according to police,

who would not say when they fielded the tip. Hundreds of Lauren Preer's friends and family members showed up at her mother's funeral, in support. Gligor, Preer said,

was not there. Soon after the funeral, Lauren Preer recalled, she ran into him at a bar in Bethesda, Md. She said she told him that her mom had died, and he looked at her and

replied: "I'm so sorry." Years passed. Their shared high school friends staved close. She said she saw him a handful of times at events with mutual friends. Then, three years ago, she said, his brother texted her saying he was worried that Gligor was going to hurt him.

Preer, unsure of what to do and focused on taking care of herself, said she decided not to reply.

His brother, reached by phone Thursday, declined to comment.

She said she last saw Gligor at a D.C. restaurant after a memorial service for a mutual friend in 2019. She said they talked one-onone. Her mom did not come up in conversation.

In the meantime, she thought, the investigation into her mother's killing had gone cold. Police in the immediate aftermath suspected her father, Carl "Sandy" Preer. Lauren Preer was sure of his innocence.

He died of septic shock in 2017. Preer said it was really of a broken heart.

She also said her dad, on multiple occasions, had raised Gligor as a potential suspect. No way, she thought.

So she said she kept calling detectives. She kept asking for answers. She kept praying to God and talking to her mom in her

In September 2022, police said, investigators submitted blood from the crime scene to a lab for "forensic genetic genealogical DNA analysis" - a tool that has been effective for investigators in recent years.

Police did not provide details of how the blood that was given to the lab helped detectives identify Gligor. But it did.

Early this month, police said, investigators "collected DNA evidence belonging to Gligor and compared it to the DNA recovered from the crime scene. The analysis generated a positive match."

Detectives obtained an arrest warrant Saturday and arrested Gligor in D.C. on Tuesday. His bond hearing is scheduled for

Monday. Preer plans to be there. "I want to see him," she said. "I want to give him a piece of my

Because for now, she said, all she wants to do is scream.

Citing 'red flags,' IRS will deny most claims for Employee Retention Credit

BY HANNAH ZIEGLER

The IRS said Thursday that it plans to deny the vast majority of claims for the Employee Retention Credit program, which was meant to help businesses get through the pandemic but has been dogged by suspicions of

"We're seeing clear indicators that the vast majority, at least 70 percent of the ERC claims currently awaiting processing, have red flags about their accuracy," IRS Commissioner Danny Werfel said Thursday. "A lot of these claims simply aren't valid."

Congress created the tax credit in March 2020 to help businesses that kept paying employees after being shut down early in the pandemic. Despite narrow guidelines for what businesses could qualify for the credit, applications for the program have surged over the past three years, and the IRS stopped processing new claims in September. The agency will continue that morato-

The IRS said Thursday it has investigated 1 million claims worth about \$86 billion. The IRS plans to deny between 10 and 20 percent of the claims at greatest risk in the near future and will continue investigating an additional 60 to 70 percent of claims that show an "unacceptable level of risk," the agency said. The tax credit only applied to

from the refund.

"You couldn't turn on the TV or radio without coming across an ERC ad," Werfel said.

Businesses have filed 3.6 mil-

certain businesses, including those that saw a steep decline in revenue or those that were fully or partially shut down by government orders, such as restaurants and theaters. But the tax credit program has been the target of aggressive marketing tactics, with robocallers and TV ads promising businesses they could receive \$26,000 in tax credits for each employee retained. Companies behind the ads offered to file claims in exchange for a payout

lion claims for the ERC since the



successfully processed 28,000

claims worth \$2.2 billion and

disallowed more than 14,000

Congress created the tax credit program to help businesses, such as this one in New York, that had to shut down early in the pandemic.

program's debut, The Washington Post previously reported. The ERC's price tag has now ballooned to more than \$232 billion, far exceeding Congress's initial expectations, Werfel said.

Since September, the IRS has

claims worth more than \$1 bil-Nearly 5,000 businesses have withdrawn their ERC claims

totaling \$531 million — since the IRS launched a withdrawal process last year. Investigators have also initiated 450 criminal cases related to potentially fraudulent charges worth nearly \$7 billion. Thirty-six criminal investigations into claims have resulted in federal charges, Werfel said.

Unwanted and fraudulent claims have clogged the IRS's processing system and extended the wait for small businesses with legitimate claims, Werfel said. Even after setting the moratorium, the IRS has continued to see more than 17,000 claims per

week, he added. Business owners who filed legitimate claims can expect to receive their first payments later this summer, the IRS said. The payments will come at a dramatically slower rate than they did during the pandemic because of the program's increased scrutiny.

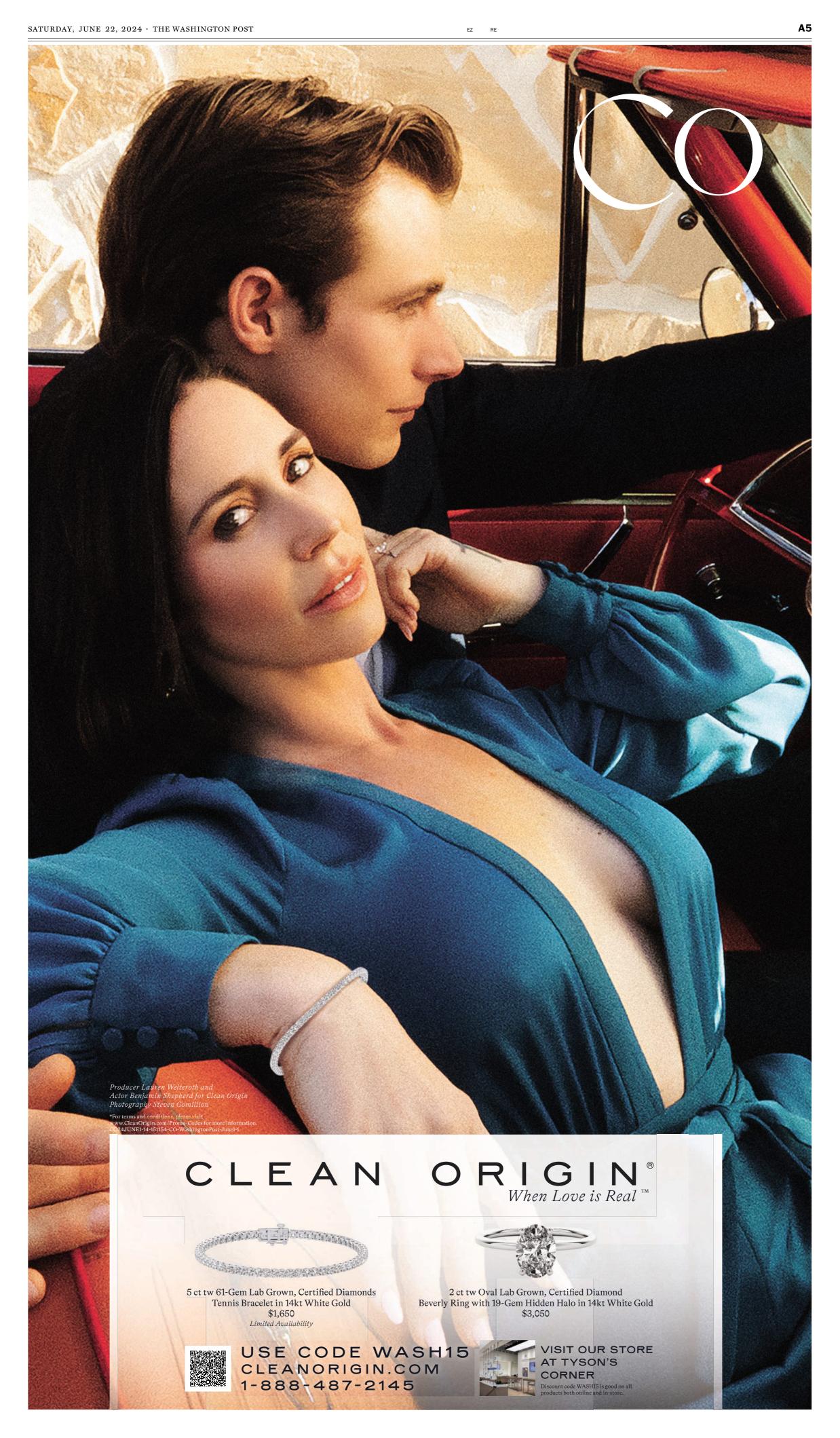
"You've set up this kind of perverse incentive structure that has led to way more claims than the IRS or the Congress ever anticipated and has led to some troubling misuse of the credit, said Andrew Lautz, associate director of economic policy at the Bipartisan Policy Center, a Washington-based think tank. "It may take months, even years, for some businesses to sort this out."

The ERC program was initially meant to run until April 2025, but the IRS is consulting with Congress about ending it early, Werfel

Alex Brill, a senior fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, highlighted the bipartisan support for curtailing the ERC program on Capitol Hill and among federal tax policy experts and urged Congress to act.

"A big responsibility is falling on the IRS to deal with this problem, when, in fact, Congress could be dealing with this problem," Brill said.

Earlier this year, the House of Representatives passed a tax bill that would end the ERC and enhance penalties for promoting fraudulent claims in connection to the tax credit. The measure is awaiting Senate consideration.



Surge in donations after Trump's conviction could reshape presidential race

Fundraising boost means his campaign can expand footprint, air more ads

BY MAEVE RESTON AND CLARA ENCE MORSE

Donors channeled tens of millions of dollars to Donald Trump's presidential campaign and the Republican National Committee immediately following his May 30 conviction on 34 felony counts of falsifying business records, all but erasing the massive fundraising advantage that President Biden's campaign and the Democratic National Committee once held.

Biden and his allied groups have raised more money than Trump and his allies over the course of the general-election contest. But the surge in postconviction donations to Trump's effort - captured in part in May reports filed to the Federal Election Commission on Thursday has the potential to dramatically reshape the presidential race.

The Biden campaign's longstanding fundraising lead allowed his campaign to build a much larger footprint than Trump's and to significantly outspend Trump's effort on the airwaves. The latest fundraising results put Trump in a position to build a bigger operation and air more television ads.

The full picture of the financial strength of each campaign's effort will not be clear until later this summer, when their allied committees are required to file reports. But at the end of May, the Trump campaign and the RNC had a combined \$171 million in cash on hand, surpassing the Biden campaign and the DNC's combined total of \$157 million, according to reports filed late Thursday.

Trump's advisers have attributed May's surge in donations to donors' desire to demonstrate their loyalty to the former presi-



Supporters of former president Donald Trump buy themed merchandise before he speaks at an event in West Palm Beach, Fla., on June 14. Donors gave tens of millions of dollars after his May 30 conviction.

dent after his felony conviction. The campaign claimed it raised \$53 million online in the 24 hours after the verdict, but verifying those totals was impossible because WinRed — the platform that many small donors use to contribute to Republican campaigns - will not file its FEC report for this period until July.

The Trump-allied super PAC MAGA Inc. — which has been the main vehicle for pro-Trump advertising on the airwaves - took in an eye-popping \$50 million donation from transportation executive Timothy Mellon a day after Trump's conviction, giving the former president's allies ample resources to drive his message at a moment when he is leading Biden in many battleground state

The super PAC plans to spend \$100 million in paid media through Labor Day, it announced in a recent memo obtained by The Washington Post.

MAGA Inc. raised \$69 million in May - its best fundraising month of the cycle - and reported \$94 million in cash on hand. Its largest donation was the \$50 million from Mellon, who previously gave \$25 million to the group and \$25 million to a super PAC supporting independent candidate Robert F. Kennedy Jr.

Trump and the Republican National Committee began fundraising jointly when Trump became the presumptive GOP presidential nominee. They raised about \$106 million in May, more than their previous monthly tallies, according to the new FEC filings. Biden and the DNC raised a combined \$59 million, similar to their previous sums.

In addition to the donation from Mellon, MAGA Inc. received \$10 million from Richard and Elizabeth Uihlein, powerful donors to conservative causes, and \$5 million from Kelcy Warren, the billionaire chairman and chief executive of Energy Transfer Partners, the builder of the Dakota Access pipeline.

FF PAC, an independent super PAC boosting Biden's reelection effort, reported raising more than \$39 million in May, an increase from earlier months, and spending just \$4 million. But it was outraised by MAGA Inc., and for the first time this cycle it now has slightly less cash on hand than the Trump-supporting super PAC.

Former New York mayor Mike Bloomberg gave \$19 million to FF PAC on May 30, according to filings. He also gave the Biden Victory Fund, a joint effort of the campaign and other Democratic committees, the maximum amount of \$929,600, according to people familiar with the dona-

Overall, the Biden team said it had \$212 million in cash on hand

Biden got a head start raising money with the Democratic Na-

tional Committee and other coordinated committees while Trump was still fending off Republican challengers during the GOP primaries.

Biden's flush coffers allowed him to spend freely on television ads as his campaign tries to bolster his support among key constituencies, including Black and Latino voters, who are expressing less enthusiasm about his campaign than they did in 2020.

Biden's campaign says it has also opened more than 200 offices and hired a staff of 1,000 people. It has already aired more than \$65 million in television ads, according to the ad tracking firm AdImpact.

The Trump campaign says it has dozens of offices across the battleground states that are operated in coordination with the Republican National Committee, but it has declined to detail the scale of its operation other than to say it has an extensive paid and volunteer operation that is "expanding daily." The Trump campaign had not aired a single general-election ad on television as of Thursday, according to AdIm-

Trump campaign advisers have said that they are building a leaner, more efficient operation than in previous cycles and that they will rely on outside groups to supplement their ground game. But Dan Kanninen, the Biden campaign's battleground states director, pointed to the infrastructure discrepancy Thursday.

"With just over four months until the election, Donald Trump couldn't match our battleground infrastructure if he tried," Kanninen said in a statement. "While Trump's team is desperately trying to spin their lack of infrastructure as 'strategic,' the bottom line is that Donald Trump cannot buy back the time he has lost - and invisible campaigns don't win."

Jason Miller, an adviser to Trump, pointed to the former president's edge in battleground polls — arguing in a statement Thursday that "what Biden could

use is 1000 more votes in states like Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, and Pennsylvania, because he's losing to President Trump in all of them!'

Fundraising was less of a focus for Biden during April and May after he made a major push in March, raising more than \$90 million. At that juncture, the broader Biden effort had about \$192 million in cash on hand, which was nearly double the cash that the Trump campaign and the RNC reported in their accounts at the end of that month.

Though Trump outpaced Biden in fundraising in April, his legal bills have strained his political operation as he has defended himself in four criminal cases. He has paid many of his legal bills for himself and some of his associates through a leadership PAC known as Save America, which typically gets a \$5,000 cut from contributions of \$11,600 or more to the Trump 47 committee.

Filings Thursday showed that Save America raised just \$4,337 in May but spent \$4.3 million, finishing the month with under \$4.5 million in cash left to spend. Legal bills accounted for 85 percent of May spending by the PAC, which also racked up \$862,000 of unpaid legal bills.

The party committees battling for control of the House and Senate also reported their latest numbers Thursday night. The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee reported \$78.8 million in cash on hand after being narrowly outraised by the National Republican Congressional Committee, which reported \$64.7 million in cash at the end of the month.

The Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee reported \$48.3 million in cash on hand to the National Republican Senatorial Committee's \$41 million. The DSCC raised \$10.6 million in May, while the NRSC raised \$12.4 mil-

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Attack-ad playbook is a sharp departure from Biden's 2020 strategy

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clusions in their own research, according to people familiar with that work who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss the strategy.

The message is aimed not just at 2020 Biden voters who have since wandered away, but also at the significant group of swing voters who oppose both majorparty candidates. Faced with dim approval ratings and more Americans with favorable views of Trump's presidency than his own, Biden is making his case to those who don't want to choose: The other guy is worse than you realize.

"The number one priority is to make sure that voters understand that Trump was a bad president and he will be even worse if he has a second term," said Geoff Garin, a pollster for Biden who helped build the case against Mitt Romney in 2012. "The hinge is Trump's response to losing the 2020 election -'snapping,' as President Biden says — and becoming unhinged."

The frame has since become explicit in daily communications, paid advertising and the torrent of digital communication that the campaign puts out every week. It echoes a similar decision by President Barack Obama and his allies in early 2012 to aim their firepower at a single story they told for months on the stump and in advertising about Romney, the Republican presidential nominee: He is a predatory businessman who has hurt the middle class and will do so

"We've been working on how to marry the sins and the ills of the first term and Trump's visceral branding that continues to a second term, because voters are always voting on the future," said Molly Murphy, another pollster working on the Biden campaign effort. "It allows us to talk about a variety of issues."

Among those issues are much of what the Biden campaign now obsesses over - Trump's embrace of the term "dictator," his rhetoric about "retribution," his role in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol, his more aggressive second-term policy plans and his legal challenges. The

the attack in the coming weeks by arguing that Trump is now more willing to give away policy wins to the wealthy and well connected, citing the former president's recent comments at fundraisers promising to reward high-dollar donors.

This week, the campaign re-

himself."

Trump has been building his petence and leadership.

"Joe Biden's attacks are not only desperate. They are an admission that his administration and policies are abject failures." Trump adviser Chris LaCivita said in a statement. "The American people aren't buying what the White House is selling."

The Biden approach embraces the typical reelection campaign strategy for sitting presidents to turn attention onto their opponent. The campaign plans to continue some positive advertising at the same time, especially in ads aimed at convincing Black, Latino and younger voters that Biden has achieved significant policy wins that benefit them. But unlike 2020, when Biden ran a largely positive advertising effort, this cycle is expected to be far more negative.

is, 'If it is about the incumbent,

campaign also plans to broaden

leased an ad that focused on Trump's felony convictions for business fraud and civil judgments regarding sexual assault and additional fraud. Advisers say the import of that ad is not the felony label that got headlines, but the argument Biden's team is using the label to

"It is about why he is a felon," said another campaign strategist, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the matter publicly. "He doesn't care about the harm that he causes as long as he serves

own campaign on a framing the campaign announced in May -"strength versus weakness, success versus failure and the complete dishonesty of the Biden administration." His operation has focused its message on attacking Biden's performance on the economy, inflation, immigration and public safety, while also criticizing Biden's mental com-

"What I said to Barack Obama



President Biden arrives at Hagerstown Regional Airport on Thursday on his way to Camp David. This week, his campaign released an ad that focused on Donald Trump's felony convictions for business fraud and civil judgments regarding sexual assault and additional fraud.

the incumbent loses. If it is a choice, we'll win," said Jim Messina, Obama's 2012 campaign manager. "What Joe Biden is doing is setting up that choice."

But there are important differences this cycle. A priority for the Obama campaign was to raise his approval rating above 50 percent before the election, Messina said, but this cycle there is little expectation that either Biden or Trump will enjoy anything close to that level of support. Biden's approval has been hovering below 40 percent, while Trump's favorability is just over 40 percent in polling averages.

Another difference is the significant familiarity of voters with both candidates, a fact that typically reduces the impact of advertising and other forms of voter contact. John Sides, a political scientist at Vanderbilt University, has measured small effects of political advertising disparities between major-party candidates in each of the presidential elections between 2000 and 2016, though he said that effect diminished during the 2020 campaign, which broke records in advertising spending.

"You could also chalk it up to

the fact that opinions of Biden and Trump were not changing very much with regard to the advertising content," Sides said. But he did not rule out the possibility that advertising this year could have an effect, by reminding voters about things they had forgotten about either candidate or reframing how they think about the election.

"I think it is not quite right to say that people's views of these candidates can't change at all,"

Biden and his allies have already spent more than \$116 million on television and radio advertising, including \$65 million from the campaign itself, according to AdImpact, with little noticeable movement in polling. By contrast, the Trump campaign has yet to air any general-election television ads, while one aligned group, MAGA Inc., has been on the air with about \$20 million in ads since March.

The Biden spending has accelerated in recent weeks, as the campaign has landed on an attack message that is a sharp departure from the advertising Biden employed in 2020. Between April and October of that

year, fewer than 10 percent of Biden's ads aired were categorized by the Wesleyan Media Project as pure attack ads on Trump, a strategy that accounted for the belief among Biden aides that most Americans were well acquainted with the Republican's less flattering features.

This cycle, the campaign has shifted its recent spending to direct attacks on Trump. Onethird of the broadcast television advertising budget so far has been put into a late-May ad, with a narration by actor Robert De Niro, that uses Biden's "snapped" language from earlier in the month. The ad is divided between attacks on Trump's first term and his more extreme comments since leaving office.

"Trump wants revenge, and he will stop at nothing to get it," De Niro says at the end of the spot.

Mike Donilon, a longtime advertising and message strategist for Biden, continues to oversee the advertising, polling and messaging project for Biden. He helped Biden frame his 2020 campaign around Trump's comments regarding a 2017 white-supremacist rally to oppose the removal of a statue of a Confederate general in Charlottesville. Trump said the demonstrators included both "very bad people"

and "very fine people." Since then, Donilon and Biden have come to believe that the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol was an even more momentous historical pivot point, on par with the 9/11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, according to people familiar with the comments, who spoke on the condition of anonymity to disclose private conversations. The first ad that Biden did this campaign cycle began with images from the Capitol attack.

But the framing of that attack as part of a broader shift in Trump's character, intention and disposition has been more recent. "Folks, it's clearer every day: The threat Trump poses would be greater in a second term than it was in his first term," Biden said Tuesday at a fundraiser before repeating the

"snapped" language. "He's not only obsessed with losing in 2020; he's clearly a little bit unhinged right now," Biden continued. "No, I'm being seri-

BY MOHAMAD EL CHAMAA AND SUZAN HAIDAMOUS

BEIRUT — The simmering conflict between Israel and Hezbollah has upended life in much of southern Lebanon, including for Syrian refugees who lived and worked near the border but are now displaced with few resources and few people willing to take them in.

For months, the Israeli military and Hezbollah fighters have traded strikes, killing civilians and combatants in both Israel and Lebanon, as tensions have flared over the Gaza war. In northern Israel, more than 60,000 people have been displaced, according to the prime minister's office, many of them living in hotels or rentals across Israel. In southern Lebanon, the fighting has displaced more than 95,000 people, according to the International Organization for Migration, and damaged homes and the farmland where many Syrians worked as day laborers.

The plight of Syrian refugees was already dire in Lebanon. The country has grappled for years with an economic crisis, which has hardened resentment toward the more than 1.5 million Syrians who took refuge in Lebanon after the start of the 2011 Syrian civil war. Now conditions are worsening, as fear of a potential war with Israel looms.

Politicians and media outlets have called for mass deportations of Syrians and tighter rules around the ability of refugees to move within the country, even as they flee dangerous conditions in the south. Vigilantes have attacked Syrians in the streets of Beirut and other cities, and local authorities have imposed rental restrictions, curfews and other strict legal requirements on Syrians residing in their jurisdictions, according to the Office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR).

A report by Human Rights Watch in April found that Lebanese authorities had "arbitrarily detained, tortured, and forcibly returned Syrians to Syria in recent months, including opposition activists and army defectors."

"They told us: 'No Syrians are welcome here," said a Syrian mother of three who was displaced from the border area and tried to settle her family in the city of Tyre, about 12 miles north of where the hostilities are taking place.

The woman, who spoke in late April on the condition of anonymity for fear of retaliation, said she and her family were forced to set up camp in a lemon grove in the outskirts of Tyre, using nylon sheets provided by the landowner

"I borrow money to eat," she said. Her husband tried to go back to work at a vegetable farm near the border but decided it was too dangerous as the conflict ramped

Israel and Hezbollah, a Shiite Muslim political party and militant group, have clashed since the 1980s, when the Israeli military occupied southern Lebanon. The two fought a blistering war in 2006, after which the border area remained relatively calm until

Hezbollah, which is backed by Iran, began firing rockets and artillery at Israel on Oct. 8, one day after Hamas gunmen stormed southern Israeli communities and killed about 1,200 people. Since then, Israel and Hezbollah have exchanged near-daily cross-border fire, with the scope and intensity of the strikes steadily increasing in recent weeks.

More than 400 people have been killed in Lebanon as a result of the fighting, including more than 300 Hezbollah fighters and at least 92 civilians and noncombatants, according to a Washington Post tally. Nine civilians and 19 soldiers have been killed in northern Israel in the same period, according to the Israeli military and Israel's National Insurance Institute.

About 4,151 acres of agricultural land in Lebanon has been damaged by the fighting, the Agriculture Ministry said, including by





Firefighters douse a blaze in southern Lebanon after an Israeli strike last week. Many fear that the exchange of strikes between Hezbollah and Israel could turn into war.

Syrian refugees in Lebanon forced to flee again

Border fight between Hezbollah and Israel displaces families with few resources and, amid public resentment, few places to go



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white phosphorus shells fired by the Israel Defense Forces.

In a statement, the IDF said it uses white phosphorus shells to create smokescreens, not for targeting or causing fires. Israeli forces possess safer alternatives, however, such as M150 artillery rounds, which produce screening smoke without the use of white phosphorus.

Seventy-two percent of farmers

in southern Lebanon — many of whom grow wheat, tobacco, figs and olives - have also reported a loss of income, according to the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization.



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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Syrian refugees at an informal tent settlement in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley in 2021; the Lebanese government estimates there are 1.5 million Syrians living in Lebanon. The sister of Talib Abdallah, a senior Hezbollah commander, mourns his death this month in an Israeli strike in the Tvre area. Protesters carry a banner that reads "Lebanon is for the Lebanese, not for another people" during an anti-refugee rally last month in Beirut.

But the government's response to the displacement crisis has focused on "handling the needs of the Lebanese displaced only," said Christina Abou Rouphaël, a researcher at Public Works, a local think tank.

Nasser Yassin, Lebanon's environment minister, is responsible for coordinating the response with international aid groups. He said that as part of the response plan, U.N. agencies are responsible for providing assistance to Syrian and Palestinian refugees in Lebanon.

Anti-refugee sentiment in Lebanon abounds. Earlier this year, a popular television channel and the Beirut Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture sponsored a campaign of billboards and TV ads that urged Lebanese to "undo the damage" of hosting a Syrian refugee population "before it's too late."

In March, a U.N. Security Council report said that last year 13.772 Syrians were either deported from Lebanon or "pushed back at the border."

Shelters for the displaced, run by local municipalities, are hosting Lebanese citizens, while Syrian refugees have reported being harassed and evicted from the facilities.

Many refugees fleeing the hostilities are relying on support networks and living with friends or relatives, or in rental units, according to UNHCR. But rental fees have soared in the south, and some landlords are reluctant to take on Syrian tenants.

The displaced Syrian mother eventually left the lemon grove and found spots at a local school that had been converted into a shelter. But even there, her family felt unsafe, she said, adding that vigilantes attacked their room and cursed her children.

"I'm not allowed to take my kids out to play," she said. "It is like living in a prison, but at least in a prison you get to have a walk to breathe some fresh air."

She was not sure whether the family would be able to return to the farm in the south, even if the fighting stopped.

"I am worried about how the situation has changed," she said. "As Syrians, are we allowed to go back?"

Lior Soroka in Tel Aviv contributed to this report.

CHINA Death toll in floods hits 47 in the south

At least 47 people have died as downpours in southern China's Guangdong province have caused historic flooding and landslides, state media reported Friday. Authorities warned of more extreme weather ahead.

State broadcaster CCTV said another 38 people were confirmed dead in a county of Meizhou city, adding to nine

other deaths reported elsewhere in Meizhou.

Heavy rains caused landslides, floods and mudslides that severely damaged eight townships in Pingyuan county, where the latest deaths were reported, CCTV said. The heaviest rains were on Sunday, with an average rainfall of 7.8 inches. One town saw 14 inches.

The extreme weather also destroyed some 221 miles of road, damaged more than 100 bridges and flooded farmland.

- Associated Press

NAMIBIA

Law banning same-sex acts is overturned

A high court in Namibia declared two colonial-era laws that criminalized same-sex acts between men unconstitutional on Friday — a landmark win for the LGBTQ community in the southern African country.

The case was brought by Namibian activist Friedel Dausab with the support of British-based nongovernmental organization Human Dignity

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Dausab told Reuters: "It's a great day for Namibia. It won't

be a crime to love anymore." Namibia inherited the laws when it gained independence from South Africa in 1990, though same-sex acts between men were initially criminalized under colonial rule.

South Africa has since decriminalized same-sex sexual activity

TURKEY Blaze kills 11; Greece battles wildfires

A fire that apparently started in crop stubble spread through settlements in southeast Turkey overnight, killing 11 people and leaving dozens of others injured, officials and news reports said

In neighboring Greece, authorities evacuated several villages in the southern Peloponnese region because of wildfires.

The blaze in Turkey broke out between the provinces of Diyarbakir and Mardin. Fanned by winds, it moved quickly through the villages of Koksalan, Yazcicegi and Bagacik, Diyarbakir Gov. Ali Ihsan Su said. The fire was brought under control early Friday.

Health Minister Fahrettin Koca posted on X that 11 people were killed. Around 80 others required treatment, including six who were in serious condition.

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Evidence of the Kokang families' deep cooperation with Chinese state officials has partially been scrubbed from the Chinese internet and social media but some of it was archived and verified by The Post. Statements, news releases and photos on the official websites and social media pages of the Kokang authorities, and the Myanmar and Chinese governments show that they worked together on multiple economic projects worth hundreds of millions of dollars.

Kokang is effectively off-limits to journalists, but video footage, photos and interviews with more than two dozen people who had worked in Kokang offered a window into the more than 300 scam compounds operating in a region that the United Nations estimates tens of thousands of people were trafficked into. That made Kokang a key hub in what researchers estimate is an online scam industry worth hundreds of billions of dollars, operating in different parts of the world.

Workers, mostly Chinese nationals or ethnic Chinese, were bought, sold and traded; and then beaten, tortured or killed when they didn't reach financial targets or tried to escape, according to firsthand accounts, in some cases supported by verified video footage, photos and screenshots of text messages supplied by victims. The Post also reviewed Chinese court records and found more than 1,100 criminal cases linked to Kokang, some specifically to the compounds and businesses operated by the three clans, over the past decade. Almost all focused on low-level operatives involved in illegal gambling, human trafficking and narcotics, the records show, while the heads of the families continued to work with Chinese officials.

The Kokang families, which ran both legitimate and illicit businesses, often from the same property, were useful partners and guarantors of stability as Chinese leader Xi Jinping pursued his massive Belt and Road Initiative, a \$1 trillion bet that infrastructure projects along China's border and beyond would build regional and global influence. Being Han Chinese, the families set up companies in China and obtained identity papers usually reserved for Chinese nationals, corporate records show.

As recently as May 2023, the Lius, for instance, were distinguished guests at a high-profile China-Myanmar border trade promoting "mutually-beneficial cooperation," held in the Myanmar capital. The Lius' company had a booth alongside Chinese firms such as Huawei and China Telecom. Chinese officials such as the ambassador to Myanmar and the governor of Lincang in Yunnan province were also present.

Why this story matters: Global cyberscams are targeting people all over the world and generating hundreds of billions of dollars in criminal proceeds, according to researchers. China is cracking down, but before it did, authorities there enabled key players such as the families in Kokang, Myanmar, who were involved in grave human rights violations. These scam operations are now too powerful and complex to be taken down by a single country or action, and new hot spots are popping up across Southeast Asia.

That umbrella allowed the clans to lord over Kokang, a majority ethnic Han Chinese region, and turn it into the center of a sophisticated criminal network that generated multiple billions of dollars annually, according to an estimate by the U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC).

"They were among the most powerful and profitable casino and scam operators in the region," said Jeremy Douglas, regional representative for Southeast Asia and the Pacific for UNODC, "and were perceived as untouchable.'

The scam operations, however, led to growing outrage among hundreds of thousands of Chinese victims bilked of their money as well as among the families of trafficked workers. China was finally forced to move against its associates as the theft and trafficking became a domestic political issue, officials and analysts said. China's Anti-Fraud Center in late May said police intercepted \$157 billion in funds related to scams since 2021. Many more cases have gone unresolved.

Spokesmen for Myanmar's State Administration Council and the Myanmar military did not respond to requests for comment. China's Foreign Ministry, Yunnan's provincial government and Lincang's city government also did not respond to requests for comment. The Post emailed the companies run by the Kokang families, including the Lius' Fully Light Group, Warner International, the Gobo East







CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: Wei family scion Wei Qingtao recited what appeared to be a scripted confession. Chinese citizens working in scam compounds repatriated last year. The Crouching Tiger Villa after the crackdown. Scam compound workers.

Kokang criminal families enjoyed close ties with Chinese officials

subsidiary and the Weis' Hanley Group, at addresses still listed on their websites, and did not receive any response.

Despite Beijing's ongoing crackdown, these criminal networks have proved difficult to eradicate. Subsidiaries and operations linked to the Kokang families remain intact, according to an analysis of their cryptocurrency wallets by the firm Chainalysis and in-person visits to the families' offices in Yangon, Myanmar's commercial capital. Scam operations run by rival groups continue to grow in other

"The Kokang families were engines for the Chinese-Myanmar economic relationship. Their economic sway came from [illicit businesses] but also from this massive web of relationships that they built with economic and political elites all across China," said Jason Tower, director of the Myanmar program at the U.S. Institute of

parts of Myanmar and Southeast

China, he added, has helped create "a Frankenstein monster that it now can't control."

Vast casinos

Far from the Myanmar heart-

land, Kokang has long been synonymous with vice - from heroin and methamphetamine production to gambling dens, all of which thrived under warlord Peng Jiasheng and his Myanmar National Democratic Alliance (MNDAA) rebel army.

In 2009, the Myanmar military moved against the MNDAA, defeating the group after co-opting some of Peng's top men. For bringing the territory under central control, the commander who led the operation — Min Aung Hlaing – was handpicked to lead the military two years later. And the MNDAA leaders who flipped - members of the Bai, Wei and Liu clans - were rewarded with control over the region and its underground economy, analysts said. They became leaders of the Kokang Border Guard Force, a subdivision of the Myanmar military, and of the Kokang regional administration.

The clans controlled every aspect of life in Kokang, becoming lawmakers, militia heads, local administrators and powerful business executives. They "got involved in all kinds of illegal businesses that were already there, and built up much more," said Richard Horsey, the International Crisis Group's senior adviser for Myanmar.

At the same time, their ethnic Chinese identity strengthened their position as Xi encouraged regional investment, and as ties between the Myanmar junta and the Chinese Communist Party deepened.

Local authorities in Yunnan worked with the families on investment opportunities such as an expanded port and two cross-border economic zones, according to official Chinese statements. In 2017, as Xi gathered foreign leaders in Beijing for the first Belt and Road Forum, China's state broadcaster featured the newly expanded Qingshuihe port connecting Yunnan to Kokang as a model project. Soon afterward, China allocated \$6 million in central government subsidies to the border trade zone. China's Finance Ministry organized funding from the Asian Development Bank, which eventually approved \$250 million in loans for roads and other infrastructure after Chinese officials visited the border in April 2018.

It was an extension of Beijing's overall approach in restive borderlands: development as a path to stability.

"China's chief objective for Kokang is to secure the border, and to do that you have to help the other side resolve economic and livelihood problems," said Liu Yun, a fellow at Taihe Institute, a Chinese think tank in Beijing.

A spokesperson for the Asian Development Bank said the Yunnan-Lincang project was "designed to improve the economic growth potential and the standard of living" of residents in those parts of China and "surrounding areas," and that the project was developed "in compliance with ADB policies and procedures."

The families grew their holdings into diversified conglomerates. The Liu family's Fully Light Group, in particular, became involved in every lucrative industry in Myanmar, including real estate, hotels, gems, agriculture, cigarettes, pesticides and more, and opened subsidiaries in China and Cambodia, corporate records show.

But at the heart of the Kokang empire were casinos, underground banking and money laundering, according to U.N. officials and U.S. diplomatic cables released by WikiLeaks.

High-rollers and ordinary Chinese gamblers flocked to the porous border between Yunnan and Kokang. Newly built megacasinos in the Kokang capital, Laukkaing, opened 24 hours a day. The Kokang clans planned to build an airport and pitched themselves as a Macao-like destination for foreign tourists.

Behind the vast casino floors, a more sinister industry started to grow. Chinese court documents show that from at least 2018 "criminal syndicates" were smuggling people into the Crouching Tiger Villa, a banquet hall and hotel, and forcing them to work as scammers. The compound is owned by the Ming family, henchmen for the Bai clan, according to Chinese state media and a person who worked at the villa.

Border closures that followed the outbreak of the coronavirus pandemic shut off the cash flow to the casinos, accelerating a shift to this new scam economy. But it was the 2021 military coup in Myanmar that supercharged Kokang. Min Aung Hlaing turned to the families for an economic and political lifeline, including large tax payments, as Western sanctions mounted against his government. The families donated lavishly to the general's pet projects, such as building marble Buddha statues and pagodas, and leveraged their ties to China to keep bilateral trade and infrastructure projects going, according to the Kokang administration's social media posts and Myanmar state media. Clan patriarchs became among the most decorated citizens of Myanmar, honored with a number of awards, and represented Myanmar at major regional sum-

do anything," said Horsey at the

The families "felt they could

Snipers on the rooftop

The scammers - from just across the border in China and as far away as Malaysia — were effectively imprisoned in Kokang's purpose-built compounds. Sitting at computer screens in large, dormlike rooms that resembled call centers, they were trained to cultivate people who could be drained of their

Scammers were to talk up business trips and ties with elderly relatives to "establish an image of responsibility, kindness and respect" while sprinkling in "light discussion" of an "investment" opportunity, according to notes found inside the Crouching Tiger Villa and posted on Douyin. In courting romance, they were to assess if the mark preferred talking about their day or just sex, a scammer said.

Many of the compounds for running scam operations were hosted in the same hotels and casino complexes long established by the clans. Others were purpose-built, but had telltale signs like barred windows, high walls and even Myanmar military snipers on the rooftops, witnesses said.

A handyman, hired to build soundproof phone booths within a scam compound in a hotel owned by the Liu family, said he was interrupted by screams as he worked. He said he saw a supervisor beating three men, their hands tied behind their backs, with lead pipes. A Taiwanese woman, who was trafficked into Laukkaing, told The Post she was waterboarded when she tried to escape. A Chinese man, who was forcibly brought into Kokang by knife-wielding men after responding to an acting job online in China, said he saw others in his compound chained and beaten. At one point, four people were shot when they fought back during beatings and tried to seize guns from the guards, he added in an interview.

The Crouching Tiger Villa was among the most brutally run compounds, witnesses said. There, caged lions, tigers and bears were used to threaten workers who stepped out of line, according to a person who led a team of workers there. Clans also hired foreign secu-

rity personnel to protect their interests. Alex Klisevits, a former Estonian navy officer, was among a team of 11 who arrived in Kokang after responding to a job ad seeking close protection officers for a "Chinese businessman." Klisevits said he was smuggled in and soon realized he was not free to leave. The first day on the job, Klisevits said he saw a chained man beaten unconscious

"When I saw how they punished people ... I thought, 'where the hell am I?' "Klisevits said.

Confession videos

By 2023, Beijing was coming under growing domestic and international pressure to act against these operations. The United Nations estimated in a report last year that more than 120,000 people were being forced to work in Myanmar. Rescue groups said this was a conservative estimate.

Trafficked people working in scam centers in the region have been recorded from at least 35 countries, including the United States, Uganda and Brazil, according to the U.S. State Department's Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, but most are from China.

The scamming became such a public matter in China that it was fictionalized in one of the country's highest-grossing movies last year. The film, "No More Bets," follows a Chinese software engineer trafficked into a place that closely resembled northern Myanmar, where he was forced to work as a scammer.

Signs of official Chinese concern burst into the open in August when the Chinese ambassador warned Myanmar authorities to "eradicate the cancer of gambling and scams" that was "deeply loathed by the Chinese people."

Compounds in Laos and Cambodia were raided by police, accompanied by officers from China. In Myanmar, the Kokang

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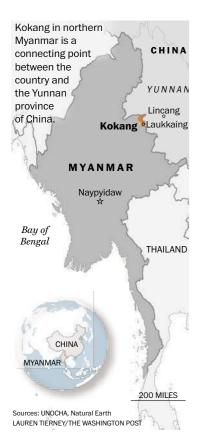
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Qingshuihe port connecting Yunnan, China, to Kokang, Myanmar









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clans vowed to conduct their own crackdown, claiming they would never tolerate such activities in their region. The raids and arrests that followed were performative, U.N. officials and researchers said.

"China did send lots of signals to the Myanmar military beforehand," said Xu Peng, a PhD candidate at the SOAS University of London who has extensively researched the Myanmar-China borderlands. "[Min Aung Hlaing] either did not understand these signals, or had no willingness to crack down, because of his personal history. Kokang was what he perceived as the beginning of his rise."

Word began to reach workers that China wanted them home and escape attempts rose. At the Crouching Tiger Villa on Oct. 20, guards opened fire when more than 100 people tried to leave. The Post could not verify how many died, but four undercover Chinese police officers were among those killed, according to accounts from Kokang residents and Sammy Chen, an independent

consultant who worked with dozens of families and authorities in China and Thailand to extract people from scam compounds.

Confession videos featuring Wei Qingtao and two others individuals from the Liu family and the Ming family - began to appear on Chinese media. Their video statements were almost identical. Two of the Mings were arrested in Myanmar and handed over to China. The patriarch, a former military-allied lawmaker, Ming Xuechang, died during a Myanmar police raid from a "self-inflicted gunshot wound from his own pistol," according to Myanmar state television. In December, China issued arrest warrants for 10 more heads of the Bai, Wei and Liu families, and their children.

Emboldened by Beijing's crackdown, the MNDAA formed an alliance with two other ethnic armed groups and attacked junta positions nationwide. The MNDAA's slogan was designed to appeal to Beijing: "wipe out the scammers, rescue our compatriots."

On Jan. 6, Laukkaing fell to the MNDAA, returning control of the region to the rebel group for the first time in 15 years. The MNDAA did not respond to requests for comment.

It was the Myanmar military's most significant loss of territory since the country's independence. And it would have been impossible, analysts say, without the explicit or tacit support of China. The MNDAA has since worked with China to repatriate foreigners from Kokang, according to diplomats involved. Since last July, 49,000 scam workers have been returned home to China, according to the Ministry of Public Security.

Several senior clan figures are facing fraud and potentially other charges in China, officials said, carrying a maximum sentence of life in prison, but many have slipped away.

The Post provided verified addresses of cryptocurrency wallets linked to the Lius' Fully Light Group and its subsidiaries, including an online casino operator, Warner International, to Chainalysis, a blockchain

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Within a few years Crouching Tiger Villa had ballooned into a massive scam compound

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Source: Satellite image ©2024 Maxar Technologies

analysis firm. Chainalysis found that these businesses continued to move millions around through intermediary wallets as recently as April.

"These crime organizations are too complex to be taken down in a single action," said Xue Yin Peh, a senior intelligence analyst at Chainalysis.

The cryptocurrency of choice, said Douglas of the UNODC, is Tether, the world's largest stablecoin whose value is pegged to the dollar. Fully Light subsidiaries such as its Gobo East casino in Cambodia

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are still trading in Tether, Douglas said.

"Key parts of the corporate empire are still up and running." he added.

Lights go down

Cyberscam operations, many operated by other ethnic Chinese gangs, continue to expand into other parts of world — especially Cambodia and Laos, but also as far away as Dubai, South Africa and Georgia, according to the U.N. researchers and anti-trafficking rescue groups.

"What began as a regional

crime threat in Southeast Asia has become a global human trafficking crisis, with millions of victims, both in the cyberscam centers and as targets," Jürgen Stock, the Interpol secretary general, said in March.

Beijing's crackdown has

Beijing's crackdown has nonetheless had at least one major effect on the scam industry. Operations run by ethnic Chinese gangs, researchers and rescuers say, are now targeting English speakers, including Americans, over Chinese victims to avoid Beijing's wrath.

"They're moving out of Kokang to areas that are less vulnerable to Chinese law enforcement expansionism," said Jacob Sims, formerly of International Justice Mission, an anti-trafficking NGO, and now a visiting expert at USIP.

Even in Kokang, analysts say, illicit businesses and human rights violations are likely to persist - shifting only to take account of Chinese domestic sensitivities. The MNDAA in late April posted a video showing the public trial of some of its own fighters, three of whom were executed after the hearings for crimes including kidnapping and murder. The European Union condemned the executions, which it said were the "ultimate denial of human dignity."

"The issue for Beijing [in Kokang] is not the illicit economy, it is illicit activity that targets Chinese nationals," said Morgan Michaels, a research fellow at the International Institute for Strategic Studies who studies conflict in Myanmar.

The casinos and hotels owned by the Kokang crime families still stand, but have gone dark. Hanley Interstellar, Wei's club, is deserted. So too is the Crouching Tiger Villa, its walls crumbling and pockmarked with bullet holes, verified videos show.

But some of the exotic animals — a tiger and five bears — survived the conflict. They still roam their cages, depending on rebel soldiers to bring their daily meal of chicken.

Alicia Chen in Taipei, Taiwan, and two Myanmar-based reporters contributed to this report.

U.S. officials dispute Ukrainians' description of range for firing into Russia

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into Ukraine, Ukraine has the ability to hit back against the forces that are hitting it from across the border."

Ukraine is also permitted to use U.S.-supplied air defense systems to strike Russian planes "if they're about to fire into Ukrainian airspace," Dietz said.

National security adviser Jake Sullivan emphasized the point in an interview on PBS, saying: "This is not about geography. It's about common sense. If Russia is attacking or about to attack from its territory into Ukraine, it only makes sense to allow Ukraine to hit back against the forces that are hitting it from across the

While officials in Kyiv do not want to be seen as publicly contradicting their American counterparts, it is clear that the Ukrainian military does not believe it has as much latitude as the statements from White House and Pentagon officials seem to suggest

And the results of Ukrainian strikes in the three weeks since Washington approved Ukraine's request to use certain Western weapons to hit Russian territory corroborate the Ukrainian description of a significantly restrictive range.

The Institute for the Study of War (ISW), a Washington-based think tank, reported this month that the U.S. policy limiting Ukraine's usage of American weapons in Russia had effectively created "a vast sanctuary ... which Russia exploits to shield its combat forces, command and control, logistics, and rear area support services that the Russian military uses to conduct its military operations in Ukraine."

One Ukrainian defense official said that permission to use U.S. weapons to strike inside Russia "has definitely changed things. The enemy has certainly felt it, especially directly on the front line."

But the official added, "Neither the range nor the category [of weapons] is sufficient."

In its report, the ISW said the easing of U.S. restrictions in areas close to Kharkiv had reduced Russia's "ground sanctuary" — the area still out of Ukraine's reach with U.S. arms — by merely 15 percent, essentially preserving Russia's military advantage against Ukraine.

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Only "a small area along the Russian-Ukrainian international border" in Russia was permitted

Possible Ukraine targets

Approximate permitted target range of U.S. arms within Russia

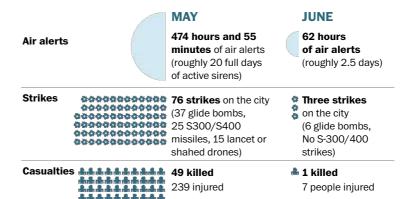


Source: ISW LARIS KARKLIS AND SAMUEL GRANADOS / THE WASHINGTON POST



A heavily damaged building in Kharkiv last month. The city was hit hard in May, but the new U.S. policy appears to have changed that.

Russia's bombing of Kharkiv



Source: Kharkiv mayor's office LARIS KARKLIS AND SAMUEL GRANADOS / THE WASHINGTON POST

for targeting, the ISW said.

EARLS MIRES AND SAMOLE GIVENADOS/ THE WASHING

In a war of attrition that has seen huge loss of civilian life, the ISW said much more could be done to reduce Russia's advantage. "The U.S. policy change, while a step in the right direction, is by itself inadequate and unable to disrupt Russian operations at scale," it said.

Since the shift in U.S. policy, Kharkiv, Ukraine's second-largest city, has had much-needed respite after months of relentless attacks by Russian missiles, local officials said.

Footage in early June from Russia's Belgorod region, just across the border, appeared to show a Ukrainian strike using a U.S.-provided HIMARS rocket system on a Russian S-300/400 system, the ISW reported.

Striking the S-300 and S-400 launching points reduced missile attacks on Kharkiv city from 25 in May to zero so far this month, said Kharkiv Mayor Ihor Terekhov.

"The situation massively changed" in the city — which sits just 19 miles from the Russian border — once the U.S. restrictions were lifted, Terekhov said.

Still, the mayor said his city remains "under the constant threat" from glide bombs — modified Soviet-era weapons that Russia drops from airplanes.

The bombs can weigh thousands of pounds and are equipped with guidance systems. They are typically dropped from more than 15 miles behind the Russian border, but the planes take off from bases farther away, beyond the U.S.-approved strike range.

Russia fired more than 3,200 such bombs at Ukraine in May alone, President Volodymyr Zelensky said last month. Ukrainian air defense systems struggle to intercept the bombs.

This month, Russia fired six

glide bombs on Kharkiv city, killing one person and injuring seven, Terekhov said. Many more have targeted military positions.

Ukraine is waiting for its first batch of U.S.-made F-16 fighter jets, which could help deter Russia from dropping so many of the bombs. Ukraine is also developing its own such bombs to drop on Russian positions, although it's unclear how effective they may

Right now, however, officials say Ukraine's inability to deter Russian glide bomb attacks is the main shortcoming in the otherwise effective U.S. policy change.

The change "helped to reduce terror strikes against Kharkiv," another Ukrainian official said. "That's why we say that [a] longer distance for us will help to reduce much more … Putin's ability to continue this war."

For more than two years, the Biden administration refused to let Ukraine use U.S.-provided weapons to hit targets inside Russia, citing fears of a direct conflict between the United States and Russia. Instead, Ukraine was limited to using the U.S. weapons on targets in Russian-occupied Ukraine.

The rules changed last month after Russia unleashed a new invasion across the border into the Kharkiv region, displacing thousands and stirring fears of an advance on Kharkiv city.

Both sides sustained major losses. Ukraine managed to prevent the Russian forces from taking significant territory, but battles continue in the border regions.

Even under the new rules, however, President Biden has refused to greenlight the use of longrange U.S. weapons, such as the Army Tactical Missile System (ATACMS), leaving Ukraine to continue to rely on its own home-

made drones for strikes deeper inside Russia.

Last month, Kharkiv experienced attacks that killed 39 people and injured 239 in what Terekhov called "a terrifying disaster." Washington announced the policy change on May 30 and, within days, Kharkiv city saw a sharp reduction in air alarms and Russian attacks.

Despite the relative improvement, Kharkiv city urgently needs improved air defenses to protect civilians from the glide bomb

attacks, Terekhov said.

"For us now this question is a matter of life," he said. "If we will have the most modern air defense systems and if we will have the modern planes, then they will be scared to use these planes because they can be struck down and they will not be able to ap-

proach close to the border."

Air bases close to the border give Russia a major advantage, and in April an open-source researcher with the handle RedIntelPanda posted satellite images on X showing the construction of a new base in southern Russia with a runway estimated to be 5,900 feet long.

The airfield is close to a military logistics hub near Alexeyevka, a town in Belgorod region, about 45 miles from Ukraine bor-

Military officials acknowledged that the policy change made a dramatic difference for life in Kharkiv but said it has not protected Ukrainian military positions from regular assault by glide bombs.

Maj. Nadiia Zamryha, press officer of the 14th Brigade, said troops fighting near Kupyansk in the northeast of the Kharkiv region continue to come under regular attack from antiaircraft missiles, glide bombs and unguided rockets.

Biden's change allowed Ukraine to target "areas where equipment is concentrated and locations from where missile strikes are launched on the territory of Ukraine; not a single S-300 missile has hit Kharkiv. This is a fact," said Denys Yaroslavsky, commander of a reconnaissance battalion in Ukraine's 57th Brigade. "At the same time, this has not significantly changed the situation directly on the front line."

"The city of Vovchansk," he added, "continues to be destroyed by aerial bombs, artillery and everything else they have."

Alex Horton in Washington contributed to this report.

A political survivor, Netanyahu faces fights from all sides

Cracks within the Likud and a disloyal opposition threaten Israeli leader

BY STEVE HENDRIX

JERUSALEM — In the pandemonium that followed Hamas's surprise attack on Oct. 7, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu moved quickly to unify Israel's many combative factions.

He invited opposition members to share power in an emergency war cabinet. His own Likud party and coalition members closed ranks behind him. Military commanders saluted and went off to prosecute the war against Hamas. President Biden, who had a rocky relationship with Netanyahu before Oct. 7, paid a dramatic wartime visit and literally wrapped his arms around the prime minister.

For months the unity held sometimes barely — as the war $\,$ dragged on, reserve soldiers grew exhausted and public anger soared at the government's failure to reach a cease-fire deal and bring home the hostages.

Now, the cracks are splitting wide open.

Losing the Likud?

Perhaps the most surprising and potentially serious - of Netanyahu's domestic battles is the recent rebellion within his coalition, and even his own party, when members refused to support a piece of legislation he ordered them to pass.

The bill to give the government more power over Israel's municipal rabbis - local officials who oversee marriage, divorce and other domestic issues - was pushed by the prime minister's ultra-Orthodox allies. Critics said it was a power grab meant to give the ultra-Orthodox greater influence, even in Israel's more secular

Likud mayors and lawmakers balked in a rare rebellion, and Netanyahu was forced to pull the

It was a small uprising, but political watchers have been looking for signs that the prime minister's iron grip on Likud could be slipping. As Netanyahu's public support has plummeted, others within the party – among them former Jerusalem mayor Nir Barkat - are known to be quietly positioning themselves as the next party leader.

Another prominent Likud member, Defense Minister Yoav Gallant, has also bucked Netanyahu, refusing to support legislation that would protect the ultra-Orthodox exemption from mili-

tary service from legal challenges. But Netanyahu needs the ultra-Orthodox parties, and they are threatening to collapse the government if their bills aren't

The not-so-loyal opposition

Soon after Oct. 7, opposition leader Benny Gantz joined an emergency war cabinet along with Gallant and Netanyahu. The political rivals agreed to coequal roles in the body responsible for the highest war-related decisions as a way of showing the nation a united front.

The team-of-rivals structure held as Israel launched a ground invasion and battled across Gaza for months. But tensions built as the group split on various ceasefire proposals that would have led to hostage releases and over Netanyahu's refusal to articulate a strategy for governing Gaza after

In both cases, the prime minister refused to commit, seemingly to avoid a break with his far-right coalition members, who loudly objected to any policies that would stop the fighting or allow a role for the Palestinian Authority in Gaza's future. With only a four-seat majority in parliament, Netanyahu cannot afford to lose even one of his coalition parties.

The war cabinet finally fractured completely when Gantz and his party ally Gadi Eizenkot resigned June 9. Netanyahu dissolved the body entirely days

Gantz's departure raised fears that the prime minister will rely more heavily on his most extreme partners in the still raging Gaza conflict, even as a second war threatens to erupt with Hezbollah

Since resigning, Gantz has been more vocal about the need to secure a cease-fire and free the hostages. His moves may have boosted anti-Netanyahu street protests that have grown larger in recent weeks, and featured more crackdowns by police.

Gantz, who ran against Netanyahu in past elections, has at times surpassed the prime minister in polls since Oct. 7.

General rebellion?

As the battles in Gaza have ground on - the fighting has killed more than 300 Israeli soldiers and more than 37,000 Palestinians - top officers have increasingly flagged the need for a "day after" plan: Who would run Gaza when the fighting ended?

For the commanders, the question is a military necessity. Without a plan for some authority to take control, they cannot pull troops from Gaza without fear that Hamas would quickly regroup, rearm and threaten to



Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu speaks during a ceremony at the Nahalat Yitshak Cemetery in Tel Aviv on Tuesday. Tensions have built within Netanyahu's team-of-rivals structure over his refusal to articulate a strategy for governing Gaza after the war.



Opposition leader Benny Gantz addresses the media after he withdrew his party from Netanyahu's war cabinet on June 9. Gantz has been vocal about the need for a cease-fire and rescuing Israeli hostages.

carry out another Oct. 7.

For Netanyahu, it's a political minefield. His most extreme partners advocate for Israel to permanently occupy Gaza, and even to rebuild Jewish settlements there.

Caught in the middle, Netanyahu has refused to form any plan at all. When pushed, he repeated only that Israel would keep fighting until Hamas is "destroyed."

Military leaders, who are close to completing their target lists in Gaza, seem to have had enough. The complaints they had shared with reporters off the record for weeks became increasingly public. Earlier this week, Rear Adm. Daniel Hagari, the IDF's chief spokesman, said in an interview that "Hamas cannot be destroyed. Hamas is an idea. Those who think it can be made to disappear are wrong

The military remains one of the country's most respected in-

What happened to Biden's

The president and the prime minister have had a fraught relationship since Biden took office in 2021. Following Netanyahu's close embrace of President Donald Trump and the GOP, Biden denied or delayed the usual courtesy phone calls and White House visits. Washington took a dim view of Netanyahu's judicial restructuring plans.

All that went away after Oct. 7, when Biden threw his support behind Netanyahu and Israel's

right to wage war on Hamas. The rapprochement didn't last. American officials complained privately about Netanyahu's refusal to formulate a day-after plan and the growing humanitarian collapse inside Gaza. Diplomatic finger-pointing grew more public as several pledges to increase aid

failed to materialize and one

A man looks

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cease-fire proposal after another faltered, in some cases, administration officials hinted, because of the prime minister's political maneuvering.

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Biden officials urged Netanyahu to get more aid into Gaza and to hold off on a major attack on Rafah, Hamas's final stronghold, where more than 1 million civilians had fled for safety. The IDF moved on Rafah in early May anyway. Biden, who has called Netanyahu's war management "a mistake," paused one shipment of heavy bombs that he said he didn't want used in the assault.

Last month, Biden publicized the details of a cease-fire proposal that he said Netanyahu's war cabinet had approved. The president seemed to be forcing the prime minister to take ownership of the plan, over the objections of Netanyahu's right-wing partners. That plan fizzled when Hamas insisted on tighter guarantees that there would be a permanent end to the war.

The rancor has only grown more pointed. On Tuesday, Netanyahu released a video in which he accused Biden of hampering Israel's war effort. "It's inconceivable that in the past few months, the administration has been withholding weapons and ammunitions to Israel."

U.S. officials reacted with private fury - canceling a strategic planning meeting scheduled for this week - and public confusion. Only the one shipment of heavy bombs had been delayed, officials said, while millions of dollars in other arms continued to flow.

"We genuinely do not know what he's talking about. We just don't," said White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre.

State Department expert on Israeli-Palestinian affairs resigns

BY JOHN HUDSON

A senior State Department official and skeptic of the Biden administration's "bear hug" approach to the government of Israel resigned this week in a setback

for U.S. diplomats pushing for a sharper break with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his far-right coalition, said three people familiar with the matter.

Andrew Miller, the deputy assistant secretary for Israeli-Palestinian affairs, told col-

leagues Friday that he had decided to leave his job. He cited his family, saying he has seen them sparingly as the eight-month war in Gaza has become all-consuming. Miller told colleagues that if not for those responsibilities, he would have preferred to remain in his job and fight for what he believes, including in those areas where he disagreed with administration policy.

Miller's resignation, which has not been previously reported, comes amid growing frustration inside and outside government over the war's steep civilian death toll and concerns among some that influence over policy matters has been dominated by a narrow coterie of President Biden's closest advisers. Miller is the most senior U.S. official to resign to date whose portfolio focused on Israeli-Palestinian issues.

"His departure will be a loss for the administration in general and

the State Department in particular," said Suzanne Maloney, vice president and director of foreign policy at the Brookings Institution. "It's a telling indicator of the general toll that the conflict has taken on those who have been

working to deal with its security implications for the United States and its allies." People who know

Miller describe him as a

principled supporter of Palestinian rights and statehood, and a nuanced thinker about Middle East affairs. Before his job focusing on Israeli-Palestinian issues, he was a senior policy adviser to the U.S. ambassador to the United Na-

National Security Council. Those familiar with Miller's decision to leave spoke on the condition of anonymity to be

tions, and during the Obama

administration, he served as di-

rector for Egypt and Israel mili-

tary issues on the White House

candid about a personnel matter. "Andrew brought deep experience and sharp perspective to the table every day," said State Department spokesman Matthew Miller. "Everyone here is sorry to see him go, but we wish him well in his next endeavors.

Aaron David Miller, a Middle East expert who has advised both Democratic and Republican administrations, called Andrew Miller a "smart" and "creative" diplomat but said it had become difficult for officials at the depart-



ment's Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs to influence policy.

"He was caught in a bureau of well-intentioned and capable Foreign Service officers who have had little or no impact on U.S. policy before and even after October 7," said Aaron Miller, noting the date when Hamas militants led a cross-border attack into Israel that killed about 1,200 people and took about 250 hos-

Matthew Miller, the State Department spokesman, rejected that characterization of the bureau, noting that Secretary of State Antony Blinken has brought its leader, Barbara Leaf, on all eight of his trips to the Middle East since Oct. 7 and has relied on her extensively as she carries messages from him and the president to leaders throughout the region.

Israel's retaliatory military campaign has killed more than 37,000 Palestinians, according to the Gaza Health Ministry, and divided officials across the U.S. government about the appropriate response.

At the outset of the conflict, Biden provided his full backing to the Israelis, surging weapons into the conflict and providing diplomatic and political cover at international institutions — even as Israel was accused of using indiscriminate bombing tactics and impeding access to humanitarian aid. Despite that support, Netanyahu has repeatedly ignored U.S. demands to take a more surgical approach in Gaza and refrain from exacerbating tensions with the Palestinians, such as withholding their tax revenue and using incendiary rhetoric.

Though Gaza policy has been deeply divisive in the U.S. government, it has prompted only a handful of resignations at the State Department, Pentagon and other federal agencies. Officials at the State Department have recently been subjected to email campaigns encouraging protest resignations related to the con-

One U.S. official who knows Andrew Miller said he was "ahead of the curve from the beginning" in recognizing the risks of what has become known as the administration's "bear hug" strategy, referring to Biden's physical embrace of Netanyahu during a visit to Tel Aviv in the days after Hamas's assault. Miller is said to have believed that the leverage the United States has over Israel as its biggest military, economic and political backer could have been used more effec-

"He's certainly on the more progressive side of administration officials when it comes to the region, including on Israel-Palestine, but he has also never been a 'burn it all down and forgo pragmatism' type," said the official. "He has always advocated that the United States should support Palestinian rights and statehood, but his advocacy while in government has generally been quiet and measured.'

Andrew Miller's departure surprised many in the department, and several U.S. officials said he was respected on all sides of the contentious Israeli-Palestinian dispute. "During his time at the State Department, he was an unmatched supporter of Israel's security and deeply attached to the fight against antisemitism," said a senior State Department official who worked with him extensively over the years.

ECONOMY & BUSINESS

Democrats plotting tax hikes on the rich and corporations

Party sees opportunity with parts of Trump-era cuts expiring next year

BY JACOB BOGAGE

Democrats are forging plans to raise tax rates on companies and wealthy individuals next year if they hold the White House and win control of both houses of Congress, as the party's leaders increasingly see tax policy as a winning issue on the campaign

Senate Finance Committee Democrats met Thursday to discuss President Donald Trump's 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, portions of which expire in 2025. Pressure is already mounting from the party's left flank to insist on sharp increases in the corporate tax rate and on the highest individual earners - and not to agree to any compromise with Republicans otherwise.

Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.) warned Democrats against taking "the coward's way out" by agreeing to milquetoast legislation with conservatives in a speech to progressive groups Monday.

"One bad tax deal after another is killing our country," she said in an interview. "The American people are sick of that. They understand that tossing a few crumbs their way is not an excuse for taking a lousy tax deal that puts our nation deeper in an economic hole and puts the things we need further out of

In the House, some top lawmakers are reevaluating past taxand-spending bills that prioritized broad short-term investments that have since expired, demanding instead that Democrats focus on bringing in more revenue from major corporations and the rich that can permanently fund a limited number of high-impact social programs.

"If something's important, let's make sure we're making it a priority and doing it for a longer term. And if it's not a priority, maybe we don't need to do it anymore," said Rep. Suzan Del-Bene (Wash.), chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

Together, though, Democrats see taxes as a potent campaign

Trump's 2017 tax law lowered rates for big businesses and taxpayers of nearly all income levels, though it cut the most for the highest earners. The individual portions of that law expire next year, but the corporate tax cuts are permanent, a windfall for the firms that Trump is now courting to finance his campaign.

Biden and Democrats have spotted that dynamic as a politi-

"Tax fairness resonates very strongly with people," Lael Brainard, Biden's national economic adviser, told reporters this month. "The sense that billionaires should pay their fair share, that large corporations should pay their fair share, the ultrawealthy - that is something that very much resonates with people. They don't understand why somebody who has hundreds of millions of dollars in income pays a tiny share of their actual income relative to a schoolteacher or a firefighter.'

Biden proposes to raise corporate rates from 21 percent to 28 percent - still below the 35



Sen. Elizabeth Warren (D-Mass.), shown in May at a Senate committee hearing, warned Democrats against taking "the coward's way out" by agreeing to milquetoast legislation with conservatives in a speech to progressive groups Monday.

percent rate Trump's 2017 law cut it from - and preserve the Trump-era tax cuts for individuals earning less than \$400,000, including a higher standard deduction.

Trump, meanwhile, told business leaders this month that he hopes to cut corporate taxes to 20 percent, according to two people familiar with his remarks who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss a private meet-

"When President Trump is back in the White House, he will advocate for more tax cuts for all Americans and reinvigorate America's energy industry to bring down inflation, lower the cost of living and pay down our debt," Karoline Leavitt, the Trump campaign's national press secretary, said in a statement.

Raising corporate taxes would require a Democratic sweep of Washington, but some Democrats are discreetly bullish on their chances for those wins. House Republicans' narrow majority has struggled to govern effectively, and Democrats need only to gain five seats for a majority. In the Senate, their odds are worse, but recent polls show vulnerable Democratic incumbents in Ohio, Montana, Pennsylvania, Nevada and a challenger in Arizona outperforming

"[The White House] is very clear on their plans for 2025, and what they're going to do in terms of taxing the wealthy and corporations who've been highly, highly profitable, reached all-time profits during post-pandemic period, and they think those plans are a marked contrast to what Republicans would do in the same situation," said Lindsay Owens, CEO of progressive advocacy group Groundwork Collabora-



The 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act is seen shortly after then-President Donald Trump signed it into law. Raising corporate taxes would require a Democratic sweep of Washington in November.

Trump and Republicans have pledged to renew the entire 2017 tax law. The Congressional Budget Office projects that extension would cost \$4.6 trillion over 10 years, adding to an already exploding federal debt burden.

But Republicans say those tax cuts are necessary to combat the historic inflation that's hit the economy on Biden's watch and to keep the United States competitive internationally with countries that have lower business

"This is going be a big debate we're going to have, I'm sure through the election, because President Biden wants to raise everybody's taxes," Rep. Steve Scalise (La.), the No. 2 Republican in the House, told The Washington Post. "He tries to act like it's not going to affect certain people, but when you raise taxes, it hits everybody, especially low-income families. Look at what his energy policies have done. The people hit the hardest are low-income families paying higher gas prices, paying more at the grocery store and more for their household electricity bills all because of bad Biden policies."

The Biden administration, citing record corporate profits in recent years, rejects that ap-

"There simply is no reason we

can look at our economy right now and justify tax cuts for millionaires," Daniel Hornung, deputy director of the White House National Economic Council, said Monday at the left-leaning Washington Center for Equitable Growth.

Democrats are split on what to do with the revenue their proposed tax increases would generate. Previous Biden-era investments covered a broad swath of programs, from child care to internet access and housing support. Many of those programs have since expired, and with divided control of Congress, they have little chance of being reinstated. Biden's budget, a largely symbolic reelection blueprint, called for new federal spending to lower consumer costs for health care, child care and hous-

Congressional Democrats may face a choice of whether to invest broadly again in short-term programs or provide long-term or permanent funding for fewer initiatives.

For instance, Sen. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.), chair of the Senate Finance Committee, co-sponsored legislation with House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Jason T. Smith (R-Mo.) to expand the child tax credit, paired with some corporate tax breaks. That bill passed the House but has stalled in the Senate due to GOP opposition to the low-income provision.

"If I had my way, we'd basically use the frame in 2021" to dramatically expand the credit, Wyden told The Post.

But House Democrats, many of whom are still smarting over the 2021 expiration of a more generous version of the child tax credit, want to push for bigger and longer-lasting programs if they get the chance.

"I've been around this place long enough to understand that when you do settle for less, the opportunity doesn't come around for another 20, 25 years before you can do something again. These folks check the box. My view is, let's go deep," Rep. Rosa DeLauro (Conn.), the top Democrat on the House Appropriations Committee, told The Post.

Rep. Richard E. (D.-Mass), who would be in line to chair the tax-writing Ways and Means Committee if Democrats win the House, said in an interview: "The term investment means, I'd like to think, a longterm commitment."

REAL ESTATE Home sales fall for third month

Sales of previously occupied U.S. homes fell in May for the third straight month as rising mortgage rates and record-high prices discouraged many prospective home buyers during what's traditionally the housing market's busiest period of the

Existing-home sales fell 0.7 percent last month from April to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 4.11 million, the National Association of Realtors said

Sales also fell 2.8 percent compared with May last year. The latest sales still came in slightly higher than the 4.07 million pace economists were expecting, according to FactSet.

"I thought that we would

actually see a recovery this spring — we are not seeing it," said Lawrence Yun, the NAR's chief economist.

Despite the pullback in sales, home prices climbed compared with a year earlier for the 11th month in a row. The national median sales price rose 5.8 percent from a year earlier to \$419,300, an all-time high going back to 1999.

It's also up 51 percent from

five years ago. Home prices rose even as sales slowed and the supply of properties on the market hit its highest level in 4 years.

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LABOR Disney workers sue over move to Florida

Disney workers are suing their employer, claiming they were

fraudulently induced to move from California to Florida to work in a new office campus only to have those plans later scrapped amid a fight between the entertainment giant and Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis.

In July 2021, the Disney Parks' chief told workers in California that most white-collar employees would be transferred to the new campus in Orlando to consolidate different teams and allow for greater collaboration.

As many as 2,000 workers in digital technology, finance and product development departments would be transferred to the campus located about 20 miles from the Walt Disney World theme park resort, the company said at the

Many workers were reluctant to make the move given their long-standing ties to Southern California and fears of uprooting

their families, but Disney encouraged the move by promising a state-of-the-art, centralized workplace and lower cost of living in central Florida, according to the class-action lawsuit filed this week.

By May 2023, Disney told its workers that the plans to open the \$1 billion campus in Orlando were being scrapped and that the workers who had moved to Florida could move back to California if they chose.

Disney didn't immediately respond to an email seeking comment on Friday.

-Associated Press

ALSO IN BUSINESS American Express will acquire the dining reservation and event management platform Tock from Squarespace for \$400 million cash. Amex began making acquisitions in the dining and event space with its

purchase of Resy five years ago, giving cardmembers access to hard-to-get restaurants and locations. Other credit card issues have done the same. JPMorgan acquired The Infatuation as a lifestyle brand in 2021. Tock, which launched in Chicago in 2014 and has been owned by Squarespace since 2021, provides reservation and table management services to roughly 7,000 restaurants and other venues. Restaurants signed up with Tock include Aquavit, the high-end Nordic restaurant in New York, as well as the buzzy new restaurant Chez Noir in Carmel, Calif. Squarespace and Tock confirmed the deal Friday.

The Treasury Department on Friday fleshed out a proposed rule that would restrict and monitor U.S. investments in China for artificial intelligence. computer chips and quantum computing. The proposed rule stems from President Biden's August 2023 executive order regarding the access that "countries of concern" have to American dollars that fund advanced technologies, which the U.S. government says would enhance their military, intelligence, surveillance and cyber capabilities. The order identified China, Hong Kong and Macao as locations of concern. The Biden administration has sought to stymie the development of technologies by China, the world's second-largest economy, that could give it a military edge or enable it to dominate emerging sectors such as electric vehicles. The proposed rule outlines the required information that U.S. citizens and permanent residents must provide.

From news services

Research indicates AI chatbots can detect each other's mistakes

BY RACHEL PANNETT

AI chatbots have become increasingly comfortable in the art of human conversation. The trouble is, experts say, they're prone to giving inaccurate or nonsensical answers, known as "hallucinations."

Now, researchers have come up with a potential solution: using chatbots to sniff out errors other chatbots have made.

Sebastian Farquhar, a computer scientist at the University of Oxford, co-authored a study published Wednesday in the journal Nature that posits chatbots such as ChatGPT or Google's Gemini can be used to weed out AI untruths

Artificial intelligence chatbots use large language models, or that consume vast amounts of text from the internet and can be used for various tasks, including generating text by predicting the next word in a sentence. The bots find patterns through trial and error, and human feedback is then used to fine-tune the model

But there's a drawback: Chatbots cannot think like humans and do not understand what they

To test this, Farquhar and his colleagues asked a chatbot questions, then used a second chatbot to review the responses for inconsistencies, similar to the way police might try to trip up a suspect by asking them the same question over and over. If the responses had vastly different meanings, that meant they were probably garbled.

He said the chatbot was asked a set of common trivia questions, as well as elementary school math word problems.

The researchers cross-checked the accuracy of the chatbot evaluation by comparing it against human evaluation on the same subset of questions. They found the chatbot agreed with the human raters 93 percent of the time, while the human raters agreed with one another 92 percent of the time - close enough that chatbots' evaluating each other was "unlikely to be concerning," Farquhar said.

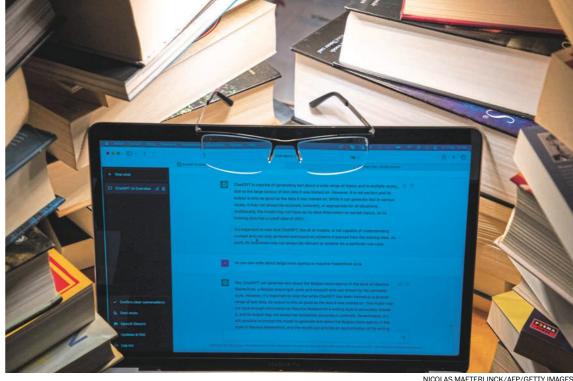
Farquhar said that for the average reader, identifying some AI errors is "pretty hard."

He often has difficulty spotting such anomalies when using LLMs for his work because chatbots are "often telling you what you want to hear, inventing things that are not only plausible but would be helpful if true, something researchers have labeled 'sycophancy," he said in an email.

Unreliable answers are a barrier to the widespread adoption of AI chatbots, especially in medical fields such as radiology where they "could pose a risk to human life," the researchers said. They could also lead to fabricated legal precedents or fake news.

Not everyone is convinced that using chatbots to evaluate the responses of other chatbots is a great idea.

In an accompanying News and Views article in Nature, Karin Verspoor, a professor of computing technologies at RMIT University in Melbourne, Australia, said there are risks in "fighting fire with fire."



AI chatbots generate humanlike conversation, but some answers can be nonsensical or just plain wrong. For a study published this week, experts tested whether chatbots could police themselves.

The number of errors produced by an LLM appears to be reduced if a second chatbot groups the answers into semantically similar clusters, but "using an LLM to evaluate an LLMbased method does seem circular, and might be biased," Ver-

spoor wrote.

"Researchers will need to grapple with the issue of whether this approach is truly controlling the output of LLMs, or inadvertently fueling the fire by layering multiple systems that are prone to hallucinations and unpredictable errors," she added. Farquhar sees it "more like

building a wooden house with wooden crossbeams for support."

"There's nothing unusual about having reinforcing components supporting each other," he

Winnett will stay at British newspaper, stirring turmoil at The Post

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paper. "I'm pleased to report that Rob Winnett has decided to stay with us," Evans wrote. "As you all know, he's a talented chap and their loss is our gain."

Lewis confirmed that Winnett had withdrawn from the position, relaying the news "with regret" in a note to Post staff Friday morning.

"Rob has my greatest respect and is an incredibly talented editor and journalist," Lewis wrote, adding that an outside firm would be used to conduct a "timely but thorough search" for a replace-

A Post investigation published Sunday revealed Winnett's connections to a confessed con artist turned whistleblower who has admitted to using illegal methods to gain information for stories in Britain's Sunday Times, a paper Winnett worked at before joining the Telegraph.

The New York Times also reported that Winnett and Lewis had based some stories on stolen records, and raised new questions about a payment made to obtain information that led to a 2009 investigation into government corruption, which shook the British political establishment and led to several officials' resignations.

Winnett did not respond to inquiries for those reports. Lewis declined to comment.

"The Washington Post sets and models the highest ethical standards in journalism to which every Post employee is expected to adhere," a Post spokesperson said this week.

Paying sources for information is considered unethical in most American newsrooms. So is misrepresenting oneself as anything other than a journalist to obtain confidential information as part of newsgathering, a practice referred to as "blagging." While blagging is illegal in Britain, The Post reported that legal experts have said it is defensible if the information obtained is in the public's

interest.

Lewis began as The Post's CEO and publisher in January, inheriting what company officials said was a \$77 million shortfall from the previous year, and declining

In hopes of turning the business around, Lewis announced a reorganization this month that included hiring Winnett, his former protégée. As editor of the Telegraph, Lewis had hired Winnett as a senior reporter in 2007. Together, they worked on the investigative series exposing lawmakers' widespread misuse of public funds for personal expenses. (Lewis was named Journalist of the Year at the 2010 British Press Awards for the se-

Winnett is liked by many colleagues in Britain. "The newsroom is disappointed for him but delighted for us," said Paul Nuki, the Telegraph's global health security editor. "Rob is great journalist, editor and friend."

In a newsroom meeting this

month, Lewis called Winnett "a world-class editor" and "a brilliant investigative journalist" who he promised "will restore an even greater degree of investigative rigor to our organization. (A Post spokeswoman declined to comment Friday on the process that led Lewis to hire him.)

The unraveling of that hiring also delays Lewis's plans to reorganize The Post. He had intended to launch a new department this year that would function alongside the company's opinion and traditional newsgathering sections, aiming to reach new audiences with social-media-driven and service journalism. The third newsroom will now launch sometime during the first three months of 2025, Lewis wrote in Friday's note to staff.

Lewis added that Murray will stay on as executive editor and continue to oversee news coverage until Winnett's replacement is hired. Murray will then oversee the third newsroom.

This month, media reports described attempts by Lewis to dissuade journalists from covering his involvement in a long-running British phone-hacking lawsuit. He has denied attempting to discourage Post journalists from covering the story, and he told staff in small meetings last week that he will not interfere with The Post's journalism. NPR journalist David Folkenflik also shared his account of Lewis trying to persuade him to drop a story about the case in exchange for an exclusive story about The Post's plans; Lewis called Folkenflik "an activist, not a journalist."

Lewis worked for Rupert Murdoch's News International to help with the corporate cleanup in the wake of the phone-hacking and police bribery scandal that led to the closure of the News of the World tabloid. (Lewis then went on to serve as the publisher of the Wall Street Journal and CEO of Dow Jones, also Murdoch-owned properties.)

An ongoing civil case related to the cleanup does not name Lewis as a defendant, but a judge has allowed plaintiffs to air allegations that Lewis and others tried to suppress information about the hacking. He has denied wrongdoing and previously said his role in the phone-hacking cleanup was to safeguard journalistic values and practices, such as protecting

owned The Post since 2013, did not respond to a request for comment Friday. He sought to reassure the newsroom this week that he remains committed to "maintaining the quality, ethics, and standards we all believe in." "To be sure, it can't be business

Jeff Bezos, the billionaire

founder of Amazon who has

as usual at The Post," Bezos added. "The world is evolving rapidly and we do need to change as a busi-

Will Sommer contributed to this report.

Nevada Trump electors case dismissed over jurisdiction

BY NICOLE MARKUS AND PATRICK MARLEY

A Nevada judge on Friday dismissed the case against six Republicans who submitted certificates falsely declaring Donald Trump the winner of the 2020 election.

Clark County District Judge

Mary Kay Holthus ruled the state should have filed the case in another county. Prosecutors said they would appeal her decision.

Trump supporters in Nevada and six other states that President Biden won sent official-looking documents to Congress claiming Trump was the true victor. In Nevada, they were charged in De-

cember with offering a false instrument for filing and uttering a forged instrument, felonies that together come with a maximum of nine years in prison. Those who were indicted include Nevada GOP chairman Michael J. McDon-

The judge issued her ruling from the bench after attorneys for the Republicans argued the case should have been filed elsewhere because the meeting of Trump electors occurred more than 400 miles from Las Vegas, in Carson

A spokesperson for Nevada Attorney General Aaron Ford told The Washington Post that the state plans to "immediately" appeal the judge's decision. The statute of limitations ran out shortly after the case was filed in Clark County, which appears to make refiling the case in another jurisdiction impossible.

The appeal will go to the state Supreme Court, which could decide the case or send it to a lower appeals court. Briefing will probably take months, and a decision before the November election appears unlikely.

Attorneys for the Nevada Republicans said they were pleased with Friday's decision and turning their attention to the state's appeal.

"The judge followed the law and correctly determined that Clark County doesn't have jurisdiction," said attorney Monti Levy. "I'm very confident that our Nevada Supreme Court will up-

hold Judge Holthus' decision." Republicans involved in the elector meetings in four other states — Arizona, Georgia, Michi-

gan and Wisconsin — separately face charges from local or state prosecutors. Their cases are not affected by Friday's decision.

Republicans in the remaining states, Pennsylvania and New Mexico, were not charged. Unlike in other states, the paperwork they submitted included language saying their electoral ballots should be counted only if Trump were determined to be the actual winner.

Amy Gardner and Hayden Godfrey contributed to this report.





FREE FOR ALL

Road safety is no accident

I was surprised to see The Post repeatedly refer to Sen. John Fetterman's collision with another vehicle as an "accident" in the June 14 news article "Fetterman had history of speeding, distracted driving before recent crash," despite the fact that the Pennsylvania Democrat was reportedly driving over the speed limit at the time of the collision and that this is behavior that has apparently gotten him into trouble in the past. An accident is an unpreventable occurrence, not the logical and predictable conclusion of reckless driving by a repeat offender who chooses to drive at excessive speeds.

Ralph A. Blessing, Washington

Celebrate Mexico's democracy



Claudia Sheinbaum

I found the headline and the tenor of the June 4 front-page article "For Mexican democracy, 'warning signs,'" on Claudia Sheinbaum's victory in the presidential elections in Mexico, negative and ideological. Why did the headline and opening repeat right-wing talking points that paint the success of the Morena party as a step toward authoritarianism rather than celebrate the election results produced by a vibrant democracy? The first woman president of Mexico, who is Jewish to boot, won with

about 60 percent of the vote, the biggest win in a genuinely competitive election in Mexico's history. Why not listen to what the Mexican people are saying about how they want to be governed?

Steven Klees, Silver Spring

R-E-S-P-E-C-T elders (just a little bit)

Thank you so much for Michael Ramirez's June 11 editorial cartoon, "About Time," which showed President Biden's life rapidly running out. I am also 81, and I'm in the process of buying a new residence for a new life in a new neighborhood. According to Ramirez, I should just head straight to the cemetery and save myself the effort.

Elaine Schwartz, Alexandria

Whoever was responsible for placing the Opinion columns by Kathleen Parker and Anne Lamott next to each other in the June 9 print edition gave me great pause. Parker's declaration that "The White House is no place for old men" bumped up against Lamott's account of being "Invisible and exposed - but adaptable, as only the old can be." Why is it that our culture seems to label all those over 70 years of age as bungling, senile or incompetent? Just as the young develop at different rates and stages, so, too, do older adults. Let's admire the years of experience and wisdom that come with age and not assume seniors are all the same.

Elizabeth Dietel, Bethesda

R-E-S-P-E-C-T genius (just a little bit)

Why does The Post feel it is inappropriate to use pejoratives to describe everyone except computer professionals? The latest example of this trend was the June 11 online article "New heroes of spaceflight: Not the astronauts but the software nerds."

I do not feel that this headline or general tenor of article is unique. Perhaps The Post believes that 'geek" and "nerd" are not pejoratives but, rather, titles to which all of your readers aspire?

Jon Powell, Portland, Ore.

Eyes on Sudan

Thanks for the June 7 World Digest item "At least 100 killed in RSF attack on village," on the killing of more than 100 people in an attack on a village in Sudan, and the June 15 news article "U.N. calls for end to siege of city in Sudan civil war." This war, which has affected many civilians, has been going on for more than a year, and millions of people are in danger of starvation. I think giving this conflict more prominent attention might bring out the best in those idealistic people who are protesting the war in Gaza on college campuses and elsewhere, as well as international institutions that can hasten the needed humanitarian relief and cease-fire. I hope the religion of the victims or the perpetrators of the violence in Sudan has nothing to do with the lack of attention to this tragedy or the lack of concern about the risk of genocide and the commission of war crimes in that conflict

David Hornestay, Silver Spring

Twisters, we're not in Kansas anymore

Kudos to the Metro team on its excellent coverage of the aftermath of the tornadoes that struck Montgomery County on June 5.

The June 7 Metro article "We got very lucky," about the impact on the affected communities, was just what one looks for in local news. "Elements that gave rise to an outbreak of twisters," the Capital Weather Gang's description of the whys and wherefores of the storm, was, as usual, clear and informative. The photos and the graphic of the storm's path complemented the articles perfectly.

Jacquelyn Smith, Silver Spring

Root, root, root for sports journalists

The sentence that leapt out at me from Jerry Brewer's June 12 Sports column, "The media has been complicit," was Robert Lipsyte's declaration, "Fans don't really want real journalism."

This column was probably the most poignant piece to have appeared in the Sports section. It serves as the lament for the larger demise of our social and intellectual integrity. Heartbreakingly well said, Mr. Brewer. It is the public above all, even above the media, that is reaping what it sows. First and foremost, it is the citizenry responsible for "A republic, if you can keep it." George Hoskin, Burtonsville

I was extremely impressed with Jerry Brewer's recent column. His comprehensive coverage of the changes in sports journalism reminded me of retired Post sportswriter Thomas Boswell. They share an intellectual honesty, intensity and excellent writing style that more journalists could stand to study.

Robert J. Seidel, Fairfax



Almog Meir Jan, an Israeli hostage held in Gaza, after he was rescued on June 8 in Ramat Gan, Israel.

Hostage rescue narrative required more care

The logic governing The Post's June 9 coverage of the heroic rescue of four Israeli hostages from their captors in Gaza was truly inscrutable to me. The lead front-page photograph featured a debris-strewn Gazan street. A photo of an elated, newly released hostage returning home in safety alongside his Israel Defense Forces rescuers appeared below the photo-

The first sentence of the accompanying article, "Israel rescues four hostages in bloody raid," began with an explanation of how many Gazans were killed, prioritizing the toll of the operation over its results. The article focused so much on the death and destruction of the operation but did little to acknowledge that there were two sets of combatants in the exchange. The article wrote only that "Israeli forces came under fire inside the two buildings," rather than acknowledging Israeli reports that Hamas fighters used heavy weapons and RPGs, which of course necessitated Israeli backup to protect the soldiers and hostages and resulted in additional

The article might also have spent more time laying out the implications of the fact that these four innocent hostages were locked in rooms within two "civilian" buildings. The conditions of their imprisonment corroborate reports from those previously freed that some Gazan families have made themselves complicit in this crisis by helping Hamas hold more than 100 civilians (including a 1-year-old) hostage for more than eight months.

This war, and all its lamentable loss, could end quickly if Hamas released the hostages, and stopped holding Gaza captive to its ideology of hatred and death.

Adam J. Raskin, Potomac

As a significant newspaper of record, I expected that The Post would cover the Gaza crisis with due recognition of the illegality of hostage-taking — for any purpose. I have therefore become dismayed by the narratives adopted by reporting teams and editors in several recent articles, none more so than the June 9 coverage of Israel's operation to free four hostages.

This lead story in the paper rushed past the miraculous rescue of four hostages and relegated the Oct. 7 killing of 1,200 and abduction of 250 to Page A19. However, the scant seven sentences on the first page included the phrases "bloodiest raid," "fiery assault, "devastation," "grievously wounded Palestinians, some without limbs, writhed in pain" and a quotation from Khalil al-Degran, spokesman for al-Aqsa Martyrs Hospital, that "Israel committed a massacre in Nuseirat."

Israel has legitimate justification for rescuing people who have been held hostage for 250 days as part of a conflict for which there is little hope of resolution. What would The Post have Israel do to rescue these hostages? It is not Israel's fault that Hamas and allied terrorist groups purposely hold the hostages in areas like crowded refugee camps. Hamas and allied groups, not Israel, are at fault for civilian deaths related

Had global public opinion been galvanized and action taken in the early days by an international coalition, we would not be where we are today with hostages in Gaza entrapped for so long with many dead, injured and dying. We would not have innocent Palestinians killed alongside the terrorists as Israel strikes back hard to eliminate a proven threat along its border.

More care should be given to the narrative and more recognition that those who continue to hold the hostages are the ones who are wrong and who are responsible for bringing death to their innocent neighbors during a rescue like this.

Elissa Leif, Silver Spring

The June 9 paper discussed the hostages held by Hamas and the slaughter committed by Israel in both a front-page article and Ruth Marcus's op-ed, "Still in Gaza, forgotten Americans." Neither of these pieces mentioned several important related issues.

First: the thousands of Palestinians held in Israeli prisons both before and taken since the Oct. 7 attack. Their friends and families say many were taken at random. Often, these prisoners have been held for several years with no convictions or even charges or trials. They are held under continually renewed "administrative detention."

Second: the plight of the American hostages held by Hamas, which ought to play a larger role in U.S. policy. I don't think victims of any demographic are less or more worthy than others. However, President Biden is responsible for keeping Americans safe. When he provides weapons to the Israelis, he risks allowing those Americans to become collater-

And finally, the rationale for all this violence, not even the rationale for Hamas's rebellion and hostage-taking in the first

Arlene Halfon, Washington

The passive voice winds us up

Please, please: Do not use passive constructions to describe police violence. The online headline of the June 14 front-page article should not read "A transgender man was in mental distress. Police wound up killing him." A more accurate headline might have read something like "A woman's brother was in mental distress. The police officers she called for help shot

The police made a choice. In this case, and many hundreds of others, police officers are choosing to use lethal violence. It's not the result of some inevitable process, such as that implied by the phrase "wound up." The officer deliberately chose to fire multiple

Inevitably, Commonwealth's Attorney Steve Descano described the officer's assumptions about whether he and his colleagues were in danger as "not unreasonable." But part of the officers' jobs is figuring out how to appropriately manage those in distress. If police can't do this, we as a society need to assign other people to do so. Maybe if the people who respond to those in crisis didn't have guns, they would alternative de-escalation find

Karl Kronebusch, Brooklyn

Center children

Regarding the "Abused by the Badge" series:

Good golly. The June 13 frontpage article "The teen wanted to be a cop. Instead she was abused by one in his patrol car." was the most disturbing article I've read in ages and shone a spotlight on the dark corners of child sexual abuse. There are so many bad actors involved who create a system that fosters and hides these crimes. I am truly

Nancy Loving, Minneapolis

Yet another impossible beauty standard for women

Amid all the analyses of AI-generated depictions of women in the June 9 front-page article "Beauty remains a narrow standard in eyes of AI," did anyone else notice that the largest photo under the Stable Diffusion segment on Page A15 shows a woman with at least three hands?

Larry Powers, Springfield

Artificial unintelligence

Regarding Shira Ovide's June 14 Tech Friend column, "The real goal of Apple's AI makeover": Call it artificial intelligence, Apple Intelligence, Meta AI or what have you, but intelligent it is not. So until chatbots stop recommending that we eat glue sandwiches, and Facebook stops wanting to help me make my posts "longer," I'll call it what it

Susan Dawkins, Clyde, N.C.

Bottom of the barrel

The June 10 Post featured some unfortunate photo positioning. The front page of the Style section was dominated by a picture of Evan Goldstein, the subject of "The 'bottom whisperer' will see you now. Back there," pulling on a rubber glove. The Sports section led with a shot of tennis champion Carlos Alcaraz celebrating his French Open win. The strained look on Mr. Alcaraz's face made it appear as if the good doctor reached through the pages and got to him just as the picture was taken.

Alan Peterson, Williamsburg, Va.

I am no prude nor against any sexual preferences of anyone. But the June 10 Style article "The 'bottom whisperer' will see you now. Back there," with its description of various anal betterment processes, seemed in poor taste for The Post. I wonder how many people fancied knowing the intimate intricacies of his procedures or personality. I realize the article might have been intended as a nod to the LGBTQ+ community. However, I'd be surprised if the target audience wasn't embarrassed by the level of detail described

Sandhya Gandhi, Rockville



Evan Goldstein in his office on June 4



The Liberty Loan Building

We paved paradise - is it time to replant?

My father and grandfather were among that diverse group who worked in the temporary buildings discussed in Michael Auslin's June 11 Tuesday Opinion column, " 'Last Tempo' in Washington." My grandfather Cyril Crichlow was born in Trinidad, British West Indies, in 1889. After he moved to the United States, he worked at the Munitions Building, Army Air Corps office and other departments from about 1925 until he retired in 1951. His positions were listed variously as messenger, classified laborer and clerk stenographer. At one time before moving to Washington, he was principal of the apparently short-lived Crichlow-Braithwaite Shorthand School in Harlem. On one letterhead in his file is "War Department Message Center, Rm. 3441, Munitions Building, Washington, DC." Grandpop died in 1965, way before I was able to ask questions about his life. He did leave a bit of a written trail, though.

My father, Martin A. Crichlow, was born in Mississippi and, after moving to New York and New Jersey, settled in Washington with his family by the mid-1920s. In about 1951, after working at the Pentagon and after filing an equal employment opportunity case, he began working as an assistant plumbing foreman for the General Services Administration, then headquartered in the Navy and Munitions Buildings. He eventually became, it is believed, the first Black foreman plumber in the GSA. When the buildings were torn down in 1970, Daddy was given a demolition memento from the Navy and Munitions Buildings. I often visited my father at work and even worked in those buildings during summer and winter vacations. I do often wonder how much asbestos we were exposed to

It certainly seems worthy to save the Liberty Loan Building and to possibly have a museum on the federal workforce there that would include stories of all the diverse people who have worked in government. If the Liberty Loan Building is torn down, hopefully some parts of the building will be saved as souvenirs.

Linda Crichlow White, Washington The writer is a trustee of the D.C. History Center.

In his appeal to preserve the last of the flood of federal temporary buildings in D.C. of the past century, Michael Auslin completely missed the forest for the trees — quite literally. His exhortation to designate the flatly fundamentally functional and decidedly desultory nondescript Liberty Loan Building as a National Historic Landmark is akin to memorializing a streetside waste receptacle, by mere virtue of the longevity of each.

A better effort for all, and an enduring long-term initiative, would be the incremental restoration of the once-grand forest that majestically characterized the noble quality of L'Enfant's Federal City.

Auslin himself noted that "thousands of trees were felled to make way for the tempos." We would serve ourselves well to reconsider the endless development and destruction of the fast-diminishing natural world. In the paraphrased and prescient lyrics of Joni Mitchell, the human race does itself no long-term favors by endlessly paving paradise and putting up parking lots.

 ${\bf Rocky \, Semmes}, Alexandria$

Remember when gifts had no strings attached?

I'm disappointed with the recent change to The Post's gift link policy. Anyone who wants to read articles shared through gift links is now required to register with The Post. Though I understand the importance of subscription-based models for sustaining quality journalism, I strongly believe this change might have unintended consequences that outweigh any potential benefits.

First, the whole point of a gift article is that it's supposed to be a gift. There shouldn't be additional conditions. Requiring registration also creates a barrier for readers who value their privacy and are hesitant to share personal information. Many people might choose not to register, because it's an impediment to reading, so they close the tab and find a similar article elsewhere and could even lose interest in The Post altogether.

Lastly, it's worth noting that the New York Times does not require registration to view gift articles, although it does show a prominent gift article banner. This inconsistency could lead to a competitive disadvantage for The Post, because people might trust gift articles from the Times to be more easily accessible than gift articles from The Post.

I hope you will consider the potential consequences of this change and explore alternative solutions that balance the needs of your publication with the preferences of your readers.

Ali Fleih, Ypsilanti, Mich.

I send you thousands of readers a month who will eventually join The Post as subscribers. Don't mess with the gift

Rebecca Schoenkopf, Detroit

The Washington Post

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

D.C.'s jail is getting an update. Just not the one it needs.

OR DECADES, detainee advocates have argued that the D.C. jail is unsafe, unsanitary and inhumane. Then, Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (Ga.) and some of her GOP colleagues visited individuals allegedly involved in the Jan. 6, 2021, insurrection, who were housed there. This obnoxious political stunt had a perhaps unintended side effect: Conservative interest in jail conditions gave further momentum to complaints that progressives, not to mention the facility's primarily

50 years.

Thankfully, the city's most recent budget allocates \$463 million to upgrade the jail. Even so, that doesn't mean some of the worst conditions will be fixed soon. In fact, the current plan puts the needs of only a small portion of those held at the D.C. jail ahead of the rest.

minority population, have been lodging for nearly

Local officials agree on replacing the current facility. The main building, which opened in 1976, has been the site of 10 deaths in the past 17 months. Five of these deaths occurred this year. The jail's rigorous covid-19 policy confined detainees to their cells for 23 hours a day during the pandemic. A surprise inspection by the U.S. Marshals Service in

2021 further fueled outrage, finding instances of food withholding and a strong smell of backed-up sewage

But agreement in principle has not yet led to shovels in the ground. Official discussions about a new jail in D.C. began 14 years ago, when the Department of Corrections requested \$420 million for a new facility. Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D) and corrections officials have consistently argued that the new jail and renovated treatment facility are urgent needs. But, because of concerns over a clear execution strategy, anytime money for the jail was included in the budget, it was promptly pushed out again. Until this latest round.

Money now in hand, city officials have to figure out how to spend it to do the most good for the most detainees. Disagreements persist on how to do that — and the city's current plan has it wrong. The D.C. Department of Corrections released a new timeline this month for the facility's transformation. Under the plan, renovating the deficient primary holding space would not be complete until 2034 at best. The plan splits the construction project into two phases. The city would start by constructing a small administrative and behavioral health facility, then move to upgrading the existing

housing for the general population.

The idea is that the jail has bigger problems than the deterioration of the facility's physical structure. Broader investment in the DOC, along with enhanced programming, educational opportunities, and treatment for detainees' physical and

While accommodating special needs and services is undoubtedly important, D.C. officials should focus on general housing first.

mental ailments, is necessary to change the current culture of the D.C. jail so that its inhabitants can more easily reintegrate into society. And that requires building the behavioral health facility.

But, while accommodating special needs and services is undoubtedly important, D.C. officials should focus on general housing first. Of course, rehabilitation is important for transitioning to life after detention. But the main facility's current dilapidated state is not a safe and rehabilitative environment for any of the more than 1,300 people locked up. By swapping the two phases and putting general housing ahead of specialized services, officials could provide these people with better living conditions and programming opportunities sooner, rather than leaving them to languish for another decade after so many years of neglect.

That doesn't mean D.C. should set aside its plans for the behavioral health facility - quite the contrary. The city has an opportunity to join others in the nation committing to comprehensive services for those behind bars, designed not merely to improve their living conditions but also to increase their chances of successfully reentering society. Maryland public safety officials, for instance, are pushing ahead with plans for a \$1 billion jail, hospital, and mental health and substance-use disorder treatment facility in Baltimore at the site of the previous detention center. The complex is set to open in 2029. By allocating funding promptly as well as responsibly, D.C. can start down the same path to providing all in its jail a safe, clean and truly rehabilitative environment.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Stars and Stripes to Sacred Hearts, what our flags say about us

Regarding The Post's June 10 online article "Justice Alito talked about political divide on purported secret recordings":

Although I have not been a Catholic or a theist of any kind for two decades, I still find the imagery of the church compelling in its richness and even its grotesqueness. And when I read about Martha-Ann Alito's desire to fly a Sacred Heart of Jesus flag emblazoned with the word "vergogna" (Italian for "shame") as a rebuke to Pride flags, it struck a personal note for me.

I am an Italian American gay man who grew up with this image in my home and my childhood



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"Senza Vergogna" (Without Shame)

church, the Church of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary and St. Stephen in Brooklyn. I have long been fascinated by the image of the wounded and flaming heart meant to symbolize Jesus' love, and by the story of how it was popularized. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a 17th-century nun who signed her profession of faith in her own blood, claimed to have divine visions.

including one in which Jesus instructed her to urge King Louis XIV to consecrate France to the Sacred Heart. She said that by doing so, France would gain the power to trounce the church's enemies. The tension between divine love and bellicosity in Sister Mary Margaret's vision are still with us today.

I'm a painter, so to me, the best response was through my art. In designing a flag that riffed on Ms. Alito's ambitions, I wanted to appropriate the image of the Sacred Heart and possibly extend its incongruities. I started with the simple imposition of the colors of the traditional Pride flag over a stylized version of the Sacred Heart as it appears on an old French prayer card that included a legend that translates to: "Here is the heart that has loved men so much; it is all love and mercy."

I preserved the symbols that originally appeared on that prayer card, given how apt they are in this shifted context: the spear of persecution, which also carries a sexual connotation of penetration; the crown of thorns, with its ironic indication of kingship (or queenship); the flames, with their dual senses of consuming sacrifice and passion. Instead of divine love pouring forth even to sinners who defy the divine, my design offers the resilience and defiance of pride in the face of persecution.

The legend "senza vergogna" (without shame) is implied. None of this is to say that I know or care what Jesus would have to say about any of this. But I suspect that Ms. Alito's plan to use the sacred heart to counter and shame people who celebrate LGBTQ+ identity is further removed from the love and mercy that image symbolizes than my use of the sacred heart in this design is.

Joe de Feo, Washington

As our town's keeper of the flag for 25 years, I feel I have standing to weigh in on the Alito flag controversy. I raise the American flag each day at the spot in Carlisle, Mass., where the Minutemen gathered on April 19, 1775, as they prepared to march to the North Bridge.

One day, while I struggled with the flag in high winds, an older gentleman, a Vietnam veteran, stopped to help. He was deeply concerned that the flag might touch the ground. His emotion and pride in our banner were palpable. He saluted as the flag was raised, thanked me and left. This moment highlights the reverence many hold for

In contrast, Martha-Ann Alito's actions demonstrate a disturbing disregard for this symbol.

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Whether she intends to express disdain for our democracy or her neighbors, she is wrong. Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr.'s response is equally troubling. His claim that this is a domestic issue unworthy of his intervention raises questions about his objectivity and honesty. His arrogance on the bench is reflected in his failure to address this simple act.

As we approach the 250th anniversary of the Battles of Concord and Lexington, I will continue to raise the flag with the reverence it deserves.

Tom Ratcliffe, Carlisle, Mass.

My wife and I have decided to follow Martha-Ann Alito's lead and fly our own flags: "Make America Tolerant Again," "Make America Informed Again" and "Make America a Secular Democracy Again"

What happened to "love thy neighbor"?

Raymond Coleman, Potomac

I have family, friends and neighbors who fly flags and banners. They are usually related to a holiday, or carry sentiments such as "Welcome to our Home," and even "We love our dog." I've yet to see a distress signal as a choice when thinking about what to fly

Another explanation was that Martha-Ann Alito was upset about a yard sign in the neighborhood that contained a vulgarity. I live in a very conservative state. If I decided to fly a signal of distress every time I saw a sign using that particular vulgarity in reference to President Biden, my yard would be full of upside-down flags!

Chloe Watson, Independence, W.Va.

It's our grand old flag, too

At first, I chuckled at Rick Reilly's June 14 Friday Opinion column, "Since when does Trump own the American flag?," about being mistaken for a Donald Trump fan because he flew the American flag. I have made the same error in reverse. After Joe Biden was elected in 2020, we were celebrating with friends on our front porch when we saw a pickup with big American flags flying off the back approach. We inwardly winced, expecting anti-Biden Trump fans in our oh-so-very Republican county. What a great surprise to see the Biden sign prominent on their truck as they neared! We cheered and raised our glasses in salute, and they

circled the block to join in.

We're pretty old-school in our flag etiquette, having been raised in families with dads who served in World War II. We reserve our flag-flying for the appropriate holidays. We light our flag. We never let it touch the ground. We only fly flags in good repair. Flags that near fraying or fading are appropriately retired with the help of our local American Legion post. It's a symbol of our loyalty to American democracy and honoring the sacrifices of our servicemen and -women. It's hard to watch when our Trump-supporting neighbors let their flags fade and rot to the ground, treating them as a symbol of political leanings, not of our country.

No, Trump doesn't own the flag: Americans do. **Jan Selbo**, *Warrenton, Va.*

I'm a vexillologist — a professional flag nerd and every year, I get contacted about the American flag and all of the rules around using it. It says a lot about Americans' attitudes toward the flag that we have a formal set of rules that govern how to treat our national standard with respect, but almost no one knows about them, much less follows them.

The U.S. Flag Code is broken every single day, usually while patriotic Americans watch and cover their hearts with pride. At the next "military appreciation game" at any local sporting event, watch as a large flag is carried out across the field. This breaks point (c) in the "Respect for Flag" section that reads: "The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free." As the teams remove their hats and sing the anthem, they might have a special team logo that is filled with an American flag rather than their team colors. That breaks the code multiple times over

It's fascinating to me how there's no public discussion or outrage about these violations, but someone kneeling during the anthem is a monthlong news cycle. Earlier this year, I stopped counting all of the Memorial Day sales that used the flag for advertising (also a Flag Code no-no). Did you see anyone protesting used-car dealerships for co-opting the flag and the memorialization of fallen soldiers to market a sale? Neither did I.

In 1990, the Supreme Court struck down the Flag Protection Act, and in turn, the enforcement of the Flag Code. In a 5-4 decision, the court ruled that the symbolic importance of the flag does not overrule someone's First Amendment rights, rendering the Flag Code to just a set of societal norms and traditions. At least for civil use. So why is it still used to scold anyone who lets the flag touch the ground?

What I've found is that the Flag Code is usually whipped out only when it supports someone's idea of patriotism, and they want to use it as a weapon against someone with a different view.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Michael Green}, Indiana polis\\ \textit{The writer is the founder of Flags For Good.} \end{tabular}$

Reading Rick Reilly's Flag Day op-ed reminded me of a comment I heard from a comedian decades ago. Unfortunately, I only remember the joke, not the person who told it, but here's a paraphrase: "American flags should be *required* to be made out of asbestos. Then they couldn't be burned *and* it would be uncomfortable for politicians to wrap themselves up in them!"

Paul Whittemore, Spotsylvania, Va.

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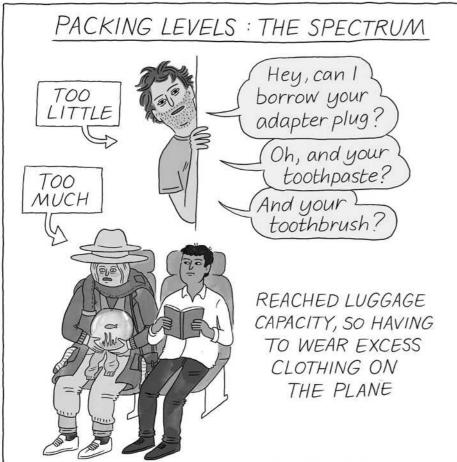
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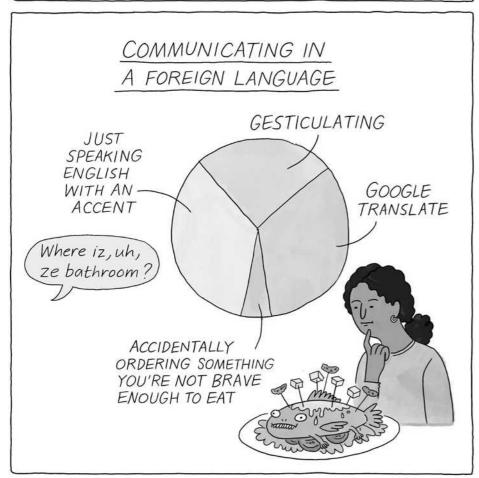
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This November, the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue is just as vital

f all goes as planned, by this time next week, the first presidential debate will be history, and attention can return to Nov. 5 and what matters most — namely, the race for the White House and control of Congress.

My working assumption is that President Biden will emerge from the debate still viewed as qualified to hold the Oval Office but also as neither sharp as a tack nor masterful at fancy verbal footwork. That assessment, I suspect, will be sufficient for voters who consider the alternative — former president Donald Trump — to be, by thought, word and deed, the most unfit person in America to be president.

The Biden-Trump collision will get sorted out on Election Day. But at least for this voter, Trump is a settled matter, and he has been since he crashed the presidential scene in 2016. I have said as much. The past eight years, with his abuse of presidential powers and his malignant conversion of the Republican Party into a cult of his own, have served only to reinforce what was apparent from the start.

It would be a mistake, however, to get totally distracted by Biden and Trump. The struggle for control of Congress matters enormously, too. Lose sight of Capitol Hill and say goodbye to any influence over laws that affect the life you want to lead. The House and Senate are not stately relics. They are the places where a president's policies find life or death.

Much is being made, among the core and vital Democratic constituencies of Black voters and young progressives, of the fact that Biden has not delivered on issues he campaigned on. Policing, criminal justice and voting rights are at the top of the list. So are complaints that the Biden White House has not produced material changes in the lives of people of color and those left out of the system.

Those critics are myopic at best, and blind as bats at worst. They fail to look toward the other end of Pennsylvania Avenue, where Congress sits and disposes of a president's proposals. Take, for instance, the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act, named for the 46-year-old Black man killed by

Minneapolis police in 2020. Introduced in the House and endorsed by Biden, the act died on Capitol Hill.

That's because there weren't enough yea votes for the bill in Congress. And that's because not enough Americans showed up to vote in the House and Senate races to make sure there were.

Think congressional elections don't matter? Just ask former president Barack Obama. He scored a historic victory in the 2008 presidential election against Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.), and then watched as his agenda got stymied by GOP electoral

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successes, fueled by anti-Obama conservatives, in the 2010 midterm elections. That year, Republicans recaptured the House and made strong gains in the Senate. Even after Obama was reelected in 2012, Republicans retained control of the House and had enough clout to gum up Obama's agenda.

What's more, after the 2014 midterm elections, Republicans took back the Senate by flipping nine seats. Following the 2016 election, Republicans held the Senate and had 247 seats in the House. Had Hillary Clinton won the 2016 presidential race, she would have run smack into a Republican phalanx on Capitol Hill.

So you're mad at Biden for not delivering material change on your terms? The worst-case scenario is you sit on your hands, Biden's not reelected, and Trump becomes president with Republican majorities in both chambers of Congress. Ponder that.

Go ahead and check out next week's debate. But think about what must come next after Election Day.

EDUARDO PORTER

Latin America isn't interested in another Cold War

n March, Gen. Laura J. Richardson, commander of the U.S. Southern Command, outlined for the House Armed Services Committee a long list of threats stemming from China's growing involvement in the region.

The People's Republic of China is not merely after Latin America's abundant natural resources, she argued, or simply focused on the isolation of Taiwan. Its investments in deepwater ports, space infrastructure and cyber facilities could become "points of future multi-domain access" for the Chinese military, allowing China to project power in choke points such as the Panama Canal, monitor and track U.S. forces, and even improve its nuclear targeting.

"It is imperative that we view the PRC's economic activities, particularly in the Americas, as connected to their global political and military desires," she told the committee.

The alarm bells have grown shriller with each passing month. For Latin American leaders, they offer a grim reminder of what can happen when Washington fears the region might be slipping to the other side.

Perhaps SouthCom's alarmism should be taken with a grain of salt. Rebecca Bill Chavez, who was deputy assistant secretary of defense for Western Hemisphere affairs during the Obama administration and now heads the Inter-American Dialogue in D.C., told me that raising the alarm about existential threats in the region has been a standard ploy to draw attention and resources from Washington.

Still, Richardson's opinion matters. She has become one of the most visible U.S. officials in Latin America, often on tour to meet top-ranking civilian and military leaders in Ecuador, Peru, Colombia, Chile, Brazil and Argentina.

What's more, her mistrust of China's intentions is by now broadly shared beyond the U.S. military. Civilians in Washington are not happy about the deepwater megaport that China's Cosco Shipping is building in Peru. They are getting antsy about Chinese exports to and investments in Mexico, claiming they are designed to circumvent U.S. tariffs.

A few years ago, the Chilean government annulled a contract with a Chinese company to manufacture Chilean passports and IDs after officials from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security warned it would be difficult for Chile to remain in the visa waiver program if China had access to Chileans' passport data.

The United States also leaned on Chile to nix a bid by Huawei to build a trans-Pacific undersea cable connecting Valparaiso to Shanghai. It also tried to block a 2022 deal for China to build Argentina's fourth nuclear power plant, Atucha III. It stopped Mexico from deploying Chinese-made scanners at its border checkpoints.

Altogether, Washington's not-too-subtle message is that it wants Latin America to get on board against its new global rival. As Joshua Meltzer of the Brookings Institution noted about Washington's concerns over China's growing links with Mexico, "Failure to cooperate more deeply on how to respond to China risks the U.S. adopting a more go-it-alone approach."

Latin American leaders, however, see little upside to Washington's proposition. They might not endorse China's craving for Taiwan or share its desire to displace the United States as global hegemon, but neither do they love Washington's ambition to box China out. Especially for the big commodity producers in South America, China has been a godsend.

The Cold War model is something the region would rather avoid. From the Alliance for Progress proposed in the wake of the Cuban Revolution through support of the military coup against Chilean President Salvador Allende in 1973 and the funding of contras fighting the Sandinista government in Nicaragua in the mid-1980s, Washington's sole objective in Latin America was to prevent it from falling into

the embrace of the Soviet Union.

The demise of the U.S.S.R. offered a brief moment when other paths could be pursued. The United States signed on to the North American Free Trade Agreement and even proposed a Free Trade Area of the Americas to glue the continent together with ties of trade and investment. But the terrorist attacks on 9/11 slammed that door shut. Washington lost interest in the region — until China started poking around.

The United States should understand, however, that the "you're either with me or against me" model of the Cold War won't work in the present. Thuggish and poor, the Soviet Union didn't have much to offer in exchange for obedience. China, by contrast, has money to invest plus an enormous appetite for the raw materials that underpin the economies of several South American countries. Moreover, Beijing is not demanding unflinching political allegiance. "Until now, the Chinese have not ideologized nor politicized the relationship," Jorge Castañeda, Mexico's former foreign minister, told me.

Washington will make more progress when it offers itself to Latin American leaders as a partner, not a scold.

China's growing economic involvement certainly presents a challenge for the United States and its influence in the region. China offers Latin American countries a measure of strategic independence: They can now snub their nose at Washington, knowing there is an alternative source of finance and commerce.

Even in Mexico — the least likely country in the region to snub Washington, as it is intimately tied to the U.S. economy and has fairly weak ties to China — officials are enjoying the idea. As Mexican Foreign Minister Alicia Bárcena told the New Yorker, "Mexico will have to look for other paths" if the United States turns protectionist under a second Trump administration. "China is a country that is constantly looking out for Mexico."

It is important not to overstate the case in either direction. China invested about \$193 billion in Latin America and the Caribbean between 2000 and 2023, according to Red ALC-China, an academic network that monitors the regions' relationships with China. That amounted to only 6.6 percent of total foreign investment in Latin America and the Caribbean over the period. U.S. companies invest more in a single year. And, sure, the much-maligned Huawei is among the Chinese investors, but it accounts for only 2.6 percent of China's money. Most of its investment has gone into mining and electric power infrastructure.

Maybe there is a reason for Washington to worry about the Chinese military's space-monitoring station in Patagonia. But whatever the real threat, it is unhelpful to view Latin America simply as a theater of economic conflict in which to wipe China out. Overall, Washington will make more progress when it offers itself to Latin American leaders as a partner, not a scold.

This might not be easy, especially since Washington has turned its back on trade, once the most powerful tool it had to build economic ties and alliances across the world. Still, the United States will have better luck if it arrives in Latin American capitals in civilian dress with promising cooperation prospects than it currently does, showing up in military regalia hoping to strong-arm the region's leaders into accepting Washington's perceived threats as their own.

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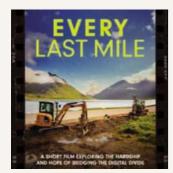
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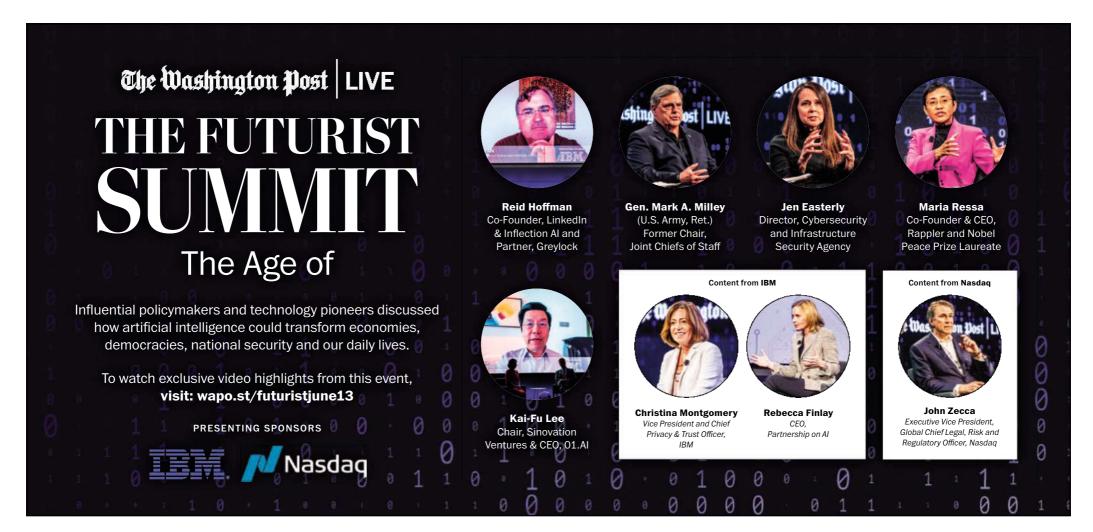


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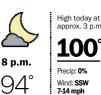
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A Hyattsville woman was indicted in a November crash that killed two youths in a crosswalk. **B4**



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George R. Nethercutt Jr., 79, made a splash in the 1994 GOP wave by felling the House speaker. **B4**

What's Washington listening to?

On the National Mall, D.C. residents and others dish on what songs, podcasts and books are playing in their headphones. **B2**



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Suspect in Md. slaying ordered to remain in jail

The family of Rachel Morin grieves as details of her case become clear

BY DAN MORSE AND JASMINE HILTON

Patty Morin knew her daughter Rachel had been killed on a trail near her home in Maryland. She had seen her body at the funeral. But 10 months after her daughter's death, Morin tried not to dwell on what happened and she didn't really want to know.

"The pain is so great you don't want to express it. Denial is a way your mind protects you from your pain," Morin said.

All that denial was stripped away on June 14, she said, when she got a call from Harford County Sheriff Jeff Gahler. He told her detectives had determined how her daughter had been killed in August and that she had been raped, Morin recalled. The investigators also revealed they had found a suspect and were about to take him into custody in Oklahome.

"It just made everything more real, more factual," Morin said. "You feel the full blunt of your grief."

On Friday, one week after that call, the man wanted in Rachel Morin's killing appeared in court, where a judge in Harford County District Court ordered him to remain in jail without bond until his trial

Victor Martinez-Hernandez, 23, was arrested after officials recently linked him through DNA from a Los Angeles home burglary to the killing, according to Gahler.

Prosecutors in court said Rachel Morin had been strangled and beaten.

"This murder was among the most brutal and violent offenses that have occurred in Harford County history," Harford County State's Attorney Alison Healey said before the judge ruled.

Amy Valdivia, a public defender representing Martinez-Hernandez, said during the court hearing that he "stands before the court presumed innocent." She did not comment further before the hear-

Martinez-Hernandez had crossed into the United States unlawfully in February 2023, officials said, and had fled to the United States after the killing of a young woman in his home country. Prosecutors said Friday the woman in El Salvador was killed after she left a bar with him, and he is charged in her death.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials said Martinez-Hernandez had unlawfully entered the United States and was sent back across the U.S.-Mexico border on three occasions in January and February of 2023. He was known to have spent time in Maryland, Virginia, Los Angeles and finally Tulsa, where he was apprehended earlier this month, police said

said.

Morin's killing in August drew wide attention. The mother of five had gone for a run on the Ma and Pa Heritage Trail about 20 miles northeast of Baltimore but did not return. Her car was found parked at the entrance, and her boyfriend reported her missing that night. Martinez-Hernandez's family had provided detectives with two bags of clothing and shoes he had left behind that were used to match with DNA recovered at the crime scene, according to charging documents

Patty Morin found out about SEE KILLING ON B4

Weeks after nursing home lawsuit, Maryland health official resigns

BY KATIE SHEPHERD

The head of the Maryland agency tasked with regulating nursing home safety will resign effective June 27, several weeks after a lawsuit revealed a substantial backlog in inspections and complaint investigations.

Tricia Nay joined the Maryland Health Department's Office of Health Care Quality, known as OHCQ, in 2008 and had served as the agency's executive director since 2014. The Health Department did not provide a reason for her resignation in a news release Thursday afternoon. Nay also did not provide a comment in that release.

"We are committed to finding a

highly qualified health care quality expert to lead this critical office," Health Secretary Laura Herrera Scott said in a statement announcing the resignation and a national search for Nay's replacement

The Health Department said OHCQ's mission is to protect the health and safety of Marylanders and ensure there is public confidence in the health care and community service delivery systems. It is tasked with issuing licenses for certain health-care facilities and programs in Maryland, such as nursing homes or assisted living programs.

"Marylanders expect our regulated health care providers to provide high quality care to our

patients, especially those who are most vulnerable," Herrera Scott added.

Public trust in the agency, which also is charged with regulating hospital safety, has recently waned, particularly in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. Lengthy emergency room wait times, a sharp rise in adverse incidents reported by Maryland hospitals, and ongoing concerns about the safety of nursing homes have spurred activists to

call for the state to take action.

The state agency said it expects the search for a new director of OHCQ to take several months. Until the position is filled, Nilesh Kalyanaraman,

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Tricia Nay's resignation as head of the Maryland Health Department's Office of Health Care Quality follows a May lawsuit that pointed to a statewide backlog in nursing home inspections.

Bannon appeals for Supreme Court help

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Trump aide's sentence is set to begin July 1

BY RACHEL WEINER

Stephen K. Bannon has lost another bid to delay his July 1 deadline to report to prison, leaving the former Donald Trump aide little chance of avoiding incarceration for refusing to testify about efforts to overturn the 2020 election results

Bannon's only remaining hope is Supreme Court intervention; on Friday he asked the justices to issue an emergency ruling in his favor while he appeals his conviction for contempt of Congress.

Both the judge who oversaw Bannon's trial and the judges who heard the appeal of his conviction have denied his requests to remain free. Both courts said Bannon had little chance of success in arguing that he was relying on advice from an attorney and did not "willfully" break the law by ignoring the congressional subpoena.

Now a far-right podcaster, Bannon argued through attorneys that as "a top adviser to the President Trump campaign" he should have the "ability to participate in the campaign and comment on important matters of policy" as the 2024 election nears.

"Bannon's proposal ... cannot be reconciled with the Supreme Court's approach to the statute," the appellate court wrote, and would make it impossible for law-SEE BANNON ON B3

Spain tops Democrats' vote to fill board seat

Five-way primary race focused on urban growth in Arlington County

BY TEO ARMUS

Julius D. "JD" Spain Sr. won the Democratic primary for the Arlington County Board, according to unofficial results, cementing this Northern Virginia locality's embrace of urban growth in a race that spotlighted fault lines over the issue.

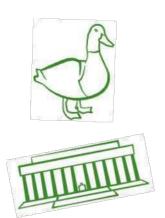
The contest for the open seat held by Chair Libby Garvey (D), who is retiring, was conducted using ranked-choice voting. Preliminary results were not tabulated until Friday afternoon so that elections officials could include late-arriving mail-in ballots.

The five-way race was most prominently shaped by the board's much-debated vote last year to eliminate single-family-only zoning in favor of more "missing middle" housing.

But the candidates also laid out contrasting visions on how they might push to fill the empty office buildings straining the county budget and tackle rising incidents of youth overdoses — as well as what kind of experience and temperament they would bring to the board.

"I want large-scale community buy-in in my decisions," Spain said minutes after the result was announced. "People no longer want to hear about divisive is-

ar about divisive is-SEE **PRIMARY** ON **B3**



What's playing in D.C.'s ears

BY BISHOP SAND AND JOE HEIM

t's almost impossible to walk 10 feet in Washington without passing someone wearing ear buds or headphones. For many, they've become as indispensable as shoes, providing a personalized soundtrack to their purposeful strolls and workouts in America's capital city. But what songs or podcasts or books are all those people listening to? To answer that question, we put our years of high-level journalistic training to use: We asked them. Below are nine of our favorite responses from people we encountered over a couple of days on the National Mall. Responses have been edited for clarity. If you would like hear them in their own words, scan the QR code below. ¶







Wayne Bibb

29, Washington, D.C., going to work "My Golden Years," by the Lemon Twigs

"I make music as well, so it's like, just finding different things that I'm picking up on in the music. It just, like, enriches my soul, I guess. And I feel like I can use it for my own music."



Brooke Loblack

17, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., looking at colleges in Washington with her sister "Make Me Stay," by Sonder.

"I always listen to music. You can ask her; I never take these off. I know, it's so bad. I need to stop. But I'm just, like, kind of like a person, I need background music for everything."



Randy Yoshimura

60, Washington, D.C., going home from work

"The Asahi Shimbun Asia & Japan Watch" podcast

"So, I play in a band. So when we practice, we make recordings, and I listen to it to make sure, like, what's wrong and what's not wrong. So, I use it as kind of like a feedback."



Beth Schofield

Washington, D.C., visiting the Mall "Don't Go Insane," by Andrew Hinds

"I think it's really nice to see spring and obviously the blossoms and everything. But, yeah, I really like it. It's an exciting year to be in the U.S. overall, so I'm excited to see how it all goes."



Samantha Hantsche

20, Washington, D.C., out for a walk "Cake by the Ocean," by DNCE

"I think it makes it more entertaining. It's, like, also really cool to walk around the Mall and stuff and listen to music. I think it's, I don't know, enhances the experience, I guess."



Jillian Fielder

29, Washington, D.C., running "Travel That Matters" podcast

"So, a good podcast or a good audiobook, it feels like you're actually running with a friend. And I prefer that."



Herb Osborne

38, Washington, D.C., going to work 808 Mafia instrumentals

"I put it into words, into thought. And I keep thinking it and keep thinking it, and somehow it becomes a song sometimes."



Matthew Swartz

72, Washington, D.C., exercising The Beatles

"It's a Beatles channel. It's the soundtrack of my life. So when I go out like this, I just feel a little surge of youth, maybe. I don't know if that's what it is."



Camilla Mancini

29, Italy, working out "Out of the Woods," by Taylor Swift

"Music helps me to be isolated from the rest of the world. So, it's just me, myself, the music, what I'm focusing on. And, yeah, it, it helps to keep me focused."



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THE DISTRICT

Assistant superintendent to lead education department in interim position

BY LAUREN LUMPKIN

A former teacher and longtime administrator has been named the interim leader of D.C.'s education department, officials said Thursday.

Antoinette S. Mitchell, who was appointed as interim state superintendent of education by Mayor Muriel E. Bowser (D), will start the new job on Monday. Her promotion from assistant superintendent for postsecondary and career education follows the departure of Christina Grant, who has been D.C.'s state education superintendent since 2021. Grant announced in March she would step down after this school year to lead a research center at Harvard University.

Officials said in a statement

that Mitchell has spent more than 20 years in education and "brings diverse perspectives and experiences from having worked as a teacher, researcher, dean, and accreditation officer in various educational settings." She was not available Thursday for an interview.

D.C.'s state superintendent's office operates as a liaison between the federal government and the city — making the superintendent one of the highest school-related posts in the city. Other education leaders include the deputy mayor for education, the chancellor of D.C. Public Schools and the executive director of the public charter school board.

In her new role, Mitchell will take on responsibilities that include making sure families can



D.C. OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

Antoinette S. Mitchell, who has spent decades in local education, will start as D.C's interim state superintendent on Monday.

access early-childhood education, spending millions of dollars in federal grants and determining what children must learn at school.

It is unclear for how long Mitchell will have the interim job, which will also include preparing the city for the end of federal pandemic money that expires in September and taking over a troubled transportation arm that was accused in a lawsuit this year of failing to provide safe and timely transportation for disabled children.

dren.
As the agency's assistant superintendent for postsecondary and career education — a job Mitchell held for 10 years — she oversaw programs related to college enrollment, certification comple-

tion and employment, according

to the division's website.

Leaders in D.C. have paid increasing attention to students' lives after high school in recent years, backing efforts to boost college enrollment and graduation rates, as well as spending millions of dollars on career training, dual enrollment and early college programs. Roughly 18 out of every 100 ninth graders will earn a college degree within six years of their high school graduation, according to an estimate from the D.C. Policy Center, a local think tank.

Mitchell is a "proud native Washingtonian" and graduate of Wilson High School (now Jackson-Reed High School), according to an online profile. She taught social studies at Hine Junior High School, which closed in 2008.



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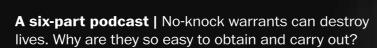
Long a mere dream kicking around in the overactive imaginations of its founders, White Ford Bronco officially came into being in the spring of 2008. Since then, the five-member ensemble has been sparking bouts of flannel-laden, slap-bracelet-snapping, pog-playing, big-butt-loving nostalgia across the Washington, D.C. area. Whatever flavor – be it alternative, rock, pop, R&B, hip-hop, or country – if its '90s, the band will play it.

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Bannon's bid to delay prison sentence is shot down

BANNON FROM B1

makers to carry out investigations. While the three judges of the D.C. Circuit were unanimous in upholding Bannon's guilt, they split along ideological lines on the request for delay. Judge Justin Walker, the Donald Trump nominee on the panel that heard the case, said he would allow Bannon to stay out of prison while arguing his case to the Supreme Court.

Bannon is following a path already walked by Trump trade adviser Peter Navarro, who is set to finish an identical prison sentence on July 17. Both men ignored subpoenas from a House committee over their involvement in plans to undo the 2020 election, and both were found guilty at trial for refusing to testify. Navarro pursued his own case up to the Supreme Court, unsuccessfully. Bannon is now seeking a similar intervention.

Both men argued that they could not testify to the House committee investigating the Jan. 6, 2021, Capitol attack because they were covered by Trump's authority to keep some internal White House conversations confidential. They said they were also subjected to a double standard, as other would-be witnesses also stonewalled Congress. But courts have ruled consistently that witnesses are required to respond to subpoenas even if they believe they can't share information on some subiects. And although just before Bannon's trial Trump himself suggested his former strategist was blocked from testifying by executive privilege, an attorney for Trump had told Bannon's lawyers



Stephen K. Bannon talks to reporters after appearing in federal court in 2021. Bannon has argued through attorneys that as an adviser to the Trump campaign he should have the "ability to participate in the campaign and comment on important matters of policy."

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The White House attorney wrote, "we don't believe there is ... immunity from testimony for your

Unlike Navarro, Bannon was not working in the White House during the 2020 plotting. An architect of Trump's 2016 victory, he was fired about eight months later after encouraging the president's divisive remarks in response to a deadly neo-Nazi attack in Charlottesville. While he has no formal role in the 2024 campaign, Bannon has close ties to influential voices in Trump's orbit, amplifies the ex-president's rhetoric and regularly hosts Trump allies on his podcast.

House Republicans recently voted to hold Attorney General Merrick Garland in contempt for refusing to release audio recordings from the investigation into President Biden's handling of classified material. Lawmakers were given transcripts but told by the Justice Department that sharing tapes from a closed investigation would discourage cooperation in future White House probes.

Bannon suggested his prosecution opened a "Pandora's box" and that Garland and other Biden administration officials will face criminal charges from the next Republican administration. The Justice Department responded that Bannon's "unilateral decision to engage in total defiance of the subpoena" was different, particularly since he was "told by a representative of the former President that he is not immune from testifying and may not engage in total noncompliance."

Spain wins 5-way primary for Arlington board seat

PRIMARY FROM B1

sues. They want to move forward with innovative thinkers but also those who lead with empathy."

Given some of the policy disagreements between candidates, he said, his win points to the fact that Arlington's soaring housing costs are "still a significant issue."

At least two others are running in the general election: independent Audrey Clement, who has unsuccessfully run for the board a dozen times, and Republican Juan Carlos Fierro, who lost the race last year. Spain will be heavily favored to win in liberal Arlington, where just one person has won a spot on the board since 2000 without the Democratic nomination.

The Arlington County Board has five members who are all elected at-large and serve staggered four-year terms. There is no permanent chair; that title is selected by the board each January and usually rotates between members from one year to the

Spain, 51, a consultant who unsuccessfully ran for the board last year, pitched a focus on mental health issues and said he would push the county to continue leaning into urban development. A past president of the Arlington NAACP, he also did not shy away from the sometimes sharp criticism he took toward the board he is now on track to be

Edie Wilson, president of the Shirlington Civic Association, said she backed Spain because he would push the board toward change and away from the limitations she said were imposed by single-family zoning.

"The restriction to single-family homes was put in place as segregation ended in many parts of the country, including Virginia," Wilson, 72, said Tuesday outside the Charles Drew



Julius D. "JD" Spain Sr. is the unofficial winner in the Democratic primary. He cites Arlington's housing costs as "a significant issue."

Community Center in Green Valley. "It was implicitly restrictive. It's time for us to move forward, and to do that, we need to be able to adopt new housing."

About 2 in 5 Arlington residents are people of color, but all five seats on the Arlington County Board are occupied by White lawmakers. If the results hold and he wins the seat in November, Spain, who is Black, will bring racial diversity back to the body -apoint he noted on the campaign

Joanne Hawkins, 69, said she was drawn to Spain because of their shared interest in public health and boosting Arlington's public school system. "He seemed

to me more interested in the school systems," said Hawkins, a retired nurse. "I'm always hoping that we'll have better school systems here. That's what I read about, and that's what stood out

Arlington Registrar Gretchen Rienemeyer calculated the preliminary results before a small crowd late Friday afternoon. Her office had to process any mail-in ballots that came in before a noon Friday deadline to begin the votecounting process.

Voters filled out their ballots by ranking up to three candidates in their preferred order, and the tabulation process worked as follows: Votes were tallied and the candidate with the fewest firstchoice votes was eliminated; their votes were then reassigned to their next-ranked candidate. The process repeated until one person had won a clear majority.

Arlington residents generally expressed less confusion with this year's ranked-choice system, which is nearly identical to the one that has been used for an Alaska congressional seat, a New York City mayoral primary and the GOP's most recent Virginia gubernatorial convention.

Last year's county board primary for two open seats relied on a slightly different form of ranked-choice known as "single transferrable vote," which left some residents and politicos with questions and frustrations before and after the primary.

John Ausink, 70, said he voted for Natalie U. Roy, who had opposed "missing middle" and also lost last year's election, "partly because of what I believe was careless implementation of the ranked-choice voting."

Roy had more first-choice

votes than all but one other candidate in the 2023 primary but did not end up winning the seat -aresult that Ausink's wife, Elaine Simmons, called "anti-democrat-

County elections officials encouraged voters to rank as many candidates as they would like. Given the tabulation method, ranking more than one person does not hurt a voter's first-choice

But after their confusion over last year's results, Ausink and Simmons ignored that advice: They only voted for Roy "and didn't vote for anybody else for second and third, because that can be used against her," Simmons said.

Spain took the lead anyway.

Jordan D. Brown contributed to this

Arlington approves teachers union contracts for first time in 47 years

BY KARINA ELWOOD

The Arlington school board approved labor contracts with its teachers union Thursday evening, its first agreements reached in nearly 50 years as collective bargaining efforts spread across districts in Virginia.

The agreements guarantee annual pay raises based on experience, allow staff to take leave in one-hour increments and add four days of bereavement leave. The contracts also add union representation in decisions about changing benefits - something that educators voiced concern about late last year.

The school board certified two collective bargaining agreements with the Arlington Education Association (AEA): a two-year deal for support staff and a three-year contract for licensed staff. They take effect July 1.

"Today marks a significant milestone for Arlington Public Schools," Superintendent Francisco Durán said Thursday. "These agreements reflect our commitment to supporting our dedicated staff. By listening to their voices and working collaboratively, we are setting a precedent for excellence and equity in education."

Arlington is the fifth school division in Virginia to certify a contract after a 2020 law allowed local government agencies to enter into collective bargaining agreements with unions for the first time since 1977. Richmond, Falls Church, Montgomery County (Va.) Public Schools and Prince William County have already approved contracts.

"When we embarked on this journey, we knew it would not be easy," AEA President June Prakash said at Thursday's school board meeting. "We faced resistance, skepticism and numerous challenges. Yet we remain steadfast driven by the belief that every worker deserves a voice, a seat at the table, and the power to shape their working conditions."

In the fall, the Arlington school board faced backlash by some teachers when it changed the district's health-care provider with about three months notice. Dozens of teachers showed up to school board meetings to criticize the decision, voicing concerns and fears about the move.

One of the highlights of the new contracts include ensuring that AEA is represented on the committee that makes decisions about benefits changes to ensure the employees voices are included.

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AEA President June Prakash

Teachers and other school staff across Northern Virginia have said that collective bargaining is an opportunity to be more involved in the decision-making process, secure better pay and improve conditions to retain

Around Northern Virginia, other school districts are at varying phases in the process of building collective bargaining agreements. Earlier this month, employees with Fairfax County Public Schools, the state's largest district, voted in favor of collective bargaining and the Fairfax Education Unions will begin negotiating its first contract later this year.

'These agreements have been a labor of love, and they are the result of diligent negotiation and they reflect our commitment to ensure fair and equitable working conditions for all of our employees," Arlington school board Chair Cristina Diaz-Torres said at Thursday's meeting.

Md. has 2nd-highest nursing home inspection lag

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deputy secretary of public health services, will serve as acting di-

A lawsuit filed in May accused OHCQ of violating the Americans With Disabilities Act by failing to inspect facilities and address a backlog of complaints of subpar and even dangerous conditions. According to federal data, Maryland has the second-highest per-

centage of overdue annual nursing home inspections in the nation, after Kentucky. More than 80 percent of the state's nursing homes have a recertification survey that is at least 17 months late, and the state has failed to inspect 104 nursing facilities for more than four years. The lawsuit claims those delays led to violations of residents' rights and in some cases may have led to serious injuries.

"We are committed to finding a highly qualified health care quality expert to lead this critical office."

Laura Herrera Scott, Maryland health secretary, referring to the state's Office of Health Care Quality

"There is much work to be done within the Office of Health Care Quality," Kalyanaraman said in a statement announcing the leadership changes. "Since the pandemic, health care services across the country have struggled as they reel from staffing setbacks and other challenges. The Department will hire leadership that builds trust and maintains Maryland's strict standards for quality care."

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Family confronts grief after killing of Maryland woman

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her daughter's death as she was driving home from Kentucky, where she'd gone to mourn the loss of a granddaughter — just 3 months old — who died of sudden infant death syndrome.

Patty Morin said she expects to be at most, if not all, of Martinez-Hernandez's court hearings in Harford County. Doing so, she said, is a way to help ensure that justice is served.

"A mother wants to protect her children, and I wasn't there to protect her last year," Morin said. "Maybe this is some way to still do that, to make sure nothing is left undone."

Patty Morin holds bright memories of her daughter Rachel: The petite, redheaded girl; the happy and vivacious young woman; the devoted mother of five whose lives she could manage while owning and operating a residential and commercial cleaning business. "She tailored work around her children," Morin said. "Rachel was a very scheduled person. ... She loved life."

Early on, because investigators kept their findings to themselves,

Patty Morin said that she and others didn't have a sense of how hard they were working and how many people were doing so. Then, about four months into the case, there was a large gathering of family, volunteers and law enforcement to canvass areas in Bel Air to gather possible leads and see if anyone remembered seeing anything.

Afterward, Morin entered a room at the sheriff's office with 30 to 40 other people, all of whom were playing a role in the case.

"I saw that this case was just as important to them as it was to me," she said. "As this went on, I knew them to be fathers and mothers and husbands and wives, too. Rachel wasn't just a folder on someone's desk."

Early in the case, Harford investigators linked Morin's killing to DNA collected from a home burglarized earlier in Los Angeles, where law enforcement officials allege Martinez-Hernandez assaulted a 9-year-old girl and her mother.

The recent allegations against Martinez-Hernandez, and his purported status as an undocumented immigrant who had fled El Salvador after allegedly killing



Patty Morin, left, said the grief about the killing of her daughter, Rachel, right, became more real as the details became clearer. The suspect in Rachel's slaying was ordered held in jail without bond on Friday.

someone there, generated interest from news media and the public.

Officials have spoken about Martinez-Hernandez's immigration status. At a news conference, Gahler said Martinez-Hernandez "did not come here to make a better life for himself or for his family. He came here to escape the crime he committed in El Salvador. He came here and murdered Rachel. And God willing, no one else. But that should have never

been allowed to happen."

The sheriff also said: "I want to now direct these comments to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue and to every member in both chambers of Congress. We are 1,800 miles away here in Harford County. We are 1,800 miles away from the southern border, and the American citizens are not safe because of failed immigration policies."

Presidential candidate Donald Trump posted about the case on Truth Social, laying blame for Rachel's death at President Biden's border policies. Trump called Morin's family to express his condolences, the family's attorneys

said Thursday.

There is little evidence that immigrants — or even undocumented immigrants — cause more crime, according to a Washington Post Fact Checker analysis. Still, there is enough ambiguity in the data — or so little hard data — that

it's difficult to point to findings that would change opinions.

"Many politicians, law enforcement personnel and ordinary citizens are nonetheless incensed because this person should not have been in the country and thus capable of committing a crime," said Michael Light, a sociologist at the University of Wisconsin at Madison who has studied the issue. "This view that the person's un-

"A mother wants to protect her children, and I wasn't there to protect her last year. Maybe this is some way to still do that, to make sure nothing is left undone."

Patty Morin, mother of Rachel Morin, slain in Harford County last year

documented status is an aggravating factor is also likely a reason why these crimes generate such strong responses."

Morin said she is aware of peoples' strongly held views around immigration politics and policies but said she didn't want to discuss that element. "I have very strong political views," she said. "But I don't want the focus to be on the political. ... I want the focus to be on Rachel and her story."

MARYLAND

Hyattsville woman indicted in November crash that killed 2 schoolchildren

BY JASMINE HILTON
AND CLARENCE WILLIAMS

A grand jury in Prince George's County indicted a 51-year-old driver in a fatal crash in which a boy and girl were killed as they walked in a crosswalk near Riverdale Park Elementary School in November, authorities said Thursday.

Prosecutors said Olga Lugo Jiminez of Hyattsville, Md., is charged with two counts of criminally negligent manslaughter and two counts of causing serious physical injury or death of a vulnerable individual while operating a motor vehicle.

The incident unfolded at about 8 a.m. on Nov. 20 as the children walked to school with the father of the boy through the intersection of Riverdale and Taylor roads, steps away from the school, prosecutors said.

"They were tragically struck by the negligent driving of Ms. Jiminez, and their lives are forever lost," Prince George's State's Attorney Aisha Braveboy (D) said during a news conference.

Jiminez made a turn "that should not have been made unless it was clear that she could make the turn safely," Braveboy

Officials identified the children as Shalom Mbah, a 10-year-old girl, and Sky Sosa, 5, a boy, both of Riverdale, Md. They were taken to a hospital, where they died shortly after, authorities said. The father also was struck but sustained non-life-threatening injuries.

Braveboy said Jiminez was driving a passenger van as part of an independent passenger delivery service that transported community children to school. She was not employed by the school.

There was no crossing guard at the intersection at the time, prosecutors said.

eutors said. Hyattsville, was indicted on "It's a tough case because we negligent manslaughter counts."

know Ms. Jiminez did not intend to hurt or harm anyone," Braveboy said. "But the actions she took that day led to the deaths of two small children, and she could have and should have made better decisions."

The charges could result in up to six years imprisonment for both charges of criminally negligent manslaughter, Braveboy said

Authorities issued a summons for Jiminez to appear in court. She was not taken into custody, which Braveboy said is common in such cases.

It was not immediately clear whether Jiminez has an attorney. Her court date is scheduled for July 5, according to online court records.

The scene of a crash in which Olga Lugo Jiminez, 51, of Hyattsville, was indicted on negligent manufacture counts

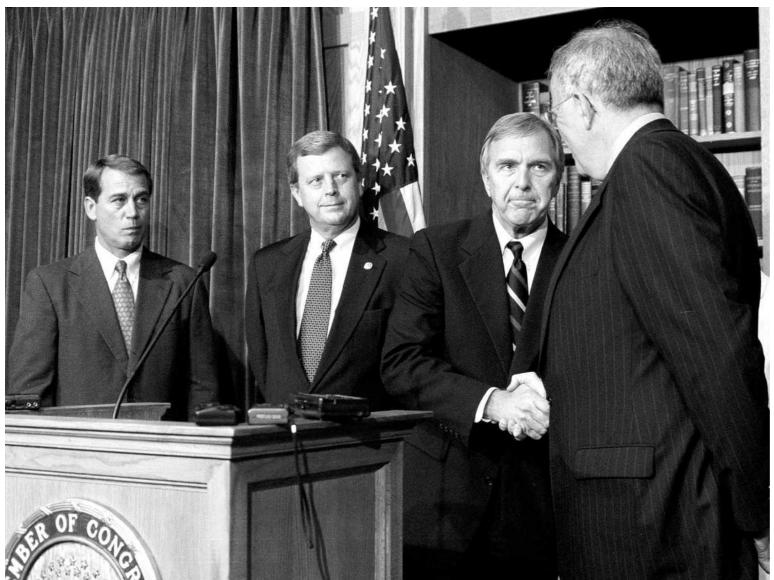


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OBITUARIES

GEORGE R. NETHERCUTT JR., 79

Felling House speaker, GOP operative made splash in 1994



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BY ASSOCIATED PRESSGeorge R. Nethercutt Jr., a

George R. Nethercutt Jr., a lawyer in Spokane, Wash., with limited political experience who beat his local congressman, Democratic House Speaker Thomas S. Foley, as part of a stunning GOP wave that shifted national politics to the right in 1994, died June 14 at 79.

The cause was progressive supranuclear palsy, a rare, neurodegenerative brain disease, his son Elliott Nethercutt said in an email, adding that the place of death was near Denver.

The 1994 midterm elections, which came halfway through President Bill Clinton's first term, were a resounding victory for Republicans, who won control of both houses of Congress for the first time since the early 1950s.

Mr. Nethercutt was the chairman of the Spokane County Republican Party and had served in the 1970s as chief of staff to Sen. Ted Stevens (R-Alaska) but had not run for office before challenging Foley.

Foley had represented the district for 30 years — the last five as House speaker. Mr. Nethercutt's campaign ads focused on Foley's opposition to term limits and pointed out that Foley had been in office since "Bonanza" was the top show on television.

Foley was the first speaker to lose a reelection bid since 1860.

Mr. Nethercutt joined other 1994 GOP candidates in signing the Contract With America, a list of conservative priorities promoted by Rep. Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) and others. Among those priorities was adopting term limits; Mr. Nethercutt said he would serve no more than three terms but broke that promise and served five before he gave up the seat to make an unsuccessful run against Sen. Patty Murray (D) in 2004.

Like many other Republicans elected in the 1994 wave, Mr. Nethercutt had a conservative voting record and supported impeaching Clinton for lying about his affair with White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

He became a lobbyist following his tenure in Congress and worked with his George Nethercutt Foundation, which advanced civics education through scholarships, competitions and educational trips to Washington.

George Rector Nethercutt Jr. was born in Spokane on Oct. 7, 1944. He graduated in 1967 from Washington State University and in 1971 from Gonzaga University School of Law. As a law school student, he briefly clerked for Foley's father, Ralph Foley, who was a Spokane County Superior Court judge.

In 1977, he married Mary Beth Socha. In addition to his wife and son, survivors include a daughter, Meredith Krisher; a sister; a brother; and a granddaughter.

Mr. Nethercutt attended memorial services for Foley when he died in 2013, and two years ago, he joined the advisory board of Washington State University's Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service. He also established a fund at the university to create the George Nethercutt Endowed Lecture Series on Civic Engagement.

Rep. George R. Nethercutt Jr. (R-Wash.), second from right, shakes hands with Rep. Jay Dickey (R-Ark.) during a news conference in 2000. Reps. John A. Boehner (R-Ohio), left, and and Tom Latham (R-Iowa) also attended.

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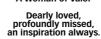
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BUCHANAN



ANNICK KERVOELEN BUCHANAN

ANNICK KERVOELEN BUCHANAN (Age 95)
Annick Kervoelen Buchanan, a longtime resident of Alexandria, Virginia, died peacefully at home on May 25, 2024. She was 95. A native of Brittany, France, she emigrated to America in the early 1950s. Annick was the first woman to be hired in the college of Georgetown University in 1959, where she taught French language and literature for 40 years. Annick is survived by her daughters, Joelle and Barbara, and their husbands, Tim Gunter and Kirk Hampton. A private celebration of life will be held at a later date.

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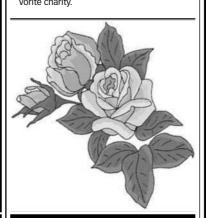
EDWARD T. FOLLIN JR. The officers and members of Plumbers Local No. 5 are regretfully notified of the death of Brother Edward T. Follin Jr., of Waynesboro, PA, who passed away on June 5, 2024.

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WALKER



MINNIE E. WALKER (Age 83) nie E. Walker of Hyattsville, MD, passed MINNIE E. WALKER (Age 83)
Minnie E. Walker of Hyattsville, MD, passed away on June 10, 2024 after an illness. She is survived by her two daughters, one sister, and a host of other relatives and friends. She was predeceased in 2022 by her husband of 55 years, Willie Walker. Visitation to be held on Tuesday, June 25, 2024 (09:30 to 10:30 a.m.), followed by a funeral service (10:30 to 11:30 a.m.) at J.B. Jenkins Funeral Home in Hyattsville, MD. Interment at Lakemont Memorial Gardens, Davidsonville, MD. In lieu of flowers, the family encourages a donation to your favorite charity.



DEATH NOTICE

COLLISHAW



WILLIAM CONOVER COLLISHAW It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of William Conover Collishaw.

He left this world peacefully on June 16, 2024, at the age of 84. Bill was a cherished husband, father, grandfather, and friend whose memory will forever be held in the hearts of those who knew him.

Bill was born and grew up in Sulern, NY, the youngest of three children (siblings also deceased were Barbara Ross and Robert Collishaw) born to James and Dorothy Collishaw. He attended Sulern High School, and excelled both academically and athletically. He played baseball and basketball, and was also an accomplished artist and musician. also an accomplished artist and musician. He went on to Dartmouth College, graduating cum laude in 1961, and then on to Yale Law School, graduating in 1964.

Throughout his legal career, Bill was known for his remarkable work ethic and integrity. He worked as an attorney for Squire, Sand-He Worked as an attorney for Squire, Sanders, and Dempsey, first in the Cleveland oxce, from 1964 to 1972, and then opened their Washington, DC oxce, becoming partner in 1974. Later in his legal career, in the mid-1990s, he served as General Counsel for the Resolution Trust Corporation, and subsequently as Assistant General Counsel for the EDIC where he worked to ensure a strong FDIC, where he worked to ensure a strong financial banking system for our country. He retired from government work in 2001, after which he and his wife of 61 years, Judy, spent time traveling with friends, enjoying their Fenwick Island, DE beach house, and watching their source and president of the provision of the state of the watching their seven grandchildren flourish

He is survived by his beloved wife, Judy; his son, James (Mary); his daughter, Julie (Dan); and his grandchildren Anna, Sarah, Will, Patrick, Matthew, Hannah, and James. Bill's legacy is one of kindness, generosity, and an enduring love for those he held dear. He will be deeply missed, but his sprit will live on in the hearts of all who were fortunate enough to know him.

Family and friends are invited to a celebration of life for Bill on Saturday, June 22, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m., at the home of Jim and Mary Collishaw. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Washington, DC public television station, WETA, In Bills honor. Bill will be buried in SUMERT, NY next week - details are forthcoming

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LIDDELL



MARY ANNE LIDDELL y Anne Liddell (nee Gramzow) of Burke Army wife, Mother, Nana and Teacher 20. 2024, following a brief but valiant fight with cancer, surrounded by he hushand and daughters

Born November 30, 1948 to the late Thomas Joseph Gramzow, Sr. and late Florence Claire (Hayes) in Boston, Massachusetts, she is predeceased by her parents and her nephew, John Thomas Blank.

Mary Anne is survived by her loving husband, Colonel Robert Joseph Liddell, US Army (Ret.), her wonderful and talented daughters, Jennifer Florence Liddell, and her spouse, Scott, and Megan Elizabeth Liddell, and her spouse SGT Brendan Justin Hughes, LIS Army Recope. Also Eurivived by ber US Army Reserve. Also survived by her

grandson Jack.
Wake will be held at the Chapman, Cole &
Gleason Funeral Home, 534 West Falmouth
Highway (Rt. 28A), West Falmouth, Massachusetts, at a date to be determined. Burial
will follow at the Massachusetts National
Cemetery, Bourne, Massachusetts National
Cemetery, Bourne, Massachusetts
Local arrangements are being provided by
Demaine Funeral Home, Springfield, Virginia.
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Mary Anne's memory to your favorite canine
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FERGUSON



MICHAEL RICHARD FERGUSON

Michael Richard Ferguson, 80, of Annandale, VA passed away peacefully on Monday, June 17, 2024. He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Ellen (Zollinger) Ferguson of Annandale; and his three children David (Sandra), Kristin (Wes Colvin), and Douglas (Sharon). His five beloved grandchildren are James and Joseph, Sam, Samara and Aurora. He is also survived by a sister, Elizabeth (Robert) Finney, four nieces and nephews, grand-nieces, and a grand-nephew

grand-nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents Richard E. Ferguson and Glenna (Fisher)

Ferguson.
Born July 10, 1943 in Charlotte, NC, Mike and his mother lived with his maternal grandparents while his father served with the U.S. Army in France during World War.
II. After the war, the family eventually relocated to Alexandria, VA. Mike attended St. Mary's Parochial School and graduated from George Washington High School in 1961. An enthusiastic lifelong Cavalier, he graduated from the University of Virginia in 1965. A perfect union of mathematicians on the leading edge of the computer revolution materialized as the merger of the Naval data centers of BUMED and the National Naval Medical Center integrated his life with that of Ellen Zollinger. Mike and Ellen married September 2, 1967.
The Fergusons moved to Annandale soon after and spent the next 55 years in the community, raising three children as Mike worked as a federal contractor in information technology. He also enthusiastically pursued his passions for coaching children's soccer and cheering on youth sports, gardening, creating and repairing in his workshop, travel, and avidly following the ups and downs of the Nats.

A memorial visitation will take place on Sunday, June 23 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Demaine Funeral Home in Springfield. A funeral Mass will be held at St. Michael Catholic Church in Annandale on Tuesday, June 25 at 10 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Parkinson's Foundation or Doctors Without Borders (MSF).

DEATH NOTICE

EBERHARDT



JEFFREY L. EBERHARDT (Age 66)

JEFFREY L. EBERHARDT (Age 66) Ambassador
Of Arlington, Virginia, formerly of Eau Claire, Wisconsin passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, June 16, 2024. Born in Fort Ord. California to a military family, he grew up in multiple locations, namely Alaska. As a youth in Alaska, he developed his particular set of acumen from fishing for salmon whilst avoiding grizzly and black bears. He later graduated from North High School in Eau Claire, Will with awards for athleticism and performance in both football and swimming.

At the time of his passing, Ambassador Eberhardt was a Senior Advisor in the Arms Control, Deterrence, and Stability Bureau in the U.S. Department of State. Previously, he served as the Special Representative of the President for Nuclear Nonproliferation on behalf of the Secretary of State.

Before joining the State Department in 2005, Ambassador Eberhardt served in the U.S. Army as an Air Defense Artillery officer and

a political-military specialist (Russia/Eurasia). Of note, then CPT Eberhardt showed steadfast courage and commitment to democracy and the Constitution in his defense of the Meiningen Gap at the time of the collapse of the Warsaw Pact. He concluded his twenty-three-year career at the rank of Lieutenant Colonel as a Senior Military Advisor in the Office of Nonproliferation Policy, in the Office of the Undersecretary of Defense for Policy.

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Ambassador Eberhardt was an NFL team owner of the Green Bay Packers, an avid golfer as a member of the Army-Navy Country Club, and a committed family man.

Ambassador Eberhardt holds a Master of Arts in International Relations and a Bachelor of Arts in History. His military awards include the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and the Meritorious Service

Ambassador Eberhardt was preceded in death by his mother, Esther Eberhardt. Survivors include his sons, Jeffrey Todd Eberhardt, Joshua Eberhardt, and Grant McElwaine; his father, Richard A. "Dick" Eberhardt; his brother, Richard A. "Rich" Eberhardt and seven grandchildren: Damien, Marcos, Ariana, Leila, Rlake Felix and Landon.

A funeral Mass will be held in the St Agnes Church in Arlington, VA at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 24, in Arlington, VA with burial in Arlington National Cemetery, with full Army honors, at a date to be determined. The funeral Mass will be live-streamed here: https://m.youtube.com/live/UJtW88ZrFTE?

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the Wounded Warrior Foundation in Ambassador Eberhardt's name.

His family wishes him peace and comfort in reuniting with his beloved Labrador, Buka.

GATTI



PETER JOSEPH GATTI
In a word, Peter Gatti was a storyteller, a gracious Italian host, and a lifelong friend to many. Peter passed away peacefully in his sleep on June 13, 2024, and will be dearly missed by his family and friends.

Born Peter Joseph Gatti Jr. on September 28, 1951, to Dr. Peter J. and Edna F. Kelly Gatti, he grew up in Staten Island, NY. As a boy, Peter spent summers working at his parents' lake resort and, during high school, attended as many after-school tapings of Johnny Carson and other late 1960s TV greats as he could before taking the ferry back to Staten Island. His encyclopedic knowledge of TV trivia and Yankees baseball was nothing

short of spectacular

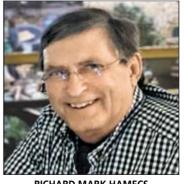
After earning his degrees from College of Staten Island New York (CUNY) and George Mason University Law School, Peter worked on Capitol Hill as a staff member with the US House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. He dedicated over two decades to the National Industrial Transportation League, serving as vice president for international relations, interim president, and executive vice president before his retirement. During his distinguished career at the NITL, and time as vice president of the International Chamber of Commerce's maritime transport committee, Peter was able to travel the world, bringing back not just stories of far-off places but a deep appreciation for diverse cultures, and a collection of lifelong friendships. Committee He dedicated over two decades

Peter was preceded in death by his parents and the love of his life, Sarah Dilworth "Worth" Hager Gatti. He is survived by his family, Scott and Jane Hager of Asheboro, NC; Annie Hager-Blunk and John Blunk of Chapel Hill, NC; Jamie and Michelle Hager of Greensboro, NC; Anne and Reynolds Neely of Asheboro, NC; and close friends Julie and David Bradsher of Arlington, VA.

A memorial service will be held at a later date in Asheboro, NC.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, MD 20852 or kidneyfund.org.

HAMECS



RICHARD MARK HAMECS

RICHARD MAKK HAMELS
Richard Mark Hames, 72, of Washington, DC
passed away on June 3, 2024, at the MedStar
Washington Hospital Center. The proximate
cause of death was respiratory failure and
lung cancer, as well as multiple sclerosis
(MS) and chronic obstructive pulmonary dis-

ease (COPD).
The son of World War II veteran Peter Hamecs, who worked at the Van Heusen factory, and Helen (Pepsny) Hamecs, who worked in local retail stores, Richard Hamecs was born on June 9, 1951, in Hazleton, Penn-

was born on line 9, 1931, in nazietuit, Peilisylvania.

He was a graduate of St. Gabriels High School and Penn State University, where he received a BS in urban development. He also received an MPA in urban affairs from American University and page 1941.

rersity and pursued a PhD in urban economics at the University of Delaware. Rick was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Robert J. Hamecs, He is survived by his wife, Michelle "Chellie" Hamecs, and goddaughter, Haley Wynne.

Rick worked as a financial economist at the Department of Housing and Urban Devel-opment, a Senior Director for the Mortgage Bankers Association and as a vice president balliers Association and as a vice president at Mortgage Banking Service Corp, where he was a pioneer in web-based mortgage origination systems. For the remainder of his career, until his 2008 retirement, he worked as principal of Lincoln Park Associates, an independent information technology and professional services firm fessional services firm.

During his retirement, he fostered a sense of

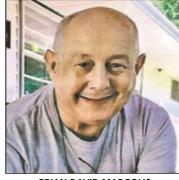
During his retirement, he fostered a sense of community among his neighbors in Capitol Hill. He organized three neighborhood events each year that were a highlight of the community — two seasonal alley potlucks and the annual Progressive Dinner, hosted by families around the neighborhood every January. Rick and Chellie did not have children of their own, but they adopted the more than 20 children born on the block by hosting an annual Halloween pumpkin carving. Rick was an avid fly fisherman and gardener. He loved woodworking and doted on the local squirrels. (During Covid, he made them picnic tables.) His concern and love for the neighborhood earned him the moniker "May-

picnic tables.) His concern and love for the neighborhood earned him the moniker "May-or of 10th Street NE." A funeral mass and Celebration of Life re-ception will be held on Saturday, June 29, 11 a.m. at St. Monica and St. James Episcopal Church, 222 8th Street, NE. In lieu of flowers please consider a charitable donation to ers piedse Consider a chantable donation to Rick's church home, The Parish of St. Monica and St. James, 222 8th Street NE, Washing-ton, DC 20002. Donations also may be made in Rick's name to the National MS Society or World Central Kitchen.





MARGOLIS



BRIAN DAVID MARGOLIS Margolis, 73, entered eternal rest on May 27, 2024.

Brian was born on April 12, 1951, in London, UK. He was a successful entrepreneur at an early age, working in his father's import-export business before opening a business of his own when, at 24, he bought and operated Sam's Bargain Store. In 1979, he was called by the lure of Hollywood where he quickly secured a key position on the management team for singer Olivia Newton-John where he was instrumental in helping develop her career.

Brian began his lifelong love affair with the English bulldog while working in Los Angeles. He started with two. Over the years, that number would grow to 22.

Also while in Hollywood, he was introduced to the teachings of Siddha Yoga, which profoundly influenced the direction of his life. With his work in Hollywood concluding, he with his work in hollywood containing, he chose to deepen his spiritual practices by moving to the Ashram in New York State where he lived and worked until his move to the Washington, DC area in 1997 for a position as Estate Manager.

His passion and reputation for saving Bulldogs continued to develop. While serving on the Board of Directors of On the Rebound, a bulldog rescue foundation, he received a request from the retiring Chaplain of West Point to accept care of Aggh, the chaplain's pet bulldog. Aggh left West Point with full canine military honors and spent her last days in comfortable retirement with Brian.

In 2000, Brian continued his love of service when he secured a position as House Manager for a McLean, Virginia family, managing many of the owner's business affairs as well as their residence. He continued serving in this position until his death.

Brian was known to everyone he met as a loyal, kind, generous, and thoughtful person with an infectious British sense of humor. One of his trademarks was the presentation of small, unexpected gifts to almost everyone with whom he had frequent contact. This was particularly noteworthy during the last two years of his life as he was undergoing many visits to doctors and hospitals. He became known as "The Chocolate Man", presenting hospital staff and doctors with a personal bar of Cadbury chocolate at each visit

Brian honored his heritage but loved the opportunities he had in this country. He often said that his proudest moment was when, in 2002, he was sworn in as a United States Citizen. He cherished the gift of a US flag that was flown over the Capitol and presented to him to commemorate the occasion.

Brian passed away quietly in his Falls Church home following a long illness with Lympho-ma. With him were his closest friends and his two beloved bulldogs, Bentley and Ginger. He was a man of integrity, honor, and dignity whose constant goal in his life was to serve others. He was part of the fabric of many lives and will be dearly missed.

Friends are invited to join in a celebration of Brian's life to be held in the chapel of Lew-insville Presbyterian Church, 1724 Chain Bridge Road, McLean, Virginia at 11:20 a.m., Saturday, June 29. Reception to follow.

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Today Very hot





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NATION

Sunday Very hot

FEELS: **104°**

W: SW 8-16 mph

H: Very High

P: **25**%



Monday

T-storm

FEELS: 94°

H: High

P: **40%** W: WNW 8-16 mph

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FEELS: 95° P: **10%** W: SW 7-14 mph

Wednesday Very hot



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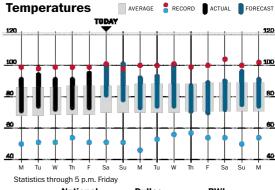
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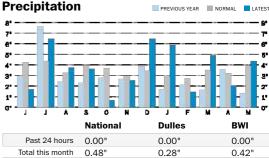
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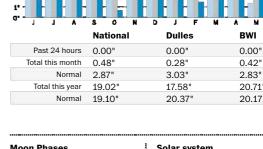


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/t	87/76/t	Singapore	88/80/t	90/81/pc
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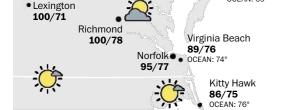
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mainly clear, humid. Low 72 to 78. Winds south-southwest

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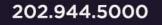
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Location is key to these wedding dress codes

BY KAARIN VEMBAR

Carolyn Brown wants to be oneupped by her wedding guests.

Brown and her fiancé, both lawyers in Austin, opted for an "upstage the bride" dress code for their October wedding. "I want people to be way more dressy than I am," she says. "I want feathers and sequins and for people to go all out." The sartorial decision came about in part because Brown doesn't want to stress about what people are wearing or police their apparel.

Such a dress code might be less stress for the bride, but what about for the guests? Brown's concept is part of a larger trend of couples opting for less traditional, more specialized dress codes, including some absolute headscratchers. Alan David Horowitz, owner of Alan David Custom, which specializes in bespoke suits, says that work attire requests have taken a back seat to wedding apparel, and he's constantly receiving "crazy requests" Horowitz recently made a custom suit for one client's marijuana-themed wedding.

Plus-size fashion influencer Sean Taylor had two wedding events with unusual dress codes: Vegas vibes (guests dressed like Elvis, Dolly Parton, and members of "The Sopranos") and the increasingly popular "Bridgerton" (a loose interpretation of the show's already loose interpretation of Regency-era fashion).

Taylor included a QR code on her invitations that led guests to a Pinterest board with pictures, colors, words and clothing brands to help people understand the aesthetic. For invitations with a highconcept dress code but no accompanying mood board, guests needn't panic - a custom code doesn't necessarily mean eccentric. Many modern dress codes are rooted in the traditional and come down to small twists such as color palette, which add to the atmosphere of the event. Sometimes, that wacky dress code is even giving you practical information: "Mountain chic" reminds guests that terrain is rocky (think of your SEE WEDDINGS ON C2



Zendaya's dress during the "Challengers" press tour in Paris would fit in nicely at a "California cocktail" reception.



Black Barbie's long journey

n the way home from the splash pad recently, my daughters - 4 and 7 ran damp and carefree down the sidewalk, beach towels draped over their heads and dripping down their backs. "How do you like my ha-air," they sang, stroking the long terry cloth as if it belonged

I groaned.

If these were different children and I a different mom, the scene would have been sweet. What little girl doesn't want Disney princess locks? But my babies are Black, and their hair does twisty acrobatics when it's wet. Their beauty is not the standard in this country. So it's up to me to make sure they find joy in their own reflection.

Imbuing your children with main character energy is tough. But it is especially daunting when society does its best to relegate them to the wings. So I have mini-lectures on the magic of their coily hair at the ready. We stream "Ada Twist, Scientist" nonstop in this house. My girls think Misty Copeland basically invented ballet. And our Barbies? Every single one has skin and hair

A Netflix documentary examines the doll's history and her role in a world of unfair beauty standards

BY HELENA ANDREWS-DYER

like ours. The significance of that is covered by a Barbie movie of its own: "Black Barbie," a documentary that premiered on Netflix this

The film was written and directed by Lagueria Davis, whose aunt Beulah Mae Mitchell worked at Mattel, first in the factory and then for decades as a receptionist. The executive producer is famed showrunner Shonda Rhimes, who has three Black daughters of her own and two Black Barbies in her image. Their documentary unpacks Black Barbie's relationship to the original iconic doll and Black children's relationship to both toys.

"I don't think they were dolls," Rhimes says in the film. "They were representations of what I wanted to be." In a way, she made her own Black Barbie. If Olivia Pope, Kerry Washington's character in "Scandal," wasn't the epitome of Barbie, Rhimes doesn't know

The first Barbie dolls came out in 1959. In the ensuing years, Mattel did make several dolls with Black skin. There was Francie in 1967, Christie in 1968 and Julia in 1969. They interacted with Barbie, but they weren't her. They were the "friends of." The also-rans.

Black Barbie hit toy store shelves in 1980 the same year I was born. She was the brainchild of Kitty Black Perkins, Mattel's first Black designer. Inspired by Diana Ross, Black Barbie's outfit was a sleek red "disco skirt" with a slit up one side. Her hair was short and curly because Black Perkins had a short 'do at the time. The pink box she came in practically shouted her arrival: "She's black! She's beautiful! She's dynamite!" By naming her Barbie, Mattel made her the center of attention.

APPRECIATION

A rare type of star

Donald Sutherland was a top-billed performer who never outshone a role

BY TY BURR

Was Donald Sutherland a movie star? He didn't look like one: A lanky 6-4, with a curly mop of hair, a lantern jaw and slightly bulbous, iridescent eyes, he was almost traditionally handsome. He didn't play action heroes or lovesick swains. He was never even nominated for an Oscar. (Out of sheer embarrassment, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences awarded him an honorary statuette in 2017.)

True, the Canadian-born, London-trained Sutherland, who died Thursday at 88, rose to movie fame at the dawn of the 1970s, when unconventional looks were in fashion, and he rode out the

decade as a top-billed name. He was a gifted, even great, actor, but a star? He took his roles seriously but not the industry game; you sensed, beyond the integrity of the performances, a personal integrity that kept him on an even keel.

Sutherland had the charisma, but maybe he didn't have the ego necessary to be a movie star. Maybe that's why he wasn't a box-office draw like some of his peers (Redford, Nicholson, Hoffman, Hackman). Instead, he was a guarantor of quality and of the pleasurable realization, as the end credits rolled, that he had owned every scene he was in.

There may be no better example of Sutherland's undervalued commitment to emotional truth than "Ordinary People," the 1980 best picture winner about a fragmenting suburban family. Mary Tyler Moore, Timothy Hutton and Judd Hirsch were all nominated for Oscars (Hutton won), but Sutherland's performance as the quiet, heartsore father went unrewarded. Tellingly, the actor felt he'd initially been too emotional in the devastating kitchen scene when his character tells his wife he no longer loves her, and he eventually talked director Robert Redford into reshooting a more subtle take.

Hollywood and audiences didn't know what to make of him at first — couldn't decide what SEE APPRECIATION ON C3



Donald Sutherland and his wife, Francine Racette, at the Cannes Film Festival in 1975.

What's a mountain chic wedding? Decoding dress codes.

WEDDINGS FROM C1

footwear!) and higher elevation is

There's plenty of overlap and not necessarily a lot of hard rules around the new wedding dress codes. Let us help you decode the

Wine formal

Formal wear still calls for tuxedos and evening dresses, but for an event at a winery, think of your feet first. "You're going to be stepping on some uneven ground," says Kerilynn Vigneau, image consultant, wardrobe stylist and owner of KLV Styling. That means low heels and wedges, not stilettos.

Guests should play with color and patterns. Instead of a black tuxedo, men can try burgundy or navy, Vigneau says. Women can incorporate florals or choose a jumpsuit with a low heel. Shades of purple, green, taupe or brown will complement the natural scenery rather than compete with it.

See: Cate Blanchett's suits in "Ocean's 8," a Monet painting

Mountain chic

Any dress code with "mountain" in it is a call to consider fabrics carefully and practically. In cooler months, mountain formal means heavy fabrics and accessories, such as faux fur and wraps. Guests can also reach for the Black Watch plaid, velvet or florals against a darker background.

The color story should complement the environment, including shades of green, blue, brown and

See: Half of the Reformation catalogue, "The Grand Budapest

Desert formal

Any desert apparel needs to be breathable. Vigneau says she pushes both men and women toward lighter-weight fabrics and flowy designs for women -"something lightweight that you don't feel like you're going to be sweating to death in.'

Even if a desert event is designated as "formal," Horowitz recommends not going with a tuxedo or a dark suit. Instead, he suggests a short-sleeve linen suit. For a desert wedding, Horowitz once made a short-sleeve suit with matching shorts.

Remember that a desert climate can change rapidly once night falls. Guests should consider a shawl, wrap or even a cape.

See: J-Lo at the 2000 Grammys, Zendaya's "Dune: Part Two" press

Beach formal

Similar to a desert formal, Horowitz recommends skipping the tuxedo or dark suit. Instead, guests should dress in light colors in spring or summer fabrics. That can mean cotton, silk, or a silk and wool blend. He also recommends suit jackets with either no lining or half lining.

A beach formal approach can



also depend on whether the wedding is taking place on the East or West coast, Vigneau said. West Coast tends to be more relaxed, with flowy dresses and perhaps a dressy sandal. East Coast leans preppier, meaning people should stay away from sandals and guys should opt for something like a loafer.

See: East Coast: Kennedy family wedding. West Coast: "Bachelorette" contestant wedding

Garden party chic

Think dressy prints and fun textures "that aren't necessarily considered ball gown or evening wear," says Sarah Kazemburg of Sarah Kazemburg Events & Styling. It's elevated, but guests should lean into the theme with florals and patterns. Men can go with lighter suits, brightly colored pocket squares or floral ties. The location and time of day can help inform the level of formality, though "when in doubt, err on the side of being more formal than too casual," Kazemburg says. "You don't want to show up underdressed and not rise to the level of all the effort they are putting in for the wedding."

See: The other half of the Reformation catalogue, Brad Pitt's cream suit in "Ocean's Eleven"

Festive

Not to be confused with "festival" clothing, a festive dress code





Invited to a desert formal wedding? Channel Jennifer Lopez's look — a silk chiffon dress by Versace — from the Grammy Awards in 2000, left. Another option for inspiration: Zendaya's attire at the "Dune: Part Two" premiere in Paris. Breathable fabrics are key.

is basically a more fun version of cocktail attire - attendees can show off parts of their personal style. Think bright colors, patterns, velvet suits, jumpsuits, shorter dresses, sequins and sparkles. The overall look may include a bold accessory such as a statement necklace, cocktail ring or brightly colored tie.

See: "White Lotus" Season 2, moms at the Renaissance Tour

California cocktail

This is traditional cocktail with the small distinction of being a little more colorful and relaxed. Suits and cocktail dresses are still worn, but think lighter fabrics and less-formal cuts. Color, pattern and texture are all allowed, as long as the overall look is put together.

See: Zendaya's press tour for "Challengers"

Barn or farmhouse chic

A barn or farmhouse wedding calls for attire on the casual side. Guests can wear long dresses or sundresses with sandals. A dressier choice can be a pattern shirt or a fun pocket square. Cowboy boots make for perfect footwear for male and female guests, but some attendees may opt for loafers. Fabrics should be on the lighter side, including cottons or satin.

See: Alexis Rose in "Schitt's Creek"

Exes, roommates, friends ... but iffy on the last one



online discussion.

Hi, Carolyn: I'm living with my ex at the moment as roommates and friends while he looks for a place to live.

When I was away recently, he had the court date for finalizing his divorce. It had been an important event for us as a couple when we were dating, but not for me anymore after we broke up. I also knew he was hanging out with his buddies that day for support. I did, however, reach out to him the day before and after to wish him luck and see how things had gone.

When I returned home, I was confronted by a very upset

Adapted from an "friend." He told me that knowing how important this date was to him, I should have called him on the day or at least

texted him.

I hadn't realized contacting him both the day before and after was not enough. He said I clearly have a completely different definition of friend than he does.

Am I being a terrible friend? – Friends With My Ex

Friends With My Ex: No, you're doing your best rendition of an ex transitioning immediately to friend while trying to live in the same home. Merely being kind without bringing any new dysfunction to the party is an

Olympic win. Not to kick your roommate



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while he's down, but if he's really blaming his live-in recent ex for his bad feelings about his divorce from his previous ex, then he's

got some work to do. If it's not a bad case of codependency, then at least he needs a better grasp of common denominators.

But your getting involved with his enlightenment process is a nope. A crisp "Guess we do have different definitions. I'm sorry to

hear you're disappointed in mine" will suffice, plus a closed bedroom door and rush order on his new housing.

One reader's thought: • I'd argue the same thing even if you were still together: He's allowed to feel what he feels; he's not allowed to make you responsible for making him feel a specific way.

Carolyn: I struggle with this as a

general principle in relationships. How do you know how much you're responsible for your own feelings and how much can you ask from a partner? For example, if my partner says something to me in a tone that feels like contempt, and it makes me feel bad, then how much of that feeling can I ask them to take responsibility for?

-Anonymous

Anonymous: Feelings are ambiguous, so let's use a concrete hypothetical:

If your partner squirts you with a garden hose, then that starts a decision-making flow chart:

• Did you like the cold-water blast? Yes/no. (Yes = end of chart, all good.)

• If no, what's your mental calculation of intent: Was it accidental or on purpose? (Accident = all good.)

• If you suspect it was deliberate, then you say: "Please don't squirt me - I don't like it." Besides the squirt, all choices to this point are yours.

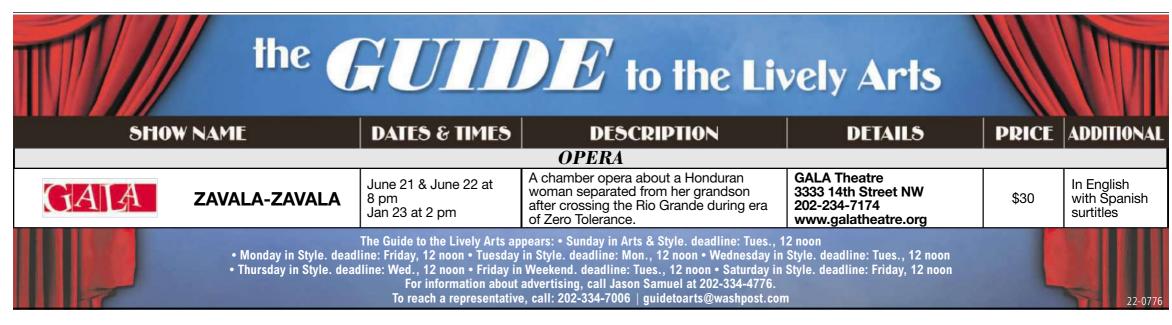
• Now, your partner's possible responses: 1. "Oh, sorry! I won't do that again!" and doesn't do it again (end of flow chart, all good). 2. "I'll stop," then keeps doing it (not good). 3. "Everyone else likes cold water, you're just too sensitive" (not good).

• If 2 or 3, then back to you: Will you stay with someone who keeps drenching you, knowing you dislike it? Or break up because no commitment is worth being cold and wet?

It's why trust in ourselves is everything and why abusers undermine it - relationship health hinges on how accurately we assess our own welfare. Hope this helps.

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Charisma, without any ego

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niche Sutherland fit into - and after a run of British television appearances in the 1960s, the actor found his moment playing a sub-criminal doofus in the World War II action-comedy "The Dirty Dozen" (1967). So he was a comic bonehead for a while - see "Kelly's Heroes" or the ingratiatingly silly "Start the Revolution Without Me" (both 1970) for confirma-

But 1970 also let Sutherland co-star as combat surgeon Hawkeye Pierce opposite Elliott Gould's Trapper John McIntyre in the counterculture hit "M.A.S.H.," and suddenly he was one of the few actors in movies who seemed to be telling the truth about the war and the world, and with a cynical idealism that made sense.

The films that followed are an essay in what kinds of movies should star an actor who doesn't seem to be a star. "Klute" (1971) -Jane Fonda won the Oscar, while Sutherland was merely the movie's unwavering conscience and backbone. "Don't Look Now" (1973) remains one of the most unsettling films of its era, split evenly between the eros of its controversial sex scene and the catharsis of its shocking ending. Sutherland was a much-derided Casanova for Federico Fellini in 1976, but maybe the fault was ours for wanting a matinee idol instead of the flawed, tempesttossed horndog we were given.

Sutherland was still enough of a marquee name in 1978 to hold down the center of a fine remake of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers." He also agreed to one day of filming as the pothead professor in "National Lampoon's Animal House" and famously took a flat fee of \$35,000 instead of a profitsharing deal that would have netted him about \$2 million. But after "Ordinary People," the phone lines mysteriously went cold and Sutherland couldn't get an audition for a year.

So he did what other talented



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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Donald Sutherland listens to a speech during the opening ceremony of the Lumière Film Festival in Lyon, France, in 2019. Sutherland, left, on the set of the 1978 remake of "Invasion of the Body Snatchers." Sutherland as Hawkeye Pierce, left, and Elliott Gould as Trapper John McIntyre on the set of "M.A.S.H."

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actors do when the moment passes: He took what came, and he worked. The Sutherland filmography of the past 40 years is studded with little-known treasures - and misfires and meh and the occasional outright bomb (1985's "Revolution," one of the rare times the actor indulged his hambone side as a sadistic fop of a British officer).

A dashing German spy in "Eye of the Needle" (1981), a South African stirred to fight apartheid in "A Dry White Season" (1989), Sutherland's Emmy-winning role as a Soviet colonel seeking a serial killer in "Citizen X" (1995), his wily track coach Bill Bowerman opposite Billy Crudup's Steve Prefontaine in "Without Limits" (1998) - all memorable, rock-solid performances. And by the new millennium, Sutherland was ripe for discovery by a new generation of moviegoers, first as an adoring and adorable Mr. Bennet in the 2005 "Pride and Prejudice," and then — just to show the kids his range - the profoundly evil President Snow in the four "Hunger Games" movies (2012-2015).

Even then, Sutherland refused to stoop to mustache-twirling villainy, telling the New York Observer, "Do you think Lyndon Johnson felt he was the villain, destroying a million Vietnamese? George W. Bush or Dick Chenev they don't think of themselves as villains ... Snow thinks it is expedient. He's trying to control an empire."

In his final years, Sutherland took roles with a kind of flinty, evanescent grace. Dig up the 2019 art-world thriller "The Burnt Orange Heresy" and enjoy the actor's rich supporting role as a legendarily reclusive painter. Or just re-watch Episode 4 from the 2020 HBO limited-series mystery-thriller "The Undoing," in which his Manhattan power broker lets his grandson's school principal know in no uncertain terms who's boss. I wish I could tell you what he says, but this is a family newspaper — trust me when I say it's the kind of scene that sets social media on fire while chilling a viewer to the bone.

Was Donald Sutherland a movie star? I don't know how you could call him anything else.

Ty Burr is the author of the movie recommendation newsletter Ty Burr's Watch List at tyburrswatchlist.com.

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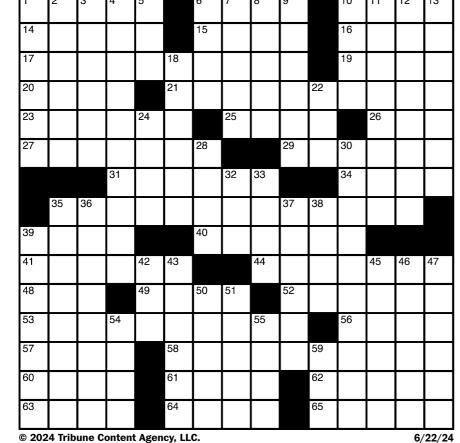
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Documentary examines a doll carrying a lot on her tiny shoulders

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"When I designed this doll, there was a need for the little Black girl to have something she could play with that looked like her," explains Black Perkins, who recruited and mentored other Black talent at Mattel before retiring in 2003 as chief Barbie designer. "I wanted her to reflect the total look of a Black woman."

But while she was an official Barbie, Black Barbie still had a qualifier - a name with two words, not one. The distinction -Black Barbie - was at once revolutionary and reductive. The documentary spends a considerable amount of time wrestling with that tension. Who gets to claim full Barbie-hood? Will the Black Barbies always be secondclass citizens with the same name? And does it matter? Because in the end, we're talking about dolls here. But are we

"Black Barbie" feels most impactful when it lets the children answer those questions. We adults complicate things. We heap all the hurt and hero-play of our own childhoods on Barbie's

tiny shoulders. Kids see things through clearer microscopes. And they also tell it like it is.

Inspired by the "doll test" carried out in the 1940s by psychologists Kenneth and Mamie Clark to measure the impact of segregation on Black children, the documentarians assembled groups of children to play with Barbies of all kinds.

"I don't think they were dolls. They were representations of what I wanted to be."

Shonda Rhimes, executive producer of "Black Barbie"

When asked who's the prettiest one, a young girl picks out Brooklyn, a Black Barbie with long braids, "because she has Black skin like all of us." A little boy in a different group immediately chooses the blond Barbie "be-

cause of her dress." When asked

about race and racism, the kids

are either blissfully ignorant or

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eerily tuned in. One girl says that when she hears the word "race." she thinks of actual running, but she also knows what a Karen is. Another boy explains police bru-

"I'm a teeny tiny bit sad that kids just can't be kids," says actress Gabourey Sidibe (now the mom of twins) in the documentary. She's right. This is what it's like being a Black mother to Black children. So many of us want to parent carefree children who live without the gravity of racism. But parenting also means preparing, arming our children with the tools needed to survive in a world that doesn't center them. Weighing one against the other is a battle as constant as bedtime.

The movie's most eye-opening moment is the children's response to a simple yet loaded question: Who's the real Barbie? Every single child points to the White Barbie. More than 40 vears after Black Barbie's debut, the kids still know who everyone's rooting for. They might not be able to spell "hierarchy" yet but, oh, do they understand

It was chilling. So much so that



Shonda Rhimes holds a Black Barbie doll in Netflix's "Black Barbie."

I called my older daughter into the room to interrogate her, gently. Would she like a White Barbie? And if so, why?

"Because I've never had a

White Barbie in my life because vou never buy them!" she said, scandalized and fascinated. The dolls were cute and flexible, she added. Plus her friend had brought a White Barbie to the splash pad. "So now I want one," she explained matter-of-factly. Fair enough. She's still not

getting one, though.

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JULES RIVERA

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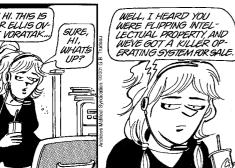
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THE DOGS!

PICKLES

CLASSIC DOONESBURY









GARRY TRUDEAU









BRIDGE

NORTH-SOUTH VULNERABLE

NORTH ♠ K109

♥ 86 ♦ AJ6 ♣ AQ653

WEST EAST (D) **♠** AJ76 **♦** Q85432 **♥** A ♥ KQ1054 **109 ♦** K

10 9 7

♣ J842 SOUTH ♠ None

♥ J9732 ♦ 0875432

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NOR					
1 ♥	Pass	1 🏚	Dbl					
2 🏚	3 ♠	4 🛧	Dbl					
Pass	5 ♦	All Pass						
Opening lead — ♥ A								

ntering the fourth quarter of the Vanderbilt Teams final. Nick Nickell's squad trailed Kevin Bathurst's team 98-91. BATHURST won 6 IMPs on the first board — but then came the deluge. First, Robert Levin for NICKELL played beautifully to make a game against imperfect defense. Next came today's deal.

When NICKELL's pair sat East-West, East opened two diamonds, "Flannery," showing a minimum hand with five hearts and four spades. South passed, and West jumped to four spades, passed out. The defense managed a trump, a diamond and two clubs.

BATHURST was plus 50 points, but in the replay East-West started one heartone spade. Then North was able to enter the auction, and South played at five diamonds.

West led the ace of hearts and shifted to a spade. South ruffed and led the gueen of diamonds ... and put up dummy's ace, placing East with the king on the bidding. The king succumbed, and South made his game, plus 600 and 11 IMPs to NICKELL.

NICKELL picked up three more major swings in the quarter and won the title 149 to 112.

DAILY QUESTION

You hold:

♠ K 10 9 ♥ 8 6 **♦**AJ6**♣**AQ653

Your partner opens one diamond, you bid two clubs and he rebids two diamonds. What do you say?

ANSWER: In a style where your two clubs forced to game, you might raise to three diamonds. But if that bid would be invitational and many pairs would so treat it - bid two spades. You must aim toward the nine-trick notrump game. If partner next bids 2NT, raise. If he does anything else, you will avoid notrump.

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RED AND ROVER





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THIS, SIR?

CLASSIC PEANUTS



M.D.



DON'T HIT YOUR

BALL IN THE WATER

MA'AM...I'M A CADDY

NOT A SUBMARINE!

HAHAHAHA!



I MAY BE GETTING ON

BRIAN BASSET BUT THIS POOL DOESN'T HAVE A FILTRATION SYSTEM.



IN YEARS,

BUT I'M LOW IN

MILEAGE.

6-22 THAVES CHARLES SCHULZ

JUST A LITTLE

HUMOR THERE, MA'AM

TO HELP YOU RELAX

TOM THAVES

AGNES AGNES! ARE YOU HUMPH. STILL DIGGING WHEN YOU SAY THAT STUPID IT THAT WAY, IT'S DEMEANING HOLE



TONY COCHRAN I COULD BE EXPLORING FOR TREASURE! SO... ARE YOU FINDING EARTH'S CENTER! DOING AN STILL DIGGING ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG! TUNNELING THATSTUPID TO LANDS UNKNOWN! JUMP-STARTING FUTURE NATURAL FUTURE NATURAL WONDERS! WONDER? V arcall



MIKE DU JOUR

MARK TRAIL

THESE ARE THE

guys Junking up the woods? They scare

ME. LET'S STAY OUT

OF SIGHT, ANDY.

MIKE LESTER KEYKAT WANTS TO BE A DOG OH YOAH! IF THE ENTIRE JUSTICE - ALL KINDS OF COSTUMES. PIRATES, COWBOYS, DOG OWNERS LOVE TO LEAGUE TRIES TO DRESS A CAT AS A TACO, TACOS, DINOSAURS DRESS UP THEIR DOGS IN COSTUMES... EVEN SUPERHEROES. BET ON THE CAT. WHAT???

HEY, WHO'S

WATCHING US!

SOMEONE'S

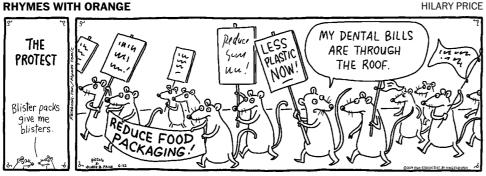
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GRIEF

WATER

HAZARD,



MARK TATULLI

= SIGH =



HONEST ERNEST AND

THE GRUNGEY BOYS!

WE'RE HERE TO PARTY

DOWN AND BUST

things up.



HAGAR THE HORRIBLE

w ishing

LIO









BALDO I HAD A NIGHTMARE



SALLY FORTH



FRANCESCO MARCIULIANO & JIM KEEFE



SHERMAN'S LAGOON

WE MUST BE GETTING

BACK TO OUR LAGOON.

SEE YOU

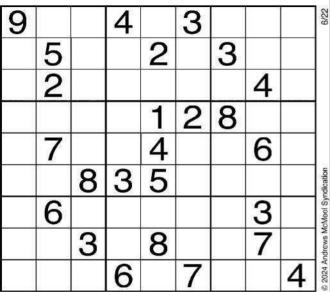
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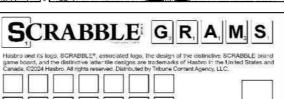


WALK HALF A BLOCK TO A
RESTAURANT? WALK TO THE CURB
FOR AN UBER? WALK. BEST TO GET SOME LIGHT STRETCHING IN FIRST.

SUDOKU

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.





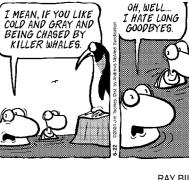
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E1 U1 T1 R1 H4	R ₁ R ₁ R ₂
A ₁ E ₁ O ₁ U ₁ T ₁	V1 C3 2nd Letter Triple RACK 4

TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN **BEST SCORE 213** DIRECTIONS: Make a 2- to 7-letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. Finally, 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. All the words are in the Official SCRABBLE[€] Players Dictionary, 5th Edition. **SOLUTION TOMORROW** For more information on tournaments and clubs, email NASPA - North American SCRABBLE Players Association info@scrabbleplayers.org. Visit our website - www.scrabbleplayers.org. For puzzle inquiries contact scrgrams@gmail.com





WE'VE ENJOYED OUR VISIT TO THE SOUTH





CURTIS









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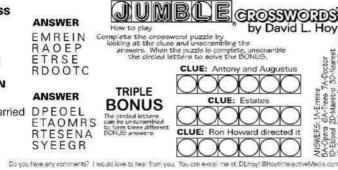
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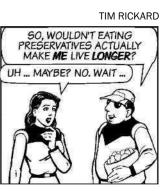
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BREWSTER ROCKIT: SPACE GUY!





HEART OF THE CITY

THERE'S A NEW
KID AT SCHOOL NAMED
TOBY. I DON'T KNOW
ANYTHING ABOUT HIM,
EXCEPT THAT HE'S
PERFECT AND WE'RE
MEANT TO BE
TOGETHER.

FRAZZ

THIS IS THE KIND

OF DAY ELECTRONIC

SCREENS AND THE

INTERNET WERE

MADE FOR

GARFIELD

DUSTIN

PRICKLY CITY

GO WHAT WERE YOU AND JEFFREY DOING OUT THERE DANAE?

EXCUUSE ME?!

BIG NATE

PRINCIPAL

NICHOLS,

WILL YOU SIGN MY YEAR BOOK?

WHAT'S THIS?

YOUR REPORT

I HAD THE WEIRDEST DREAM LAST NIGHT.

I'M NO

KNOW

STEENZ

TOO RELIEVED

TO CARE IF I

JIM DAVIS

RAMA

SCOTT STANTIS

LET'S BE WORKING

ON THAT

DEED

FRYING

STEVE KELLEY & JEFF PARKER

YOU SEE.

DID YOU

A"D-MINUS" IN FOOD SERVICE?

1 SEE

YOU'RE GOING

OF A LITTLE

RAIN?

YOU WERE

INSIDE BECAUSE

NO. I'M

RAIN

SHEL

STAYING OUT

BECAUSE MY

WEATHER APP

TOLD ME TO BRING A

AWWW, HEART!! WHEN SHOULD I CALL HIS MOM AND

IT'S SO JUST NICEOUT HERE.





romantic and affectionate. You're

BIRTHDAY | JUNE 22

optimistic about new beginnings because you seek perfection. This year is the end of a nine-year cycle. Take inventory of your life. Let go of people, places and things that hold you back. It's time for an internal and external

HOROSCOPE

You're sensitive.

housecleaning! Moon Alert: There are no restrictions to shopping or important decisions today.

The Moon is in Sagittarius.

ARIES

(MARCH 21-APRIL 19). You're high-viz today, which means people notice you more than usual. This might not be a bad thing, because it's a great day to get things done! You can use your high profile to set your armies marching!

TAURUS

(APRIL 20-MAY 20). The possibility of travel or a chance for further education or training is exciting, which is why you'll make every effort today to achieve your objectives. Certainly, you intend to do something that

will expand your horizons.

GEMINI

(MAY 21-JUNE 20). With disputes about taxes. inheritances and shared property, you'll deal with whatever comes your way today. You're full of financial ideas. Furthermore, you will attract money and wealth to

CANCER

you.

(JUNE 21-JULY 22). Because discussions with partners and close friends will be feisty and lively today, you might trigger some unexpected responses from groups and organizations. This could be because you're in competition with someone, perhaps a team or a group.

LEO

(JULY 23-AUG. 22). Today you have lots of energy to go after and achieve what you want. However, you might do a lot of your work behind the scenes or in a quiet way. Basically, you're happy to make domestic improvements as well as improvements to your workspace.

VIRGO

(AUG. 23-SEPT. 22). It's a popular day for you! You'll eniov talking to people who are different or from other countries. You might make travel plans or do something to expand your experience of the world.

(SEPT. 23-OCT. 22). You're in an excellent position today to deal with disputes about inheritances and shared property, as well as insurance issues and taxes. Authority figures will favor you. (Nice!)

SCORPIO (OCT, 23-NOV, 21)

Your communication skills are excellent today, which is why now is the time to state vour case. Because vou are mentally alert, this is also a good time to learn something new or share your ideas with others.

SAGITTARIUS

(NOV. 22-DEC. 21). Respect your moneymaking ideas today; they could be viable. You have an energetic mind, and you're interested in ways to make improvements to your world. This is a good day to ask for a loan or mortgage, because others might help

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19).

Today the Moon is in your sign lined up with fiery Mars, which will give you courage and confidence to do what you want. It will also make you a natural leader of groups because you radiate an enthusiastic energy.

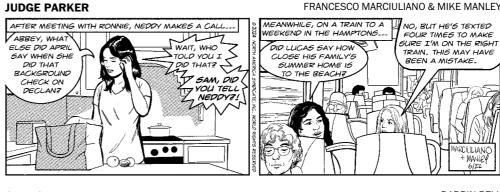
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(JAN. 20-FEB. 18). Increased activity and chaos on the homefront might cause you to come up with some ideas about how to address issues that affect home and family. If so, you might do this from behind the scenes.

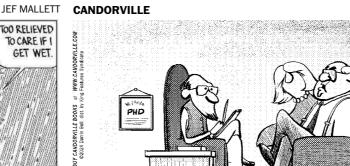
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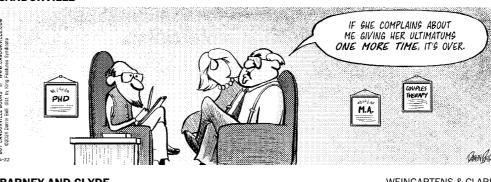
(FEB. 19-MARCH 20). This continues to be a playful, fun-loving time for you. Nevertheless, you'll be wise













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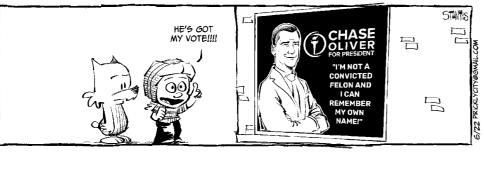




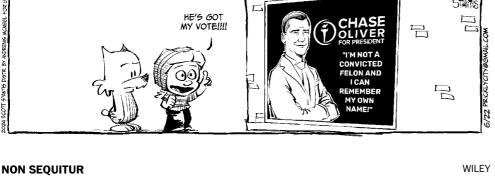


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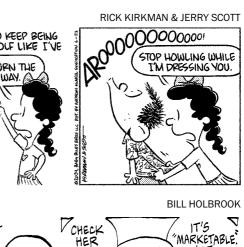
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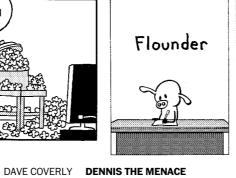




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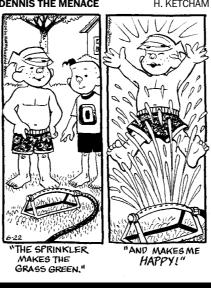
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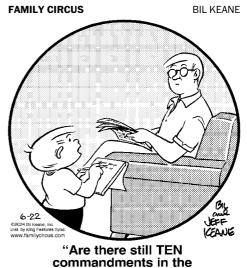
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PRO BASKETBALL

The Wizards get a new alternate uniform, a Statement Edition with stars and bars to celebrate the D.C. flag. **b2**

SOCCER

Kylian Mbappé sits as France and the Netherlands battle to a scoreless draw in group play at the Euros. **D2**

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LATE NATIONALS RESULT

For coverage of last night's late game, scan this code with your phone or visit wapo.st/Nats.

The Catch endures, as does Mays's greatness



Kevin B. Blackistone

Just two weeks ago, in the 10th inning of a College World Series regional game between Clemson and Florida, with two outs and Gators

on first and second, Florida's Ashton Wilson smacked a pitch high to deepest center field. It appeared certain to bounce into the wall — or go over it — to end the game.

But Clemson center fielder Cam Cannarella turned his back to the infield and took off in a desperate sprint.

For the first couple of seconds, he twisted his torso looking over his left shoulder for the flying object. Spying it, he then swerved a bit to his right and glanced back over that shoulder. And just before he got to the wall, the ball descended over his shoulder. He corralled it in his glove, turned upward as if to cup water to drink from some well. Then he crashed into the green-padded wall.

And almost immediately, an excited broadcaster exclaimed, "Say Hey, Willie Mays kid!"

That was nine days before Mays died Tuesday at 93, which set off a celebration of his nonpareil baseball career that culminated Thursday with a game at Rickwood Field in Birmingham, Ala., the oldest professional ballyard in the country. It was where Mays first played as a teenager for a Negro Leagues team, the Black Barons, the season after Jackie Robinson was allowed to reintegrate Major League Baseball, as it was called by the White men who organized it. It was where America's socalled national pastime alighted this week in another effort to exorcise its 60-year insult to men it refused to let play on its teams because of their African or Latin parentage.

But that call of the Clemson fielder's catch is to me the most amazing thing about Mays's career. Not the 660 home runs. Not the near quarter-century of all-star selections. Not the dozen Gold Gloves. Not the three consecutive seasons he led baseball in stolen bases. Because none of those numbers are *the* numbers. Someone else has more of any figure Mays wound up tallying.

But 69 years, eight months and counting since Mays made the Catch, it remains a part of SEE BLACKISTONE ON D5



Zach Hyman, center, put the Oilers up 3-0 with his second-period goal, and Edmonton held on to become the first team since 1945 to force a Game 7 after trailing 3-0.

Going the distance

BY BAILEY JOHNSON

EDMONTON — The Edmonton Oilers were confident all along, even when that confidence verged on what looked like delusion to the outside world. When they trailed the Florida Panthers three games to none in the Stanley Cup finals, they were insistent that they had been the better team in at least one, if not two, of the first three games — and that their time to get back in the series was coming.

"From what I've seen through the season," Edmonton Coach Kris Knoblauch said on the morning of Game 4, "how resilient they are, perseverance, their focus, their attitude, I'm really excited for the next 10 days."

The next 10 days Knoblauch was referring to was the amount of time it would take to reach Game 7. And Knoblauch's belief has been rewarded with three straight wins, capped by Friday night's 5-1 decision at home to send the series to a winner-take-all decider Monday night in South Florida

OILERS 5, PANTHERS 1

Once down 3-0 in finals, Edmonton trounces Florida to force a Game 7

Only two teams in NHL history had previously come back from a 3-0 deficit to force a Game 7 in the finals; the last time it happened was 1945.

Stuart Skinner, considered the weaker of the two starting goaltenders heading into the series, again made the timely saves the Oilers needed as he stopped 20 of the 21 shots he faced. Sergei Bobrovsky made 16 saves for Florida.

Stanley Cup finals, Game 7: Oilers at Panthers Monday, 8 p.m., ABC The first period had more tension than action, with nerves appearing to affect the Panthers more than the hosts. The team playing with a chance to hoist the Cup for the third consecutive game looked disjointed and out of sorts, while Edmonton settled in fairly quickly.

Warren Foegele put the Oilers ahead at the 7:27 mark with a tap-in finish off a sublime pass from Leon Draisaitl, who was critical of his own performance in the series Friday morning. Draisaitl had just two assists entering Game 6, both of them from Edmonton's 8-1 blowout win in Game 4, but his saucer pass to Foegele put on display his ability to slow the game down and pick out the perfect moment to strike.

moment to strike.

Florida mustered just two shots on goal in the opening period, and one was more of a dump-in that happened to be corralled by Skinner than an actual threat to score. The Panthers were lucky to be down just one goal after a flat opening 20 minutes, but a mere 46 seconds into the second period,

SEE STANLEY CUP ON D3

Tumultuous path leads Dressel to familiar place

American star continues comeback at trials with triumph in 50 freestyle

BY RICK MAESE

INDIANAPOLIS — Caeleb Dressel came to these U.S. Olympic swimming trials as a decorated champion, a proud new father and a generational talent. He was also the biggest question hanging over the meet with barely five weeks remaining before the Paris Games. Could he recapture his otherworldly form from the Tokyo Olympics? Or would U.S. swimming need to find someone else to carry its torch and shoulder expectations in some of the most high-profile races next month in France?

After a flurry of splashing, measuring from one end of the pool to the next, Dressel poked his head out of the water, turned to the scoreboard and punctuated his stellar 50-meter freestyle with a fist pump. The performance provided the biggest sign yet that Dressel — the version who essentially established a second home

atop the medals podium for years — might actually be back. His winning time of 21.41 seconds was his fastest since the Tokyo Games.

"I'm happy putting up some times I haven't put up in a really long time," he said. "And we're going to get faster, too, so excited about that."

Dressel's journey since Tokyo has been precarious, and for a while, it wasn't clear whether he would ever step onto a medal podium again. At times, it wasn't even clear whether he would get back in the pool. Dressel withdrew from the 2022 world championships for what was later revealed to be a mental health episode. He then took an eightmonth break from the sport before embarking on an arduous return in early 2023.

Barely four months later, at the U.S. trials ahead of the 2023 world championships, Dressel failed to qualify in any of his four races. He didn't even make the final in two of them

One year later, now 27, he has shown that while he might not be considered a medal lock, he could SEE SWIMMING ON D3

U.S. swimming and diving trials 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.. NBC



Quincy Wilson said his level of nervousness was "probably like a 2" on a scale of 1 to 10 Friday going into his first run at the U.S. trials.

Only 16, Wilson breaks world record in prelims

Bullis star runs 44.66 to establish under-18 standard in 400 meters

BY ADAM KILGORE

EUGENE, ORE. — On the night before the biggest race of his life, Quincy Wilson dreamed about Paris. He does not own a driver's license and does not need to shave, and still he came here with towering ambition. In one stunning lap around Hayward Field on the opening night of the U.S. Olympic track and field trials, Wilson made one thing abundantly clear: Making the Olympics at 16 years old may be a dream but for him it's reference.

dream, but for him it's no fantasy. A sprinting phenom and straight-A student at Bullis School, Wilson had already become a future star of American track and field. The future arrived all of a sudden Friday night. With "Bullis" emblazoned across the front of his uniform, Wilson ran 400 meters in 44.66 seconds, shattering the under-18 world record and breaking an American record that Darrell Robinson had

held for 42 years.

Wilson walked to the starting line in a racing singlet New Balance let him design himself, with a Maryland state flag pattern. He had never broken 45.13 seconds before, but he knew the time 44.84, the under-18 world record Justin Robinson set five years

"I've been looking at that all

season," Wilson said.

Wilson's time nudged past the
U.S. high school record by
0.03 seconds. It also allowed him
to win his heat comfortably and
made him the second-fastest
qualifier for the 400-meter semifinals Sunday. The top three finishers in Monday's final will make
it to Paris. In a field that is open
after world champion Michael
Norman, Wilson declared himself

a legitimate threat.

"I expected him to run fast," said Chris Bailey, the third-fastest qualifier. "I didn't expect him to run *that* fast. And I give him his props. What he's been doing the

whole year has been amazing."

The aficionados at Hayward
Field had taken note of Wilson's

SEE TRACK ON D3

U.S. track and field trials 9 p.m., NBC

THE DAY IN SPORTS

SOCCER

Mbappé sits out draw; Poland first eliminated

Kylian Mbappé watched from the bench as France and the Netherlands finished 0-0 in a heavyweight European Championship clash Friday in Leipzig, Germany.

Antoine Griezmann missed France's best chances and Xavi Simons had a goal ruled out for the Dutch in the first goalless draw of the tournament.

It leaves both teams with four points in Group D after their second match. It also ensured Poland was the first team eliminated. Poland was beaten by Austria, 3-1, earlier Friday in Berlin and is assured of finishing at the bottom, even if it defeats France in its final group game.

France's buildup was dominated by speculation on whether Mbappé would play after the team captain broke his nose in an opening 1-0 win over

Mbappé trained wearing a face mask Thursday, and Coach **Didier Deschamps** expressed optimism he would be available. But Deschamps decided it was not worth the risk to play him against the physical Dutch defenders...

After being blown out by Romania, 3-0, in its first match, Ukraine conceded the opening goal to Slovakia but fought back for a much-needed 2-1 win in Düsseldorf, Germany....

Claudio Bravo became the oldest player in Copa América history and made four saves to help Chile play Peru to a scoreless draw in the tournament opener for both teams in Arlington, Tex.

Bravo, who is 41 years 69 days old, stopped a first-time shot by Gianluca Lapadula on a corner kick in the 79th minute before denying Paolo Guerrero on the rebound attempt in front of 43,030 fans at AT&T Stadium. ...

Concacaf said it will investigate racist messages directed at Canada's Moïse Bombito on social media after he made a tackle on Lionel Messi during a 2-0 Copa América loss to Argentina on Thursday. ...

American midfielder Paxten Aaronson extended his contract with Eintracht Frankfurt through the 2027-28 season and was loaned to Utrecht in the Netherlands for 2024-25...

Celeste Arantes, the mother of late soccer great Pelé, died at age 101. Arantes spent the past five years in a vegetative state and was not informed about her famous son's death in 2022...

Barbra Banda scored twice to give her an NWSL-leading 10 goals as the Orlando Pride remained undefeated with a 6-0 rout of the visiting Utah Royals.

OLYMPICS

L.A. Games may hold events in Oklahoma

The Los Angeles Olympics appear to be heading to Oklahoma — about 1,300 miles east of the host city.

To maximize existing facilities and keep costs down, Los Angeles organizers proposed that softball and canoe slalom be held in Oklahoma City during the 2028 Games, organizers announced....

Magnus Sheffield and Matteo Jorgenson will join Brandon McNulty on the U.S. cycling team for the Paris Olympics, giving the American contingent perhaps its best chance in four decades to win a road race medal....

Two-time French Open doubles champion Caroline Garcia was selected for the France tennis team for the Paris Olympics, but frequent partner Kristina Mladenovic was not.

Garcia will play the Olympic doubles with Diane Parry. Also on the women's team are Clara Burel and Varvara Gracheva.

Edouard Roger-Vaselin will join Fabien Reboul in men's doubles, and Gael Monfils was picked for his fourth Olympics. Ugo Humbert, Arthur Fils and **Corentin Moutet** round out the men's team.

PRO BASKETBALL Clark second to Wilson in WNBA all-star vote

A'ja Wilson leads Caitlin Clark by just over a thousand votes in early fan voting for the WNBA All-Star Game, the league announced.

Clark's Indiana Fever teammate Aliyah Boston is

third, about 40,000 votes behind. Wilson is having an incredible season, averaging 27.9 points and 11.3 rebounds. She has 217,773 votes. Clark is right behind with 216,427.

SPOTLIGHT: NBA



The Wizards said their alternate uniform "pays tribute to the spirit of the city and those who take pride in calling D.C. home."

Wizards' new uniform celebrates D.C. flag

BY SCOTT ALLEN

As they prepare to make the second pick in next week's NBA draft, the Washington Wizards unveiled a new alternate uniform for the 2024-25 season.

The D.C. flag-inspired threads, which the team released Friday at 2:02 a.m. (get it?), feature a navy base with three red stars above two red bars on the front of the jersey, with "The District of Columbia" and the player's number in white. The bold but simple design is replicated on the shorts, with the flag pattern repeated on the right thigh and the Wizards' familiar Washington Monument-inside-a-basketball logo on the left thigh. "Washington" will be featured on the waistband.

The navy design is the Wizards' latest Statement Edition uniform, which Nike, the league's apparel partner, introduced in 2017 to "highlight the core identity and heritage" of each team. Washington's previous Statement Edition uniform, which the team had worn for select games since 2019, was primarily navy blue with a red horizontal stripe across the top and red, white and silver striping down the side of the jerseys and shorts. It also featured "The District of Columbia" word mark.

The Wizards will debut their new Statement Edition uniform in November, and it will remain part of the team's rotation for at least the next three seasons. The jersey won't be available for fans to purchase until January.

In a press release, the Wizards said the new design is "an extension of the team's 'For the District' campaign, which pays tribute to the spirit of the city and those who take pride in calling D.C. home." Friday's unveiling might have hit differently if Wizards owner Ted Leonsis hadn't reached an agreement in March with D.C. Mayor Muriel E. Bowser to keep the team in the District through 2050.

The Wizards will continue to wear their primarily white and primarily red uniforms throughout the 2024-25 season. The black, gray, copper and teal boundary stone-inspired City Edition uniform the team unveiled last year, which received mixed reviews, is expected to be retired to make room for a new City Edition design.

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The New York Liberty's Breanna Stewart is fourth, and the Dallas Wings' Arike Ogunbowale is fifth. The Chicago Sky's **Angel Reese** is seventh in the voting and is the only other rookie in the top 10. ...

NaLyssa Smith had 21 points and nine rebounds and Clark added 16 points and seven assists as the Fever beat the Atlanta Dream, 91-79, in front a recordbreaking 17,575 fans at State Farm Arena.

Atlanta set a franchise record for single-game home attendance, surpassing the 11,609 who saw the team's inaugural game in 2008 at

Philips Arena. This game was played at the home of the Atlanta Hawks because of high ticket demand to see Clark. ...

The Boston Celtics toasted the franchise's 18th NBA title in what has become the signature celebration in the city, joined by a huge crowd for a duck boat parade from TD Garden to Hynes Convention Center.

COLLEGES Sooners give Venables a six-year, \$51.6M deal

Oklahoma football coach Brent Venables was rewarded with a pay raise, agreeing to a new six-year deal valued at \$51.6 million as the Sooners prepare to join the SEC.

The contract was approved at the school's Board of Regents meeting.

The Sooners went 6-7 in 2022, Venables's first year after Lincoln Riley left to become the coach at Southern California. Last season, they went 10-3....

Texas A&M all-time leading rusher Darren Lewis died of cancer, the school announced. He was 55. ...

Ohio State hired longtime Campbell coach Justin Haire as its new baseball coach....

Southwestern Athletic **Conference Commissioner** Charles McClelland received a contract extension through the 2032 academic year, the league's council of presidents and chancellors announced.

GOLF

Enjoying his best start, Kim maintains his lead

Tom Kim followed an opening 62 with a 5-under-par 65 for the lowest 36-hole score of his career and a two-shot lead at the Travelers Championship in Cromwell, Conn.

Kim had to settle for eight straight pars on soggy TPC River Highlands and still finished at 13-under 127, two shots ahead of a group that includes Masters champion Scottie Scheffler and Collin Morikawa.

Scheffler, coming off his first middle-of-the-road performance of the year at the U.S. Open, had to wait through a storm delay of more than three hours to finish his last two holes. He made an eight-foot birdie putt on the 18th for a 64.

Morikawa (63) and Akshay Bhatia (65), who also was two behind, finished before the storms....

Abraham Ancer shot a bogeyfree 7-under-par 64 to take the first-round lead in LIV Golf Nashville, with Bryson DeChambeau three strokes back during his personal celebration tour that started with his second U.S. Open victory.

Ancer is looking for his second victory in six events after winning in Hong Kong in a playoff in March. Tyrrell Hatton was a stroke back at the Grove in College Grove, Tenn.

TENNIS Zverev can't make short work of Fils

Fourth-ranked Alexander **Zverev** had to battle back to beat 20-year-old Arthur Fils, 6-7 (7-5), 6-3, 6-4, in 21/2 hours for a spot in the semifinals of the Halle Open in Germany.

Zverev, a two-time runner-up in Halle, next faces **Hubert** Hurkacz, who defeated Marcos Giron, 7-6 (7-5), 6-4.

New world No. 1 Jannik **Sinner** was taken the distance for a third straight match when he overcame Jan-Lennard Struff, 6-2, 6-7 (7-1), 7-6 (7-3).

Sinner, who has yet to play a seed, will face Zhang Zhizhen, who beat American Christopher Eubanks, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5. ...

Jordan Thompson recorded his second victory over a top-15 opponent this week by beating **Taylor Fritz**, 6-4, 6-3, to reach the semifinals at the grass-court Queen's Club in London.

The Australian will next face Lorenzo Musetti, who topped wild card **Billy Harris**, 6-3, 7-5.

Tommy Paul ended Jack Draper's seven-win streak, 6-3, 5-7, 6-4. His second career semifinal on grass will be against fellow American Sebastian Korda, who beat qualifier Rinky Hijikata, 6-7 (7-4), 6-3,

Elena Rybakina retired from her quarterfinal in Berlin, seemingly because of illness.

The 2022 Wimbledon champion was trailing Victoria **Azarenka** 3-1 in the first set at the grass-court Ladies Open and stopped playing after her double fault made it 15-15 in the fifth

Former No. 1 Azarenka, a twotime Australian Open champion, will face second-seeded Aryna Sabalenka or Anna Kalinskaya in the semifinals.

Fourth-seeded Jessica Pegula led Katerina Siniakova 7-6 (7-2), 3-6, 4-2 when rain interrupted play. They will finish their match Saturday.

The other two quarterfinals were moved to Saturday: Sabalenka vs. Kalinskaya and top-seeded Coco Gauff against Ons Jabeur.

MISC.

Lions great Sanders reveals heart scare

Pro Football Hall of Fame running back Barry Sanders said he "experienced a health scare related to my heart" last weekend.

"It was unexpected and served as a reminder of the importance of staying vigilant about our physical well-being, even when we are feeling fine," the former Detroit Lions great said in a statement on social media.

The Lions issued their own social media post saying, "Get well soon Barry." ...

Flavio Briatore will return to Formula One in an advisory role for Alpine, the team owned by French carmaker Renault said.

Briatore, 74, was the team principal at Benetton and Renault, the previous iterations of Alpine, in the 1990s and 2000s. Under his leadership, Michael Schumacher won championships in 1994 and 1995 for Benetton and Fernando Alonso won the 2004 and 2005

titles under Renault. .. **Conor McGregor** posted on Instagram that a broken toe was the reason he had to pull out of his headline UFC 303 bout against Michael Chandler after previously not specifying the

From news services

Wilson blazes into Olympic contention; injured Centrowitz 'ran out of time'

TRACK FROM D1

precocious exploits. When the public address announced his name at the start line, Wilson received the largest cheer. On a night when Athing Mu made her season debut after rehabbing a hamstring injury, Sha'Carri Richardson began her quest to make her first Olympic team and native Oregonian Ryan Crouser needed just one throw to make the shot put final, Wilson became the main attraction.

"It's a different game," Wilson said. "I'm not running high school anymore. I'm running with the big dogs."

There is no missing Wilson's youth. He barely has peach fuzz, and his grin - "that million-dollar smile," Coach Joe Lee said makes him look even younger than 16. On the track, though, Wilson never blinked. When he crossed the line, he waved to his crowd, welcoming even more cheers as his crackling time posted on the scoreboard.

"Probably like a 2," Wilson said, when about his nerves on a scale of 1 to 10. "I'm racing against bigger people that got brands and things like that. To me, everybody puts their spikes on the same way I do. I train just as hard as they do. It's just the best of the best going at each other."

Lee believed Wilson was capable of that time. Back in the fall, Lee put Wilson through a test run, putting 45 seconds on a stopwatch and then measuring how far Wilson could sprint in that time. When the clock struck zero, Wilson had run 399.2 meters. Lee double-checked his watch to make sure he had not mistakenly added a couple of seconds.

Experience on the Hayward track helped. Last summer, at an under-20 meet here, Wilson faded to fourth after he burst into a full sprint halfway through the race, a sign of his overexcitement at his first major national meet. Lee used the race as a lesson.

"We're going to come back here," Lee said then, "and it's going to be a lot different."

Lee emphasized that Wilson is still a kid, a rising junior in high school, barely straddling adolescence. Among academic awards,



Quincy Wilson, who just finished his sophomore year at Bullis, has dreamed of competing in Paris. He potentially is two strong runs away.

Wilson won a Bullis honor called the Joy of Life Award. But he did not hold back their expectations. Wilson, the All-Met Athlete of the Year this winter and spring, has dreamed of the Olympics since he began running track at age 8, and he does not want to wait until he turns 20.

"He's still a 16-year-old young man - he'd be upset if I called him a boy," Lee said. "He's not a pro yet, although mentally he's right there with the best of them. He's not afraid when he comes in here. He's not intimidated. He believes he belongs because he does. We knew this was possible."

Wilson's next challenge will be to prove he can handle the burden of a meet with multiple rounds. He has already sought counsel from stars Noah Lyles and Grant Holloway about how to maintain his stamina. Lee had Wilson run a pair of 4x400 relay legs five hours apart this year at the Penn Relays in part to prepare him.

"He trains harder than anyone I've ever seen," Lee said. "This is just everyday work for us. Yes, he can do it. I think he's got more in

"It's only the first round," Wilson said. "I hope there's more of that record to break."

As one Maryland track star began his ascent, another met a wrenching end. Matthew Centrowitz, the Broadneck High alum who won a gold medal at the 2016 Olympics, will miss the U.S. Olympic trials with a hamstring injury, costing him his attempt to reach his fourth and final Olym-

"Unfortunately, I won't be having the fairy-tale ending I was hoping for," Centrowitz said in an

Centrowitz had declared in March that 2024 would be his final year, timed for one last run in the 1,500 meters at the Paris Olympics. In recent weeks, two ailments derailed him. After racing at the Los Angeles Grand Prix in May, Centrowitz became sick and missed a week of training. When he returned, he strained his hamstring.

Centrowitz tried to recover in time for the beginning of the trials. He healed to the point where he can jog, but he said he is unable to run at a pace that would allow him to compete.

"It's been equally difficult physically and mentally the last three weeks staying optimistic that I'd be able to still compete," Centrowitz said. "Unfortunately, I ran out of time."

Centrowitz still traveled to Eugene to watch the trials and support old friends. He would have seen Mu run the 800 in 2:01.73. breezing into the semifinals with a low-effort, second-place finish in her heat. "It was pretty smooth," Mu said. "It just felt like my first race back. The legs were getting a little wake up."

Shortly after Mu finished, Richardson made her first trials appearance since 2021, when she won the 100 meters but lost her spot after testing positive for marijuana. She won a world championship last summer and ripped off a time of 10.88, the fastest of any qualifier.

The final race of the night crowned the first Olympians of the trials. Grant Fisher, the dominant force in American distance running, won the 10,000 meters in 27:49.47. Woody Kincaid pulled away for second place, with Nico Young edging Drew Hunter for third. Hunter, a 26-year-old former All-Met at Loudoun Valley who turned professional at 18, would not have made the Olvmpics had he passed Young at the wire, but his fourth-place finish was one of the best performances of a career pockmarked with inju-

Elsewhere, Eric Holt, the 29-year-old who quit working in an Upstate New York psych ward to pursue his Olympic dream, advanced to Saturday's 1500 semifinals by cruising to a 3:35.86 in a fast-paced qualifying heat, the fifth-fastest time of the night.

Before the meet, Centrowitz ran into Evan Jager, a 3,000-meter steeplechase stalwart, at the airport. They reminisced about all their years competing with and against each other. "He was like, 'You got to do it for the old guys," Jaeger said, "Do it for me."

The young guys, Wilson chief among them, are not going to make it easy for them.

Dressel recaptures dominance at trials after navigating through difficult chapter

SWIMMING FROM D1

be a contender in Paris.

"He's come a long way mentally, physically. I am not surprised he's at this point now compared to where he was before," Anthony Nesty, Dressel's Florida coach who will also coach the men's swim team in Paris, said in a recent interview. "It's a credit to him because he spent a lot of time getting himself right."

"Looking back, at the time, seeing where he was last summer at trials to now, it's night and day."

Dressel smiled Friday night as he met with reporters for the first time at these trials. He has loved the racing and raved about the pool and crowd at Lucas Oil Stadium. But he made clear that none of this is easy.

"It takes a lot of work, and there's parts of this meet — I've had some really low lows," he

"There's parts, at my hotel room, not on camera, talking to my wife, talking to my therapist. It has not been smooth sailing this whole meet. I know y'all get to see the smile. And I'm working on it. I'm trying to find those moments and just relish them."

The 50 free is an event that Dressel has consistently made look easy. He owns the third-fastest time in history and three of the top six times ever. But those marks were all from 2021 or earlier. Heading into these trials, Dressel's best 50 free time this season was a 21.84 from March —



Caeleb Dressel clocked his fastest time in the 50-meter freestyle (21.41 seconds) since the Tokyo Games.

38th best in world this year. Only three swimmers this year have topped the 21.41 mark he posted Friday night.

Chris Guiliano was the second swimmer to touch the wall, finishing in 21.69. That means the 20-year old Notre Dame product

qualified for Paris in the 50, 100 and 200 free, making him the first American male to qualify in all three events since Matt Biondi in

Barely 30 minutes after Dressel won the 50 free, he was back in the pool, stepping onto the block for the semifinal of the 100-meter butterfly, his most dominant event. At his peak, Dressel was without peer in the race. He set the world record at the Tokyo Olympics (49.45) and has posted eight of the top 10 times ever. Even after that taxing 50 free, he

still had plenty of speed stored up and won his semifinal heat in 50.79, his fastest time since he set the record in 2021. It was also the top semifinal time here, with the final scheduled for Saturday night.

"I'm not going best times. I haven't gone a single best time. But when I'm walking out, feeling the love from everyone, it's really special," he said. "That's not something I thought I would realize at this meet."

If he wins Saturday's final, Dressel could be in pursuit of at least four medals in Paris. While he missed qualifying individually for the 100-meter freestyle, he will be a part of the 4x100 freestyle relay team. A win Saturday probably would earn him a spot on 4x100 medley relay as well.

"This is a true test. This is a really big test," he said of these trials. "I feel like I've performed really well."

How Dressel performs in Paris will play a large role in whether the United States can top Australia, which won more gold medals than the Americans at last year's world championships. He will certainly have plenty of help there, based on Saturday's times from veteran medalists and some new faces.

Regan Smith set a world record in the 100-meter backstroke Tuesday and threatened to take down the 200-meter mark Friday. She was nearly 0.3 seconds ahead of the world mark at the last turn but ran out of gas on her final lap.

Still, she finished with a time of 2:05.16, a full second ahead of second-place Phoebe Bacon, the 21-vear-old from Chevy Chase who punched a ticket to her second Olympics with a time of 2:06.27.

"The rest of the world better be scared of us," Bacon said. "We will be coming in fighting, and we don't like to lose."

Heady words considering the Aussies will be again trotting out the mighty Kaylee McKeown, the world record holder who won gold in both the 100 and 200 backstroke at the Tokyo Games.

In the men's 200-meter individual medley Friday, Carson Foster won with a time of 1:55.65, nipping Shaine Casas at the wall 1:55.83. Both swimmers will be making their Olympic debuts. At the U.S. trials in 2021, the 22-year old Foster finished third in the 400 IM, just a half-second away from a ticket to Tokvo.

But Dressel was the star of the show Friday, as he has been since the 2017 world championships, where he won seven gold medals and became the face of the U.S. men's team. He's older now, but the goals are mostly the same.

"Early on in my career it was how long can I be dominant," he said. "That's still a little bit of my mind-set. But I think it's switching a little bit to: What can I show this younger generation?"

Dave Sheinin contributed to this

Oilers rout Panthers to force a Game 7

STANLEY CUP FROM D1

Adam Henrique finished off a two-on-one with Mattias Janmark to electrify the crowd and double Edmonton's lead.

Aleksander Barkov appeared to halve the deficit for Florida just 10 seconds after Henrique's goal, but the Oilers immediately challenged for offside. After a lengthy review, it was ruled that Sam Reinhart was offside five seconds before the goal, restoring Edmon-

ton's two-goal lead. The Panthers found more of their game in the middle frame, but Edmonton's defense locked down the middle of the ice returning the favor of how Florida shut down the Oilers in the first three games — and kept them

at bay. Late in the period, amid a promising shift for the Panthers, a shot from Gustav Forsling was blocked by Ryan Nugent-Hopkins, and the rebound from the block sprung Zach Hyman on a breakaway.

Hyman, who scored 54 goals in the regular season and has 16 in 24 postseason games, calmly skated in on Bobrovsky and beat the sprawling netminder with an elevated backhand shot.

Barkov got the Panthers on the board 1:28 into the third period with a sharp move to the net that allowed him to smoothly tuck the puck past Skinner, but the tally didn't spark a comeback for Flori-

The Oilers weathered a brief push from the Panthers after

Barkov's tally, then calmly defended their lead for the rest of the game. A power play to Florida early in the period proved fruitless as Edmonton's impenetrable penalty kill again held strong, and the Panthers didn't create much of a sustained threat after

Ryan McLeod's empty-netter with 3:15 left sealed the victory and put the Oilers on the verge of making history. Darnell Nurse added a second empty-net goal 12 seconds later.

Entering Game 6, Edmonton was 4-0 in potential elimination games this season. The Oilers are now 5-0 and one win away improbably, impossibly - from hoisting the Stanley Cup for the first time since 1990.



Like their team and its coach, some Oilers fans kept the faith after the Oilers lost the first three games.

BASEBALL

x-Late game

National League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR
Philadelphia	49	26	.653	_	4-6	L-2
Atlanta	42	31	.575	6	7-3	W-4
New York	36	38	.486	121/2	8-2	W-1
x-Washington	36	38	.486	121/2	7-3	L-1
Miami	26	49	.347	23	4-6	W-3

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB L10	STR
x-Milwaukee	44	31	.587	- 6-4	L-1
St. Louis	37	37	.500	61/2 6-4	W-1
Cincinnati	36	39	.480	8 4-6	W-1
Pittsburgh	36	39	.480	8 5-5	L-1
Chicago	36	40	.474	81/2 4-6	L-1

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR
x-Los Angeles	47	30	.610	_	6-4	W-1
Arizona	38	38	.500	81/2	7-3	W-2
x-San Diego	39	40	.494	9	5-5	W-2
San Francisco	36	40	.474	10½	4-6	L-3
x-Colorado	26	49	.347	20	3-7	L-1

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Seattle	44	34	.564	_	6-4	L-3
x-Houston	35	40	.467	71/2	5-5	W-2
Texas	35	40	.467	71/2	4-6	W-2
x-Los Angeles	29	45	.392	13	5-5	L-2
x-Oakland	28	49	.364	151/2	2-8	1-1

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who was originally slated

to face the Yankees on

Tuesday, had his start

moved up and will face

Yankees: Designated

LHP Victor González for

assignment, demoted

RHP Ron Marinaccio to

Class AAA Scranton/

"He made his

movie schedule and he made his

summer schedule

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- Former Montreal Expos PR chief Richard Griffin

on Canadian actor Donald Sutherland, who

died Thursday at 88. The Expos relocated to

Washington in 2005.

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W-L ERA TEAM

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Glasnow, LA	125
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Judge, NY	.306
Smith, Tex	.298
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Altuve, Hou	.296
Rutschman, Bal	.293
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Alvarez c	3	1	1	1	2	2.	271	
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Rays 10, Pirates 3

Josh Lowe homered twice, including a three-run blast in the sixth that broke open a close game, Tampa Bay got a rare breather amid a string of tight finishes.

Lowe hit a solo shot in the third inning and went deep again with two aboard in the sixth. AB R H BIBBSOAVG

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WP: Poche (1-1							
Inherited runne	ers-so	core	d: [ocl	he 3	3-0, 0	r-

tiz 1-0, Fleming 1-0. HBP: Pepiot (Reynolds), Ortiz (Arozarena). T: 2:45. A: 26,600 (38,753).

Rangers 6, Royals 2 Marcus Semien hit a

three-run double to cap Texas's five-run sixth, Wyatt Langford had two runscoring hits and the Rangers beat Kansas Citv.

Texas has won two in a row after a five-game losing streak. Kansas City has lost nine of its last 12

games.							
ROYALS	AB	R	Н	BI	BB	S0	AVG
Garcia 3b	3	0	1	0	1	0	.240
Witt ss	4	0	0	0	0	1	.318
Pasquantino 1b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.237
Perez c	4	0	0	0	0	4	.286
Fermin dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.294
Melendez If	4	1	1	0	0	2	.181
Loftin 2b			1				.247
Renfroe rf			0				.197
Isbel cf			1	1			.229
Hampson ph-cf	2	0	1	1	0	0	.287
TOTALS	33	2	6	2	2	12	-
RANGERS	AB	R	Н	ВІ	BB	S0	AVG
Semien 2b	4	0	1	3	0	1	.252

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RANGERS	AB	ĸ	Н	RIF	SR S	50 A	/G
Semien 2b	4	0	1	3	0	1 .2	52
Seager ss	4	0	0	0	0	1 .2	52
J.Smith 3b	3	0	1	0	0	0.2	99
García rf	3	2	1	0	1	1 .2	12
Lowe 1b	4	1	3	0	0	0 .2	59
Langford If	4	0	2	2	0	1 .2	49
Heim c	1	1	0	1	3	0.2	29
Jankowski dh						1.2	
Grossman ph-dh	1	1	0	0	1	0 .2	29
Taveras cf	4	1	1	0	0	1.2	13
TOTALS	30	6	9	6	5	6	-
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ANSAS CITY 001 EXAS 000							
OB: Kansas City 6, endez (11), Loftin (owe (10), Semien ff Eovaldi.	(3),	Lan	gfo	rd	(7),	,	
OYALS IP	Н	RI	ERI	BB:	SO E	RΑ	
inger5 chreiber							

Yates
WP: Eovaldi (4-3); LP: Schreiber (3-2).
Inherited runners-scored: Long 1-1,
Robertson 2-0. HBP: Singer (J.Smith).
WP: Eovaldi. T: 2:38. A: 37,678 (40,000).

Mets 11, Cubs 1

Alvarez and Brandon Nimmo homered against Shota Imanaga, and New York pounded Chicago. Francisco Lindor had three hits as the Mets won for the eighth time in nine games.

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METS	AB	R	Н	BH	BB S	SO A	VG	
Lindor ss	5	2	3	0	0	1.3	244	
Nimmo If	4	3	2	2	1	2.:	244	
Martinez dh	4		2	4	0	1.3	287	
Stewart ph-dl			0	0	1		183	
Alonso 1b	3	0	1	0	2	2.3	244	
Marte rf		2	1	1	0		279	
Taylor rf		0	0	0	0		237	
Vientos 3b			0	0	0		291	
Alvarez c			1	1			271	
Hudson c			0	0	0			
Iglesias 2b				3	0		438	
Bader cf	5	0	0	0	0	2	262	
TOTALS	39	11	14	11	6	11	-	
CUBS		AB	Rŀ	BII	BB S	SO A	VG	

CUBS				BB S	SO AVG
Hoerner 2b				1	2 .240
Nido ph				0	1.000
Suzuki rf				1	0 .264
Bellinger cf	3	02	0	0	1.268
Busch 1b	1	0 0	0	0	0.264
Morel dh	4	01	0	0	0.198
Happ If	3	00	0	0	2 .235
Crow-Armstrong cf				0	1.200
Wisdom 1b-lf	4	01	0	0	2.203
Swanson ss	2	00	0	0	1.212
Mastrobuoni ph-ss	2	00	0	0	0.119
Bote 3b				0	2.304
Amaya c	3	01	Ó	1	1.192
TOTALS	33	16	0	3	13 —

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Vientos (1). 9. 2B: Lindo Ilinger (13), 1, off Imanag 1 Nimmo (10	r 2 (2) More Ja; Alv	0), <i>i</i> I (5 vare	Alo). H ez (nso I R: 1 2),	(19 Mai)), rtii	nez	
TS	IΡ	Н	RI	ER I	BBS	50	ERA	
intana	6⅓	4	1	0	1	8	4.58	
tavino	14	1	0	0	2	3	4.55	

LICCIE 1/3	U	U	U	_	 ٠.,
WP: Quintana (3-5); Inherited runners-sc					
Wesneski 2-2, Little (Suzuki). WP: Ottavi 37,037 (41,363).					ına

bott struck out a seasonhigh 10 as Cincinnati turned back Boston.

Candelario launched solo shots off Red Sox starter Kutter Crawford in the first and third innings, a solo blast in the second.

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RED SOX	AB	R	Н	BII	3B S	SO AVO	Ĝ
Duran If	4	1	2	1	0	0.28	O
González ss	3	0	1	0	0	2 .28	3
Hamilton ph-	ss1	0	0	0	0	0 .28	ó
O'Neill rf	3	0	0	0	1	3 .25	4
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	0	3 .27	4
Wong c	4	1	2	1	0	1 .33	5
Yoshida dh	4	0	0	0	0	1 .23	ó
Dalbec 1b	3	0	0	0	0	2 .13	3
Smith ph		0	0	0	0	0 .22	6
Valdez 2b		0	1	0		1 .21	
Rafaela cf	3	0	0	0	0	1 .24	8
TOTALS	33	2	6	2	1	14 -	-
REDS	AB	R	Н	BIE	3B S	SO AVO	ŝ
Friedl cf	2	0	0	1	0	1.20	9

TOTALS	33	2	6	2	1	14	-
REDS	AB	R	н	BIE	3B S	50 /	VG
Friedl cf	2	0	0	1	0	1.	209
De La Cruz ss .	3	0	0	0	1	3.	234
Candelario dh.	4	2	2	2	0	1.	255
Steer 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0.	234
Fraley rf	4	0	1	0	0	1.	273
India 2b	3		1	1	1	0.	241
Espinal 3b	4	1	1	0	0	0.	208
Benson If	3	0	0	0	1	1.	196
Maile c	3	1	1	0	1	1.	202
TOTALS	30	5	6	4	4	8	-
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RED SOX	IP	Н	R	ERI	BB S	50 E	ERA
Crawford Booser	1/3	0	0	0	1	13	3.42
Keller	1⅓	1	0	0	1	0.4	1.02

Crawford Booser Keller	1/3	0	0	0	1	1 3.42
REDS	IP	Н	R	ERI	BB S	O ERA
Abbott	5 3/3	4	2	2	1	10 3.40
Cruz	⅓	0	0	0	0	13.48
Moll	1	0	0	0	0	1 1.65
Martinez	1	1	0	0	0	1 4.32
Díaz	1	1	0	0	0	1 5.08
WP: Abbott (6	-6); LI	P: C	rav	for	d (3-7); S:

Late Thursday

Donovan hit a two-run homer and a double, and co in the Negro Leagues tribute game at Rickwood

Field in Birmingham.

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Wisely 2b				0	1	0.2
Ramos cf	5	1	1	3	0	2.3
Bailey c	5	0	4	0	0	0.2
Chapman 3b	5	1	1	0	0	2.2
Conforto If	4	0	0	0	0	2.2
Soler dh	3	1	1	0	1	1.2
Flores 1b	4	0	1	1	0	0.2
Yastrzemski rf.	1	1	1	0	0	0.2
Slater ph-rf	2	0	1	0	1	0.2
Ahmed ss	2	0	0	1	0	1.2
Brooks ph			0	0	1	0.1
TOTALS	25	5	11	5	4	8
IOIALS		1		_	-	٠
CARDINALS	AB	R	н	BH	BB:	SO A
M.Winn ss	3	2	1	0	1	1.2

CARDINALS	AB	R	Н	BI	BB:	50	A۷
M.Winn ss	3	2	1	0	1	1	.29
Burleson rf	3	3	2	0	0	0	.27
Scott If	0	0	0	0	0	0	.08
Goldschmidt 1b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.23
Gorman 2b	2	0	0	2	0	1	.20
Donovan If-3b	4	1	3	3	0	1	.25
Carpenter dh			0	0	0	1	.22
Fermín ph-dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	.16
Crawford 3b			0	0	1		.18
Carlson ph-lf-rf.			0	0	0	0	.16
Pagés c			0	0	0		.12
Siani cf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.20
TOTALS	28	6	7	5	2	11	

SAN FRAN ST. LOUIS							
LOB: San Francisoler (12), Cha Donovan (16). lante; Donovar	npmar HR: R	(19 Ram	9), os (M.V (10)	Vin), o	n (1	3)
GIANTS	ΙP	Н	R	ERI	BB S	50 E	ER/
K.Winn Rodríguez							

Ty.Rogers							,
CARDINALS	ΙP	Н	R	ER	BB S	50 ER/	١
Pallante	5⅓	7	5	5	3	5 5.23	ò
Kittredge	1	2	0	0	0	0 3.18	3
King							
Kloffenstein	1	0	0	0	0	0 0.00)
Helsley	1	1	0	0	1	2 2.45	,
WP: Pallante (3- Helsley (25). Inh	3); I erit	.P: ed i	K.V	Vin ner	n (3 s-s e	8-8); S: cored:	



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Instant connection

J.D. Martinez wallops a three-run home run in the first inning Friday to propel the Mets to an early edge over the Cubs at Wrigley Field. The runs just kept coming for New York, which cruised to an 11-1 victory.

Reds 5, Red Sox 2

Jeimer Candelario homered twice and Andrew Ab-

and Jonathan India added

RED SOX	AB	R	н	BII	3B S	SO AVG
Duran If	4	1	2	1	0	0.280
González ss .	3	0	1	0	0	2.283
Hamilton ph-	ss1	0	0	0	0	0.286
O'Neill rf	3	0	0	0	1	3 .254
Devers 3b	4	0	0	0	0	3.274
Wong c	4	1	2	1	0	1.335
Yoshida dh	4	0	0	0	0	1.236
Dalbec 1b	3	0	0	0	0	2 .133
Smith ph	1	0	0	0	0	0.226
Valdez 2b		0	1	0	0	1.217
Rafaela cf	3	0	0	0	0	1.248
TOTALS	33	2	6	2	1	14 —
REDS	AB	R	Н	BIE	BB S	SO AVG

Karaeia Cr		U	U	U	U	Τ.	240
TOTALS	33	2	6	2	1	1 4	-
REDS	AB	R	Н	BH	BB S	50 A	VG
Friedl cf	2	0	0	1	0	1.3	209
De La Cruz ss	3	0	0	0	1	3.	234
Candelario dh	4	2	2	2	0	1.3	255
Steer 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	234
Fraley rf	4	0	1	0	0	1.3	273
India 2b	3	1	1	1	1	0 .	241
Espinal 3b	4	1	1	0	0	0	208
Benson If		0	0	0	1	1.	196
Maile c	3	1	1	0	1	1.3	202
TOTALS	30	5	6	4	4	8	-
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E: Valdez (4), LOB: Boston 5 (3). HR: Wong (7), off Abbot Crawford; Ind	(6), o t; Cand	nna ff <i>A</i> dela	íti 7 Abbo Irio	. 2 E ott; 2 (2	3: N Du 14),	Ìaile ran , off	
RED SOX	IP	Н	RI	ERE	BB S	50 E	RA
Crawford							

Crawford; Ind	ıa (5), ı	OTT	Cra	WT	ora.	
RED SOX	IP	Н	RI	ERI	BB S	SO ERA
Crawford						
Booser	1/3	0	0	0	1	1 3.42
Keller	1⅓	1	0	0	1	0 4.02
REDS	IP	Н	RI	ERI	BB S	SO ERA
Abbott	5 ¾	4	2	2	1	10 3.40
	5 ¾	4	2	2	1	10 3.40
Abbott Cruz Moll	5¾ ⅓	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	1 0 0	10 3.40 1 3.48 1 1.65
Abbott	5¾ ⅓	4 0 0	2 0 0	2 0 0	1 0 0	10 3.40 1 3.48 1 1.65

Diaz	_	U	U	U	1).0
WP: Abbott (6-6); LF	: C	raw	/for	d (3-7); S
Díaz (17). Inherited i	run	ner	s-s	core	ed:
Booser 2-2, Keller 2-	0, 0	ruz	1-	0. H	IBP:
Crawford (Friedl). W	P: 1	Kell	er.	PB:	: Maile
(1). T: 2:30. A: 37,14	6 (4	13,8	91	١.	
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Cardinals 6, Giants 5

Alabama native Brendan St. Louis beat San Francis-

GIANTS	AB	R	Н	BH	BB S	50	٩V
Wisely 2b					1	0.	
Ramos cf	5	1	1	3	Ō	2.	.30
Bailey c	5	0	4	0	0	0.	29
Chapman 3b	5	1	1	0	0	2.	22
Conforto If	4	0	0	0	0	2.	.22
Soler dh	3	1	1	0	1	1.	.22
Flores 1b	4	0	1	1		0.	21
Yastrzemski rf				0	0	0.	
Slater ph-rf	2	0	1	0	1	0.	.22
Ahmed ss	2	0	0	1	0	1.	24
Brooks ph	0	0	0	0	1	0.	.13
TOTALS	35	5	11	5	4	8	
CARDINALS	AB	R	Н	BH	BB S	50	٩V

TOTALS	35	5	11	5	4	8	-
CARDINALS	AB	R	Н	ВІ	BB	SO.	ΑV
M.Winn ss	3	2	1	0	1	1	.29
Burleson rf	3	3	2	0	0	0	.27
Scott If	0	0	0	0	0	0	.08
Goldschmidt 1b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.23
Gorman 2b	2	0	0	2	0	1	.20
Donovan If-3b	4	1	3	3	0	1	.25
Carpenter dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	.22
Fermín ph-dh	2	0	0	0	0	1	.16
Crawford 3b	1	0	0	0		1	.18
Carlson ph-lf-rf.	1	0	0	0	0	0	.16
Pagés c	3	0	0	0	0		.12
Siani cf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.20
TOTALS	28	6	7	5	2	11	_

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SAN FRAN ST. LOUIS							
LOB: San Fra Soler (12), Ch Donovan (16) lante; Donova	napmar). HR: R	(19 am	9), I os (M.V (10)	Vin), of	n (1	3),
GIANTS	IP	Н	RI	ERI	BB S	50 E	RΑ
K.Winn	23/3	5	5	5	1	27	ر.16 [/]

iante; ponovan	(/),(ווט	N.V	V IIII	١.			
GIANTS	ΙP	Н	R	ERI	BBS	60	ER/	4
K.Winn								
Rodríguez	2	1	1	1	1	4	5.0	0
Ta.Rogers	1⅓	1	0	0	0	1	2.0	5
Walker	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.3	1
Ty.Rogers	1	0	0	0	0	2	3.0	3
CARDINALS	IP	Н	R	ERI	BBS	60	ER	4
Pallante	5⅓	7	5	5	3	5	5.2	3
Kittredge	1	2	0	0	0	0	3.1	8
King	3/3	1	0	0	0	1	2.3	9

Rodríguez 2-1, Ta.Rogers 2-1, Kittredge 2-2. **HBP:** Rodríguez (Burleson). **WP:** Rodríguez (2). **T:** 2:53.

Marlins 3, Mariners 2 (10)

Tim Anderson singled in the 10th inning to drive in automatic runner Jake Burger, and Miami rallied past Seattle for its third straight walk-off win.

Marlins starter Trevor Rogers struck out five over six innings, allowing two runs and four hits. MARINERS AB R H BIBBSOAVG

NEKO	AD	r	п	DII	DD.	JU	ΑV
23b-2b yuez cf r dh h c 2 1b er rf s If ph-3b	4 2 4 3 4 3	1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0	1 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 3 0	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	$ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \end{array} $	3 1 2 1 0 0 0	.20 .26 .17 .19 .24 .21 .35 .26 .23
LS	33	2	6	2	2	10	
INS	AB	R	Н	BH	3B:	50	A۷
Cruz If n hez rf	4 4 4	0 1 1 0 1	0 3 2 0 0	0 1 1 0 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 1 1	.26 .25 .25 .23 .21
	ord ss 3b-2b 3b-2b 3d-2b 1d 4b 2b 2b 2b 2b 1d 2b	ord ss	ord ss	ord ss 4 1 1 1 3b-2b 4 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	ord ss 4 1 1 0 0 13b-2b 4 0 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	ord ss 4 1 1 0 0 0 3b-2b 4 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	ord ss 4 1 1 0 0 1 1 3b-2b 4 0 1 0 0 0 3 3 1 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

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SEATTLE 1	10 00	0 0	00	0	_	2	6	0
TOTALS	33	3	7	3	0	7		-
Fortes c	3	0	0	0	0	1	.1	56
Rivera 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.2	03
Lopez 2b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.2	52
Anderson ss	4	0	2	1	0	1	.2	32
Burger 1b	4	1	0	0	0	1	.2	16
J.Sánchez rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.2	38
Bell dh	4	1	2	1	0	0	.2	51
De La Cruz II	4	Τ.	>	т.	υ	U	.2	22

No outs when	winni	1 pn	un	SC ₀	red	
LOB: Seattle 5	, Miar	ni 4	. 21	3: D	e L	a Cruz
(14). 3B: Bliss					ruz	(14),
off Kirby; Bell	(8), of	ff K	irby	١.		
MARINERS	IΡ	Н	RI	ERI	BBS	SO ERA
Kirby	7	5	2	2	0	5 3.47
Stanek						2 3.68
A.Muñoz		1	0	0	0	0 1.42
Voth	0	1	1	0	0	0 3.03
v o (11		-	-	۰	٠	0 5.05
MARLINS		Н	-	٠	•	50 ERA
MARLINS	IP	-	-	٠	BBS	
	IP 6⅓	Н	RI	ERI	BBS	50 ERA
MARLINS Rogers Brazoban Nardi	IP 61/3 2/3 2/3	H 4	R I	ER I	BB 9	50 ERA 5 4.90
MARLINS Rogers Brazoban Nardi	IP 6½ ½ ⅓	H 4 0	R I 2 0	ER I	BB 9	5 4.90 2 1.93
MARLINS Rogers Brazoban Nardi	IP 6½ ½ ½ ½	H 4 0 2	RI 2 0 0	ER I	3BS	50 ERA 5 4.90 2 1.93 2 5.08

Kogers 04/3	4			Τ.	2 4.90
Brazoban 3/3	0	0	0	0	2 1.93
Nardi ² / ₃	2	0	0	0	2 5.08
Faucher 1/3	0	0	0	0	1 3.46
Scott1					
Bender1	0	0	0	0	0 5.08
WP: Bender (2-2); LI ited runners-scored: A.Muñoz. T: 2:29. A:	Fai	uch	er 2	2-Ó.	WP:

Padres 7, Brewers 6 Late Thursday

Jake Cronenworth homered with two outs in the ninth inning — San Diego's fourth home run — and the Padres beat Milwaukee. BREWERS ABR HBIBBSOAVG

Turang 2b

PADRES AB R H BIBBSOAVG Arraez 1b	Adames ss Frelick rf Sánchez ph Chourio rf Bauers ph-rf Hoskins dh Black 1b Monasterio ph Ortiz 3b Perkins cf	2 0 (1 0 (0 0 (1 1 14 0 12 0 (2 1 1	2 2 0 0 0 0 1 0 1 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0	1 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 8	1.322 1.244 0.256 1.218 0.224 0.210 1.221 0.208 1.132 3.273 1.241
Campusano c	Arraez 1b Tatis rf	4 1 0	0	1	1.328 1.280

SAN DIEGO 400 010 101 — 7 10 0 Two outs when winning run scored. LOB: Milwaukee 11, San Diego 7. 2B: Turang (14), Hoskins (7), Profar (13). HR: Adames (13), off Mazur; Machado (7), off Wilson; Merrill (9), off Wilson; Jeff Wilson; Capanuschi (2000). Tatis (14), off Wilson; Cronenworth BREWERS IP H RERBBSOERA

Koenig	0	0	1	1	1 1.85 1 4.37 0 0.00
Payamps	1 H	1 RI	1 ER I	0 3 B 9	2 3.81 50 ERA
Mazur 4½ Morejon 1½ Matsui ½ W.Peralta 1 De Los Santos ½ Estrada 1	5 0 1 1 0 2	3 0 0 1 0 2	3 0 0 1 0 2	2	3 7.27 2 2.30 0 3.94 1 4.18 0 3.60 3 3.55
WP: Estrada (3-1); L Inherited runners-so W.Peralta 3-0, De Lo off Milner (Machado 3:01. A: 42,644 (40,2	ore os S o). V	d: 1 ant VP:	(oe	nig 2-0	2-0, . IBB:

Guardians 7, Blue Jays 1

Carlos Carrasco pitched six strong innings and Austin Hedges hit a two-run single to lift Cleveland. Toronto's Yariel

Rodríguez and Bowden Francis needed 70 pitches to get three outs in the Guardians' seven-run second inning — the most pitches thrown by the Blue Jays in a frame since June 21, 1995.

BLUE JAYS Schneider If Turner dh Horwitz ph Guerrero 1b Varsho cf Jansen c Springer rf Barger 3b Martinez 2b	3 4 3 4 3	R 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0	H 1 0 0 2 0 0 0 1	0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 1 1 0 0		226 235 343 281 210 236 194 200 333
Kiner-Falefa s	s3	0	2	0	0	0.2	276
		1		1	•	10	
TOTALS	31	1	6	1	2	10	-
			-	_	_		– VG
GUARDIANS	AB	R	Н	BII	3B S	50 A	
GUARDIANS Kwan dh	AB 4	R 1	H 0	BII	BB 9	50 A	887
GUARDIANS	AB 4	R	Н	BII	3B S	50 A	887
GUARDIANS Kwan dh	AB 4	R 1	H 0	BII	BB 9	50 A	387 253
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Richards	1	1	0	0	0	2 2.84	
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Carrasco	6	4	1	1	0	7 5.40	
Avila							
Hentges	3/3	0	0	0	0	0 2.81	

WP: Carrasco (3-6); **LP:** Y.Rodríguez (0-2). **Inherited runners-scored:** Francis 2-2, Hentges 3-0. **WP:** Avila. **T:** 2:33. **A:** 35,868 (34,788).

Diamondbacks 5, Phillies 4

Lourdes Gurriel Jr., Gabriel Moreno and Joc Pederson homered against struggling starter Taijuan Walker as Arizona sent skidding Philadelphia to its sixth loss in nine games.

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D'BACKS

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(3-3); S: Sewald (9). HBP: Turnbull 2 (McCarthy, Perdomo), Strahm (Carroll) T: 2:57. A: 44,436 (42,901).

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Carson Kelly hit an early two-run homer, Jack Flaherty was solid into the sixth inning, and Detroit beat Chicago to snap a fourgame losing streak.

Tigers 2, White Sox 1

The game ended when Paul DeJong, who was hit by a pitch with one out in the ninth, took off running on pinch hitter Andrew Benintendi's flyout - apparently losing track of the outs and was doubled off first. WHITE SOX AB R H BIBB SO AVG

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TODAY Braves 8, Yankees 1

Mikolas (R)

Megill (R)

Henry (L)

Wheeler (R)

NL scores THURSDAY'S RESULTS

AL games

Burnes (R)

Blanco (R)

TBD

Gray (R)

Ober (R)

Sears (L)

ORIOLES AT ASTROS, 4:10

WHITE SOX AT TIGERS, 1:10

ROYALS AT RANGERS, 4:05

TWINS AT ATHLETICS, 4:07

BLUE JAYS AT GUARDIANS, 4:10

METS AT CUBS, 2:20

DIAMONDBACKS AT PHILLIES, 4:05

BREWERS AT PADRES, 7:15 Rodriguez (R)

St. Louis 6, San Francisco 5, in Birmingham, Ala at San Diego 7, Milwaukee 6 FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Washington at Colorado, late New York Mets 11, at Chicago Cubs 1 Arizona 5, at Philadelphia 4 Milwaukee at San Diego, late

Ozzie Albies hit a two-**NL** games run homer on Carlos **NATIONALS AT ROCKIES, 9:10** Rodón's second pitch, Austin Riley and Matt Olson Parker (L) also went deep off the left-Quantrill (R) hander, and Atlanta hand-**GIANTS AT CARDINALS, 2:15** ed New York its fifth loss in Hicks (R)

six games. Chris Sale joined Kansas City's Seth Lugo and Philadelphia's Ranger Suárez as MLB's only 10-game winners.

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Ozuna dh Olson 1b		0	0	0	1	2 .31
Riley 3b		2	2	1	2	0 .25
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Duvall If		1	1	0	0	2.17
Laureano rf		0	3	1	0	0.35
Arcia ss		0	0	0	0	0 .21
TOTALS	41	8	14	7	5	9
YANKEES	AB	R	н	BH	BB:	50 AV
Volpe ss	3	0	1	0	1	0 .27
Volpe ss Soto rf	3 4	0	1	0	1	0 .27
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TOTALS

ATLANTA...... 311 300 000 - 8 14 0 NEW YORK 010 000 000 - 1 3 1 E: Jones (1). **LOB:** Atlanta 12, New York 2. **2B:** Laureano 3 (3), Albies (21) Mur-2. 2B: Laureano 3 (3), Albies (21), Mur-phy (2). 3B: Jones (1). HR: Albies (6), off Rodón; Riley (7), off Rodón; Olson (12), off Rodón.5 1 1 1 3 8 2.911 0 0 0 0 1 0.001 1 0 0 0 1 1.17

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WP: Sale (10-2); LP: ited runners-scored: ford 1-0. HBP: Bickfo Rodón T: 2:57. A: 45	Gó ord	me (Ar	z 1- cia)	0, E). V	Bick- /P:	

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AL scores

Baltimore 17, at N.Y. Yankees 5 at Cleveland 6, Seattle 3 Tampa Bay 7, at Minnesota 6 (10) Houston 5, at Chicago White Sox 3 Kansas City 3, at Oakland 2 FRIDAY'S RESULTS

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Interleague games

RAYS AT PIRATES, 4:05

Eflin (R)	3-4	4.12	8-5						
Jones (R)	4-6	3.76	5-9						
RED SOX AT REDS, 4:10									
Pivetta (R)	4-4	3.88	6-4						
Montas (R)	3-5	4.62	4-9						
MARINERS AT MA	RLINS,	4:10							
Gilbert (R)	4-4	2.93	8-7						
TBD									
BRAVES AT YANKEES, 7:15									
Morton (R)	4-3	3.91	6-7						

W-L ERA TEAM

3.08

7-5 3.00

Interleague scores

ANGELS AT DODGERS, 10:10

Glasnow (R)

THURSDAY'S RESULTS No games scheduled FRIDAY'S RESULTS Tampa Bay 10, at Pittsburgh 3 at Cincinnati 5, Boston 2 at Miami 3, Seattle 2 (10) Atlanta 8, at New York Yankees 1 L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, late



The impact of Willie Mays's running, over-the-shoulder catch in the 1954 World Series endures because it was so well documented.

KEVIN B. BLACKISTONE

Mays and the Catch are forever caught in our lore

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our collective sports psyche. It is not just etched in the memories of those who may have witnessed it at the time but has become embedded in the minds of fans who didn't — and transcended the game's lines as well.

The play's transcendence is no easier a feat than Mays making the Catch itself in the 1954 World Series - off the bat of Cleveland's Vic Wertz, in the deepest part of what was the gargantuan Polo Grounds. Because that's ancient history. Almost three-quarters of a century ago. Less than a decade after the end of World War II.

And we live in a time of recency bias - or historical ignorance, take your pick. Kids in particular learn and know less and less about yesteryear.

But not with the Catch. It continues to be repeated. And repeated. And ...

When I called Daniel Nathan. the Skidmore scholar who focuses on sports history and memory, he pointed out that he just co-edited a book with a chapter on the Catch, written by University of San Francisco anthropologist George Gmelch, who was in the Detroit Tigers' minor league system in the

Part of the remembrance and continued reference of Mays's catch, Nathan reminded me Friday, is because it's on film.

said. "A lot of those like historic moments, like Babe Ruth's called shot, there's no real conclusive video. But there is with Willie. We've seen it over and over."

"There's video of it," Nathan

And what you see on film is a thing of beauty. The sprint. The baggy clothes flapping in the wind. The remarkable conclusion. And then the ballerina's twirl, his cap flying off, and the throw back to the

"A lot of people who didn't see

Mays play very often, they could see, 'Oh, this is what they're all talking about," Nathan said. "And it imprinted on a generation, and then those guys told the story, and they repeated the video, and it became this memory marker about a guy's greatness."

A few years earlier, baseball was treated to what became the "Shot Heard 'Round the World," a walk-off home run by New York Giants slugger Bobby Thomson to win the National League pennant. But Mays did what he did in the World Serious, as the late great columnist I was lucky to work with, Blackie Sherrod, called baseball's ultimate championship. And we now know some skulduggery was involved in Thompson's home run. What Mays did is unassailable.

"There are studies to show memories are modified over time and they're fragile," Nathan said. "It's a fragile way of knowing the past, and it's susceptible to all kinds of change.

"But the thing about this is, it's so well documented. There were a lot of photographers there, and it's on TV, and there's

There's an entire book about the day of the Catch. Artists have painted the moment. People born decades later hang images of it on their walls.

And the Journal of Sport History that Nathan edits is compiling an In Memoriam section on Mays's historical and cultural significance that will, of course, include a discussion of the Catch.

"It's become almost mythological, but it's better than some other mythological moments because it's documented, it's verifiable, we can see it," Nathan explained. "And we can appreciate the beauty of it, like that line, 'A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

HOCKEY

Stanley Cup playoffs FIRST ROUND

EASTERN CONFERENCE

RANGERS ELIMINATED CAPITALS, 4-0

HURRICANES ELIMINATED ISLANDERS, 4-1

Game 1: at Carolina 3, New York 1 Game 2: at Carolina 5, New York 3 Game 3: Carolina 5, New York 3 Game 4: at New York 3, Carolina 2 (20T) Game 5: at Carolina 6, New York 3 PANTHERS ELIMINATED LIGHTNING, 4-1

Game 1: at Florida 3, Tampa Bay 2 Game 2: at Florida 3, Tampa Bay 2 Game 3: Florida 5, at Tampa Bay 3

Game 4: at Tampa Bay 6, Florida 3 Game 5: at Florida 6, Tampa Bay 1 **BRUINS ELIMINATED MAPLE LEAFS, 4-3** Game 1: at Boston 5, Toronto 1 Game 2: Toronto 3, at Boston 2 Game 3: Boston 4 at Toronto 2

WESTERN CONFERENCE AVALANCHE ELIMINATED JETS, 4-1

Game 1: at Winnipeg 7, Colorado 6 Game 2: Colorado 5 at Winnipeg 2 Game 3: at Colorado 6, Winnipeg 2 Game 4: at Colorado 5, Winnipeg 1 Game 5: Colorado 6, at Winnipeg 3

OILERS ELIMINATED KINGS, 4-1

Game 1: at Edmonton 7, Los Angeles 4
Game 2: Los Angeles 5, at Edmonton 4 (OT)
Game 3: Edmonton 6, at Los Angeles 1
Game 4: Edmonton 1, at Los Angeles 0
Game 5: at Edmonton 4, Los Angeles 3 CANUCKS FLIMINATED PREDATORS, 4-2

Game 3: Vancouver 2, at Nashville 1 Game 4: Vancouver 4, at Nashville 3 (OT) Game 5: Nashville 2, at Vancouver 1

Game 6: Vancouver 1, at Nashville 0 STARS ELIMINATED GOLDEN KNIGHTS, 4-3

Game 1: Vegas 4, at Dallas 3 Game 2: Vegas 3, at Dallas 1 Game 3: Dallas 3, at Vegas 2 Game 4: Dallas 4, at Vegas 2 Game 5: at Dallas 3, Vegas 2 Game 6: at Vegas 2, Dallas 0 Game 7: at Dallas 2, Vegas 1

SECOND ROUND

EASTERN CONFERENCE RANGERS ELIMINATED HURRICANES, 4-2

Game 5: Carolina 4, at New York 1 Game 6: New York 5, at Carolina 3

PANTHERS ELIMINATED BRUINS, 4-2 Game 2: at Florida 6, Boston 1 Game 3: Florida 6, at Boston 2 Game 4: Florida 3 at Boston 2

Game 6: Florida 2, at Boston 1

WESTERN CONFERENCE STARS ELIMINATED AVALANCHE, 4-2 Game 4: Dallas 5, at Colorado 1 Game 5: Colorado 5, at Dallas 3 Game 6: Dallas 2, at Colorado 1 (20T)

OILERS ELIMINATED CANUCKS, 4-3 Game 1: at Vancouver 5, Edmonton 4
Game 2: Edmonton 4, at Vancouver 3 (OT) Game 3: Vancouver 4, at Edmonton 3
Game 4: at Edmonton 3, Vancouver 2

CONFERENCE FINALS

EASTERN CONFERENCE PANTHERS ELIMINATED RANGERS, 4-2

PANI HERS ELIMINATED RANDERS, dame 1: Florida 3, at N.Y. Rangers 0 Game 2: at N.Y. Rangers 2, Florida 1 (OT) Game 3: N.Y. Rangers 5, at Florida 4 (OT) Game 4: at Florida 3, N.Y. Rangers 2 (OT) Game 5: Florida 3, at N.Y. Rangers 2 Game 6: at Florida 2, N.Y. Rangers 1

WESTERN CONFERENCE OILERS ELIMINATED STARS, 4-2 Game 1: Edmonton 3, at Dallas 2 (20T) Game 2: at Dallas 3, Edmonton 1 Game 3: Dallas 5, at Edmonton 3

Game 4: at Edmonton 5, Dallas 2 Game 5: Edmonton 3, at Dallas 1 Game 6: at Edmonton 2, Dallas 1 STANLEY CUP FINALS Best of seven; all games on ABO OILERS AND PANTHERS TIED, 3-3

Game 1: at Florida 3, Edmonton 0 Game 2: at Florida 4, Edmonton 1

Game 2: at Florida 4, Edmonton 1 Game 3: Florida 4, at Edmonton 3 Game 4: at Edmonton 8, Florida 1 Game 5: Edmonton 5, at Florida 3 Game 6: at Edmonton 5, Florida 1 Monday's game: Edmonton at Florida, 8

Oilers 5, Panthers 1

FIRST PERIOD Scoring: 1, Edmonton, Foegele 3 (Draisaitl, Kulak), 7:27.

SECOND PERIOD **Scoring:** 2, Edmonton, Henrique 4 (Ekholm, Janmark), 0:46. 3, Edmonton, Hyman 16 (Nugent-Hopkins), 18:20.

THIRD PERIOD **Scoring:** 4, Florida, Barkov 8 (Verhaeghe, Kulikov), 1:28. 5, Edmonton, McLeod 4 (Foegele), 16:45 (en). 6, Edmonton, Nurse 2 (Skinner), 16:57 (en).

SHOTS ON GOAL FLORIDA EDMONTON

Power-play opportunities: Florida 0 of 3; Edmonton 0 of 2. Goalies: Florida, Bobrovsky 15-8-0 (19 shots-16 saves). Edmonton, Skinner 14-8-0 (21-20). A: 18,347 (18,641). Ti 2:36.

TRANSACTIONS

NFL

Atlanta Falcons: Signed QB Michael Penix Jr. to a rookie Contract.

Jacksonville Jaguars: Waived WR Kyric McGowan.

New York Jets: Signed OL Kohl Levao.

Pittsburgh Steelers: Signed WR Jacob Copeland to a one-year contract. Waived DB Trenton Thompson.

MLB: Suspended Chicago White Sox minor league player RHP Christian Edwards 80-games for violation of Major League Baseball's Joint Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program

Cleveland Guardians: Recalled SS Angel Martínez from Columbus (IL). Sent RHP Gavin Williams to Akron (EL)

Houston Astros: Placed C Victor Caratini on the 10-day It, retroactive to June 20. Designated RHP Blair Henley for assignment. Recalled OF Joey Loperfido from Sugar Land (PCL). Optioned RHP Luis Contreras to Sugar Land Selected the contract of RHP Jake Bloss from Corpus

Christ (1L).

Kansas City Royals: Activated RF Hunter Renfroe from the 10-day IL. Optioned C Austin Nola to Omaha (IL).

Los Angeles Angels: Selected the contract of RHP Hans Crouse from Salt Lake (PCL).

Minnesota Twins: Recalled LHP Kody Funderburk from St. Paul (IL). Designated RHP Jay Jackson for assignment

New York Yankees: Optioned RHP Ron Marinaccio to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Designated LHP Victor González for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Phil Bickford from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Recalled RHP Yoendrys Gómez from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.

Oakland Athletics: Recalled RHP Osvaldo Bido from Las
Vegas (PCL). Designated RHP Vinny Nittoli for assignment

Chicago Cubs: Agreed to terms with RHP Antonio Santos on a minor league contract.

PRO BASKETBALL

WNBA

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x-Connecticut	13	1	.929	_
New York	13	3	.813	74
Atlanta	6	8	.429	- 7
Indiana	7	10	.412	74
Chicago	5	9	.357	8
Washington		13	.133	114
WEST	W	L	Pct	GE
Minnesota	12	3	800	_

.600 .538 .533 .250 .214 x-Las Vegas Los Angeles Dallas..... x-Late game

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

at Chicago 83, Dallas 72 at New York 93, Los Angeles 80 FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Indiana 91, at Atlanta 79 Connecticut at Las Vegas, late SATURDAY'S GAMES Dallas at Washington, 3 Los Angeles at New York, 3 Phoenix at Minnesota, 8

SUNDAY'S GAMES Dallas at Washington, 3 Connecticut at Seattle, 3

Indiana at Chicago, 4

Fever 91. Dream 79

INDIANA: Smith 10-17 0-421, Wallace 3-4 0-0 7, Boston 5-5 0-0 10, Clark 6-12 0-1 16, Mitchell 7-12 1-1 18, Samuelson 2-45-510, Saxton 0-00-0, Berger 0-00-00, Hull 2-40-0 5, Taylor 0-0 0-0 0, Wheeler 2-7 0-0 4. Totals 37-65

ATLANTA: Coffey 0-3 0-0 0, Parker-Tyus 2-5 0-0 5 ATLANIA: Coriey 0-5 0-0 0, Parker-ryus 2-5 0-0 5, Charles 9-13 6-8 24, Gray 4-17 9-10 19, Jones 3-7 6-7 12, Amihere 1-1 0-0 2, Hillmon 1-4 5-5 7, Cubaj 0-1 0-0 0, Dangerreleid 0-3 0-0 0, Powers 2-11 5-5 10. **Totals** 22-65

Three-point Goals: Indiana 11-21 (Clark 4-8, Mitchell 3-4, Hull 1-1, Smith 1-2, Wallace 1-2, Samuelson 1-3, Wheeler 0-1), Atlanta 4-18 (Gray 2-6, Parker-Tyus 1-2, Powers 1-4, Charles 0-1, Dangerfield 0-1, Coffey 0-2, Jones 0-2). Fouled Out: None. Rebounds: Indiana 35 (Boston 10), Atlanta 30 (Hillmon 9). Assists: Indiana 24 (Clark 7), Atlanta 18 (Jones 5). Total Fouls: Indiana 22, Atlanta 16. A: 17,575 (18,118)

Liberty 93, Sparks 80

Late Thursday

..... 17 19 20 24 — 19 24 30 20 — **LOS ANGELES:** Hamby 4-10 1-5 9, Jackson 3-6 0-0 6, Yueru 1-3 0-0 3, McDonald 6-12 2-2 15, Nurse 3-5 0-0 7, Talbot 4-6 0-0 9, Burrell 4-7 2-4 11, Brown 0-3 0-0 0, Clarendon 2-3 2-2 7, Cooke 4-7 4-6 13. **Totals** 31-62 11-19

NEW YORK: Stewart 6-13 4-6 17, Thornton 3-6 0-0 6, Jones 9-14 2-2 22, Fiebich 1-7 0-0 3, Ionescu 11-19 3-3 31, Burke 0-2 0-0 0, Davis 1-1 0-0 2, Dojkic 3-7 3-4 12. Totals 34-69 12-15 93.

Three-point Goals: Los Angeles 7-19 (Clarendon 1-1, Talbot 1-1, Cooke 1-2, Yueru 1-2, Burrell 1-3, Nurse 1-3, McDonald 1-4, Jackson 0-1, Brown 0-2), New York 13-33 (lonescu 6-11, Dojkic 3-6, Jones 2-5, Stewart 1-3, Fiebich (Ionescu 6-11, Dojkic 3-6, Jones 2-5, Stewart 1-5, Flebicn 1-5, Burke 0-1, Thornton 0-2), Fouled Out: Los Angeles None, New York 1 (Jones). Rebounds: Los Angeles 34 (Hamby, Talbot 11), New York 30 (Fiebich) x. Assists: Los Angeles 18 (Burrell 4), New York 29 (Ionescu 9). Total Fouls: Los Angeles 18, New York 15. A: 10,955 (17,732)

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Real Salt Lake	10	2	7	37	40	22	
Los Angeles FC	10	4	4	34	32	21	
LA Galaxy	9	3	7	34	37	27	
Minnesota United	8	5	5	29	31	28	
Colorado	8	7	4	28	34	31	
Vancouver	7	6	4	25	26	22	
Portland	6	7	6	24	34	33	
Houston		6	6	24	22	22	
Austin FC	6	7	6	24	22	28	
Seattle	5	7	7	22	24	23	
FC Dallas	5	8	5	20	25	28	
St. Louis City SC	3	6	9	18	23	30	

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS Atlanta 1, at D.C. United 0

Orlando City 2, at Charlotte FC 2 at Miami 2, Columbus 1 New York 2, at CF Montreal 2 Nashville 2, at Toronto FC 1 at Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 3 Los Angeles FC 1, at Austin FC 1 at FC Dallas 5, Minnesota 3 Seattle 2, at Houston 2 Real Salt Lake 4, at Sporting KC 3 Colorado 3, at St. Louis City SC 0 at LA Galaxy 2, New York City FC 0 Portland 2, at San Jose 1

SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Houston at D.C. United, 7:30 New England at Cincinnati, 7:30 Sporting KC at Columbus, 7:30 Toronto FC at New York, 7:30 Chicago at Orlando City, 7:30 Charlotte FC at Philadelphia, 7:30 Austin FC at Minnesota, 8:30 New York City FC at Nashville, 8:30 Atlanta at St. Louis City SC, 8:30 CF Montreal at Colorado, 9:30 LA Galaxy at Real Salt Lake, 9:30 San Jose at Los Angeles FC, 10:30 Vancouver at Portland, 10:30

FC Dallas at Seattle, 10:30

NWSL

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Orlando	9	0	5	32	27	11
Kansas City	8	0	5	29	33	19
Washington		3	1	28	27	17
Gotham FC	8	2	3	27	16	9
Portland	7	4	2	23	25	16
Chicago	5	6	2	17	18	19
North Carolina	5	7	1	16	13	15
Louisville	3	4	6	15	19	17
Angel City	4	6	3	15	15	20
San Diego	3	5	5	14	12	13
Houston		6	4	13	11	20
Bay FC	4	9	0	12	17	25
Seattle		9	2	8	13	25
Utah	2	11	1	7	7	27

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS at Gotham FC 2, San Diego 1 at Angel City 3, Louisville 2 FRIDAY'S RESULT

at Orlando 6, Utah 0 SATURDAY'S MATCHES San Diego at Houston, 7:30 Angel City at Bay FC, 10

SUNDAY'S MATCHES Washington at Gotham FC, 1:30 Kansas City at Portland, 4 Chicago at North Carolina, 6

PGA Tour TRAVELERS CHAMPIONSHIP At TPC River Highlands; in Cro Purse: \$20 million Yardage: 6,835; Par: 70

SECOND ROUND

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Tom Kim	62 65	_	127	-13
Akshay Bhatia	64 65	_	129	-11
Collin Morikawa	66 63	_	129	-11
Scottie Scheffler	65 64	_	129	-11
Xander Schauffele	65 65	_	130	-10
Sungjae Im	67 64	_	131	-9
Shane Lowry	69 62	_	131	-9
Justin Thomas		_	131	-9
Tony Finau		_	132	-8
Tom Hoge	69 63	_	132	-8
Tom Hoge Robert Macintyre	70 62	_	132	-8
Patrick Cantlay	68 65	_	133	-7
Rickie Fowler	64 69	_	133	-7
Taylor Dondrith	65.68	_	133	-7
Patrick Rodgers	65 68	_	133	-7 -7
Patrick Rodgers Wyndham Clark Tommy Fleetwood Kurt Kitayama	66 68	_	134	-6
Tommy Floetwood	67 67	_	134	-6
Kurt Kitayama	6/170	_	134	-6
Donny McCarthy	67.67	_	134	-6
Denny McCarthy Brendon Todd	40 45	_	134	-6
Sam Burns	(7 (0	_	135	-0 -5
Hideki Matsuyama	0/ 00	_	135	-5 -5
Adam Communication	00 09	_		-5
Adam Svensson	/1 64	_	135	-5
Ludvig Aberg	6/69	_	136	-4
Christiaan Bezuidenhout	66 /0	_	136	-4
Keegan Bradley	69 67	_	136	-4
Cameron Davis	65 71	_	136	-4
Brian Harman	67 69	_	136	-4
Si Woo Kim		_	136	-4
Matthieu Pavon	71 65	_	136	-4
Webb Simpson	72 64	_	136	-4
Sahith Theegala Michael Thorbjornsen	69 67	_	136	-4
Michael Thorbjornsen	72 64	_	136	-4
Will Zalatoris	64 72	_	136	-4
Corey Conners	67 70	_	137	*****
Thomas Detry	69 68	_	137	-3
Austin Eckroat	70 67	_	137	-3
Austin Eckroat Lucas Glover Lee Hodges	70 67	_	137	-3
Lee Hodges	68 69	_	137	-3
Mackenzie Hughes	65 72	_	137	-3
J.T. Poston	66 71	_	137	-3
Seamus Power		_	137	-3
Nick Dunlap	68 70	_	138	-5
Harris English Adam Hadwin	70.68	_	138	-2
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Viktor Hovland	68 70	_	138	-2
Stephan Jaeger		_	138	-2
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Jake Knapp		_	140	E
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Max Homa	70 71	_	141	+1
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Adam Scott	/46/	_	141	+1
Nick Taylor	68 73	_	141	+1
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Adam Schenk	74 69	_	143	+3

Official World Golf Ranking

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1	Scottie Scheffler	16.6
2	Rory McIlroy	9.2
3	Xander Schauffele	8.8
	Ludvig Aberg	6.0
	Wyndham Clark	5.9
	Viktor Hovland	5.6
	Collin Morikawa	5.4
	Patrick Cantlay	5.0
	Jon Rahm	5.0
10	Bryson DeChambeau	4.9
	Brian Harman	4.0
12	Hideki Matsuyama	3.9
	Tommy Fleetwood	3.9
	Sahith Theegala	3.9
15	Max Homa	3.8
16	Russell Henley	3.6
17	Keegan Bradley	3.4
18	Matt Fitzpatrick	3.4
	Tony Finau	3.3
20	Matthieu Pavon	3.2
21	Sepp Straka	3.2
22	Tyrrell Hatton	3.2
	Cameron Young	3.0
	Jason Day	3.0
	Sam Burns	3.0
26	Tom Kim	2.9
27	Byeong Hun An	2.8
28	Justin Thomas	2.8

COLLEGE BASEBALL

College World Series

At Charles Schwab Field; in Omaha Double elimination; x-if necessary BRACKET 1

Game 1: North Carolina 3, Virginia 2 Game 2: Tennessee 12, Florida State 11 SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Game 3: Florida State 7, Virginia 3 (Virginia eliminated) Game 4: Tennessee 6, North Carolina 1

TUESDAY'S RESULT Game 5: Florida State 9, North Carolina 5 (North Carolina eliminated)

WEDNESDAY'S RESULT

Game 6: Tennessee 7, Florida State 2 (Florida State eliminated) BRACKET 2 SATURDAY, JUNE 15 Game 1: Kentucky 5, North Carolina State 4 (10) Game 2: Texas A&M 3, Florida 2

MONDAY'S RESULTS Game 3: Florida 5, North Carolina State 4 (North Carolina Game 4: Texas A&M 5, Kentucky 1

TUESDAY'S RESULT Game 5: Florida vs. Kentucky, ppd. to Wednesday
WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS Game 5: Florida 15, Kentucky 4 (Kentucky eliminated) Game 6: Texas A&M 6, Florida 0 (Florida eliminated)

CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

TENNESSEE VS. TEXAS A&M Saturday's game: Tennessee vs. Texas A&M, 7:30, ESPN Sunday's game: Tennessee vs. Texas A&M, 2, ABC x-Monday's game: Tennessee vs. Texas A&M, 7, ESPN

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Saturday	9:10	MASN				

Monday 9:40 MASN2

Tuesday	9:40	MASN2					
Wednesday	4:10	MASN2					
at Tampa Bay Rays							

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June 29	4:10	MASN2	
June 30	1:40	MASN	

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GOLF

LPGA Tour

Allisen Corpuz

WOMEN'S PGA CHAMPIONSHIP At South & North Comb Purse: \$10 million Yardage: 6,731; Par: 72

FIRST ROUND — THURSDAY'S RESULTS

Allisen Corpuz Charley Hull	35 36	35 34	_	70 70	
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Leona Maguire Madelene Sagstrom	35 34	35 36	_	70	
Mao Saigo Hinako Shibuno Amy Yang	35 36	35 34	_	70 70	
Arpichava Yubol	35	35	_	70 70	
Celine Borge	34	3/	_	71 71	
Hannah Green Hvo Joo Kim	37 35	34 36	_	71 71	
Sarah Schmelzel Miyuu Yamashita	36 35	35 36	_	71 71	
Ruoning Yin	33 39	38 33	_	71 72	
Peiyun Chien	37 38	35 34	Ξ	72 72	
Hannan Green Hyo Joo Kim Sarah Schmelzel Miyuu Yamashita Ruoning Yin Aditi Ashok Peiyun Chien Jodi Ewart Shadoff Ally Ewing Ariya Jutanugarn	37 36	35 36	_	72 72	
Minami Katsu	36 37	36 35	_	72 72	
Aline Krauter	36	36	_	72 72	
Ruixin Liu	38	34	_	72 72	
Morgane Metraux	35	37 36	_	72	
Maja Stark	37	35	Ξ	72 72 73	
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Alexandra Forsterling	37 35	36 38	_	73 73	4
Mina Harigae	36 37	37 36	_	73 73	4
Lauren Hartlage Brooke Henderson Grace Kim	36 37	37 36	_	73 73	4
Cheyenne Knight	36	3/	_	73 73	4
Mi Hyang Lee	37	36	_	73 73 73	4
Azahara MunozYealimi Noh	37 38	36 35	_	73 73	* * * * * * * * * * *
Anna Nordqvist	36	37 30	_	73 73 73 73	+
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Georgia Hall Esther Henseleit	36 27	38 27	Ξ	74 74 74	4
Moriya Jutanugarn Stephanie Kyriacou Minjee Lee	37 37	37 37		74 74 74	+
Minjee Lee	37	37 37	Ξ	74 74 74	-
Xiyu Lin	36	38	=	74 74 74	-
Gabriela Ruffels Hae-Ran Ryu	37	37	=	74 74 74	-
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Angel Yin	36	38	_	74 74	
Hye Jin Choi	39	36	_	75 75	
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Isabella Fierro	38	37	_	75 75 75 75 75 75	
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Ryann O'Toole	38	37	_	75 75 75 75	
Jennifer Song	37	38	=	75	
Angela Stanford	40	35 35	=	75 75 75 75	
Lilia Vu	38	KX.	_	76	
Perrine Delacour Gemma Dryburgh Lindy Duncan	38	38	=	76 76	
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Jenny Shin	4 0	36	_	76	
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Kim PaezEmily Pedersen	20	"	_	77 77	
Paula Reto	39	38	_	77	
XIAOWEN YIN	38	39	=	77 77 78	
Marina Alex	40	38	=	78	
Savannah Grewal	39	39	=	78 78	
Danielle Kang Roberta Liti Yu Liu Wichanee Meechai	39	39	=	78 78 78	
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Kaitlyn Papp	40	38	=	78 78	
Bailey Tardy	36	20 42		78 78 79	
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Sophia Popov	41	38	Ξ	79 79 79	-
Alena Sharp	38 38	41 //1	_	79 79 79	
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Megan KhangAlison Lee	39 //1	42 //n	_	81 81	-
Stacy Lewis	40	41	_	81 81	-
Pernilla Lindberg	39 41	42 27	_	81 81	
Allie White	43	38	_	81 82	-
Allie Knight Hira Naveed Sandra Changkija	40 41	42 42	_	82 83	+1
Jennifer BoroczLucy Li	42	42	_	84 84	+
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NASCAR Cup Series POINTS LEADERS

Yan Liu

 Kyle Larson, 583.
 Denny Hamlin, 553. 4. William Byron, 537. 5. Martin Truex Jr, 530 6. Tyler Reddick, 527. 7. Ryan Blaney, 501. 8. Christopher Bell, 498 9. Brad Keselowski, 498 9. Brad Keselowski, 498 10. Ross Chastain, 479. 11. Ty Gibbs, 478. 12. Alex Bowman, 474. 13. Chris Buescher, 435. 14. Bubba Wallace, 414. 15. Joey Logano, 408. 16. Kyle Busch, 383. 17. Chase Briscoe, 370. 18. Daniel Suárez, 352. 19. Austin Cindric, 327. 20. Todd Gilliland, 317. 21. Josh Berry, 314. 22. Michael McDowell, 309 22. Michael McDowell, 309.
23. Carson Hocevar, 302.
24. Noah Gragson, 287.
25. Ricky Stenhouse Jr, 268.
26. Erik Jones, 255.
27. Ryan Preece, 249.
28. John H. Nemechek, 247.
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TERMS OF SALE: A bidder's deposit of \$15,000.00 or 10% of deposit of \$15,000.00 or 10% of the sale price, whichever is lower, will be required in the form of a certified or cashier's check. Cash will not be accepted as a deposit. Settlement within fifteen (15) days of sale, otherwise Trustee may forfeit deposit. Additional terms to be announced at sale. This is a communication from a debt collector This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. (Trustee # 24-004296)

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Legal Notices

Request for Qualifications Contract ID #: C00017537DB120 **Route 58 Vesta**

815 Legal Notices

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is seeking Statements of Qualifications for the Route 58 Vesta designbuild project from qualified and experienced respondents with design and construction experience of roadways and bridges. The Project is located in Patrick County, Virginia, and involves construction a four-lane divided roadway, of which portions are anticipated to be on a new alignment. The limits of the Project are from approximately 0.1 miles west of Route 795 (Mabry Mill Road) to approximately 0.51 miles East of Route 610 East Intersection (Cloudbreak Road), for a total length of approximately 4.5 miles. The existing bridge over the Dan River will be replaced as part of the project. will be replaced as part of the project.

The work includes but is not limited to: roadway, bridge, survey, environmental, geotechnical, hydraulics and stormwater management, traffic control devices, transportation management plan, utility relocation, quality assurance and quality control, construction engineering and inspection, and overall project

Questions/clarifications regarding the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) should be submitted to Joseph A. Clarke, PE, DBIA (joseph.clarke@vdot.virginia.gov).

Copies of the RFQ and additional submittal requirements can be found on Bid Express (bidexpress.com).

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SUBSTITUTE TRUSTEES' SALE 2001 PENN COMMERCIAL OFFICE BUILDING 2001 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W. Washington, DC 20006

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By virtue of a certain Deed of Trust, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing, dated as of July 16, 2014 (the "Deed of Trust"), from 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue LLC, a Delaware limited liability company for the benefit of Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, a New York corporation ("Original Lender"), recorded July 17, 2014, as Document No. 2014064373, with the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia (the "Land Records") and assigned by Original Lender to MetLife Real Estate Lending LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, pursuant to that certain Assignment of Deed of Trust, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing, dated as of July 7, 2023, having an effective date of June 1, 2023, recorded July 24, 2023, as Document No. 2023062558, in Land Records, and (i) affected by Deed of Appointment of Substitute Trustees, dated March 12, 2024, recorded March 20, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024025939 in the Land Records, annointing Glenn L Figurski, Esq. and Constantings G. Panagopoulos Irustees, dated March 12, 2024, recorded March 20, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024025939 in the Land Records, appointing Glenn J. Figurski, Esq. and Constantinos G. Panagopoulos, Esq. as Substitute Trustees ("Substitute Trustees") and (ii) assigned to 2001 Penn Owner LLC ("Noteholder") by Assignment of Deed of Trust, Assignment of Leases and Rents, Security Agreement and Fixture Filing and Assignment of Absolute Assignment of Leases and Rents, dated as of May 15, 2024, recorded May 30, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024050332 in the Land Records (collectively, the "Deed of Trust"), a default having occurred in the payment of the indebtedness secured thereby and the covenants contained therein, and at the request of Noteholder, and following mailing of a Notice of Foreclosure Sale of Real Property or Condominium Unit, which was recorded, with an Affidavit of Non-Residential Mortgage Foreclosure May 31, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024050450 and Instrument No. Mortgage Foreclosure, May 31, 2024 as Instrument No. 2024050450 and Instrument No. 2024050451, respectively, in the Land Records, the undersigned Substitute Trustees, either of whom may act, will sell, at public auction, within the office of AT THE OFFICES OF HARVEY WEST AUCTIONEERS AT 5335 WISCONSIN AVE., NW, SUITE 440; WASHINGTON, DC 20015, AT

TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 2024 AT 11:30 AM

Part of Lot Forty-four (44) in Square numbered Seventy-eight (78) in the subdivision made by 2000 K, L.L.C. and 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue LLC, as per plat recorded in the Office of the Surveyor for the District of Columbia in Liber 208 at folio 178; SAID PART BEING all of former Lot numbered Forty (40) in Square numbered Seventy-eight (78) in the subdivision made by 2001 Associates Limited Partnership, as per plat recorded in the Office of the Surveyor for the District of Columbia in Liber 180 at folio 134.

NOTE: At the date hereof, the above described part of Lot Forty-four (44) in Square Seventy-eight (78) is designated on the Records of the Assessor for the District of Columbia for assessment and taxation purposes as Lot Eight Hundred Fifty-three (853) in Square Seventy-eight (78).

Together with a perpetual non-exclusive easement and right-of-way for purposes of pedestrian and vehicular access to the Loading Berths as set forth in that certain Declaration of Access Easement, dated July 13, 1988 and recorded August 4, 1988 as Instrument No. 42624

Together with the development rights associated with Memorandum of Lease by and between The Arts Club of Washington, Inc., Lessor and Joel M. Farr, trustee for 2001 Associates, Lessee, dated August 4, 1988 and recorded August 11, 1988 as Instrument No. 43968; as affected by Memorandum of Lease Assignment from 2001 Associates, a District of Columbia limited partnership to 2001 Penn. Limited Partnership, dated September 17, 2001 and recorded September 17, 2001 as Instrument No. 2001088848 and Re-Recorded January 8, 2002 as Instrument No. 2002002619; as further affected by Assignment and Assumption of Air Rights Lease by and between 2001 Penn. Limited Partnership, Assignor and Benenson Mukwonago Penn LLC, et al, Assignee, dated July 12, 2007 and recorded July 18, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007094313 and as further affected by Assignment and Assumption of Air Rights Lease by and between Renenson Mukwonago Penn LLC, et al. Assumption of Air Rights Lease by and between Benenson Mukwonago Penn LLC, et al, Assignor, and 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue LLC, Assignee, recorded on July 17, 2014 as nstrument No. 2014064372.

Together with the rights, if any, associated with Covenant [Chapter 24, 11 D.C.M.R.] (Planned Unit Development) dated as of July 11, 1988 by and among 2001 Associates, a District of Columbia limited partnership, 2011 Eye Land Limited Partnership, a District of Columbia limited partnership, The Arts Club of Washington, Inc., a District of Columbia corporation, and the District of Columbia, a municipal corporation, recorded on July 27, 1988 as Instrument No. Instrument No. 40947.

Together with the rights associated with Single Lot Covenant and Easement dated as of September 8, 2014 by and between 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue LLC and 2000 K, L.L.C., recorded on September 8, 2014 as Instrument No. 2014082274.

Together with any and all buildings, structures, improvements or appurtenances now erected on the Real Estate, including, without limitation, all equipment, apparatus, machinery and off the Real Estate, including, without infinitation, all equipment, apparatus, inactimely and fixtures of any kind or character forming a part of said buildings, structures, improvements or appurtenances and located in, upon or about the Real Estate and any buildings thereon all as more particularly described in the Deed of Trust (collectively, the "Property"). The "Property" does not include any property owned by any tenants at the Property.

TERMS OF SALE: ALL CASH. The Property will be offered as an entirety only. The bid that yields the highest price for the Property will be accepted by the Substitute Trustees (unless the sale is postponed or cancelled) and all bids will be provisional until acceptance. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Substitute Trustees absolutely reserve the right to postpone the sale and/ or cancel the sale at any time until the auctioneer announces that the Property is "sold" and the deposit in the required amount and form is received by the Substitute Trustees A deposit in the amount of \$1,000,000 will be required at the time of sale as a condition to bidding. Such deposit must be by cashier's check or certified check or in such other form as the Substitute Trustees may determine in their sole discretion. The deposit must be increased to 10% of the purchase price within 5 business days after completion of the sale, and delivered to the Substitute Trustees in the same form of funds as the initial deposit. In the event the successful purchaser fails to deliver the additional deposit as and when required, the initial deposit will be forfeited. Noteholder (or any related party) shall be exempted by the Substitute Trustees from submitting any bidding deposit or, if they are the winning bidder, any additional deposit. The Substitute Trustees will, as a condition of the sale, require all potential bidders, except Noteholder, to show their deposit before any bidding begins. The retained deposit of the successful purchaser shall be applied, without interest, to the successful purchaser's credit at settlement; provided, however, that in the event the successful purchaser does not consummate the purchase in accordance with the terms of sale as herein provided, the entire deposit will be forfeited. The terms of sale must be complied with and settlement consummated thereon within 30 calendar days from the day of sale unless extended at the sole discretion of the Substitute Trustees. TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. The balance of the purchase price over and above the retained deposit, with interest thereon at the rate then being charged under the note secured by the Deed of Trust, from the date of sale through the date of receipt of the balance of the purchase price, will be due at settlement by bank wire transfer; and if not so paid, the Substitute Trustees reserve the right to retain the entire deposit and resell the Property at the risk and cost of the defaulting purchaser, after such advertisement and on such terms as the Substitute Trustees may deem proper, and to avail themselves and Noteholder of any legal or equitable rights against the defaulting purchaser. Settlement will be handled by Chicago Title Insurance Company in Washington, DC

The Property is sold subject to the rights, if any, of parties in possession, if such rights have priority over the Deed of Trust, and to any and all covenants, conditions, restrictions, easements, rights of way and limitations of record and such facts as would be revealed by an accurate survey of the Property. The Property will be sold "WHERE IS" and in "AS IS" condition without any warranty as to condition, express or implied, and without any representation or warranty as to the accuracy of the information furnished to prospective bidders by the Substitute Trustees or any other party, if any, and without any other representations or warranty of any nature. The Property will also be sold without any contingency for the successful purchaser to perform any due diligence investigation of the Property prior to settlement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Property will be sold without representation or warranty as to (i) title to the Property, (ii) the nature, condition, structural integrity or fitness for a particular use of any improvements or fixtures included within the Property, (iii) the environmental condition of the Property or the compliance of the Property with federal, state and local laws and regulations concerning the presence or disposal of hazardous substances, (iv) compliance of the Property with the Americans with Disabilities Act or any similar law, or (v) compliance of the Property with any zoning laws or ordinances and any and all applicable safety codes, and acceptance of the Substitute Trustees Deed to the Property by the successful purchaser shall constitute a waiver of any and all claims against the Substitute Trustees or Noteholder concerning any of the foregoing matters. The successful purchaser recognizes that any investigation, examination or inspection of the Property is within the control of the owner or other parties in possession of the Property and not within the control of the Substitute Trustees or Noteholder

Conveyance shall be by Substitute Trustee's Deed, without covenant or warranty, express or implied. The risk of loss or damage by fire or other casualty to the Property from and after the time of sale will be upon the successful purchaser. The Property is sold subject to all taxes, ground rents, public charges, assessments, sewer, water, drainage and other public improvements, if any, whether assessments have been levied or not, and all unfunded lease and capital improvement costs, if any, all of which shall be the sole responsibility of the successful purchaser. Noteholder and Substitute Trustees assume no liability for fuel, gas, successful purchased normal districtions and other operating charges accrued before or after the sale and all such charges shall be the sole responsibility of the successful purchaser from the date of sale. All costs incident to the settlement and conveyancing including, without limitation, examination of title, conveyancing, all (i) recordation taxes, fees and charges, (ii) transfer taxes, fees and charges, (iii) title insurance premiums, (iv) notary fees, (v) settlement and escrow fees, and (vi) all other fees, costs and charges incident to settlement shall be at the cost of the successful purchaser. If the Substitute Trustees cannot convey title, the purchaser's sole remedy is a return of the deposit without interest. Further particulars may be announced at the time of sale. Please contact Fred Shaneybrook at fred@hwestauctions. com or 410-769-9797 with any questions.

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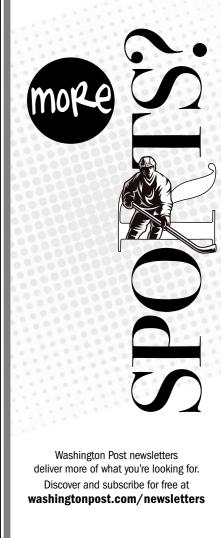
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