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**PUBLIC HEALTH**

## Dallas COVID cases on rise

Experts say wastewater data points to expected summer surge in virus

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The coronavirus is spreading again in Dallas. In recent weeks, the area has seen an increase in reported cases of COVID-19 and increased levels of the virus in wastewater. The spread is part of an annual summer wave, according to doctors and officials, and there are many ways to protect against infection amid the uptick in cases.

Dallas County had 78 positive COVID-19 cases reported daily on a seven-day rolling average last week, according to the Dallas County Health and Human Services website, which was last updated Aug. 9. But this number doesn't tell the full story.

In March, the government stopped requiring providers to report test results for COVID-19. Reporting cases is now voluntary, and most home tests go unreported.

"One could certainly surmise ... that people are testing positive at home," said Steve Love, president of the Dallas-Fort Worth Hospital Council. "Probably there are a few more cases out there than people know."

After reporting requirement changes, wastewater surveillance is an important resource for understanding infection. Wastewater surveillance involves testing sewage

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**PARIS SUMMER OLYMPICS**

## Games' next mission: LA



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Actor Tom Cruise rides past athletes on a motorcycle carrying the Olympic flag after a handover ceremony transferring the flag to 2028 host city Los Angeles during the closing ceremony for the 2024 Summer Olympics on Sunday in Saint-Denis, France.

## Extravagant ceremony caps competition with U.S. on top

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SAINT-DENIS, France — Compared with the six-days-from-Sunday bacchanal that kicked off the Paris Games, the closing ceremony shouldn't raise any righteous indignation. Unless you're offended by "dreamlike, dystopian" stories about a time traveler from another planet who lands on Earth to find it pretty much like Charlton Heston did, only without the monkeys.

According to the program, the "Golden Voyager" takes back a few souvenirs excavated from these Games with the intent of recreating what transpired here over the last two weeks.

Good luck with that, Goldy. The French pulled off an extravaganza that isn't likely to be duplicated anytime soon. The facilities were grand as well as accessible, the weather gorgeous, athletes spectacular and the trains ran on time.

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Sam Watson of Southlake showed off his bronze medal from men's speed climbing during the ceremony Sunday.

**UPDATE Medal count**

U.S. and China led the gold medal chase with 40 apiece. The U.S. finished atop the overall medals count with 126. The top medaling countries:

1. U.S. .... 126
  2. China .... 91
  3. Britain .... 65
  4. France .... 64
  5. Australia .... 53
  6. Japan .... 45
  7. Italy .... 40
  8. Netherlands .... 34
  9. Germany .... 33
  10. South Korea ... 32
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**DALLAS | CLIMATE CHANGE**

## Program may pave a new way

'Cool pavement' project tests alternative material to fight effects of urban heat islands

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More than 20 people died in Dallas and Tarrant counties from heat-related illnesses in 2023 as Texas saw record heat waves and triple-digit temperatures, according to the counties' medical examiners.

Heat-related emergency visits to hospitals also spiked.

Cities nationwide are increasingly turning to "cool pavement" to find some relief, and this fall, Dallas officials will see the results of a pilot project.



Elias Valverde II/Staff Photographer

In September 2023, the city applied cool pavement to a few streets as part of a pilot program. It returned to those streets in July and the difference between the cool pavement and concrete was 10 degrees — 103.6 and 113.

Phoenix and Los Angeles pioneered pilot projects to coat their streets with cool pavement, which reflects more sunlight and absorbs less heat, reducing temperature spikes. In 2021, San Antonio became the first city in Texas to use the treatment to fight heat, testing it on a small stretch of asphalt.

In April, the city of Dallas shared its findings from a study that identified at least 10 neighborhoods as "urban heat island spots." Heat islands are urbanized areas that experience higher temperatures than the surrounding countryside.

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**FORT WORTH**

## 'I knew there was nothing we could do'

Athlete's death raises safety concerns at CrossFit Games

By JISELLE LEE, KIM BELLWARE and MARÍA LUISA PAÚL  
The Washington Post



**LAZAR DUKIC**, one witness said, was one of the several athletes struggling from fatigue.

Several horrified spectators shouted for lifeguards from the shores of Marine Creek Lake in Fort Worth on Thursday morning as a competitor appeared to struggle before slipping underwater close to the end of the swim event at this year's international CrossFit Games.

Cole Learn, a CrossFit athlete from Ontario, Canada, told *The Washington Post* he watched a lifeguard on a paddleboard move to where spectators had last seen 28-year-

old Lazar Dukic of Serbia, then immediately paddle back.

"Once I realized the lifeguard didn't see him go under, I knew there was nothing we could do," he said. "The lifeguards weren't paying attention to the swimmers — they were watching whoever was coming out of the water."

Dukic never made it to the finish line. The Fort Worth Fire

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**METRO**

**CEO donates \$30 million to TWU**

Merrilee Kick, a former teacher turned CEO, wants to thank the school that helped her bring the vision for the popular BuzzBallz to life by donating \$30 million to Texas Woman's University. **1B**

**SPORTS**

**Answers — and time — escaping Rangers**

The Rangers — who are 7 1/2 games behind Houston with 44 to play — clearly appear like a team that has run out of answers on the season, writes Rangers Insider Evan Grant. **1C**



# Nation & World

ELECTIONS '24 | PRESIDENT

## Experts: Harris needs Latinos

Younger generation's votes necessary for Dem to win, they say

By **FERNANDA FIGUEROA**  
The Associated Press

Latino voters and leaders say they are enthusiastic about Kamala Harris as the Democratic presidential nominee, but for her to win their crucial support, they want to know where she stands on issues like the economy, immigration and education.

Vanessa Cruz Nichols, an assistant professor of political science at Indiana University, said Harris has considerable potential to appeal to Latino voters but is going to have to win over independents and those planning not to vote in the November election.

"She's got some work to do, reintroduce herself, let people know where she stands on a variety of issues," Cruz said. "She will have to work aggressively to appeal to voters, especially young Latino voters who are even more nonpartisan, more willing to either sit out an election or vote for a third-party candidate."

### Key voting bloc

As the nation's largest minority group — 19.5% of the total population, according to the 2020 census — Latinos form a key voting bloc in what's shaping up to be a tight presidential election. Harris, the daughter of immigrants, has won the backing of influential Latino groups, and some feel her success hinges on energizing young Latino voters.

Maria Teresa, president of Voto Latino, said Harris' jumping into the race has sparked a "coalescing of the community." In focus groups that the organization started after President Joe Biden announced he would drop out of the race, more than half of young Latinos who initially



Julia Nihkinson/The Associated Press

Democratic presidential nominee Kamala Harris has won the backing of influential Latino groups, and some say her success hinges on energizing young Latino voters.

said they were voting for a third party said they were shifting to vote for the Democratic Party, Teresa said.

"There is no path to the White House without specifically the young Latino vote," she said. "Our path to a different direction of the country is through young people."

More than 6 in 10 Latino voters supported Biden in 2020, according to AP Vote-Cast, and 35% supported former President Donald Trump. However, a July poll from Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research found that only about 4 in 10 Latinos said they were somewhat or very optimistic about the future of the Democratic Party, and about one-quarter said the same about the Republican Party.

According to the same survey, Hispanic adults are divided in their opinions on Harris, with 44% holding a favorable view and 43% holding an unfavorable view. But about half of Hispanic adults said they would be satisfied with Harris as the Democratic nominee, up

from 15% earlier in July.

After watching the presidential debate between Trump and Biden, Peruvian Mexican small-business owner Guillermo Francisco-Cornejo, 35, said he was not going to vote in the presidential election. That changed when Biden stepped down and endorsed Harris. But Cornejo's decision is mostly guided by fear of what Trump will do if he wins, he said.

### Representation

"Now it's like, yeah, for sure I will vote Democrat," said Cornejo, adding that he sees Harris as "very well-qualified" to be commander in chief. "If Trump gets elected, he's turning this country into Latin America in the way he does politics and everything."

On Friday, the League of United Latin American Citizens endorsed Harris and her running mate, Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, through its political arm, the LULAC Adelante PAC, the first time the country's oldest Latino civil rights

group has endorsed a presidential candidate since its founding in 1929.

Harris was criticized for comments she made in 2021 telling migrants not to come to the U.S. when she was tasked with overseeing diplomatic efforts to deal with issues spurring migration in El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras as well as pressing them to strengthen enforcement on their own borders.

But Harris' being a daughter of immigrants provides a sense of representation to many Latino families, which could help her get their vote, civic engagement advocates say.

Maca Casado, the Hispanic media director with the Harris campaign, said Harris has a record of supporting Latinos and the issues they care about, like health care and gun violence.

"Vice President Harris' campaign knows Latinos' political power and is the only campaign working aggressively to make the case because we won't take their votes for granted," Casado said.



Ben Gray/The Associated Press

The campaign for nominees Sen. JD Vance (left) and former president Donald Trump says it was breached.

## Trump campaign says it was hacked

Staff blames Iran for leak of lengthy vetting document on Vance

THE WASHINGTON POST

Donald Trump's presidential campaign said on Saturday that it has been the victim of a foreign hack, after the campaign received questions from news organizations about a lengthy vetting document on vice presidential nominee Sen. JD Vance, R-Ohio, sent to the outlets.

"These documents were obtained illegally from foreign sources hostile to the United States, intended to interfere with the 2024 election and sow chaos throughout our Democratic process," Steven Cheung, a campaign spokesperson, said in a statement.

Cheung pointed to a report released Friday by Microsoft in which the company said it had discovered evidence that Iranian hackers had tried to break into the email account of a "high ranking official" on a U.S. presidential campaign in June.

Cheung did not disclose whether the campaign has been in contact with Microsoft and did not offer evi-

dence for its assertion that the documents were hacked by Iran.

People familiar with the matter said the campaign separately concluded earlier this summer its email system had been breached but did not disclose it publicly or to law enforcement. The people said some officials were told to take more protective measures on their email accounts. At the time, campaign officials communicated to others they weren't sure who hacked the emails. The people spoke on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the internal matter.

Politico reported Saturday that it had received messages starting July 22 from an anonymous sender offering proprietary information about the Trump campaign, including a copy of a vetting document related to Vance.

On Thursday, *The Washington Post* was also sent a 271-page document about Vance. Dated Feb. 23 and labeled "privileged & confidential," the document highlighted potential political vulnerabilities for the first-term senator. Two people familiar with the document confirmed it was authentic.

### ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR

## More rounds of evacuations ordered in southern Gaza

Action applies to part of humanitarian zone

By **WAFAA SHURAFU**  
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The Associated Press

DEIR AL-BALAH, Gaza Strip — The Israeli military ordered more evacuations in southern Gaza early Sunday, a day after a deadly airstrike on a school-turned-shelter in the north killed at least 80 Palestinians, according to local health authorities. The airstrike was one of the deadliest attacks in the 10-month war.

Israel has repeatedly ordered mass evacuations as its troops return to heavily destroyed areas where they



Abdel Kareem Hana/The Associated Press

previously battled Palestinian militants. The vast majority of Gaza's population of 2.3 million people have been displaced, often multiple times,

in the besieged territory 25 miles long by about 7 miles wide.

The latest evacuation orders apply to areas of Khan

Younis, Gaza's second-largest city, including part of an Israeli-declared humanitarian zone from which the military said rockets had been fired. Israel accuses Hamas and other militants of hiding among civilians and launching attacks from residential areas.

The humanitarian zone has steadily shrunk during the war with the various evacuation orders. Hundreds of thousands of people have crammed into squalid tent camps with few public services or sought shelter in schools, though the United Nations says hundreds of those have been directly hit or damaged.

Khan Younis suffered widespread destruction during an

air and ground offensive earlier this year. Tens of thousands fled again last week after an evacuation order.

Ramadan Issa, a father of five in his 50s, fled Khan Younis with 17 members of his extended family, joining hundreds of people walking toward central Gaza.

"Every time we settle in one place and build tents for women and children, the occupation comes and bombs the area," he said, referring to Israel. "This situation is unbearable."

Gaza's Health Ministry, which doesn't distinguish between civilians and combatants, says the Palestinian death toll from the war is approaching 40,000. Aid groups

have struggled to address the staggering humanitarian crisis, while international experts have warned of famine.

The war began when Hamas-led militants burst through Israel's defenses on Oct. 7 and rampaged through farming communities and army bases near the border, killing around 1,200 people — mostly civilians — and abducting around 250 people.

The United States, Egypt and Qatar have spent months trying to mediate a cease-fire and the return of the roughly 110 remaining hostages, around a third of whom Israeli authorities believe to be dead. Talks were due to resume Thursday.

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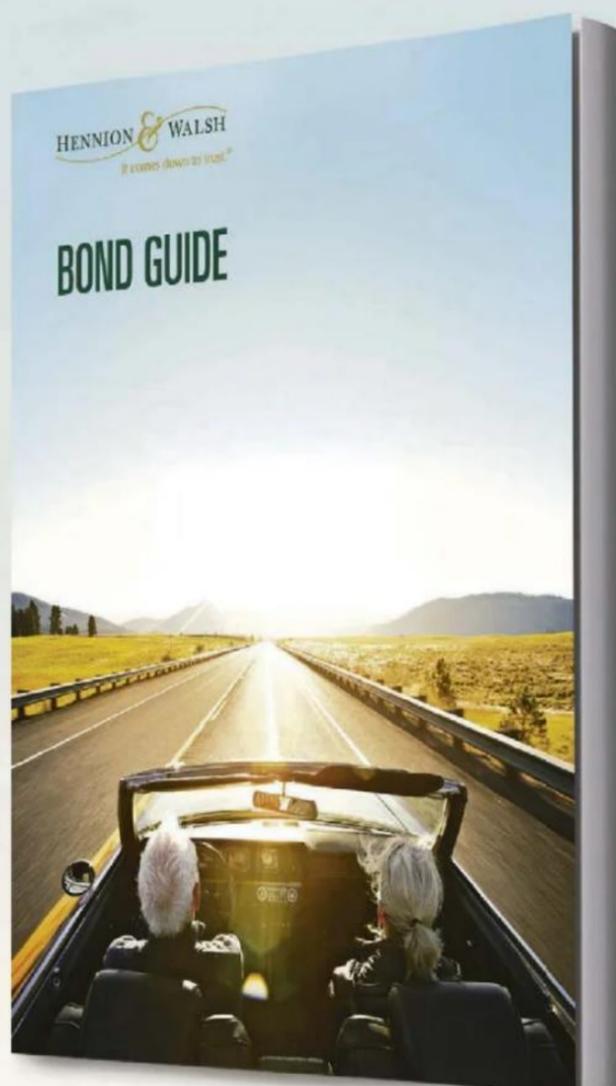
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## NEWS DIGEST

## Landfill collapses in Uganda, at least 18 die

KAMPALA, Uganda — A vast landfill site in the Ugandan capital has collapsed, killing at least 18 people, the Red Cross said.

Fourteen other people were injured when the Kiteezi landfill, which serves as a waste disposal site for much of Kampala, collapsed late Friday. At least two of the dead were children, Kampala Capital City Authority said in a statement.

The collapse is believed to have been triggered by heavy rainfall. The precise details of what happened were unclear, but the city authority said there was a “structural failure in waste mass.”

The Kiteezi landfill is on a steep slope in an impoverished part of the city. Women and children who scavenge plastic waste for income frequently gather there, and some homes have been built close to the landfill.

*The Associated Press*

## Six Brazil plane crash victims identified

SAO PAULO — Families of victims of an airliner crash in Brazil are gathering Sunday at a morgue and hotels in Sao Paulo as forensics experts work to identify the remains of the 62 people killed in the accident.

Local authorities said the bodies of the pilot, Danilo Santos Romano, and his co-pilot, Humberto de Campos Alencar e Silva, were the first to be identified. Brazilian media said another four people were identified at the Sao Paulo morgue, which did not confirm the information.

Sao Paulo state government said in a statement Sunday morning that the searches ended at 10:45 p.m. on Saturday, 33 hours after the crash, with the remains of all 34 males and 28 females among the victims recovered. It added that the wreckage remains at the site so investigators can continue their work.

*The Associated Press*

## Ruling revives lawsuits from 2020 protests

Police can't hold onto people's possessions indefinitely after an arrest, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled on Friday, in a decision that revives lawsuits against the D.C. police from 2020 racial justice protesters.

The ruling also goes against what most other appellate courts in the country have said. Only one, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit, has ruled similarly that property is subject to the same constitutional protections against indefinite police detention as people. It's a “significant precedent” in favor of a broader view of the Fourth Amendment, Michael Perloff of the American Civil Liberties Union of D.C., who litigated the case, said in a statement.

The lawsuits came from five protesters and a journalist who were arrested during racial justice protests in August 2020. All were detained briefly and released without charges; no warrants were issued to search their phones. But they were unable get their phones back until they went to court, roughly a year later, despite having repeatedly contacted the police and D.C. prosecutors. The journalist, who was jailed overnight, did not get his camera back for nearly a year.

*The Washington Post*

## Briefly

**In the Ryan Reynolds-Blake Lively** box-office showdown, both husband and wife came out winners: Reynolds' *Deadpool & Wolverine* remained the top movie in North American theaters for the third straight week with \$54.2 million in ticket sales according to studio estimates Sunday. It was closely followed by *It Ends With Us*, the romance drama starring Lively, which surpassed expectations with a stellar \$50 million debut.

*The Associated Press*

## WAR IN UKRAINE



Anatoliy Zhdanov/Agence France-Presse

A Russian T-72 tank drove outside the town of Sudzha on Thursday amid Ukraine's incursion into Russia.

## Zelenskyy acknowledges push onto Russian soil

Days later, Moscow struggles to contain surprise incursion

By SAMYA KULLAB  
*The Associated Press*

KYIV, Ukraine — Days after Ukraine began a surprise military incursion into Russia's Kursk border region, President Volodymyr Zelenskyy has broken the government's silence on it by indirectly acknowledging the ongoing military actions to “push the war out into the aggressor's territory.”

Zelenskyy's comment came in his nightly address late Saturday.

Ukraine's incursion into Russia continued for a sixth day Sunday. It's the largest such attack since Moscow launched its full-scale invasion on Feb. 24, 2022, and is unprecedented for its use of Ukrainian military units on Russian soil. Ukraine's raid into Russia caught Moscow unaware and was an embarrassment to Russian military leaders who have scrambled to contain the breach.

The Russian Defense Ministry said in a statement on Sunday that its forces engaged Ukrainian troops in Tolpino, Zhuravli and Obshchy Kolodez, the official Tass news agency reported. Tolpino is 15 miles from the Ukrainian border.

Evacuation of civilians living in Russia's border areas with Ukraine continued Sunday. Russian state television aired footage of evacuees at a tent camp in the city of Kursk. According to the report by RTR, more than 20 temporary accommodation centers have been set up in the region.

## Strategy unclear

The exact aims of the operation remain unclear, and Ukrainian military officials have adopted a policy of secrecy, presumably to ensure its success. Military experts have said that it is likely intended to draw Russian reserves away from the intense fighting in Ukraine's eastern Donetsk region, while a presidential adviser suggested it may strengthen Kyiv's hand in any future negotiations with Russia.

But Russian Foreign Ministry

spokesperson Maria Zakharova said Sunday that Ukraine “understands perfectly well” that the recent attacks “make no sense from a military point of view.”

“The Kyiv regime is continuing its terrorist activity with the sole purpose of intimidating the peaceful population of Russia,” she added.

Overnight into Sunday, a Russian drone and missile barrage on Kyiv killed two people, including a 4-year-old boy. Russia attacked Ukraine with four ballistic missiles and 57 Shahed drones, Ukraine's air force said. Air defenses shot down 53 of the drones.

The bodies of a 35-year-old man and his son were found under rubble after missile fragments fell on a residential area in Kyiv's suburban Brovary district, according to Ukraine's State Emergen-

cy Service.

## Belarus moves troops

Meanwhile, Belarus said that it was sending more troops to its border with Ukraine on Saturday, saying Ukrainian drones had violated its airspace as part of Kyiv's military incursion into Russia's Kursk region.

Authoritarian leader Alexander Lukashenko said Belarusian air defense forces destroyed dozens of targets flying from Ukraine over the Mogilev region, which borders Russia, on Friday evening.

“The Ukrainian armed forces violated all rules of conduct and violated the airspace of the Republic of Belarus,” Lukashenko said at a meeting in Minsk on Saturday.



Ukrainian Presidential Press Office

Surveillance footage showed smoke rising from a cooling tower at the nuclear power plant in occupied Zaporizhzhia region Sunday.

## ELSEWHERE Fire at occupied nuclear site

A fire in the vicinity of the Russian-occupied Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant was reported by Ukrainian officials late Sunday. According to Yevhen Yevtushenko, the head of the military administration of Nikopol, which is across the river from occupied Enerhodar where the plant is located, Russian forces set fire to automobile tires in the cooling towers to make it appear as though a fire had broken out.

“Perhaps this is a provocation or an attempt to create panic in the settlements on the right bank of the former reservoir,” he said. President Volodymyr Zelenskyy also said Russia was using the plant to blackmail Ukraine and playing on Western fears of escalation. Yevhen Balytskyi, the Russia-appointed governor of the occupied Zaporizhzhia region, accused Ukraine of shelling the plant and causing the fire. He provided no evidence for the claim. *The Associated Press*

## VENEZUELA

## U.S. leans on other nations

Mexico, Colombia, Brazil to run election negotiations

By KAREN DEYOUNG and SAMANTHA SCHMIDT  
*The Washington Post*

Nearly two weeks after Venezuelan president Nicolás Maduro claimed re-election to a third term despite what the United States and others have called “overwhelming evidence” of a massive opposition victory, the future of Venezuela and of U.S. policy there remain in limbo.

The Biden administration, while saying that opposition candidate Eduardo González clearly won more votes, has stopped short of declaring him the victor. Instead, it has called for the release of all official results and for Maduro and the opposition to negotiate a “transition” of power.

Rather than taking the lead in pushing for Maduro to step down and threatening sanctions and other reprisals if he refuses, the White House has in the past, the current administration has placed its hopes in triad of leftist Latin American governments to

persuade him to yield.

So far, efforts of the presidents of Mexico, Colombia and Brazil, all of whom have relatively stable relations with Maduro, appear to have achieved little.

Foreign ministers from the three countries will meet with their Venezuelan counterpart on Sunday, with the goal of planning a meeting among Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador, Colombia's Gustavo Petro and Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva of Brazil and Maduro on Wednesday.

Colombia plans to propose an initial agreement of good faith in which Maduro would release all political prisoners and cease persecution of the opposition in exchange for a partial easing of sanctions by the United States and the European Union, according to a person close to the negotiations, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to share details of the talks.

This would not be a “quid pro quo,” the person said, but rather Maduro would need to make the first gesture. It is unclear if the Biden administra-

tion would support such an agreement.

The person close to the talks among Latin American leaders said they believe it is highly unlikely that Maduro will agree to a transfer of power in the short term, or agree to a power-sharing deal with the opposition. But, the person said, the negotiations might establish conditions for a democratic space in Venezuela's government institutions and for competitive legislative or local elections in 2025.

Agreements along those lines would likely test U.S. willingness to take a back seat to the Latin American negotiators.

U.S. efforts in the past — including the Trump administration's “maximum pressure” campaign of increased sanctions on Maduro and his government and recognition of then-opposition leader Juan Guaidó as president — did little to change the situation in Venezuela. Historical resentment of U.S. power in the hemisphere grew, along with the exodus of millions of Venezuelan refugees.

## INSURANCE INDUSTRY

## Groups take on federal rules

Proposed regulations to protect retirement savings in legal limbo

By TONY ROMM  
*The Washington Post*

To protect older Americans' life savings, President Joe Biden pledged in October to crack down on financial advisers who recommend investments just because they pay higher commissions. Then the insurance industry got to work.

Lobbying groups representing New York Life, Lincoln Financial Group, Prudential Financial and other companies first pushed back against the newly proposed regulations before suing to topple them entirely. Now the government's latest attempt to protect retirees is in political and legal limbo, facing the possibility that it may never take effect.

## Pervasive pattern

It is the latest example of a pervasive pattern: As the Biden administration tries to impose new restrictions on powerful industries, those businesses successfully turn to Congress and the courts for a reprieve. This time, the resulting clash centers on a basic question: Should federal law require more financial professionals to put retirees' needs above all else — including their own paychecks — when they offer advice about how to invest?

In April, the Labor Department finalized rules that would subject a wide array of brokers to a higher legal standard, requiring them to act as fiduciaries. The effort primarily aims to protect the millions of Americans who leave their jobs, or otherwise need to roll over their retirement savings, and opt for tax-advantaged accounts such as IRAs.

These savers face critical, one-time decisions about what to do with their money, and a miscalculation caused by conflicted investment advice could cut deeply into their retirement funds.

In July, the industries scored a string of critical, early victories: Congress took the first step toward invalidating the new rules, while judges in two federal courts blocked the government from implementing the proposal nationwide in late September, as planned, potentially setting the stage for the new regulations to be scrapped.

## 'Loopholes'

At the heart of the wrangling is a 1970s federal law, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act, which governs retirement programs and the professionals who advise Americans about their options. Lawmakers adopted the statute long before 401(k) plans overtook pensions as the primary way that Americans save for retirement, resulting decades later in what the White House has described as a set of persistent “loopholes.”

Federal officials contend the gaps are especially glaring in the market for certain annuities, a product that sees retirees hand over funds to an insurance company in exchange for a fixed payout annually. But the products may also come with costly restrictions, including steep penalties for early withdrawals and caps on the returns that retirees can generate over their lifetimes.

Ultimately, fixed-index annuities may not be the best choice for everyone, yet the government says savers can be steered toward them anyway, especially if insurance agents earn more money selling these products over better alternatives.



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**American athletes** watched as fireworks flashed over the stadium during the 2024 Summer Olympics closing ceremony on Sunday in Saint-Denis, France. In the medal count, a late kick at the tape by the U.S. earned it a tie with China at 40 golds, with the Americans leading overall medals, 126-91.

# Paris Games dazzle, impress

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Juan Antonio Samaranch, who ran the International Olympic Committee for more than two decades, was famous for pronouncing each Olympics the “best ever.” Thomas Bach, the current president, only called this one “a magnificent stage.” Not good enough. None of the nine previous Olympics in my 32-year experience comes close.

Bill Hancock, who helps out the USOPC in his off-time, has worked every Summer Olympics since 1984 and would claim as many winters, too, if he hadn’t been otherwise occupied running the NCAA Tournament or the College Football Playoff.

He figured the scenery here would be nice. City of Lights, and all that.

But what about the logistics?

“Man,” Hancock said, “they hit the lights *and* the nuts and bolts.”

That left it up to the athletes, who didn’t disappoint, even if it wasn’t necessarily in a historic sense. Only 17 world records were broken, down from 20 in Tokyo and a high of 30 in 2008. An associate professor of applied sciences at the University of Birmingham told *Sky News* that we’ve probably reached a point of “diminishing returns” because of advances made in training since the Atlanta Olympics in 1996.

“What we’re seeing now,” Thomas Brownlee told the site, “is that everyone’s kind of catching up and doing similar stuff.”

“The secrets are out a little bit.”

Doesn’t mean the competition wasn’t as exhilarating as ever. Both the men’s and women’s gold-medal basketball games between the Americans and their hosts were barn-burners. Noah Lyles won the closest 100 meters in modern history. Katie Ledecky still rules the pool. Simone Biles reclaimed her throne and then crowned her successor, Brazil’s Rebeca Andrade, in one of the Games’ most unanimous gestures.

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The rest of the world showed up, too. France’s Leon Marchand, who competed at Arizona State, made his home nation proud with four gold medals in swimming. Mijain Lopez, a 41-year-old Cuban wrestler, became the first athlete to win gold in five consecutive Olympics and retired on the spot. Turkish shooter Yusuf Dikec’s insouciance — a finger on the trigger, hand in his pocket — made him a man of a million memes.

And in a demonstration of the spirit the Olympics are supposed to be about,



**Artists performed during** the closing ceremony on Sunday. The French pulled off an extravaganza not likely to be duplicated anytime soon.

Ratings were up 76% over Tokyo, a victim of COVID and a bad time slot. An NBC representative told the *Los Angeles Times* that it expected ad revenues to far exceed its projections of \$1.25 billion, making it the largest money-maker for any event in television history.



**Artist Alain Roche** played a piano suspended vertically in the air during the closing ceremony for the 2024 Summer Olympics on Sunday.

the table tennis teams from North and South Korea took selfies together on the medal stand.

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Of course, not everything was hearts and flowers. A court disallowed the appeal that had enabled Jordan Chiles to win bronze in the floor routine, the final indignity after the Spring gymnast had



**French President Emmanuel Macron** (standing top right) and IOC President Thomas Bach waved to the crowd during the ceremony.

been harassed online for not giving it back. Algerian boxer Imane Khelif suffered such abuse from critics sure she must be a man, despite certified testing and evidence of a lifetime lived otherwise, she filed a complaint with Paris officials.

“I am a woman like any other,” she felt forced to testify. Actually, she’s a woman with a gold medal, and no one’s taking it.

The appeal of social media, I suppose, is it makes anyone and everyone an expert on everything. Anne Hidalgo, Paris’ mayor, issued a statement midway through the Games supporting Thomas Jolly, the artistic director of the opening ceremonies after Jolly received death threats from viewers who interpreted some scenes as a blasphemous parody of the Last Supper. Paris 2024 officials subsequently apologized if anyone was offended, which was nice but unnecessary.

Turns out the scenes in question were

a parody of “The Feast of the Gods,” a Dutch painting, not Leonardo da Vinci’s masterpiece.

Frankly, I thought the opening ceremonies were spectacular. Best ever, and I’m a sucker for these things. Better, for sure, than the closing, though it gets points for Tom Cruise’s drop-in and a cameo by Dallas’ Michael Johnson.

Otherwise the handoff of the Olympic flag from Paris’ mayor to Los Angeles’ went just fine, probably because it wasn’t choreographed by the U.S. men’s 4x100. LA will have a hard time picking up where Paris left off, though. Even all the anxiety about the swimmability of the Seine proved to be much ado-doo about nothing.

Just the same, I’m not taking a dip before coming home to the lovely wife. I’ll take their word for it. They got everything else right.

# Officials say new vaccine can help prevent spread

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for a virus to track its presence in a community.

## Answers in wastewater

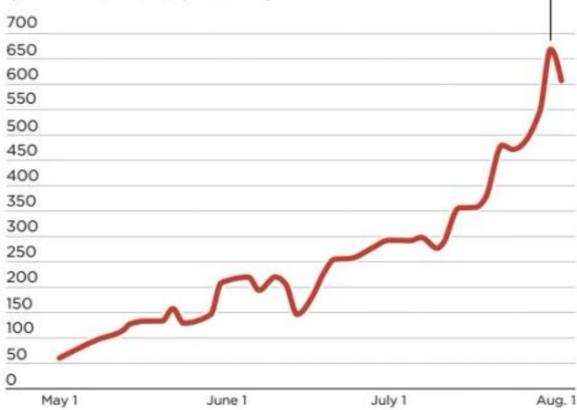
Wastewater data collected from Dallas' central water treatment plant showed levels of coronavirus increased by nearly tenfold from May to August, according to data from WastewaterSCAN.

Increasing levels of the virus in wastewater were higher in Texas than in the region and the country in the last 45 days, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Wastewater Surveillance System.

Dr. Trish Perl, professor at the school of public health at UT Southwestern Medical Center, said wastewater data is a "canary in the coal mine" for

## Increasing amount of COVID-19 found in Dallas wastewater

Quantity of SARS-CoV-2 nucleic acids (in PMMoV normalized, x 1 million)



SOURCE: WastewaterSCAN Dashboard, Dallas Central Wastewater Treatment Plant  
Mel Fronczek/Staff Artist

understanding how COVID-19 cases are trending. "Generally we see that go up

about two to three weeks before we start seeing a lot of human cases," Perl said.

National positivity rates are also up. The CDC estimated in July that COVID-19 infections are growing or likely growing in 35 states and territories, including Texas. National trends for test positivity, emergency department visits, hospitalizations and deaths due to COVID-19 all increased this summer, according to CDC data.

## A summer wave

While an increase in cases has been observed in Dallas, it's not necessarily a spike, said Dr. Philip Huang, director of the county's health department.

"We know it's been going up, but it's certainly not at the levels of what we've seen in the past," Huang said.

Love said the increase seen last summer will likely come next summer, too. With more

travel and hotter weather that encourages staying indoors, transmission tends to increase during months.

"It's nothing to panic about," Love said.

While cases are increasing, the COVID-19 hospital admission level is still low for Dallas County, according to the CDC. But hospitalizations and even deaths are still reported from the virus.

"We aren't seeing a lot of hospitalized cases, but we are seeing some," Perl said. "I think there's this sense that people aren't getting really sick anymore. ... It's true that we're not seeing as much severe disease, but it is affecting some people very seriously."

## What to know about vaccines

The summer increase in

COVID-19 cases may also be due to waning protection from the vaccine as more time passes between shots, Huang said. This makes it especially important to get an updated vaccine when it becomes available.

The new vaccine should be coming out later this month or in September, Perl said, and the CDC recommends everyone ages 6 months and older receive it. Perl said it's especially important to get vaccinated if you're immunocompromised or have a high-risk condition, or if you are often in contact with people in those groups.

Huang advises getting caught up on all recommended vaccines ahead of a new school semester. The county has several community vaccination clinics, and other vaccine options can be found at vaccines.gov.

Updated vaccines can also protect against specific circulating variants.

The current circulating strains are all descendants of Omicron, Perl said. In the national data, the KP.3 variant is most prominent, according to Perl, and in Dallas County, JN.1 and L.B.1 strains are also circulating. Local data showed KP strains were most prominent in the county, she said.

"The new vaccine that will be coming out has been reformulated to target these KP strains," Perl said. "The initial data from animals really suggests that it's much more effective ... against what's circulating."

## What to know about long COVID

Perl said clinics treating patients with long COVID, an illness where symptoms persist for an extended period past an initial COVID infection, have been busy.

She doesn't have data on long COVID diagnoses in Dallas, and researchers don't always agree on a definition of the illness. But she said the best estimates are that about 10% of COVID infections are associated with long COVID.

Even people who are asymptomatic when infected by the coronavirus can get long COVID, Perl said, but people who are vaccinated are much less likely to develop the illness.

Scientists are still seeking to understand the long-term impacts of the virus.

"Many [doctors] tell me we need to be cautious of what are the long-term effects of COVID, because we're still learning," Love said.

## Take steps to protect yourself

As schools go back into session and the flu season approaches, Perl recommends taking extra precautions to protect against respiratory viruses.

"When you start seeing an increase in COVID, commonly you're also seeing an increase in other respiratory viruses," Perl said. "They kind of all work together."

Perl recommends keeping good hand hygiene, coughing and sneezing into your arm, encouraging kids to wash their hands and staying home if you have respiratory symptoms.

If a child has a fever, they should stay home and not return to school until they've gone 24 hours without one, Perl said.

Huang recommends considering wearing a mask in crowded, indoor or poorly ventilated areas if you're at a high risk of getting sick from COVID-19.

Look out for symptoms of the virus like a sore throat, shortness of breath, cough, new loss of taste or smell, fatigue, runny nose or a slight fever. Get tested if you have symptoms, Huang said. If you get COVID-19, Huang recommends taking advantage of treatments that are available.

"With the COVID pandemic, we've really gotten a very important appreciation for the impact that respiratory viruses can have on human health," Perl said.

# Athlete's death leads to reviews

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Department was alerted by a phone call at about 8 a.m. that a competitor was missing. Divers found Dukic's body an hour after they entered the water.

Although his cause of death has not been released, the incident prompted questions about whether event organizers had adequate safeguards in place to protect the roughly 80 participants in the grueling multiday competition. CrossFit chief executive Don Faul said Friday that the organization initiated an investigation into Dukic's death, which Faul said will include an independent third-party review.

"After speaking with the Dukic family and other athletes, we made the decision to move forward with the 2024 CrossFit Games, dedicated to Lazar Dukic," Faul said in a statement. "CrossFit's paramount consideration is the safety of our community, and there are rigorous safety measures in place for each event."

## Adequate safety plan?

Some of the questions about the game's safety precautions concern CrossFit's decision to have athletes begin Thursday at 7 a.m. with a 3 1/2-mile run before tackling the half-mile swim.

Experts told *The Post* that other multisport endurance events with a swimming component, such as triathlons, generally have athletes begin in the water, based on the notion that it's safest to swim when entrants are least fatigued.

CrossFit did not respond to a request for comment Saturday seeking more information about the safety measures. Faul said at a news conference Thursday that CrossFit had a "fully planned and documented safety plan" in place, but he did not provide additional details, saying those "will be part of the information that's to come as part of the investigation."

The CrossFit Games is an annual competition in which participants vie for the title of "Fittest on Earth" in a program that includes running, swimming, weightlifting and gymnastics. The competition — which has gained popularity through ESPN's broadcasting — is similar to a decathlon, only with a dozen separate events.

## Swimming usually first

Ben Williams, a triathlon coach and owner of the Hawaii Triathlon Center, said he had never seen a swimmer drown

at the end of a race in the 20 years he's been participating in and organizing competitions. At the triathlons he's been involved with, he said, he will sometimes hire enough lifeguards for there to be a 1-to-1 ratio of rescue personnel to athletes.

"It's important for the organizers to communicate the level of difficulty and risks involved in the race," he said. "You're in a wild environment, so you don't have complete control, but you have to mitigate it the best you can."

Williams said he agreed with the decision to continue with the games.

"It's a tragedy that this happened," Williams said. "But I think it's important to not cancel the event, and instead let's review what happened and change our procedures so it won't happen again."

Will Murray, a triathlete and certified Level 1 coach

through USA Triathlon, the event's national governing body, was struck by the decision to have athletes complete a run before they swam. In triathlons, the swimming portion "almost always" comes first, he said.

One reason to place a swimming event first is to avoid the potential for cramping or cardiac distress that even fit athletes can experience when they plunge their bodies, hot from sun and exertion, into cool water, Murray said.

"You see it on TV in football games when they dump the ice water on the coach's neck — they instantly lock up," Murray said.

## Others struggle, too

Despite the potential risks, Murray called water deaths in multisport competitions "exceedingly rare." If cramping or exhaustion overtakes a

competitor, adequate swim support can usually handle the situation, such as people on paddle boards who can quickly get a struggling swimmer to shore or throw them a buoy.

Kaitlin Pritchard, a spectator, told the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram* that she was by the finish line at the swimming event when she saw Dukic approach, among the first group of swimmers reaching the shore. His name, she said, was called over the loudspeaker along with other athletes nearing the finish line.

But Dukic, Pritchard said, was one of the several athletes she noticed were struggling from fatigue.

"It's all hindsight now, because you didn't know what was going on at the time," she said. "There wasn't that immediate notification of, 'Oh, someone was missing.' I mean, people were still swim-

ming over him, you know, where he went down."

## Lifeguard disconnect

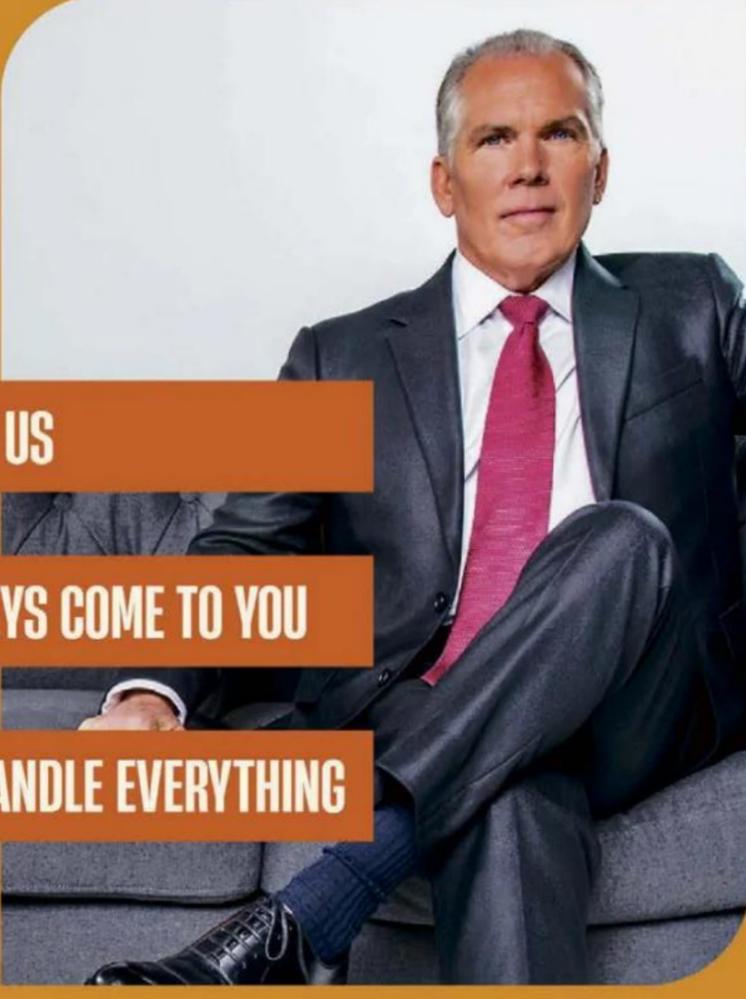
Pritchard said she saw people she assumed were lifeguards on paddleboards on the lake, but didn't see any of them attempt a rescue. Based on where the paddleboarders were positioned, Dukic "should have been reachable," Pritchard said.

Learn, the Canadian spectator, said he was not sure whether the lifeguard his group was calling out to "didn't understand us" or "didn't take it seriously."

He felt heartbroken watching the water, hoping Dukic would come up for air. "Every athlete knows there's always risk of injury when they sign up for an event," he said. "I don't think any athlete signs up for a competition thinking that they can die."

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FROM THE FRONT PAGE

# Dallas pilot program takes on heat islands

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according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

Cool pavement aims to reduce temperatures in urban environments and mitigate the urban heat island effect.

Dallas' pilot project was launched in 2023 to coat approximately six miles of pavement in a neighborhood in northwest Dallas, part of District 13.

Lessons could be learned from how San Antonio implemented its program. Because there are limitations to installing these types of materials, experts say the city should look for multiple ways to mitigate the heat.

Cool pavement traditionally refers to a sealant that has a higher albedo, the fraction of light that a surface reflects, and reflects more incoming solar radiation, lowering the surface temperature and the amount of heat absorbed by the surface.

The definition of cool pavement has expanded to include surfaces that use evaporation to help cool the air, materials that alter surface effectiveness in emitting energy and other technologies that can be applied to help it stay cooler than conventional asphalt.

## Applying material

Cool pavement is applied like regular asphalt. Compared to traditional black asphalt, cool pavement appears lighter and grayer.

But roads must be in good condition for the material to be applied as a layer to extend the life of the pavement surface, which is a limitation.

It is an "overlay sealant," said Douglas Melnick, San Antonio's chief sustainability officer. "If the road isn't in great condition, it doesn't really adhere very well and deteriorates fast."

Residents in West or South Dallas are more susceptible to environmental issues and their streets may not be in the best condition because these neighborhoods have been historically neglected, said Rose Jones, an anthropologist and extreme heat researcher in Dallas. The lack of parks and green spaces contributes to the urban heat island effect.

As Dallas adapts to the effects of climate change, Jones, founder of Rapid Anthropology Consulting, said community input and transparency from the city are needed to ensure that the city is equitable in how it allocates resources.

"Why don't we know about this [pilot project]?" Jones said. "I think it's a great approach, but where is the community? Heat mitigation needs a different approach where collaboration is key to protecting the most vulnerable."

Dallas has an online dashboard for residents to view its Comprehensive Environmental and Climate Action Plan, but it doesn't include information about the cool pavement project.

## San Antonio project

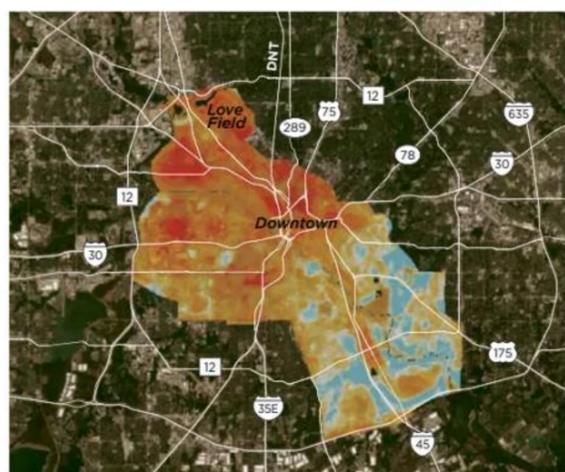
San Antonio officials worked closely with the University of Texas at San Antonio to identify the areas where the pavement was installed based on temperature readings and census data on neighborhood race, ethnicity and household income.

"We looked not just where the heat hits harder but where people are more vulnerable to the heat and its effects," said Kristen Brown, assistant professor of environmental engineering at UT San Antonio.

Energy burden, or how much of a household's income is spent on utility bills, was one

## Average Dallas summer temperatures

A community-based heat mapping campaign conducted in the summer of 2023 shows higher temperatures north and west of downtown. All temperatures were collected by Dallas community members in a collaborative effort between local partners, CAPA Strategies and the National Integrated Heat Health Information System.



SOURCE: Heat Watch Dallas

Staff Graphic

of the factors that helped identify areas where residents were more vulnerable and could benefit from the project, Brown said.

As part of the project's expansion, San Antonio installed different cool pavement brands on at least one street in each of its 10 council districts in 2023. The three products — Pavé Tech's PlusTi, GAF Streetbond's Durashield and SealMaster's SolarPave — were analyzed to determine which was better suited to the city's needs.

San Antonio spent around \$1 million on the project.

SealMaster showed the most consistent and significant reduction in surface temperatures, with an average reduction of 3.58 degrees. The maximum surface temperature reduction relative to fresh asphalt was 18 degrees, according to the city's Office of Sustainability.

The other two products had positive results in heat reduction and improved pavement durability but didn't perform as well as SealMaster, according to the analysis. For example, SolarPave was recommended for coating asphalt roads and parking lots but not concrete surfaces.

This year, San Antonio will continue to install SolarPave in other parts of the city.

Simultaneously, San Antonio created an online dashboard for residents to track the progress of the cool pavement installation. The SA Heat Maps dashboard shows which streets have been paved and when. It also provides information on heat-related illnesses and which neighborhoods are more vulnerable.

## Climate action plan

In 2020, the city of Dallas approved a climate action plan, which outlines eight primary areas where the city can address the impacts of climate change. Factors include strengthening the city's transportation infrastructure, enhancing green spaces and making buildings more energy-efficient.

Last year, Dallas joined other cities — including Salt Lake City, Oklahoma City and Sedona — in the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's 2023 Urban Island Mapping Campaign.

The results showed the temperature was 10 degrees hotter in Bishop Arts District, Medical District, West Dallas, Love Field, Uptown, Oak Lawn, downtown, Deep Ellum, the Design District and Market Center. None of these neighborhoods are near District 13.

This month, Dallas will continue its mapping campaign by having volunteers drive about 250 square miles to determine which areas are the hottest spots in the city.

The Department of Public Works and the Office of Environmental Quality and Sustainability developed the cool pavement pilot project.

"We should think about more sustainable approaches to the way we do our business for the city," said Ali Hatefi, director of Public Works. "We should definitely look into more environmentally friendly materials."

In September 2023, Shires-tone Line and Rickover Drive in District 13 were some of the streets selected to begin the pilot project.

The streets were chosen for the trial because they needed to be in good condition, Hatefi said.

The Dallas pilot project cost \$2 million, according to Public Works.

District 13 council member Gay Donnell Willis said after the cool pavement was applied, she heard from residents that it was too bright, but later the color was toned down.

"I heard from one resident who was thrilled to try something that could help with Dallas summer, and he was excited that his street was one that was chosen," Willis said.

The Public Works Department returned July 19 to the streets where the cool pavement had been installed. The difference between the cool pavement and the concrete was 10 degrees — 103.6 and 113.

## Using Oxcon

Unlike San Antonio, which used three different products, Dallas used only one, Oxcon. The city purchased the product from Johnson Bros. and used Andale Construction to install it.

The Oxcon Systems LLC website states the material is specifically designed to repair deterioration such as spalling, scaling and disintegration.

Hatefi said the department is open to trying other products in the future. The results will be presented to the City Council to see if the project should be expanded.

Cool pavement is a tool for cities to use as part of their heat mitigation approach because it has been shown to be effective, Melnick, San Antonio's chief sustainability officer, said.

But it isn't the only solution, according to Melnick.

"It needs to be part of a broader heat mitigation approach where you are looking at trees, green infrastructure and weatherization," Melnick said.

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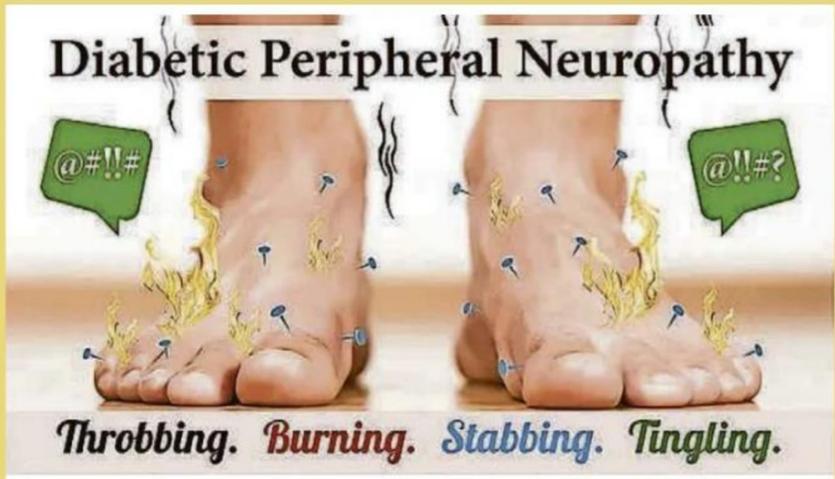
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## OPINION

# Swap energizes Russian democracy groups

Outspoken critics of Putin's regime are among those freed

By NATALIA ARNO

On Aug. 1, a historic prisoner exchange took place between Russia and Belarus on one side, and a coalition of Western nations — the United States, Germany, Slovenia and Norway — on the other. This event heralds a turning point in the pursuit of democracy in Russia and sends a clear message that the West can tell the difference between Putin's regime and the Russian people.

It proves the U.S. and its allies stand with those Russians who want freedom and fairness. Now, we need to keep this momentum going and find more ways to talk directly to ordinary Russians.

The lengthy and delicate process resulted in an exchange of 24 individuals, with Russia receiving eight people from six countries and releasing 13 Russian political prisoners to Germany and other Western nations, including three Americans held on dubious charges.

Americans Evan Gershkovich, a *Wall Street Journal* correspondent, and Paul Whelan, a former U.S. Marine, both accused of espionage, were released, along with a Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty journalist Alsu Kurmasheva, sentenced for her anti-war stance.

Among those freed from Russian prisons are the most outspoken critics of Putin's regime:

Vladimir Kara-Murza, a distinguished statesman, historian and Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, who had been serving a 25-year prison sentence for his unwavering opposition to Putin and the invasion of Ukraine.

Ilya Yashin, jailed for 8.5 years for exposing the Bucha massacre in Ukraine.

Oleg Orlov, a 71-year-old human rights historian from Memorial, a human rights center, who was sentenced to 2.5 years for his criticism of Russia's actions in Ukraine.

Andrei Pivovarov, former director of Open Russia, a political group, who was serving a four-year sentence for his opposition activities.

Kevin Lik, a 19-year-old student sentenced for treason; and several key members of Alexei Navalny's team, including Lilia Chanyшева, Ksenia Fadeyeva and Vadim Ostanin, all sentenced for their involvement in



The Associated Press

**Russian opposition politician** Ilya Yashin spoke to supporters Wednesday at the Mauerpark in Berlin. Yashin was freed by Russia this month in a prisoner swap that has dramatically changed the mood among exiles opposed to the Putin regime, writes Natalia Arno.

anti-corruption investigations.

Tragically, Navalny himself, the most recognizable face of the Russian opposition, died in prison earlier this year, a stark reminder of the torturous conditions endured by all political prisoners in Russia.

The loss of Navalny deeply demoralized Russian civil society. The Russian opposition, already under immense pressure, momentarily appeared without leadership or agenda. The Kremlin propaganda was quick to portray exiles as cowardly, lacking relevance and rapport with those still in the country, while antiwar and pro-democracy movements inside Russia gradually lost visibility, as they went underground, facing intensified repression. Meanwhile, the West's restraint from pushing back against Putin's aggression militarily, together with the international barrage of massive indiscriminating sanctions, led many Russians to believe they had been abandoned in their fight for democracy.

The prisoner swap was a much-needed miracle that has dramatically changed the mood among exiles opposed to the Putin regime. The release

of prominent opposition figures has catalyzed a renewed sense of purpose and hope among Russians both at home and abroad and unleashed a powerful wave of motivation. It has revived the sense that change is possible, and illustrated that international pressure can yield concrete results, even against Putin's seemingly intransigent regime.

The leadership demonstrated by the German, Slovenian and American governments in organizing the complex exchange has sent a powerful and much-needed signal to the Russian activists: You are not forgotten, your struggle matters, and the international community stands with you in your fight for democracy. This message decimates the Kremlin's long-standing narrative that the West is indifferent or even hostile to the Russian people.

The exchange came at a steep cost. Putin received several of his spies and assassins, including Vadim Krasikov, reportedly a Russian agent who was convicted of a "state terrorism" murder in Berlin. This part of the deal has, understandably, sparked controversy. Kara-Murza, who was part of the prisoner swap, has addressed the criticism, "respectfully urging not to

think of prisoner exchanges but of saving lives."

The imperative of "saving lives" became clear with the deeply emotional first contact with his family after the swap. During Kara-Murza's call to the Oval Office where his family met with President Joe Biden, he confessed: "I was absolutely certain I would die in Putin's prison."

Yet, the joy of reunion is tempered by the reality that many more remain as Putin's hostages. As Evgenia Kara-Murza, Vladimir's wife, expressed, "I'm so happy and overwhelmed to see these people free, but also very sad so many were left behind. I feel guilty."

Her words remind us of the thousands still languishing in Russian prisons, like Alexei Gorinov, a 61-year-old opposition leader sentenced to seven years in prison for his opposition to Putin's war against Ukraine. Gorinov, who is missing part of a lung, urgently needs medical care. Navalny's lawyers Vadim Kobzev, Igor Sergunin, and Alexei Liptser, arrested last year on suspicion of belonging to an "extremist group," remain unjustly detained. Equally tragic is the case of Pavel Kushnir, a 39-year-old pianist who died in a Birobidzhan detention center just a day after this exchange, for the crime of posting anti-war videos on a YouTube channel.

Released opposition leaders and activists reinvigorate the Russian pro-democracy movement with renewed credibility and influence within the country. Their legitimacy is un-

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## Help keep teachers in the classroom

A raise would help, but alleviating burnout is crucial

By EMILY MCGINNIS

There's never been a more stressful time to be a teacher. I say that as someone who worked in K-12 schools for more than 20 years, first as a teacher and then as a principal.

Educators enter the profession out of a passion for teaching and helping kids. But today, they're leaving in droves. Between 2020 and 2022, about 300,000 public school teachers and staff quit, and some 55,000 teaching positions across the country remain unfilled. According to a Gallup poll, K-12 teachers have the highest burnout rate of any profession, and a recent McKinsey report found that nearly a third are considering leaving the profession.

For the sake of the next generation, school districts and local governments need to figure out how to keep teachers in classrooms. Improved salaries would help — teachers are underpaid relative to profes-

sionals who have similar educations and work as many hours. But even that wouldn't entirely solve the problem. We need to turn schools back into places where teachers want to be. Many of these institutions are no longer havens for learning.

Pressure on teachers has mounted over the last few years as society has made them scapegoats in myriad cultural and political battles. They've taken the heat for district-level decisions on school closures. They've been asked to police mask-wearing, report on students' gender identities and alter curricula to fit conflicting political agendas. They face unprecedented and unwarranted criticism from both parents and governmental officials.

And those are just the voices from outside school walls. Stressors are also increasing inside.

For instance, schools are growing more violent, as a study from the Institute of Education sciences shows. Since the pandemic, 38% of K-12 schools have seen an increase in physical violence between students, 45% have seen an increase in threats of

violence and 37% report an increase in bullying.

Teachers are also dealing with chronic absenteeism, which changes how they work. Last year, more than a quarter of K-12 students missed more than 10% of school days, according to a study by the American Enterprise Institute. That's twice as many as just three years prior. Teachers have to adjust lesson plans for those who are missing out and sometimes downgrade goals for the whole class.

Meanwhile, the teacher shortage, along with all-too-common staff and program cuts, force those who remain to take on more responsibilities — things like ushering morning drop-off, monitoring lunch and recess, or supervising after-school programs. Yet most teachers can't afford to spend more time on the job at the same pay. Already, more than 80% of teachers have worked a second job to help make ends meet, according to nonprofit the Teacher Salary Project.

Burnout is a downward spiral. It drives teachers away, which in turn increases the workload — and burnout — of those who stay.



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Of course, the elephant in the classroom is money. Local and state governments must allocate more funding to their public schools. But instead, states like Connecticut, Hawaii and Utah are slashing education budgets. Tennessee, South Carolina and Oklahoma are considering rejecting billions in federal education funding. And nearly \$200 billion in COVID-era emergency federal aid is set to expire soon.

In Texas, lawmakers failed to approve teacher pay increases despite a \$38.7 billion surplus.

It's clear that we need to increase school funding to retain and attract more teachers. But how we go about using funds is just as important. Schools should prioritize hiring assistant teachers and tutoring services. They can also fund teachers' trips to conventions

that encourage their passions, while hiring the substitute teachers that make such trips possible.

Even schools dealing with budget cuts can make concrete changes to support their teachers. For instance, administrators can show teachers they value their expertise by standing behind their decisions when dealing with quarrelsome parents.

It also makes a big difference to respect their time. When I was a teacher, I'd often be up by 5 a.m., at school by 6:30 a.m., and home at 6 p.m., all while juggling family responsibilities — and preparing the next day's lesson on my own time.

It doesn't cost any money to cancel a meeting that could be an email or have administrative staff take turns covering morning drop-off or lunch supervi-

questionable: They did not leave Russia of their own volition — many had opportunities to stay abroad but deliberately returned to continue their fight from within.

They were forcibly removed from the country after consciously deciding to remain in Russia. This decision, and the heavy price they paid for it — years of their lives spent in harsh prisons — imbues them with moral authority and credibility among the Russian people.

Each of them possesses a rare and valuable combination of skills and clout. Their experiences under Putin's regime, combined with their sustained commitment to democratic values, make them uniquely qualified to guide Russia through what will undoubtedly be a challenging transition period.

Now, the United States must keep up the momentum. Here's what needs to happen:

First, we can't forget about the people still in Russian prisons. Every time the U.S. talks to Russia, they should push to free more prisoners — including the many Ukrainian POWs and civilian hostages locked up since the invasion. We can't let these people slip from the world's memory.

Second, we need to keep supporting international justice. It's important to back the courts and investigations that are trying to hold human rights abusers accountable. This sends a clear message: No one gets away with these crimes; no matter how long it takes, the world won't let these atrocities go unpunished.

Third, and this is key, we need to talk directly to the Russian people. It's crucial to show that the West doesn't have a problem with ordinary Russians — just with Putin and his cronies. We should support independent media and find creative ways to get honest information with alternative channels that can reach people directly. This isn't just about countering misinformation — it's about showing the Russian people that the international community is on their side in the fight for truth and justice, showing that there's a world beyond Putin's propaganda.

By doing all this, the U.S. and its allies can build on the teamwork we just saw with the prisoner swap. It's a chance to double down on supporting Russians who want freedom and democracy. Every step counts, and it's not just about Russia — it's about building a more peaceful and stable world for everyone.

Remember, change often comes when you least expect it.

*Natalia Arno is president of Free Russia Foundation.*

### DISD cheerleaders welcomed teachers ahead of an event to kick-start the 2024-25 school year on July 31 at AT&T Performing Arts Center.

Emily McGinnis writes we need to turn schools back into places where teachers want to be. Many of these institutions are no longer havens for learning.

As a principal, I provided teachers with prepared meals donated by local restaurants, freeing up time after work so they could enjoy dinner at home with their families. Administrators should think creatively about providing other perks that save teachers time, like dog-walking or laundry services.

If we care about children, then we have to nurture their teachers. Too many have lost the joy of educating and inspiring students. By respecting their time and improving their workplaces, we can help bring that joy back.

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## EDITORIALS

# Prisons Must Stop Sweltering Cruelty

Texas inmates are being 'cooked to death' without air-conditioning

**B**ernie Tiede, the former East Texas mortician serving a life sentence for the 1996 shooting death of a millionaire widow, isn't exactly a sympathetic figure. The subject of the movie *Bernie*, Tiede committed a despicable crime and belongs behind bars.

But a federal lawsuit he filed against the Texas Department of Criminal Justice has merit. He alleges cruel and unusual punishment because of the lack of air-conditioning in Texas prisons, and we agree. The Legislature should fix this long-standing problem before a federal court forces it to do so.

"Texas prisoners are being cooked to death," reads the first line of Tiede's lawsuit, which says thermometers in many prisons routinely surpass 100 degrees in the summer. "Last summer alone, many people died and hundreds more suffered serious heat-related illnesses because of the sweltering temperatures in Texas's prisons."

Inmates are taking drastic measures to survive. Some flood their cells with toilet water to lie in it while others attempt suicide to be moved to a cooler area, according to the suit and recent court testimony.

Only about a third of the state's 100 prisons have universal air-conditioning. That means that the vast majority of Texas' 130,000 inmates do not have air-conditioned living areas. By contrast, the Texas Commission on Jail Standards requires the temperature in all county jails to be maintained between 65 degrees and 85 degrees.

The prison system disputes that heat has

been the primary cause of any inmate's death since 2012, though Tiede and several advocacy groups who have joined the suit allege otherwise. In any event, there's no question it has been at least a contributory factor in some inmates' deaths and caused many others to become seriously ill.

The Texas Newsroom recently reported, after receiving autopsy reports of some prisoners, that one inmate's core body temperature was 107.5 degrees when he died at the Hughes Unit in Gatesville in August 2023.

Our call for the Legislature to take action on this issue has become a disappointing summer routine. Last June, we lamented that another regular session had ended without any significant progress; the Senate refused to take up a House-approved bill to allocate more than \$500 million to install universal air-conditioning in all units.

Lawmakers provided \$85 million to TDCJ for deferred maintenance, which the agency has used to install partial air-conditioning in some units. It recently launched a webpage that tracks its construction of "cool beds," and it touts its "enhanced heat protocols" for inmate safety.

But the state is still falling short. This isn't about the mashed potatoes not tasting good; it's about the humane treatment of fellow human beings. Now the state is going to waste millions fighting Tiede's lawsuit, money it could have used to install more air-conditioning.

## LETTERS

### Elm Thicket gentrification

Re: "Another Permitting Mess — City of Dallas must not make Elm Thicket property owners pay for its humiliating mistakes," Friday editorial.

How sad that *The Dallas Morning News* missed the point about Elm Thicket gentrification. Our son benefited greatly from the multi-racial Studie Williams school of the late 1990s-early 2000s, and we enjoyed socializing with families in the Elm Thicket neighborhood of well-kept bungalows and reasonable property taxes.

Now we see zero-lot line monstrosities encroaching from the east, replacing charming homes with Tuscan terrors and faux castles as working people without cash inheritances are forced to move.

Soon the public school will close as Gov. Greg Abbot gives the manor lords our tax money to fund their private schools, the hubbub of neighborhood children replaced with empty yards.

*Golder and Donna Wilson, Dallas*

### Break down electricity bill

I signed up for a summer saver plan with my electricity provider. It seems to provide some relief, but when you read the breakdown, at least half of the bill is the Oncor delivery charge. All the savings are eaten up. Oncor is always asking for more money and Republicans in Austin are always more that happy to acquiesce. Gotta keep the big donors happy.

We'll see how the season adds up. I hear there are a few providers that don't have that fee. Will have to check it out.

*Kurt Wolfenbarger, East Dallas*

### Democracy vs. dictatorship

I'm certain that I am not alone in tiring of letters that complain that Democrats are doing this or Republicans are doing that and demonizing that particular group with whatever topic is the flavor of the day.

I am tired of Democrat vs. Republican, the left vs. the right, the far left vs. the far right, liberal vs. conservative, etc. We should all look carefully at our choices as they have been presented to us by both candidates of our upcoming presidential election: democracy vs. dictatorship.

Instead of names, instead of parties, what if you saw those two choices in the voting booth? Which one would you choose?

*Nanette Stephens, Garland*

### Supreme Court needs ethics

Re: "Not perfect but it works," by Dennis Fitzgerald, Aug. 4 Letters.

What did I just read? Imposing a code of ethics implies the Supreme Court needs a code of ethics, which undermines faith in the court? I argue the opposite: no trust without accountability. Maybe living on the other side of the world has this writer out of the loop, but some Supreme Court justices have been caught taking massive gifts from billionaire donors, including ones with business before the court.

The idea that people will be good because they are supposed to be good is ridiculous. If men were angels, we'd have no need for governments. We have democracy precisely because absolute power corrupts absolutely.

This Supreme Court overall has been corrupted, and it's not even a new phenomenon. Dred Scott and Plessy come to mind. The Supreme Court must be reformed. Overhauled.

Term limits, a strict code of ethics, court

packing, even jurisdiction stripping should be on the table. The American people, not nine powerful justices, should control this country.

*Thomas Urech, Richardson*

### LDS temple a good neighbor

Re: "Council denies permit for proposed temple — Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints can offer a revised design at any time," Thursday Metro & Business story.

I was surprised to read of the Fairview controversy regarding the proposed McKinney Mormon temple. We live very close to the North Dallas temple and are proud and happy to have it in our neighborhood. Concerns about lighting and traffic are misplaced. We have had no problems with either.

We often point the temple out to visitors because of its attractiveness. The last sentence of today's article, "build it at 42 feet," I assume refers to the height of the steeple. The temple steeple in our neighborhood is approximately 80 feet tall and to my eyes is a thing of beauty.

I am not a Mormon but I have no objection with Moroni, who sits atop the steeple keeping watch over our neighborhood.

*David Haymes, North Dallas*

### This administration failed

Isn't the administration that is responsible for gasps when we go to the grocery store, gas station, open any utility bill, shop for a car or a house the same administration that advertises to be a friend of the middle class? Platitudes aside, my vote is up for grabs for anyone who can convince me that inflation is tamed, the border is secure, and the United States is respected in the international community.

The current administration has failed on every front that actually matters. I can spout as many, if not more, platitudes than I've seen on TV. Stop the attacks and offer real solutions.

*Steve Massey, Plano*

### 3 groups will help Harris

Thank you, *Dallas Morning News*, for always keeping us informed on the upcoming presidential election and the opinions of others. I believe Kamala Harris will win with votes from three groups. It has now become clear that the huge number of votes from women, Black voters and Asian Americans will carry Harris to the White House.

*John Bell, Richardson*

### If candidates were Olympians

As the Olympics wound down on Sunday, we've had the opportunity to watch athletes compete, win, lose, cry and cheer. And through it all, they have exhibited true sportsmanship.

How many times did we see the winners and losers hug, congratulate and console each other? They spoke with their performance. They didn't need to rely on taunting and name-calling. I wonder what our country would be like if our politicians behaved like Olympic athletes?

*Paul Sokal, Dallas/Preston Hollow*

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# Low Literacy Is Holding Texas Back

To boost economy, state needs more programs

**T**exas has invested in early childhood education, full-day pre-K and other important intervention programs to prevent youngsters who are struggling to read and write from becoming statistics as adults. However, Texas needs additional resources and pathways to help adults who have fallen through the cracks make up lost ground.

Adult literacy challenges often hide in plain sight, and many intervention efforts lack adequate funding or are otherwise inaccessible to adults who want to improve basic skills. That's why we are pleased to learn that the Texas Workforce Commission, the statewide agency charged with improving Texas' workforce, recently awarded a \$2.1 million a year grant to help Collin College fund new adult education and literacy programs and workforce skills training for Collin County Jail inmates.

Nationally, 130 million Americans — 54% of adults aged 16-74 — lack literacy skills and read below sixth-grade level, according to the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy. The literacy crisis is even more acute in Texas, which ranks 46th out of 50 states in adult literacy. Texas has an adult literacy rate of 81%, and 19% of its adults lack basic prose literacy skills. Other estimates place that Texas rate at closer to 28%.

In Dallas County, roughly 33% of adults are at the lowest literacy level, struggling with basic tasks such as filling out forms. Another 31% are capable of simpler tasks but struggle with comprehension.

The impact of low literacy reverberates in society. An adult who is unable to read or write in English is likely to stay poor and mire the

next generation in a hard-to-break cycle of poverty. Crime, incarceration, unemployment, the need for public assistance, depression, drug use and higher health care costs also are consequences of low literacy.

Even a slight improvement has quantifiable benefits, according to a study by the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy and Gallup. The study estimated that low adult literacy rates cost the nation more than \$2 trillion annually, and that improving the literacy level of all adults to at least a sixth-grade level would increase annual economic productivity by roughly 10% in major cities.

State education policymakers have set an ambitious goal of getting 60% of Texans ages 25-64 to obtain a degree, certificate or other postsecondary credential of value and instituted innovative, merit-based formulas to reward community colleges for improving the academic outcomes of students. However, it will be difficult to reach those goals until the state substantially improves adult literacy.

Low literacy has been largely unrecognized, and possible solutions are underfunded and under researched. The next Legislature should consider expanding investment in community literacy nonprofits who struggle to provide services with small volunteer staffs, fragmented programs and limited resources. Collin College's program is laudable, but scaling up an effective, sustainable response statewide will require new strategies and greater cooperation among the many agencies, community colleges and nonprofits that provide adult literacy services.

A more literate Texas is a better Texas.

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# City charter proposals draw heavy fire

Council members, other leaders ask tough questions on 4 resident-led initiatives

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Dallas City Council members and other top officials last week questioned whether four resident-led charter amendment proposals likely to be on the November election ballot were appropriate, achievable, fiscally responsible or even legal.

If approved, the proposals would:  
■ Mandate Dallas hire around 1,000 more police officers and sharply raise starting salaries.  
■ Allow people to sue the municipal government to force officials to comply with any city rule or state law.  
■ Tie the city manager's job status and bonuses to the outcome of an annual community survey.  
■ Ban police officers from citing or arresting people accused of having up to 4 ounces of marijuana.  
Dallas police Chief Eddie García was the loudest voice in opposition to

the marijuana proposal. He noted Texas still bans the recreational use of marijuana and disagreed that 4 ounces fits the description as a small amount of weed. The chief said he feared voter approval would encourage an increase in illegal drug sales and violent crimes linked to them.  
"The reason I believe this has been such a contentious issue is because it is contrary to state law, which our oath says that we will do our best to support and defend," García said.  
Council member Adam Bazaldua urged voters to reject the rest of the

proposals.  
"I will tell you right now, on record, I think you should vote no," Bazaldua said to city voters, urging them to do more research on the ramifications of that trio of possible charter amendments.  
The proposals aren't officially on the Nov. 5 ballot yet. The City Council is scheduled to vote on the amendments Wednesday. Petitions drives for each proposal hit the minimum requirement of 20,000 valid signatures from city voters to qualify.  
City leaders also are considering

several of their own proposed charter amendments. Among the ideas are extending City Council member terms from two to four years and lowering the threshold for residents to successfully petition to have city legislation repealed or submitted to residents for a vote at an election.  
The City Council did signal support for raising council member salaries from \$60,000 yearly to \$90,000 and the mayor's from \$80,000 to \$110,000. Those salaries are lower

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## POLITICS



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# Race gets in full gear

The emergence of Vice President Kamala Harris at the top of the Democratic presidential ticket has catapulted new themes and messages — and a new vice presidential candidate — into what is now a sprint for the White House.  
Harris introduced Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, her newly minted running mate, last week to large and enthusiastic crowds in presidential swing states.

Although Walz is a Midwestern governor, it's not a given that he can help Harris win in critical states like Michigan, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania. Harris declined to tap Josh Shapiro, the Pennsylvania governor who could have provided inroads to the Keystone State's 19 electoral votes, in favor of Walz, whose state offers 10 electoral votes and hadn't supported a Republican presidential candidate since 1972.

Harris hopes Walz's everyman, folksy but tough persona will appeal to a cross-section of Americans.  
By adding Walz, Harris also doubled down on a progressive ticket that aims to appeal to working-class voters. They will have to show that their policies, dismissed as too radical by many Republicans, will help families across America.

When President Joe Biden

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## DALLAS | DEVELOPMENT

# Pepper Square plan heads to City Council for final vote



Elias Valverde II/Staff Photographer

**Kendal Richardson** held a sign in opposition of the proposed rezoning of Pepper Square in Dallas during a City Plan Commission meeting at City Hall on Thursday. The developer plans to build at least 750 apartments.

# Rezoning effort gains steam

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Plans to redevelop Far North Dallas' Pepper Square shopping center into a mixed-use project with nearly 1,000 apartments won a key approval from the City Plan Commission, making way for final approval by the City Council.

Developer Henry S. Miller submitted updated plans to city staff late last month that now call for a maximum of 984 units at the site. The developer plans to build at

least 750 apartments.

The developer could build the full 984 units if it decides to make the additional units available as mixed-income or retirement units. A minimum of 35,000 square feet of the project must be set aside for retail or personal service businesses under the new request.

Commissioners recommended the project be approved subject to a conceptual plan, a development plan and other recommended conditions.  
The commission vote

Thursday means approval by a simple majority of the Dallas City Council would be needed to push the project forward.

Roughly 50 people spoke in opposition to the project during Thursday's meeting. A large contingent of residents in yellow 'No Re-Zoning Pepper Square' shirts filled much of the sixth-floor chambers. Three people spoke in favor of the proposed redevelopment.

Public comment and debate related to the project lasted more than five hours



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and, at times, became con-

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## HIGHER EDUCATION

# CEO gifts \$30M

Record donation to TWU brings founder of BuzzBallz full circle

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A teacher-turned-CEO built a mega-beverage company one brightly colored cocktail-to-go at a time.  
Now Merrilee Kick wants to thank the school that helped her bring the vision for the popular BuzzBallz to life through her capstone project by donating \$30 million to Texas Woman's University.

Before becoming a beverage tycoon, Kick was a high school teacher in Plano pursuing her master's at TWU.

"I was broke all the time, and I was trying to find a way to make money," she said. "I built this business from nothing to where it is today. And I wanted to be able to enable other people to do that."

The record gift will fund an institute at the university focused on innovation and entrepreneurship, an endowed chair in entrepreneurship, an entrepreneur-in-residence program and a new building for the school's college of business, the first in TWU history.

University officials say the donation will help the university's fairly business school grow its identity.

Kick's thesis as an MBA student became the basis for the business plan behind Carrollton-based BuzzBallz/Southern Champion, which was the only woman-owned distillery, winery and brewery business in the U.S. when it launched in 2009. Now the often spherical BuzzBallz drinks — ranging from 'ritas to chillers — are frequently found at convenience stores nationwide.

Her gift was announced Thursday during a meeting of Texas Woman's board of regents, which is expected to approve a new name for the college of business — the Merrilee Alexander Kick College of Business and Entrepreneurship — on Friday.

Kick's donation is the largest single gift given to TWU, doubling the previous highest gift of \$15 million from the Dallas-based Doswell Foundation.

Rama Yelkur, TWU's dean of the College of Business, said she is elated by Kick's donation and how it will enhance the student experience as well as help shape the future of the

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## AFFORDABLE HOUSING

# Federal program boosts area developments



Chitose Suzuki/Staff Photographer

Housing developments can receive tax credits, depending on a score based on their location. A project on Motley Drive (above) scored well due to its proximity to an Albertsons, according to the developer.

Tax credits given to at least 17 projects to build more units for low-income families

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The Dallas-Fort Worth area's affordable housing gap might be getting a bit slimmer.

This year, at least 17 housing developments in North Texas were awarded tax credits by the state to build more affordable units, according to data from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs. The total allocated to these developments could be worth more than \$35 million each year over a decade.

These credits come from a federal initiative called the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program. The program, founded in 1986, has helped create more than 3.5 million units nationwide, according to the Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center.

"The housing tax credit program is one of the best methods for production for affordable housing that's available in the U.S.," said Cody Campbell, director of multifamily programs for the TDHCA. "The state isn't actually producing this housing. We're just funding the housing upfront."

Of this year's developments in North Texas, eight are in Dallas County and three are in the city of Dallas. The devel-

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# Supporters cite need for housing

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tentious. Opponents of the project were admonished by commissioners for booing and other behavior.

Reasons for opposition included concerns about increased traffic and too many existing apartments near the proposed site. Other residents were concerned the development would negatively affect their home values and cause a potential slowdown in police and other city service response times.

Others also argued the plan was inappropriate for Far North Dallas under the proposed long-term land use plan, ForwardDallas.

"You're not a rubber stamp," said Damien LeVeck, a resident who lives near Pepper Square and is opposed to the project. "It is not your job to pleasure greedy developers by approving (their requests). It's your responsibility to represent the people of Dallas. Will you listen to them and deny this application?"

LeVeck later yelled at commissioners following Thursday's vote.

Michael Morris, transportation director for the North Central Texas Council of Governments, previously told *The Dallas Morning News* that traffic simulations show only a slight increase in traffic if all planned apartments in the area are built.

A March traffic analysis submitted by project consultant Masterplan found the development could be successfully incorporated into the roadway network. The analysis also recommends roadway improvements near Pepper Square.

## AT AT GLANCE Traffic report

**LIGHT DELAY:** On an average weekday, the light delay at Preston and Beltline is 28.3 seconds, according to data from the North Central Texas Council of Governments.

**TRAVEL:** Roughly 50,000 vehicles a day travel along Preston Road, and most of them drive past Pepper Square.

**THROUGH-TRIPS:** More than 63% of the traffic within 4 miles of the shopping center are through-trips, according to NCTCOG data.

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Supporters of the project said they believe the development would breathe new life into the struggling retail strip and bring needed housing to Dallas-Fort Worth.

Matthew Havener, a 39-year-old downtown Dallas resident who previously lived in Far North Dallas and frequented Pepper Square, said he supports the project because the city of Dallas needs more housing.

"I think single-family homeowners are basically trying to block anyone from living in an apartment near them," he said. "That's a thing that will eventually cause the downfall of this city because the tax base will never grow. ... A major city like Dallas should expect to be dense."

Commission vice chair Brent Rubin said mixed-used developments like this are critical to meeting the city's housing needs.

"This is the perfect opportunity to



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**Dozens of residents** who oppose the proposed rezoning of Pepper Square attended a City Plan Commission meeting Thursday. Some cited concerns about increased traffic and too many existing apartments.

add some additional housing to meet our city's housing shortage," he said. "This is not the first mixed-use redevelopment of an aging shopping center we've seen, and it definitely will not be the last."

Votes on the project were postponed in June and July as Henry S. Miller refined the proposal. The Dallas developer wanted zoning for up to 1,550 units across three buildings in earlier proposals.

Attempts to rezone the Far North Dallas shopping center began in 2022 and residents opposed to the project have been vocal in recent months at public meetings.

"I just really want to deliver something special to the community that we can all be proud of," said Greg Miller, CEO and president of Henry S. Miller.



**Other residents were** concerned the development would negatively affect their home values and cause a potential slowdown in police and other city service response times.

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# With new VP candidate, race to White House kicks into full gear

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dropped out of the contest in July, former President Donald Trump, 78, lost the ability to use the Democrat's age and vigor as a campaign target, forcing the Republican to figure out how to unravel Harris and Walz.

As the race settles to a grind, Trump will work to link Harris to problematic issues like inflation, border security and other Biden weak spots. And he'll continue to label her as too liberal to lead the nation.

## Change of pace

Trump, however, is now the old man in the race, and Harris is pounding swing state voters with one central message: It's time to turn the page on the Trump era.

Therein lies the fascinating tactical battle.

With their early pop culture-type enthusiasm, Harris and Walz are trying to develop a coalition similar to one that propelled Barack Obama to the White House in 2008 and 2012. Those campaigns were more about inspirational messages about the upward direction of the country, not boiler-plate musings on ideology. Obama's feel-good message attracted not only Democrats but many independents and some cross-over Republicans.

Harris is not Obama and she's running against Trump, not the late Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and the 2008 GOP presidential nominee.

Amid a barrage of criticism from Trump about her intelligence and whether she has consistently identified as Black or South Asian, Harris is trying to craft a positive message that makes Trump a symbol of the past.

She would be the first woman elected president, which has added to the early enthusiasm around her campaign.

The problem for Harris



Julia Nikhinson/The Associated Press

**Democratic presidential** nominee Kamala Harris (right) introduced her running mate, Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz, last week to crowds in swing states.



Evan Vucci/The Associated Press

**Republican presidential** candidate Donald Trump (left) and his running mate Ohio Sen. J.D. Vance arrived at a July campaign rally in Grand Rapids, Mich.

and Walz is that it will be easy for Trump — if he stays on message — to tie them to progressive policies that could rally conservatives and offset Democratic Party enthusiasm.

Harris, a former prosecutor, attorney general and senator, is from liberal San Francisco. Walz, a former high school teacher, football coach and Army National Guardsman, is from one of the most liberal states in America.

Trump has described them as the "most radical left duo in American history."

Many of the Republican's attacks have been aimed at Walz.

As Minnesota governor, he has supported gender-affirming care for minors, codifying abortion rights in state law and providing free college tuition for families earning

less than \$80,000 a year, including unauthorized immigrants. He also supports allowing unauthorized immigrants to be eligible for a driver's license and state-sponsored health care for low-income residents.

These positions are more progressive than positions Walz took as a member of Congress representing a rural Minnesota swing district.

## Walz vs. Vance

Still, Harris believes Walz has crossover appeal and matches up favorably against Republican vice presidential candidate J.D. Vance.

Vance, once a Trump critic, is a 39-year-old Marine veteran who could be seen as the future of the GOP.

But the U.S. senator from Ohio has been criticized for

past remarks about women, such as dismissing some Democrats as "childless cat ladies."

Democrats hope issues around abortion rights will lead to broad support among women. Vance's record of opposing abortion, even in cases of rape and incest, is in stark contrast with Walz.

Because of the clear contrast both tickets have on issues, the presidential race will be a turnout battle in most of the nation, including Texas, where Trump will be favored to beat Harris. Democrats, however, feel better about keeping the race closer than when Biden was on the ballot. The margin of the Trump-Harris race could determine the fate of down-ballot contests, including the Senate race between U.S. Rep. Colin Allred, D-Dallas, and Republican incumbent U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz.

Though the vice presidential contenders are in the news today, history shows they will fade to the backdrop.

The campaign will be mostly about Harris and Trump, who are scheduled for a Sept. 10 debate on ABC, an event that could make or break for both candidates. Additional debates, and a matchup between Vance and Walz, are being discussed.

After that, it's the kick to the finish. Trump is a veteran of two presidential campaigns but often goes off script and can create controversy at any moment.

Harris dropped out of the 2020 presidential primary race before the Iowa Democratic caucus, so she has to prove she has the fortitude to go the distance.

Election season surprises notwithstanding, the outcome of the presidential contest likely hinges on whether Harris can continue her momentum and detach from Biden's negatives, or if Trump can find the discipline to stay on message and use his rivals' progressive backgrounds against them.

FORT WORTH

# Trio sentenced in postal theft case

'Arrow key' stolen at gunpoint is gateway to access collection boxes

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Three Fort Worth men have been sentenced to about six years in federal prison each for robbing a postal carrier, Leigha Simonton, the U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Texas, announced.

Cameron Kemonid Gist, Cedrick Eugene Mims and Danny Yogi Oriszul Powell were indicted in February, and each pleaded guilty to robbery of U.S. property, the U.S. attorney's office said in a news release.

On Friday, U.S. District Judge Mark Pittman sentenced Gist to 70 months in prison. Previously, Mims and Powell received sentences of 75 months and 70 months, respectively.

"These defendants brazenly robbed a U.S.P.S. letter carrier at gunpoint in pursuit of an arrow key that would allow them to steal mail from collection boxes," Simonton said.

Arrow keys are master keys used by the USPS to retrieve mail from blue collection boxes, and they are highly sought after by mail thieves, the U.S. attorney's office said.

"The sentencing of these three individuals shows the utmost importance we place on the safety of U.S. Postal Service employees," said Fort Worth Division Inspector in Charge

Kai Pickens. According to court documents, the three men robbed the postal carrier in Fort Worth last October. The carrier was not identified.

Mims confessed to pointing a 39mm pistol at the letter carrier and demanding "the key," referring to the arrow key. The men also admitted to stealing a postal scanner and the keys to the letter carrier's official vehicle.

According to plea documents, Powell was the driver of the getaway car and Gist supplied the firearms.

The investigation was carried out by the Postal Inspection Service with help from Fort Worth police. Assistant U.S. Attorney Laura Montes handled the prosecution.

According to the release, the case is part of Project Safe Delivery, an initiative of the Postal Service and Postal Inspection Service aimed at fighting postal crime and protecting postal employees.

This project was launched in May 2023 in response to increases in mail theft and in threats and assaults on postal carriers.

From the initiative's launch through June 30, postal inspectors and other law enforcement have arrested more than 287 people on suspicion of mail-related robberies.

In the first half of this fiscal year, arrests in mail-related robberies surged 72%, while robberies fell 21% and complaints of mail theft dropped 35%, according to the release.



Karen Tapia-Andersen/Los Angeles Times

**Project Safe Delivery**, an initiative of the Postal Service and Postal Inspection Service, aims at fighting postal crime and protecting postal employees.

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**BuzzBallz CEO Merrilee Kick** donated \$30 million to Texas Woman's University, where her MBA thesis became the basis for the business plan behind her Carrollton company, the only woman-owned distillery, winery and brewery business in the U.S. when it launched in 2009.



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# Funding will go toward new programs, building

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business school.

## New name, big plans

TWU's business school was established seven years ago. Its naming and a physical building will add to the school's visibility and increase branding potential, Yelkur said. "We had our accreditation visit in 2022, and we passed with flying colors," she said. "But one of the things they told us in the report is that the college of business does not have an identity, visibility, student engagement spaces or the ability to engage with real businesses."

The new building will include contemporary spaces, finance labs, analytics labs and virtual reality labs where students will have requisite resources for a cutting-edge business education, Yelkur said. "They'll be ready for Wall

Street or to be an entrepreneur or for any industry," she said.

Officials want the entrepreneur-in-residence program to elevate students' business education by allowing for direct mentorship and consultation from an expert with hands-on experience.

"There will be somebody that is an actual entrepreneur who can do 'Shark Tank' types of things and pitches and review [students'] work," Kick said. "Somebody with real-life experience, not just book experience."

That will allow students to incubate, innovate and produce businesses, officials said.

## Women in business

Texas Woman's Chancellor Carine Feyten said Kick's donation allows the school to shine a light on the innovation and business women bring to a globally competitive economy. "I am doubly pleased that

this extraordinary gift comes from Merrilee, a shining example of our pioneering spirit and an alumna who has risen to the level of entrepreneurial titan," Feyten said in a news release.

Yelkur said Kick embodies TWU's official tagline: Boldly Go.

"Being resilient and tenacious, she became successful in a completely male dominated industry ... with grace and determination," Yelkur said. "And that's the kind of student we want to educate to be successful."

Kick said having a building as her namesake not only honors her passion for education but also pays tribute to her parents, who were both educators. Their parents were educators, too.

Construction is expected to begin in the spring.

"Education is really important to me, so to have this in my name is kind of a legacy for me and for my family," Kick said.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.081220 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of Collin County Community College District.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.081220 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.075861 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.083269 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2024 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for Collin County Community College District from the same properties in both the 2023 tax year and the 2024 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that Collin County Community College District may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that Collin County Community College District is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2024 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON August 27, 2024 AT 5:30 PM AT the Collin Higher Education Center Board Room, 3452 Spur 399, McKinney, TX 75069.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, Collin County Community College District is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Trustees of Collin County Community College District at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

$$\text{Property tax amount} = (\text{tax rate}) \times (\text{taxable value of your property}) / 100$$

**FOR the proposal:**

Andrew Hardin	Jay Saad
Cathie Alexander	Stacy Arias
Dr. Bob Collins	Megan Wallace

**AGAINST the proposal:**

**PRESENT** and not voting:

**ABSENT:**

Greg Gomel	Dr. Raj Menon
Jim Orr	

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](http://Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by Collin County Community College District last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by Collin County Community College District this year.

	2023	2024	Change
<b>Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)</b>	\$0.081220	\$0.081220	increase of 0.000000 per \$100, or 0.00%
<b>Average homestead taxable value</b>	\$377,286	\$421,867	increase of 11.82%
<b>Tax on average homestead</b>	\$306.43	\$342.64	increase of 36.21, or 11.82%
<b>Total tax levy on all properties</b>	\$148,192,492	\$164,753,586	increase of 16,561,094, or 11.18%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for Collin County Community College District at 972-547-5020 or [taxassessor@collincountytx.gov](mailto:taxassessor@collincountytx.gov), or visit [www.collin.edu](http://www.collin.edu) for more information.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:00 p.m., August 22, 2024 in the Board Room, at the Administration Building, located at 1445 N. Perry Road, Carrollton, Texas. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.** The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$0.75520 /\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0.22840 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	-7.96% decrease
Debt Service	4.66% increase
Total expenditures	-6.05% decrease

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$38,470,568,795	\$41,230,606,422
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$477,892,529	\$360,293,058
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$31,068,077,370	\$33,528,128,495
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$408,112,584	\$325,366,145

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.  
 \*\* "New property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.  
 \*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness \* \$643,675,000  
 \* Outstanding principal.

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund *	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
<b>Last Year's Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance &amp; Operations Revenue &amp; Pay Debt Service</b>	\$0.78360	\$0.20000 *	\$0.98360	\$12,959	\$820
<b>Proposed Rate</b>	\$0.69693	\$0.22369 *	\$0.92062	\$12,969	\$1,451
	\$0.75520	\$0.22840 *	\$0.98360	\$13,716	\$915

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$413,993	\$439,856
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$273,678	\$308,974
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.9836/\$100	\$0.9836/\$100
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$2691.89	\$3039.06
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes	(\$1455.71)	347.17

**Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.**

**Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.006001. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of \$1.006001.**

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$134,170,089
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$21,085,544

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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# Tax credits help fill 'critical equity gap'

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opments come as the city faces a housing shortage. A spring 2023 report from the Child Poverty Action Lab found the city is short about 33,700 rental units for residents with low incomes.

Developers can receive a 4% or 9% tax credit for eligible projects.

As of July 3, five developments in North Texas were approved for the 4% program. At least 12 developments were recommended to receive housing tax credits through the 9% program.

Dallas-based developer Palladium USA is set to receive housing tax credits through the 9% program for two locations in Mesquite in Dallas County. When completed, both developments would provide 244 units, 176 of which would be affordable for low-income residents.

The developer's executive director, Kim Parker, said developing both locations "would not be possible" without the tax credits from the state.



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"North Texas needs more affordable housing now more than ever," said Kim Parker, the executive director of developer Palladium USA, which has two such projects in Mesquite.

"North Texas needs more affordable housing now more than ever," Parker said. "Cities rely upon developers to use this tool to help fill the gap."

She said affordable housing developments in cities like Mesquite typically cost around the same to build as new market-rate housing — in which rent tends to be more expensive. Housing tax credits help affordable housing developers fill a "critical equity gap," Parker said.

To receive tax credits through the 9% program, which Parker called "extremely competitive," applicants must earn points for their developments on specific metrics, such as whether the location is near a school, grocery or library. One Mesquite development on Motley Drive scored well partially due to its proximity to an Albertsons, Parker said.

For developments in urban areas, like those in Mesquite or Dallas, developers "really need

## Recommended or approved for housing tax credit awards

The list for the region that encompasses Dallas-Fort Worth includes 16 urban sites from Denton to south Fort Worth and one rural site in Corsicana.

### 4% ALLOCATION

Name	Address	City	Total units	HTC request
Wooded Lake	1300 Wooded Lake Drive	Mesquite	288	\$3,272,551
Huntington Place	1540 Edgefield Drive	Garland	204	\$2,102,482
West Virginia Apts	8004 West Virginia Drive	Dallas	204	\$1,872,663
Palladium E Lancaster	4909/5003 E. Lancaster Ave.	Fort Worth	243	\$2,947,381
Palladium Carver Living	2200 W Bruton Road	Balch Springs	288	\$3,319,755

### 9% ALLOCATION

Georgian Oaks	210 E 7th St.	Fort Worth	95	\$2 million
Maren Grove	801 W Shaw St.	Fort Worth	90	\$2 million
West End Lofts	805 Elm St.	Dallas	154	\$1,946,789
Delara Chase	4805 Altamesa Blvd.	Fort Worth	116	\$2 million
Sherry Pointe Apartments	E. Arkansas Lane at Sherry St.	Arlington	96	\$2 million
Stella Haven	3300 Sundown Blvd.	Denton	88	\$2 million
3606 S Cockrell Hill Road	3606/3626 S. Cockrell Hill Road	Dallas	120	\$2 million
2910 Motley	2910 Motley Drive	Mesquite	133	\$2 million
Heritage Estates	Valley Ridge at Garden Ridge	Lewisville	92	\$2 million
930 Military Parkway Living	940 Military Parkway	Mesquite	111	\$2 million
Hughes House III	4912 East Rosedale St.	Fort Worth	78	\$2 million
The Residence at Red Cedar	S. 45th St. at W. Park Row	Corsicana	32	\$802,916

\*Approvals for the 4% program are complete as of July 3, 2024. SOURCE: Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs

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to get all the points" to be awarded through the 9% program, Campbell said.

Of the two developments within the city of Dallas set to receive tax credits through the 9% program, a downtown location has already been zoned. The other has yet to be zoned.

Marcy Helfand, president of the Dallas Housing Finance Corp., said the state distributes tax credit funds "to the maximum extent that they can." However, Texas could follow the

example of some other states by dedicating more of its own funds to create affordable housing, she said.

Some local housing advocates have expressed a similar sentiment.

Adam Lamont, co-founder of Dallas Neighbors for Housing, said the 9% program "is the most effective way" to create affordable housing in the city. Without it, some residents would not have the chance to live downtown, he said.

But he said the city and state need to do more to alleviate affordable housing shortages in Dallas.

The state administers tax credits through the tax credit program, but the funds come from the federal Treasury Department, not the state.

"If the state of Texas wants to get more serious about solving affordability, along with other things, increasing the funding for affordable housing is a necessity," Lamont said.

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### NOTICE OF CITY PLAN COMMISSION HEARING

The City Plan Commission of the City of Dallas, Texas will hold a public hearing at 12:30 p.m., Thursday, August 22, 2024, via videoconferencing and in the Council Chamber, 6th Floor at City Hall, to determine whether or not Chapter 51, Chapter 51A, and Chapter 51P of the Dallas City Code, as amended, should be amended by the granting of the following applications. The following videoconference link is available to the public to listen to the meeting and Public Affairs and Outreach will stream the City Plan Commission Public hearing on Spectrum Cable Channel 16 and bit.ly/cityofdallasv. The meeting will also be streamed via WebEx on the following link: <https://bit.ly/CPC-082224>.

Individuals who wish to speak in accordance with the City Plan Commission Rules of Procedure, should contact the Department of Planning and Development at 214-670-4209 by 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 21, 2024, or register online at: <https://dallascityhall.com/government/Boards-and-Commissions/City-Plan-and-Zoning-Commission/Pages/Meetings.aspx>.

Las personas y las partes interesadas que deseen hablar deben registrarse en el Departamento de Planificación y Desarrollo registrándose en línea en <https://dallascityhall.com/government/Boards-and-Commissions/City-Plan-and-Zoning-Commission/Pages/Meetings.aspx> el miércoles 21 de Agosto de 2024.

To request an interpreter, please email [yolanda.hernandez@dallas.gov](mailto: yolanda.hernandez@dallas.gov) at least 72 hours (3 days) in advance of a meeting. Late requests will be honored, if possible. Para solicitar un intérprete, mande un correo electrónico a [yolanda.hernandez@dallas.gov](mailto: yolanda.hernandez@dallas.gov) al menos 72 hora (3 días) antes de una reunión. Solicitudes con retraso serán respetadas, si es posible.

Zoning Cases

This notice authorizes the City Plan Commission to recommend approval of a different zoning district than the one requested, except that the different district may not (1) have a maximum structure height, floor area ratio, or density that is higher than the one requested; (2) be "non-residential" when the one requested is for residential uses or vice versa. Specific Use Permit requests would allow the additional use(s) on the property but do not change the underlying zoning standards. Development standards including, but not limited to, dimensional requirements, landscaping and tree mitigation requirements, sign regulations, parking requirements, and use regulations, including requirements for specific use permits, may be modified, or eliminated in a planned development district.

2223-280(MP) An application for a Planned Development Subdistrict on property zoned an MF-2 Multiple-Family Subdistrict within Planned Development District No. 193, the Oak Lawn Specimen District, on the west line of Carlisle Street, between North Hall Street and Carlisle Place.

2223-284(MP) An application for a Specific Use Permit for an industrial (outside) potentially incompatible use limited to asphalt and concrete crushing on property zoned an IM Industrial Manufacturing District, on the east line of Luna Road, between Y Street and Ryan Road.

2223-302(GB) An application for a CS Commercial Service District on property zoned an R-7.5(A) Single Family District, on the southwest line of C. F. Hawn Freeway, between Silverado Drive and Jordan Valley Road.

2223-325(CR) An application for a Specific Use Permit for a private recreation center, club, or area on property zoned an R-7.5(A) Single Family District, on the northwest corner of Woodcrest Lane and Skillman Street.

2234-158(MB) An application for an amendment to Specific Use Permit No. 2071 for a detached non-premise sign (billboard) on property zoned Planned Development District No. 1013 with deed restrictions (Z845-227), on the south line of LBJ Freeway, west of Bankway Lane.

2234-161(CR) An application for a Specific Use Permit for commercial motor vehicle parking on property zoned an LI Light Industrial District with deed restrictions (2212-207), on the northwest line of Telephone Road, between Bonnie View Road and Van Horn Drive.

2234-173(GB) An application for an amendment to Specific Use Permit No. 1393 for a private school on property zoned an R-7.5(A) Single Family District, on the east line of Rugged Drive, north of West Ledbetter Drive.

2234-193(MB) An application for a Specific Use Permit for vehicle display, sales, and service on property zoned Subdistrict 1 within Planned Development District No. 535, the C. F. Hawn Special Purpose District No. 3, with a D-1 Liquor Control Overlay, on the west corner of C. F. Hawn Freeway and Ellenwood Drive.

2234-203(CR) An application for an amendment to an expansion of Specific Use Permit No. 2076 for an inside commercial amusement limited to a live music venue and dance hall on property zoned Tract A within Planned Development No. 269, the Deep Ellum/Near East Side District, along the southwest line of South Crooked Street, between Clover Street and Canton Street.

2234-230(WK) An application for an amendment to Specific Use Permit No. 2211 for a bar, lounge, or tavern and an inside commercial amusement limited to a live music venue on a property zoned Tract A within Planned Development District No. 269, the Deep Ellum/Near East Side District, on the southeast corner of Commerce Street and Murray Street.

Development Code Amendment

DCA223-003(MTW) Consideration of amending Chapters 51 and 51A, the Dallas Development Code, with consideration to be given to amending Sections 51-2.102 and 51A-2.102. "Definitions": 51A-4.202(10), "Machinery, heavy equipment, or truck sales and service"; 51A-4.210(b)(3), "Auto service center"; 51A-4.210(b)(8.1), "Commercial motor vehicle parking"; 51-4.212(18) and 51A-4.210(b)(9), "Commercial parking lot or garage"; 51A-4.210(b)(16.1), "Classified natural gas fueling station"; 51A-4.210(b)(30.1), "Truck stop"; 51-4.212(2), "Automobile or motorcycle display, sales, and service (outside)": 51A-4.210(b)(30.1), "Vehicle display, sales, and service"; 51-4.217(b)(9), "Open storage"; 51A-4.217(b)(6), "Accessory outside storage"; and related sections with consideration to be given to developing appropriate standards, definitions, and distinctions for oversized vehicles and trailers.

Special Provision Design District

SPSD223-003(OA) An application to create "The Frontier Subdistrict" within the Downtown Special Provision Sign District on a property zoned Planned Development District 193 Heavy Commercial District, located on the northwest corner of McKinney Avenue at St. Paul Street, along Akard Street and Cedar Springs Road.

Speakers at the meeting are allowed a maximum of three minutes to speak. For further information, call the Department of Planning and Development at (214) 670-4209.

The public may attend the meeting virtually; however, City Hall is available for those wishing to attend the meeting in person. Location for in-person attendance:

1500 MARILLA STREET, DALLAS, TEXAS, 75201, COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE DALLAS TOURISM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the DALLAS TOURISM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District will continue to be to enhance services, undertake certain improvements, in particular, special supplemental services relating to District marketing, business recruitment, and promotional activities...

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$23,942,583.00 in FY 2026-27 to a high of \$25,946,624.00 in FY 2024-25.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The District assessment will be levied on hotels with 100 or more rooms ("qualifying hotels") located within the District. The proposed cost of the services and improvements to be provided shall be assessed in a manner that results in imposing equal shares of the cost of the services qualifying on hotels that are similarly benefitted.

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The District shall continue to pay the cost of the supplemental services described in the Service Plan by assessment against the hotels with 100 or more rooms within the District...

Any questions concerning the matters described in this notice should be directed to Natalie Nieves-Guerrero, Office of Economic Development, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla Street, Room 6DN, Dallas, TX 75201, Telephone: (214) 671-8044.



DN-1873248-01



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE KLYDE WARREN PARK/DALLAS ARTS DISTRICT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the KLYDE WARREN PARK/DALLAS ARTS DISTRICT PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing:

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District, but not to replace or supplant existing City services provided within the District.

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$1,951,450.00 in 2025 and to a high of \$3,413,098.00 in 2029.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements as determined by Dallas Central Appraisal District (DCAD).

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The assessment is levied on the real property and real property improvements in the District according to the value of such property.

Any questions concerning the matters described in this notice should be directed to Natalie Nieves-Guerrero, Office of Economic Development, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla Street, Room 6DN, Dallas, TX 75201, Telephone: (214) 671-8044.



DN-1873251-01



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE DEEP ELLUM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the DEEP ELLUM PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District, but not to replace or supplant existing City services provided within the District.

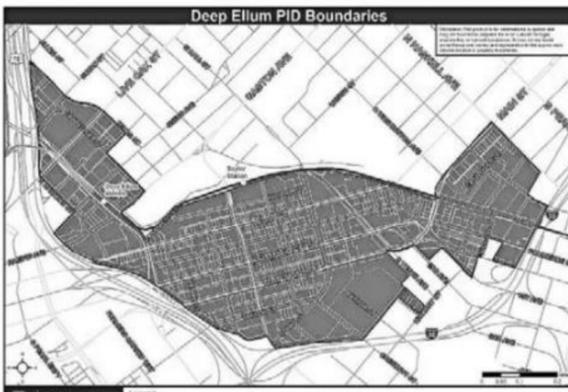
Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$1,705,381.00 in 2025 to a high of \$2,496,848.00 in 2029.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements as determined by Dallas Central Appraisal District (DCAD).

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The assessment is levied on the real property and real property improvements in the District according to the value of such property.

Any questions concerning the matters described in this notice should be directed to Natalie Nieves-Guerrero, Office of Economic Development, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla Street, Room 6DN, Dallas, TX 75201, Telephone: (214) 671-8044.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE KNOX STREET PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the KNOX STREET PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the assessments to be levied in the District is to supplement and enhance services provided to or for the District's benefit including, but not limited to: enhanced security and public safety, trash/litter removal, graffiti control, landscaping improvements in common areas including plantings and hardscape...

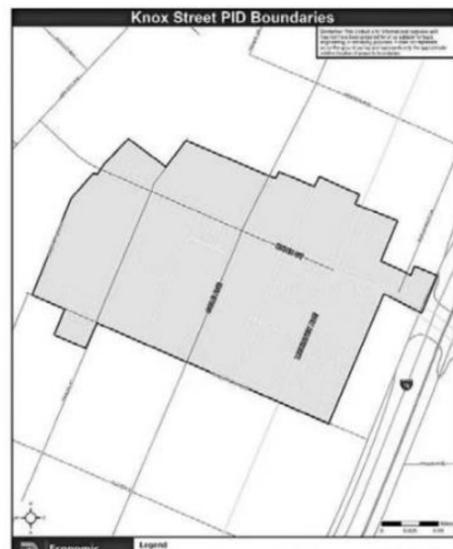
Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$735,429.00 in 2026 to a high of \$1,457,896.00 in 2025 (includes \$830,185.00 in carry over funds for the Knox Street Complete Street Project).

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements as determined by Dallas Central Appraisal District (DCAD).

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The assessment is levied on the real property and real property improvements in the District according to the value of such property.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE LAKE HIGHLANDS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the LAKE HIGHLANDS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing. Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District...

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$1,379,153.00 in 2025 to a high of \$2,859,812.00 in 2029.

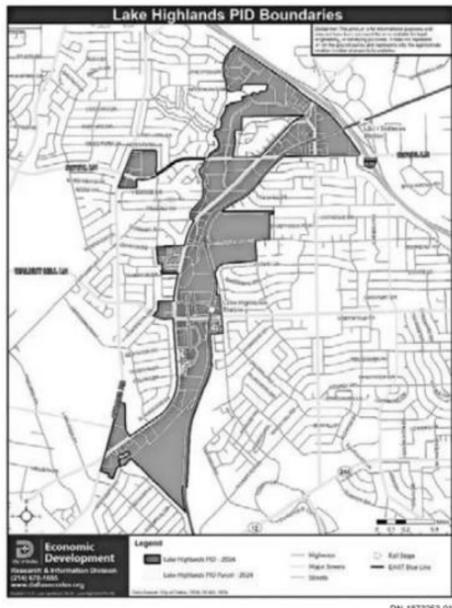
Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property...

The real property of jurisdictions and entities that have obtained an exemption from City of Dallas real property taxes pursuant to the Texas Property Code (except under the provisions of Sections 11.24 and 11.28 of the Texas Tax Code) will not be subject to an assessment on that portion of the assessed value of the property exempt from City real property taxes.

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The assessment is levied on the real property and real property improvements in the District according to the value of such property. Levying the assessment for the services and improvements based on the appraised value of the property results in the apportionment of the costs on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE NORTH LAKE HIGHLANDS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the NORTH LAKE HIGHLANDS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing. Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District...

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$1,034,623.00 in 2025 to a high of \$2,145,394.00 in 2029.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property...

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE MIDTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the MIDTOWN IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing. Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the assessments to be levied in the District is to supplement and enhance services provided to or for the District's benefit including, but not limited to: enhanced public safety and security, neighborhood improvements, landscaping, trash/litter removal, graffiti control, beautification, cultural enhancements, SOPAC Trail improvements, Midtown Park, Shops at Park Lane, and Midtown Plaza improvements...

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$2,250,605.00 in 2025 to a high of \$3,401,362.00 in 2029.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the city of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property...

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE OAK LAWN-HI LINE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the OAK LAWN-HI LINE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing. Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District...

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$917,773.00 in 2027 to a high of \$1,050,748.00 in 2029.

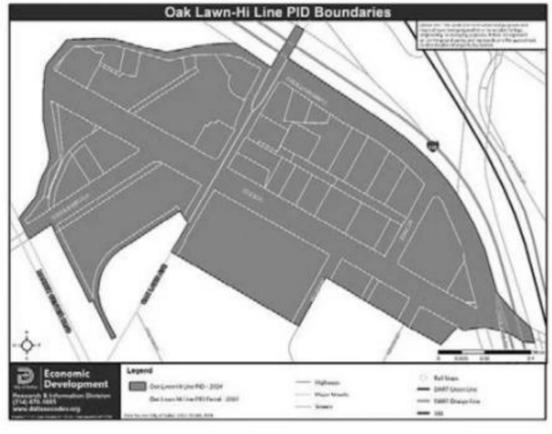
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE PRESTONWOOD PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the PRESTONWOOD PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District, but not to replace or supplant existing City services provided within the District.

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$601,650.00 in 2025 to a high of \$731,309.00 in 2029.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements...

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE UNIVERSITY CROSSING PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District, but not to replace or supplant existing City services provided within the District.

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$1,124,522.00 in 2026 to a high of \$1,725,742.00 in 2025.

Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the city of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements...

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE SOUTH SIDE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

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The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The purpose of the District is to supplement and enhance services provided within the District but not to replace or supplant existing City services provided within the District.

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$378,500.00 in 2025 to a high of \$540,000.00 in 2029.

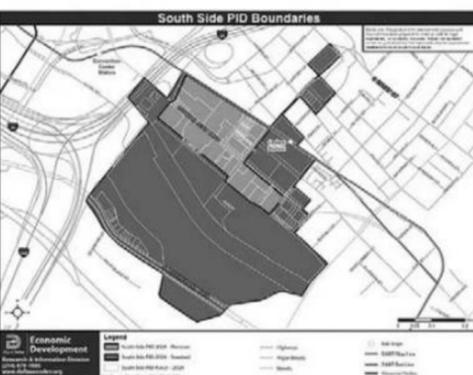
Boundaries. The boundaries of the District are located wholly within the city of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas. The boundaries of the District are shown on the map.

Method of Assessment. The assessment shall apportion the costs each year among the property owners on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property. The proposed method of assessment, which may specify included or excluded classes of assessable property, shall be assessed according to the value of the real property and real property improvements...

The real property of jurisdictions and entities that have obtained an exemption from City of Dallas real property taxes pursuant to the Texas Property Code (except under the provisions of Sections 11.24 and 11.28 of the Texas Tax Code) will not be subject to an assessment on that portion of the assessed value of the property exempt from City real property taxes.

Apportionment of costs between the District and the Municipality as a Whole. The assessment is levied on the real property and real property improvements in the District according to the value of such property. Levying the assessment for the services and improvements based on the appraised value of the property results in the apportionment of the costs on the basis of special benefits accruing to the property.

Any questions concerning the matters described in this notice should be directed to Natalie Nieves-Guerrero, Office of Economic Development, City of Dallas, 1500 Marilla Street, Room 6DN, Dallas, TX 75201, Telephone: (214) 671-8044. E-mail: natalie.nieves-guerr@dallas.gov



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE OF THE UPTOWN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Please take notice that no earlier than 1:00 p.m. on August 28, 2024, the City Council of the City of Dallas will conduct a public hearing to consider the apportionment of the 2024 assessment for the UPTOWN PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT...

The following information is hereby provided concerning the matters to be considered at such hearing.

Nature of the Services and Improvements. The general nature of the proposed improvements and services to be performed by the District is to enhance public safety and security, lighting, sidewalk and streetscape improvements, landscaping improvements including plantings, hardscape, trolley operation and capital improvements.

Estimated Cost of the Services and Improvements. During the next five-year period, the estimated annual cost of the improvements and services provided by the District is expected to range from a low of \$4,208,868.00 in 2026 to a high of \$5,602,908.00 in 2029.

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AMARILLO

# Man gets 25-year child porn sentence

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An Amarillo man who posed as a 14-year-old boy to obtain explicit images from a younger child was sentenced to 25 years in prison Friday, U.S. attorney for the Northern District of Texas Leigha Simonton announced.

After his indictment in December, Willie Gonzales pleaded guilty to production of child pornography in April. U.S. District Judge Matthew Kacsmaryk also ordered Gonzales be supervised for the rest of his life upon his release from prison.

According to the plea

documents, in the fall of 2022, Homeland Security Investigations and the Texas Department of Public Safety executed a search warrant at Gonzales' home, acting on a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. They found a phone containing explicit images of a 10-year-old girl.

A forensic analysis of the phone revealed that Gonzales had persuaded the girl to send photos and videos of herself. Kacsmaryk noted at sentencing that on Snapchat, Gonzales had pretended to be a 14-year-old boy, purportedly to lure the girl.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Josh Frausto prosecuted the case.

OBITUARY | WILLIAM 'BILL' HUTCHISON SR.

# Dallas oil CEO, SMU alumnus

Served on university's board and named a trustee emeritus in '95

By MATT KYLE  
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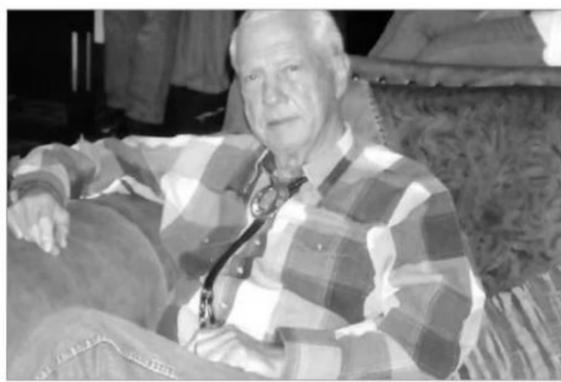
William "Bill" Hutchison Sr., a former Dallas-based oil executive and Southern Methodist University trustee, died Monday in Santa Fe, N.M. He was 92.

Born in Dallas in 1932, Hutchison spent 70 years in the city before embarking on his "last great adventure" with his wife, Patsy, by moving to their ranch near Santa Fe in 2002. He graduated from Highland Park High School, SMU and SMU Law School. He worked briefly as an attorney before entering the oil industry. He was the president of Hutchison Oil and Gas Corp., and served as president, CEO and chairman of the board for Texas Oil and Gas Corp.

He also became a leader at his alma mater, serving on the board of trustees from 1981 to 1987, helping lead SMU through football recruiting scandals that ultimately led the NCAA to cancel the school's 1987 football season. According to an obituary published by the school, Hutchison was the recipient of several awards, including being named a trustee emeritus in 1995 and received several distinguished alumni awards.

Brad Cheves, senior vice president for development and external affairs at SMU, said in the obituary that Hutchison's legacy will be felt for generations at SMU.

"Bill's lifelong devotion and generosity to SMU were inspi-



Bill Hutchison Jr.

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### Church work

Hutchison was also heavily involved in his church, Highland Park Presbyterian Church, serving as a deacon and elder for about 20 years and almost never missed a service, according to his children. In New Mexico, he was one of the founders of Rociada Baptist Church in Rociada and Christ Church in Santa Fe, according to his obituary.

His children remember their father as a strong, yet loving family man who was firm in his beliefs, or as they call them, "convictions." Speaking from their parents' home in New Mexico, daughter Katie Gordon and son Bill Hutchison Jr.

said their dad was not only the leader of several successful companies but was the patriarch of a large family. He had four children, 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Hutchison Jr. said his dad was a strong presence in the lives of he and his siblings, someone they each wanted to impress and make proud. In addition to his strength, he cared deeply for his family and was a supportive figure to them, Gordon said.

Hutchison managed a personal relationship with every member of his family despite the distance between Santa Fe and Dallas, Gordon said. Growing up, Gordon said her dad was at every sporting event of hers and her brothers, and he was at every piano recital of her older sister, Gail. In his later years, Hutchison often traveled back to Texas to attend his grandchildren and great-grandchildren's games.

Their parents' marriage is also a love story that was handed down to their kids and grandkids, Gordon and Hutch-

ison Jr. said. Bill and Patsy met when they were 14 and were high school sweethearts. They would attend SMU together, marry in 1953 and remain inseparable until Patsy's death in 2018.

"It's an amazing story. And it's a teachable story," Gordon said. "They have 14 great-grandchildren, and the fact that we can pass this story down through the family, and they can see something different than what you see out in society now is a real gift for us."

### Love for the West

Hutchison Jr. said his father harbored a deep love for the American West, growing up on the movies of John Wayne, Gene Autry and Roy Rogers. He spent a lot of time in his early years in New Mexico, and it was this appreciation of the West and love for the cowboy lifestyle that led him and his wife to move permanently to New Mexico in 2002.

In New Mexico, he tended to cattle at his ranch and became involved in the local community just as he did in Dallas, Hutchison Jr. said.

Hutchison Jr. and Gordon said they were happy to get as much time as they did with their dad.

"We're not sad. We're thrilled that he was our dad," Hutchison Jr. said. "You talk about a life well lived."

"He did everything you could ever imagine," Gordon said. "And he was accomplished at almost everything."

Hutchison is survived by his four children, Gail, Bill Jr., Katie and Chuck; 13 of his 14 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

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GRAHAM, Bradley  
HOOD, Anita Louise

GRAHAM, Bradley



June 30, 1969 - August 2, 2024

It is with immense sadness and broken hearts that we share the passing of Bradley Alexander Graham. He passed peacefully at his home in Keller, TX with his faithful furry companion, Boomer, by his side. "Uncle B" was a loving and kind person, who impacted the lives of many with his generosity, sense of humor, and big heart. Brad cherished his time with family and friends and will be remembered for his wonderful belly laugh and quick wit. Brad truly enjoyed people and spent his time focusing on others, rather than himself. For over 3 decades, Brad devoted countless hours mentoring and supporting people through his role at Fidelity Investments. He was passionate about encouraging and helping others achieve their career goals and succeed. Brad truly enjoyed and valued the relationships he built with his many clients over the years.

He was predeceased by his parents, Alex and Joan Graham (Playfair). He will be lovingly remembered by his brother, Keith (Karn); sister, Robin (Greg); nieces: Joan (Simon) and Kristina; nephew, Alex (MacKenzie); step-mom, Jan, and his many friends, that he considered family.

We will gather to celebrate Brad's life on August 31st from 10am-1pm at the Cowboys Golf Club (https://cowboysgolfclub.com/). To honor Brad's sense of style, please wear Dallas Cowboy swag and flip flops.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the DFW Rescue Me Animal Shelter (dfwrescueme.org) where Boomer was rescued by Uncle B! (or an animal shelter of your choice).

We will also have an internment at a later date in Canada where Brad will be buried with his parents in Chatham Ontario.

HOOD, Anita Louise



Anita was born on July 28th 1931 to Charles Henry Hood and Ella Robbins Hood. She passed away on May 24th 2024 at age 92.

Anita grew up in Mesquite Texas and graduated from Mesquite High School. After earning her bachelor's degree from Baylor University Waco Texas, where she was a member of the marching band, Anita earned her master's degree in Spanish and Mexican History from the University of Texas in Austin. While attending UT, Anita participated in several honors sororities. Anita qualified for and became a member of MENSA America.

Most of Anita's career was spent in Dallas teaching at Cary Junior High School and WT White High School. She was beloved by both students and faculty.

Anita was an accomplished pianist, avid painter, and a master at solving both crossword and jigsaw puzzles. She loved music, art, and architecture especially the works of Frank Lloyd Wright.

Anita was a long time active member of Wilshire Baptist Church in Dallas.

She was preceded in death by her parents and multiple uncles and aunts. She is survived by several cousins and extended family members, friends, and many former students.

A special mention of gratitude to the staff and residents of Sunrise Independent Living in Plano for their compassionate support and inclusion.

Memorial service is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. August 15th 2024 at Wilshire Baptist Church McIver Chapel 4316 Abrams Road Dallas Texas. Inurnment and reception to follow service.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to New Song at Wilshire or the charity of your choice.

### In Memoriam

Allene Beckwith



10/15/42 - 8/12/00

You were one of our hardest goodbyes.

Your memory is forever etched in our hearts.  
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# City charter proposals draw fire

Continued from Page 1B

than an initial proposal of \$125,000 for council members and \$140,000 for the mayor. If voters approve, the salaries would go into effect next year and would be subject to yearly percentage increases based on the local consumer price index.

The charter amendment proposal to decriminalize smaller amounts of marijuana was led by the social justice advocacy nonprofit Ground Game Texas. It argues the change is necessary to stop communities of color from being disproportionately arrested and jailed for low-level marijuana possession.

City reports released in 2021 and 2023 analyzing police arrests of people with small amounts of marijuana found Black people made up more than half of the arrests despite Black residents accounting for about a quarter of Dallas' 1.3 million population.

### 'This is not good'

At last week's hearing, Garcia detailed four shootings this year in which he said someone trying to buy or sell a small amount of marijuana was killed. Two teens were among the victims.

"In my opinion, this is not good, safe public policy for the city of Dallas and our department," Garcia said. "I do not believe this will make our city safer."

Dallas Hero, a nonprofit coalition that supports public safety and city government accountability, drove the campaigns of the three other proposed charter amendments.

The group says residents need more tools to hold public officials accountable and to ensure the police department is properly staffed and funded. But the route to get there may be a price too steep, city officials say.

The proposal requiring the city to increase the number of police officers by around 1,000 — raising the overall number to at least 4,000 — also calls for starting salaries and benefits to be within the top five of all departments in North Texas and shifting 50% of any excess city revenue to the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System.

City officials painted a grim picture for Dallas if it rapidly expanded its nearly 3,100-member police force.

Interim City Manager Kimberly Bizzor Tolbert estimated adding 900 officers would cost an extra \$175 million and that "every single city department" would see drastic cuts to make up the money to accommodate the extra salaries, benefits,



Juan Figueroa/Staff Photographer

Dallas City Council members last week questioned whether four citizen-led charter amendments likely to be on the November ballot were appropriate, achievable, fiscally responsible or even legal.

### IN THE KNOW Pot poll

**TEXANS APPROVE:** A growing number of Texans support the legalization of marijuana, according to a statewide poll.

**MORE THAN HALF:** Overall, 60% of Texas adults said they support legalizing marijuana, the 18th annual Texas Lyceum Poll found.

**JUMP IN NUMBERS:** That represents a 14-point jump since the survey last asked about marijuana in 2015.

**OLDER REPUBLICANS:** Among Texans over the age of 65 and Republicans, just 49% said they support legalization.

**CONSERVATIVE:** Among those who identified as conservative, 46% were in support. Staff report

equipment and other supplies. The move would also mean the need for more police trainers and supervisors.

Tolbert said the city plans to allocate funds in the budget to add 250 officers by the end of September 2025 and another 250 by the end of September 2026.

Several council members worried the city would have to relax its standards to bring in that many officers at once, noting it takes more than a year for a recruit to go through the police academy and to complete field training.

"You don't order Dallas police officers off of Amazon," said council member Gay Donnell Willis, who added that while the increase looked good on paper, "it may not manifest itself into the best police force in the country on the streets."

### 'We need to grow'

Chief Financial Officer Jack Ireland said the city already planned to increase police salaries next fiscal year. He described the provision to shift excess revenue as "restrictive."

"It takes away the flexibility of the [city] manager in looking at the needs of the city. It takes away the flexibility of the council to look at the priorities. It dictates to you how you spend and allocate the resources," he said.

Garcia said he prefers a police department of 3,600 officers for now. Retention may be more important than recruiting because the department loses around 190 officers a year, he said.

"From an operational perspective, there is no question we need to grow ... but we need to grow slowly," he said. "We didn't get into this mess overnight. We're not going to get out of it overnight."

Council members also disagreed with another Dallas Hero proposal that would require the outcome of the city's annual community survey to result in consequences for the city manager that would range from pay bonuses to termination.

Dallas is in the midst of searching for a new city manager and there was concern that the mandate could shrink the applicant pool.

"I wonder how many candidates would be interested in this job if they knew that they were going to have a gun to their head based upon an anonymous city survey that they might be terminated at the drop of a hat," said council member Paul Ridley.

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5-DAY FORECAST FROM NBC 5 WEATHER EXPERTS David Finck, Samantha Davies, Rick Mitchell, Grant Johnston, Kevan Smith, Adrienne Vonn

Wind S 10-15 UV Index: 11. On a 15-point scale, 11 is extreme Heat Index: 108 Ozone: Yellow, mod.

TODAY Mostly sunny and hot 24-hour high 100 24-hour low 80

Hour-by-hour forecast table with times and temperatures.

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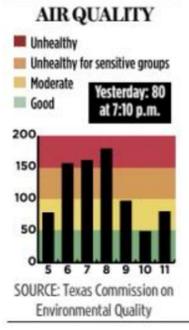
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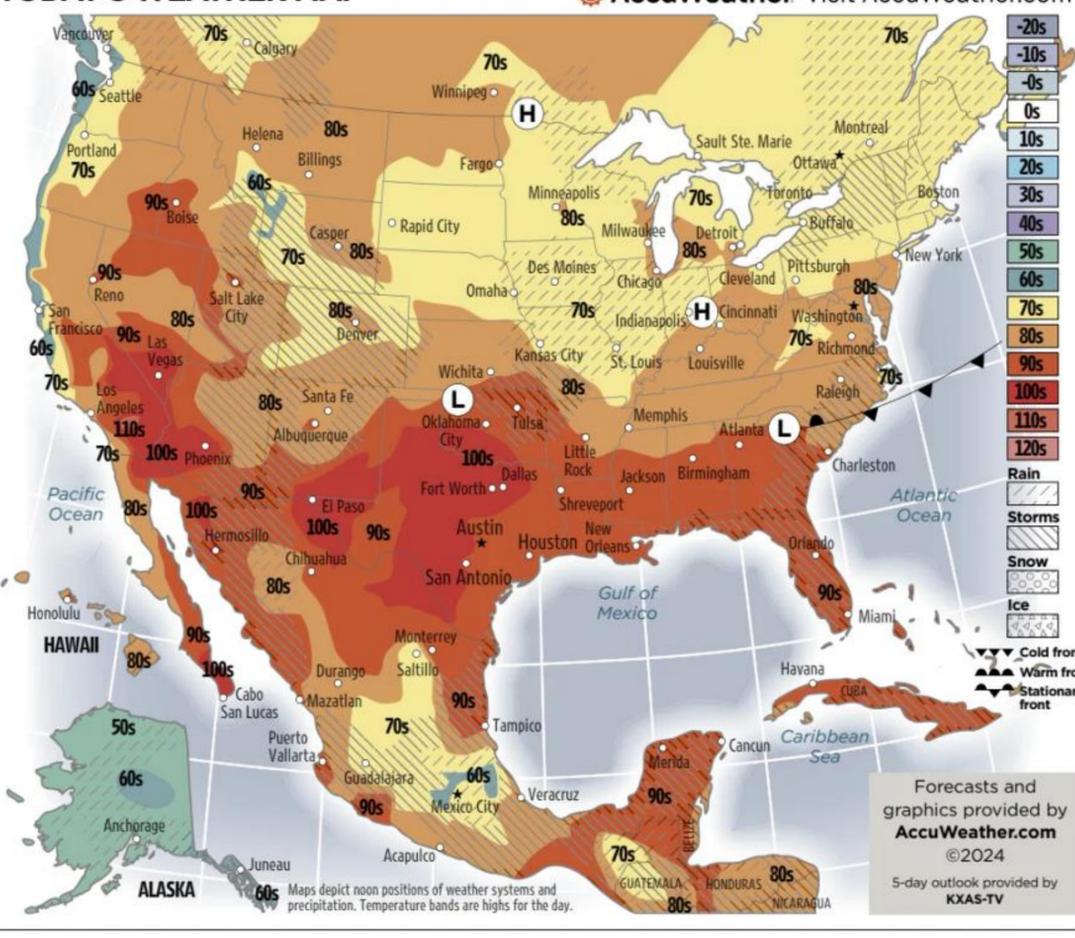
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Table of temperatures and relative humidity from midnight to 11 p.m.

DAILY HIGH 96 at 2:17 p.m. Temperatures are forecast estimates.



TODAY'S WEATHER MAP



NATIONAL HIGHS, LOWS & FORECAST

Table listing national high and low temperatures and forecasts for various cities.

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Table of international forecasts for Mexico, Canada, Asia-Pacific, Europe, Mideast, and Africa.

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OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES section including Hunting, Running, and Fishing forecasts.

FOR THE RECORD section with a map of Texas and weather statistics for various cities.

TEXAS REPORT table showing weather data for various Texas cities.

FORT WORTH

City may pay \$9.6M to settle whistleblower suits

Ex-police chief among three suing city; they allege firings came after security inquiry



JOEL FITZGERALD, former Fort Worth police chief, was fired in 2019.

Among the allegations are claims that the city concealed security breaches, lied about complying with rules governing the FBI's criminal justice information system, and intentionally destroyed public documents.

Fitzgerald had been investigating alleged violations of federal regulations regarding the FBI's criminal justice information system for months, according to his lawsuit.

The final straw, according to city officials, was that he acted unprofessionally at an event honoring law enforcement in Washington, D.C., in May 2019.

Birchett and Burke worked in information technology solutions and were also fired in 2019. Their lawsuits said they reported their concerns of cybersecurity issues to city officials and to Fitzgerald and were fired in retaliation.



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**NASCAR CUP SERIES**  
**Dillon rages on**  
 Austin Dillon, lagging in the season standings and needing a late-season win to make the playoffs, spun Joey Logano and Denny Hamlin in the final two turns to prevail in Richmond. **6C**



Tom Fox/Staff Photographer

**Cowboys quarterback Trey Lance tries** to elude the grasp of Rams linebacker Zach Van Valkenburg during the third quarter. Lance went 25 of 41 for 188 yards in the 13-12 loss.

**PRESEASON | LA RAMS 13, COWBOYS 12**

## Lance is not quite ready for first test

In first game action with Cowboys, QB had pluses and minuses

**I**NGLEWOOD, Calif. — Trey Lance describes his first full offseason with the Cowboys as pure excitement.

Pure excitement is not a phrase that comes to mind for anyone who witnessed the

**COWBOYS INSIDER**



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Cowboys' 13-12 loss to the Los Angeles Rams in the preseason opener. This wasn't a game to test starters, scheme

Cowboys rookies start sophomore do-over. **3C**  
 Takeaways from preseason loss. **3C**  
 Left tackle Edoga leaves in protective boot. **2C**

and strategy. It was an afternoon designed to give snaps to the young players the team wants to develop.

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**PARIS SUMMER OLYMPICS | WOMEN'S BASKETBALL FINAL: UNITED STATES 67, FRANCE 66**

# Nearly a French twist



Smiley N. Pool/Staff Photographer

**A'ja Wilson celebrates** a basket during the second half of the women's gold medal basketball game. Wilson led the U.S. with 21 points and 13 rebounds.

Foot on line at end helps U.S. women win another gold

By **BEN GOLLIVER**  
 The Washington Post

**PARIS** — This was an afternoon of agony when all the easy things were difficult, and the difficult things spiraled into existential crises. With 28 unblemished years at stake, the U.S. women's basketball team's fate was determined by mere inches at the final buzzer.

A buoyant Bercy Arena crowd was treated to a tense gold medal final Sunday, but the United States was the last team standing thanks to a 10-point second-half comeback that delivered a 67-66 victory over France. With the win against the host country, the United States captured its eighth consecutive Olympic gold medal, won its 61st straight Olympic game and improved its overall record to 78-3 in the Olympics.

Few, if any, of the previous 77 victories were this challenging. The Americans' breezy run through the tournament — they won their first five games by at least 13 points and by an average of 18.6 points — encountered major turbulence against an active and physical French team that had a chance to force overtime at the buzzer. Gabby Williams made a leaping, contested jumper near the 3-point arc, but the officials ruled that her left foot was on the line when she released her shot. Some of the French players, in disbelief at their poor

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**Golden path**

China and the U.S. finished joint leaders in gold medals with 40 while splitting honors in few sports. The countries' gold medal breakdown by sport:

U.S.	SPORT	CHINA	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	Artistic swimming	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Badminton	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Basketball	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Boxing	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Canoe Sprint	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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0	Cycling: Track	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Diving	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Fencing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Golf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Gymnastics: Artistic	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Gym: Rhythmic	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Rowing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Shooting	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Soccer	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Surfing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Swimming	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Table tennis	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	Tennis	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Track and field	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	Weightlifting	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Wrestling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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## Rai takes finale as rival fades

England's Aaron Rai closed with a 6-under 64 and took advantage of Max Greysenman's meltdown to win the PGA Tour's regular-season finale for his first title. **5C**

**ALSO INSIDE**

- Vergil Ortiz Jr. overcame the biggest test of his career to stay unbeaten. **2C**
- Houston's Justin Verlander made a rehab start. **4C**

**YANKEES 8, RANGERS 7**

## Both time and answers scarce

AL West crown more unlikely by the day as offensive woes persist

**N**EW YORK — It has reached that point. The Rangers are officially out of answers.

Officially, the subject was a non-starter of an offense. On Sunday, they finished strong in an 8-7 loss to the New York

**RANGERS INSIDER**



**EVAN GRANT**  
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Yankees. But it was the start that did them in again. They were shut out for the first five innings. It was the fifth straight

Rotation crumbling in real time. **4C**

game in which that has happened. They dug themselves a deep enough hole in the AL West, if talking about that is still a thing; they certainly don't need to dig themselves early holes in every game. Only ramps up the anxiety level and the manager's blood pressure.

"Yeah, I don't have anything on that," grumbled a clearly frustrated manager Bruce Bochy. "I don't have an answer."

It's OK. It fit just fine. You can apply it to the whole season.

The Rangers clearly appear like a team that has run out of answers on the season. On Sunday morning alone, even

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## TODAY'S TV

EVENT	TIME	TV	Men's soccer
MLB			Rizespor vs. Basaksehir 12:55   beIN
Rangers at Boston	6:00	ESPN	Tennis
Atlanta at San Francisco	9:00	MLB	Canadian Open 5:00   Tennis

## TODAY'S RADIO

MLB: Rangers at Boston, 6 p.m., KRLD-FM 105.3 The Fan

## MAIN EVENTS

	12 MON	13 TUE	14 WED	15 THU	16 FRI
<b>COWBOYS: 817-892-4400</b> KRLD-FM (105.3), KMKV-FM (107.5 Spanish)					Next: Sat. at Las Vegas 9 p.m. (Ch. 11)
<b>RANGERS: 972-726-4377</b> KRLD-FM (105.3)	at Boston 6:10 p.m. (ESPN)	at Boston 6:10 p.m. (BSSW)	at Boston 5:10 p.m. (BSSW)	Minnesota 7:05 p.m. (BSSW, FSI)	Minnesota 7:05 p.m. (BSSW)
<b>WINGS: 817-469-9464</b>					Connecticut 8:30 p.m. (Ion)
<b>FC DALLAS: 469-365-0000</b> KFJR-AM (1190)					Next: Aug. 24 at D.C. 6:30 p.m.
<b>ROUGHRIDERS: 972-731-9200</b>	Springfield 7:05 p.m.	Springfield 7:05 p.m.	Springfield 7:05 p.m.	Springfield 7:05 p.m.	

Game dates, times subject to change

## THE LINE

MLB Monday	American League	National League
Favorite	LINE Underdog	LINE Underdog
at Bos. (Bello)	132-112 Tex. (Mahlie)	at Ari. (Pfaadt) 215-180 Col. (Quantrill)
Hou. (Valdez)	120-102 at T.B. (Bradley)	Atl. (Sale) 118-100 at S.F. (Snell)
at Min. (Lopez)	146-124 K.C. (Singer)	LAD (Kershaw) 118-100 at Mil. (Peralta)
NY Yankees (Gill)	295-240 at Chi. WS (Bush)	at S.D. (Musgrove) 162-136 Pit. (Gonzales)
Tor. (Francis)	116-102 at LAA (Daniel)	St.L. (Gray) 130-110 at Cin. (Abbott)
		Interleague
		Favorite
		Cubs (Hendricks) 118-100 at Cle. (Lively)

## BRIEFS

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

### BOXING

#### Ortiz rallies to add title, stay unbeaten

Still undefeated, and donning a new title belt. Grand Prairie's Vergil Ortiz Jr. became the WBC interim super welterweight world champion Saturday night with a thrilling majority decision victory over Ukraine's Serhii Bohachuk (24-2, 23 KOs) at Michelob Ultra Arena in Las Vegas.



VERGIL ORTIZ JR.

Ortiz Jr. suffered the first two knockdowns of his career. He went down in the first round on what was originally ruled a slip but changed upon replay review. He was knocked down again in the eighth.

But the 26-year-old applied constant pressure in the later rounds and landed enough blows to claim a narrow 113-113, 114-112, 114-112 victory. Two of the judges scored Ortiz the winner of the final four rounds and all three gave him the last three.

With the victory, Ortiz Jr. improves to 22-0 (21 KOs). *Staff report*

### COLLEGES

#### UNC women's soccer coach Dorrance retires

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Anson Dorrance, whose 21 NCAA championships are the most by a head coach in any Division I sport, is retiring after 45 seasons directing the women's soccer program at North Carolina.

The Tar Heels said Dorrance informed athletic director Bubba Cunningham of his plans Friday and told the team Sunday, four days before their season opener at Denver. Associate head coach Damon Nahas will serve as interim women's coach this season.

Dorrance, 73, said he was excited heading into the season but came to the conclusion he did not have the energy to give 100% to the job.

Dorrance led UNC to a 934-88-53 record. He also was men's coach from 1977-88, winning 172 games and guiding UNC to an ACC title and NCAA Final Four berth in 1987. He was the head coach of

the U.S. national team from 1986-94, leading it to the title in the inaugural Women's World Cup in China in 1991.

#### Report: Aggies RB Owens to miss season

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M running back Ruben Owens has a lower leg injury and is out for the season, according to ESPN.

Owens, a five-star recruit in the Class of 2023, was expected to lead the way for the Aggies this season at running back, followed by Le'Veon Moss, Amari Daniels and EJ Smith. Owens led SEC freshmen last season with 385 rushing yards.

A&M is thin at the position, and Moss and Daniels will be relied on to carry most of the load. The duo combined for 1,016 rushing yards last season. Smith (Jesuit) is a senior transfer from Stanford.

*Houston Chronicle*

### TENNIS

#### Anisimova extends run in Toronto

TORONTO — Amanda Anisimova, ranked 132nd in the world, beat eighth-seeded Emma Navarro 6-3, 2-6, 6-2 on Sunday in an all-American semifinal in the windy National Bank Open.

She will face third-seeded defending champion Jessica Pegula in the final Monday in another all-American match. Pegula beat No. 14 Diana Shnaider of Russia 6-4, 6-3.

Anisimova, 22, took a mental-health break from tennis last year. She has beaten four top-20 players to reach the final — No. 3 Aryna Sabalenka, No. 12 Daria Kasatkina, No. 15 Navarro and No. 17 Anna Kalinskaya. ■ Fifth-seeded Andrey Rublev beat Matteo Arnaldi 6-4, 6-2 in the National Bank Open semifinals in Montreal after waiting out an hour-plus rain delay early in the second set. Rublev has victories this year in Madrid and Hong Kong.

### SOCCER

■ Chelsea signed Pedro Neto, 24, from Wolverhampton on a seven-year contract for a reported transfer fee of \$69 million. The Portugal international winger scored two goals and provided nine assists in 20 games for Wolves last season.

# Cowboys



Tom Fox/Staff Photographer

Rams tight end Miller Forristall catches the game-winning touchdown on fourth-and-6 with four seconds on the clock in the fourth quarter to defeat the Cowboys 13-12.

## BRIEFS

# Edoga leaves in a boot

Left tackle started game and has MRI scheduled for Monday

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INGLEWOOD, Calif. — Cowboys left tackle Chuma Edoga left Sunday's preseason game against the Rams with a protective boot on his left foot. Edoga injured his left big toe in the first quarter of the Cowboys' 13-12 loss.

Edoga was getting the majority of the snaps at left tackle in training camp and started Sunday's game over first-round pick Tyler Guyton.

Guyton played two series in Sunday's game. Edoga has an MRI scheduled for Monday for his toe injury.

Overall, the Cowboys played Asim Richards, Earl

Bostick, Edoga and Guyton at left tackle.

"I thought I did pretty good and handled my business," Guyton said. "I have some things to work on of course but got the butterflies out."

Guyton missed three practices with an illness and the Cowboys were bringing him along slowly.

"It's just like any other illness," he said. "It wasn't fun but we have a great staff here that took care of me."

Starting Tuesday, the Cowboys have three practices heading into their second preseason game at Las Vegas. Guyton might get the majority of the snaps with the first team with Edoga nursing an injury.

Also, third-round pick Cooper Beebe played two positions (center and left guard) during the contest. Brock Hoffman started at

center for the Cowboys.

**Jones clarifies Lamb comments:** Cowboys owner Jerry Jones made a clarification Sunday regarding receiver CeeDee Lamb.

Jones, who said he got in trouble for saying this week there wasn't a sense of urgency to get Lamb's contract done with the preseason starting, reversed his stance.

"No, there's not that urgency," Jones said on the Cowboys pregame show before Sunday's preseason opener against the Rams. "Now I understand completely the angst that's happening when you're anxious about and someone says anything whether you're missed or not. CeeDee, you're missed. OK, but you're not missed out here competing and it doesn't put any pressure any place on us."

Jones looked at the camera when he said, "CeeDee,

you're missed."

Lamb hasn't reported to Cowboys training camp this summer as he seeks a contract extension. Lamb is getting fined \$50,000 per day for his absence and a game check for missing preseason games.

Jones reiterated Lamb wouldn't play in the preseason, like most veterans, and that partially was the reason for saying there wasn't a sense of urgency to get Lamb's contract extension done. The other reason is coming to terms on a contract.

Lamb is in the final year of his rookie deal and is scheduled to make \$17.9 million this season. The Cowboys could also use the franchise tag on Lamb the next two seasons, but team officials are confident they can get a deal done before the start of the season.

## DAVID MOORE

# Lance's first start bit of a mixed bag

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Lance arguably tops the list.

There are players from this and last year's rookie class that will be counted on to make bigger contributions to the team's success this season. The less the Cowboys see of the quarterback during the regular season, the better.

But San Francisco's former first-round pick needs to show he belongs. He needs to prove he can pick up Mike McCarthy's scheme as he works to move past the stumbling start to his career with the 49ers.

Initial impression: to be determined.

Lance completed 25-of-41 passes for 188 yards and led the team in rushing with 44 yards in his Cowboys debut. But for every positive, there was a decision or throw that left you shaking your head.

"It was good," said Lance, whose last game came nearly one year ago for the 49ers in the preseason. "It was exciting."

"We need to score more points, but it was good to be

back out there for sure."

Lance took the field for the first time with 4:19 left in the first quarter and immediately found receiver Jalen Brooks for 6 yards. On third-and-10 later in the drive, with his receivers covered and the protection breaking down, he ran up the middle for 19 yards.

McCarthy said he called more drop-backs than he normally would for Lance in this game because he wants to get more work with him in those situations. Lance is cognizant of doing that in practice to show his command of the offense.

"But once you get in the game, it's truly a feel," Lance said. "If it's third down and I feel space and I can move the chains with my legs, I'm going to do that every time."

On third-and-5, Lance hit Jalen Cropper just short of the first-down marker. On fourth-and-1, his pass to Cropper in the back of the end zone sailed high.

"Frankly, that was on me," McCarthy said. "I wish I had that play call back."

When Lance did miss a

receiver, the ball usually sailed high. That's a trend that's been evident in camp as well.

"These are things we need to work on," McCarthy said.

But overall, McCarthy was encouraged. He pointed to the fact that Lance led four drives of 10 or more plays. He said the play entry was clean, that Lance was on top of the substitutions and he liked his command.

"I'm trying to get as much as I can with him," McCarthy said. "We want to see him run the offense at a high level. The footwork, some of the things we're asking him to do conceptually, are new. We just need work and as much time as we can."

"He's making good progress and he's definitely wired the right way. He's a great athlete. We just have a lot of work to do."

Lance agrees. He talks about how much more comfortable he is in the offense now than when he first arrived while acknowledging he's still working to catch up. He knows he missed a potential touchdown throw to

tight end Princeton Fant because he got ahead of himself, got too fast with his feet and had to dump the ball underneath for a short gain.

"The goal with him is to be process-based and stack the good days because he's still a baby in the system," quarterbacks coach Scott Tolzien said. "We love where he's at and will continue to keep building on those details."

"He's super coachable. He takes it and wants to do right."

It will just take a little more hard work. And more snaps.

He'll get plenty of those the rest of the preseason.

"I've learned to definitely enjoy the journey and not necessarily look for an ending point," Lance said. "That's helped me a ton."

The journey continues.

*Catch David Moore with The Musers every Monday-Friday at 9:35 a.m. and on the Hardline every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 4:15 p.m. on The Ticket (KTCK-AM 1310 and 96.7 FM) during training camp.*

# Preseason: Rams 13, Cowboys 12

## 2023 draft class gets do-over chance

### Smith, Overshown lead way against Rams on tour of redemption

#### COWBOYS INSIDER



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INGLEWOOD, Calif. — The Cowboys' 2023 draft class wanted a do-over. That's the best way to describe what occurred with that class last season. Injuries and ineffective play hampered it badly.

With the class now healthy, Sunday's preseason opener against the Rams displayed what this group wanted to show last year but couldn't.

Sunday was a productive do-over.

It started with the first-round pick, defensive tackle Mazi Smith, who participated in three series during the 13-12 loss Sunday. He had three tackles. Smith showed an ability to shed blocks and hold up centers and guards against the run. This was something the Cowboys' needed to see last year. The power of Smith has to be consistent if the Cowboys expect to improve their run defense.

Linebacker DeMarvion Overshown, the third-round pick who became last year's darling of the class before suffering a torn ACL in the second preseason game, also made an

impression.

Again.

Overshown had three tackles.

For Overshown, the waiting was the hardest part as he recovered from his injury.

"You've got to find little wins throughout the day," he said. "There were times I would go in my garage with a fly swatter and hit flies all day, just to feel something to work on reaction time."

Wide receiver Jalen Brooks, a seventh-round pick, earned praise for his speed and being consistent in training camp. Brooks played seven games last season and had more special teams snaps (82) than offensive snaps (77).

On the first series of the game, quarterback Cooper Rush connected with Brooks on a 43-yard reception. Brooks showed his speed by running past Rams corner Cameron McCutcheon down the Cowboys' sideline and slowed



Tom Fox/Staff Photographer

**Wide receiver Jalen Brooks**, a seventh-round pick, snared a 43-yard reception during the game's first series.

down to make the catch.

That play pushed the Cowboys into Rams territory, and while the drive didn't end in a touchdown it was positive to see Brooks make a play early in the game.

"He's had a helluva camp," Rush said. "He's been tremendous. It's one-on-one [and] you know how he runs by his guy and went up and made a play. It was sweet."

Eric Scott Jr., a sixth-round pick, had one of the Cowboys' four forced turnovers. He

struggled at times in coverage and committed an unnecessary roughness penalty for pushing Rams receiver Xavier Smith while he was already out of bounds.

But Scott's pick with 34 seconds left in the first half ended a Rams scoring drive at the Cowboys' 19.

Tight end Luke Schoonmaker didn't have a catch Sunday, but the second-round pick has performed well in camp. Fourth-round pick Viliami Fehoko Jr. hasn't flashed much in

#### COWBOYS SCHEDULE

PRESEASON					
Day	Date	Result	TV	Time	
Sun.	A11	at LA Rams	13	Cowboys	12
REGULAR SEASON					
Day	Date	Opponent	TV	Time	
Sun.	S8	at Cleveland	Ch. 4	3:25	
Sun.	S15	New Orleans	Ch. 4	Noon	
Sun.	S22	Baltimore	Ch. 4	3:25	
Thu.	S26	at NY Giants	Prime	7:15	
Sun.	O6	at Pittsburgh	Ch. 5	7:20	
Sun.	O13	Detroit	Ch. 4	3:25	
Sun.	O20	Bye week			
Sun.	O27	at San Francisco	Ch. 5	7:20	
Sun.	N3	at Atlanta	Ch. 4	Noon	
Sun.	N10	Philadelphia	Ch. 11	3:25	
Mon.	N18	Houston	ESPN	7:15	
Sun.	N24	at Washington	Ch. 4	Noon	
Thu.	N28	NY Giants	Ch. 4	3:30	
Mon.	D9	Cincinnati	ESPN/Ch. 8	7:15	
Sun.	D15	at Carolina	Ch. 4	Noon	
Sun.	D22	Tampa Bay	Ch. 5	7:20	
Sun.	D29	at Philadelphia	Ch. 4	3:25	
TBD	TBD	Washington	TBD	TBD	

Dallas	3	3	0	6	—	12
L.A. Rams	3	3	0	7	—	13

First Quarter		
LAR—FG Karty 28, 8:27.		
Dal—FG Aubrey 30, 5:20.		
Second Quarter		
LAR—FG Karty 39, 9:13.		
Dal—FG Aubrey 36, 4:51.		
Fourth Quarter		
Dal—FG Aubrey 38, 6:08.		
LAR—Forristall 6 pass from Bennett (Karty kick), :04. A—73,023.		
	Dal	LAR
First downs	19	21
Total Net Yards	309	316
Rushes-yards	23-93	28-101
Passing	216	215
Punt Returns	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns	2-70	3-70
Interceptions Ret.	4-58	0-0
Comp-Att-Int.	27-44-0	24-38-4
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-16	2-9
Punts	0-0	2-46.5
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-50	7-65
Time of Possession	31:03	28:57

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS	
<b>RUSHING</b> —Dallas, Lance 6-44, M.Davis 8-18, Dowdle 3-14, Conner 3-10, Peat 2-5, Burnett 1-2. L.A. Rams, Scott 15-68, Z.Evans 12-28, Bennett 1-5.	
<b>PASSING</b> —Dallas, Lance 25-41-0-188, Rush 2-3-0-44, L.A. Rams, Bennett 24-38-4-224.	
<b>RECEIVING</b> —Dallas, Moreno-Cropper 4-26, Stephens 3-19, Brooks 2-49, Harmon 2-38, Burnett 2-23, M.Davis 2-20, Spann-Ford 2-13, C.Johnson 2-10, Flournoy 2-8, Fant 2-7, Conner 2-6, Durden 1-16, Peat 1-(minus 3). L.A. Rams, Whittington 6-74, Smith 4-22, Wiglusz 3-36, Stoops 3-27, Forristall 3-20, Scott 3-10, Z.Evans 1-24, T.Johnson 1-11.	
<b>MISSED FIELD GOALS</b> —Dallas, Aubrey 6/5.	

training camp at defensive tackle. But he was paired with Smith at defensive tackle early in the game.

Asim Richards, a left tackle who was a fifth-round selection, will get more snaps in the coming days with Chuma Edoga's toe injury.

Running back Deuce Vaughn, the sixth-round pick, has been out a week with a hamstring injury. The Cowboys are trying to find a spot for him on the roster by cross-training him at wide receiver.

This draft class isn't perfect, but Sunday gave everyone an opportunity to see what it could be.

"That's what it's all about,

getting the next opportunity and show that y'all drafted me for a reason," Overshown said. "We can ball, too. We just going out there with that mentality, I'm here to earn my spot but don't forget y'all came and got us. We got a great class. Everybody who will touch that field will get their opportunity until the season ends to show our 2023 class got some dawgs."

**Cowboys cornerback Eric Scott Jr.**, in the second quarter, returns one of four interceptions thrown by Rams quarterback Stetson Bennett.



Tom Fox/Staff Photographer

#### THREE TAKEAWAYS

## Mixed outing for Lance; defense forces four INTs

Ex-49er replaces Rush early; LT Guyton plays more after Edoga hurt

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INGLEWOOD, Calif. — The Cowboys' preseason opener was highlighted by the defense, until it wasn't.

The only touchdown between the Cowboys and Rams came in the closing seconds as Los Angeles knocked off Dallas 13-12 on Sunday at SoFi Stadium in the first action of the preseason.

The Cowboys' defense under new coordinator Mike Zimmer picked up where the defense under previous coordinator Dan Quinn left off by forcing turnovers. The defense forced four miscues, all interceptions off Rams quarterback Stetson Bennett, before the backups allowed the game-winning touchdown with four seconds remaining.

The Cowboys' offense mustered 309 yards behind an uneven performance from No. 3 quarterback Trey Lance.

Cowboys kicker Brandon Aubrey made four field goals to account for the scoring and the new kickoff rules didn't lead to any scores, but had a few penalties.

and finished 25 for 41 for 188 yards. Lance missed a touchdown throw in the first half when he overthrew receiver Jalen Cropper in the end zone. In the fourth quarter, Lance overthrew Cam Johnson down the sidelines for another missed touchdown. Johnson had a few steps on his defender.

Lance also took a sack on a fourth down with 12:49 left in the game. He was under pressure but needed to throw the ball away. Lance scrambled out of trouble several times for first downs, including a 19-yard run (in the first half) and a 4-yard escape (in the second half). Receiver David Durden made a toe-tap catch along the Rams sideline with Lance under pressure. Toward the end of the first half, Lance was hurt by drops from receiver Ryan Flournoy and running back Malik Davis.

**The defense under Zimmer:** The first glimpse of the Mike Zimmer defense netted four interceptions (by Julius Wood, Eric Scott Jr. and Markquese Bell and Brock Mogensen) and gave up two field goals and the lone touchdown. There wasn't much pressure on Bennett, however, a fourth-quarter sack by linebacker Jason Johnson was needed late.

Defensive tackle Mazi Smith played three series and finished with three tackles, including a tackle for loss. The biggest question for Smith was his ability to become physical up the middle against the run, and he accomplished that at times. Bell was active playing his more natural position at safety after playing line-

backer last season, finishing with nine tackles. Linebacker DeMarvion Overshown played his first game since tearing his ACL in the second preseason game last year. Overshown had three tackles.

"Getting out there and doing what I've been waiting to do for a year, finally," Overshown said with a sigh of relief after the game.

Rookie cornerback Caelen Carson, the sensation of training camp, didn't have an interception but was credited with six tackles and no pass breakups. The run defense, an issue for the Cowboys last season, allowed 3.6 yards per carry.

**About the draft picks:** Cowboys' first-round pick left tackle Tyler Guyton didn't start but played two series. Guyton had been getting limited snaps because he was recovering from an illness that cost him three practices. Chuma Edoga got the start but left with a foot injury after the first series, which prompted Guyton to get more playing time. Edoga left the locker room in a walking boot and will get an MRI.

Second-round pick Marshawn Kneeland had two tackles in the game while center Cooper Beebe, a third-round selection, didn't start but played some left guard in addition to center. Flournoy, a sixth-round pick, had two catches for 8 yards and a drop. He was targeted three times. Third-round pick linebacker Marist Liufau had half a tackle and offensive tackle Nate Thomas, a seventh-round selection, didn't play due to injury.

#### NFL BRIEFS

## Rookie QB Nix lifts Denver past Indianapolis in debut

INDIANAPOLIS — Rookie quarterback Bo Nix threw one touchdown pass and took Denver on long scoring marches to close the first half and open the second half Sunday as the Broncos picked up a 34-30 victory at Indianapolis in their preseason opener.

Nix, the No. 12 overall draft pick in April, was 15 of 21 for 125 yards while rushing three times for 17 yards before departing midway through the third quarter and being replaced by former New York Jets starter Zach Wilson.

Veteran Jarrett Stidham started the game and finished 4 of 7 with 57 yards and one interception.

But in his first NFL game, Nix may have taken the lead in the battle for Denver's starting job.

For the Colts, it was all about seeing second-year quarterback Anthony Richardson and 2021 NFL rushing champ Jonathan Taylor in the same backfield after injuries limited the duo to just two snaps all of last season.

They played just two series and didn't get much done. Richardson finished 2 of 4 with 25 yards and ran once for 1 yard in his first action since suffering a season-ending injury to his throwing shoulder in October. Taylor had two carries for 4 yards.

Longtime veteran Joe Flacco led the Colts to a field goal on his only series and was 3 of 5 for 28 yards.

**Giants' Neal off PUP, No. 6 pick Nabers tweaks ankle:** The New York Giants returned to practice Sunday for the first time since their preseason opener against the Detroit Lions and welcomed back offensive lineman Evan Neal. However, first-round draft pick Malik Nabers left practice late with a possible minor sprain to his left ankle.

It was not clear how Nabers was hurt, but the No. 6 overall pick in the draft was examined by trainers on sideline. The LSU product took off his shoe and sock and later sat on a chest watching the end of the workout. He limped off the field after practice and the Giants announced the ankle diagnosis about an hour later.

#### NFL PRESEASON

NFC						AFC					
EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF PA	EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF PA
NY Giants	1	0	0	1.000	14 3	Miami	1	0	0	1.000	20 13
Philadelphia	1	0	0	1.000	16 13	NY Jets	1	0	0	1.000	20 17
Dallas	0	1	0	.000	12 13	New England	1	0	0	1.000	17 3
Washington	0	1	0	.000	17 20	Buffalo	0	1	0	.000	6 33
SOUTH						SOUTH					
W	L	T	Pct	PF PA	W	L	T	Pct	PF PA		
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	16 14	Jacksonville	1	0	0	1.000	26 13
Tampa Bay	1	0	0	1.000	17 14	Tennessee	1	0	0	1.000	17 13
Atlanta	0	1	0	.000	13 20	Houston	1	1	0	.500	37 33
Carolina	0	1	0	.000	3 17	Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	30 34
NORTH						NORTH					
W	L	T	Pct	PF PA	W	L	T	Pct	PF PA		
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	54 23	Baltimore	0	1	0	.000	13 16
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	23 10	Cincinnati	0	1	0	.000	14 17
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	24 23	Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	10 23
Detroit	0	1	0	.000	3 14	Pittsburgh	0	1	0	.000	12 20
WEST						WEST					
W	L	T	Pct	PF PA	W	L	T	Pct	PF PA		
LA Rams	1	0	0	1.000	13 12	Denver	1	0	0	1.000	34 30
Seattle	1	0	0	1.000	16 3	Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	13 26
Arizona	0	1	0	.000	14 16	LA Chargers	0	1	0	.000	3 16
San Francisco	0	1	0	.000	13 17	Las Vegas	0	1	0	.000	23 24

#### WEEK 1 THURSDAY'S RESULTS

at New England	17	Carolina	3
at NY Giants	14	Detroit	3

#### FRIDAY'S RESULTS

at Miami	20	Atlanta	13
Houston	20	at Pittsburgh	12
Philadelphia	16	at Baltimore	13

#### SATURDAY'S RESULTS

at NY Jets	20	Washington	17
Chicago	33	at Buffalo	6
at Minnesota	24	Las Vegas	23
Green Bay	23	at Cleveland	10
at Jacksonville	26	Kansas City	13
at Tennessee	17	San Francisco	13
Tampa Bay	17	at Cincinnati	14
Seattle	16	at LA Chargers	3
New Orleans	16	at Arizona	14

#### SUNDAY'S RESULTS

at LA Rams	13	Dallas	12
Denver	34	at Indianapolis	30

#### WEEK 2 THURSDAY, AUG. 15 GAMES

Philadelphia	at New England	(NFL) 6:00
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#### SATURDAY, AUG. 17 GAMES

Dallas	at Las Vegas	(Ch. 11) 9:00
Atlanta	at Baltimore	11 am
Cincinnati	at Chicago	(NFL) Noon
NY Giants	at Houston	Noon
Detroit	at Kansas City	(NFL) 3:00
Minnesota	at Cleveland	3:25
Arizona	at Indianapolis	6:00
Buffalo	at Pittsburgh	(NFL) 6:00
NY Jets	at Carolina	6:00
Seattle	at Tennessee	6:00
Washington	at Miami	6:00
LA Rams	at LA Chargers	6:05
Tampa Bay	at Jacksonville	6:30

#### SUNDAY, AUG. 18 GAMES

Green Bay	at Denver	(NFL) 7:00
New Orleans	at San Francisco	(Ch. 4) 7:00

Nabers has been the star of training camp, catching long passes from Daniel Jones while turning short ones into long runs. He wasn't available to the media who cover the team after the workout.

#### AROUND THE LEAGUE

**Arizona:** QB Clayton Tune (Hebron, Houston) went 15 of 24 for 163 yards and threw a 10-yard touchdown pass with 1:55 left in the fourth quarter during a 16-14 loss to the Saints Saturday. Tune is battling with Desmond Ridder for the No. 2 spot behind Tyler Murray (Allen, Oklahoma).

**Cleveland:** Starting QB Deshaun Watson has been cleared for contact to his surgically repaired shoulder, but he'll sit out his second straight preseason game when Cleveland hosts Minnesota this week. Watson spent Saturday night's preseason opener against Green Bay on the sideline as the Browns were beaten 23-10 by the Packers. The team is taking a cautious approach with Watson, who underwent shoulder surgery in November. ...

Cleveland reacquired veteran center Nick Harris in a trade from the Seahawks after backup Luke Wypler suffered a broken ankle in Saturday's exhibi-

tion game against the Packers. Harris was drafted by the Browns in 2020. He spent three seasons with Cleveland, missing all of 2022 after suffering a knee injury in the preseason opener. The 25-year-old signed a one-year deal as a free agent with the Seahawks in March. The Browns sent a sixth-round draft pick in 2026 to Seattle in exchange for Harris and a seventh-round pick in 2026.

**Detroit:** QB Hendon Hooker was still in concussion protocol, three days after he was injured in a preseason game against the Giants. Lions coach Dan Campbell said the team is looking into signing another player at the position so starter Jared Goff and potential backup Nate Sudfeld are not the only healthy quarterbacks for this week's exhibition game at Kansas City.

**Jacksonville:** The Jaguars signed veteran safety Tashaun Gipson to a one-year contract Sunday, reuniting him with the franchise despite a six-game suspension to start the regular season. Gipson played three seasons for Jacksonville (2016-18) and was a starter on the 2017 team that advanced to the AFC title game.

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RANGERS BRIEFS

Pitching staff in a pickle

Injuries old and new leave rotation, bullpen searching for arms

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NEW YORK — The pitching pinch gets tighter for the Rangers.

It might be moving into full-blown crisis.

On Sunday, the Rangers announced a slew of pitching updates, none of them ideal. Starter Nathan Eovaldi, who left Saturday's game after just three innings with right side tightness, will head back to Texas for further exam and is likely to skip his next start.

It leaves the Rangers pulling starters from the bullpen. The Rangers are still undecided on a starter for Wednesday's road trip finale. The most likely choices: Dane Dunning, Gerson Garabito or a full-blown bullpen game.

To that end, the Rangers are dealing with an arms shortage in the bullpen, too. The Rangers recalled left-hander Walter Pennington to replace Josh Sborz, and selected right-hander Matt Festa from Triple-A Round Rock to replace Brock Burke.

"I like the quality of our arms," GM Chris Young said. "They're all very good major league pitchers, and when they execute pitches like they're capable, they can beat anybody. So there's no excuses here. We've got good guys that can go out and help us win games."

But the Rangers have not executed since the All-Star break. The club went into Sunday's series finale against the Yankees with a 5.53 ERA in the second half, ranked 28th of 30 MLB teams. The rotation ERA in that span: 6.02, which ranked 29th, ahead of the Chicago White Sox.

There have been some encouraging developments for the Rangers on that end. Tyler Mahle returned from elbow surgery last week with five crisp innings against Houston and Jacob deGrom came through his first live batting practice session since last year's elbow surgery very well. DeGrom will throw a 2-inning live batting practice session Monday in Boston and then another before beginning a rehab assignment. But the likelihood of a four-week rehab means deGrom wouldn't become an option for the Rangers until the final two weeks of the season.

The other encouraging de-



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Rangers pitcher Nathan Eovaldi is likely to skip his next turn through the rotation as he returns to Texas for further exam after leaving his last start with right side tightness.

velopment: Cody Bradford returned to his early season form with five innings of one-run ball against the New York Yankees on Saturday.

The situation with Eovaldi, though, again underscored how thin the Rangers are at starting pitcher. It makes the decision to deal Michael Lorenzen to Kansas City at the deadline look that much more questionable. The Rangers used the financial savings to add Andrew Chafin to their bullpen and have added Pennington to their pool of bullpen options, but the rotation is now a significant concern.

Heim will split time: A year ago, Jonah Heim started the All-Star Game and won a Gold Glove.

As of Sunday, you can hardly even call him the Rangers' regular catcher.

GM Chris Young and manager Bruce Bochy acknowledged the club plans to split playing time between the struggling Heim and recently acquired Carson Kelly more evenly. Kelly, who started Sunday against the Yankees, has been behind the plate for five of the 10 games since he was acquired from Detroit. He's likely to get more time, too, after going 3 for 4 with a two-run homer in the Rangers' 8-7 loss.

"I think we have two quality major league catchers, and playing time will be based on who's performing the best," Young said. "I expect the split to be probably closer to 50-50. We're just going to do our best to win games and whoever is going well is going to be behind the plate. And really, that's how

it should be at any position. If guys are performing, they are going to be in there."

Said Bochy: "I think looking at the workload that he carried last year, Jonah looks like he has shown some effects from that. I'm just being honest. After having the year he had last year, he's not had the same. Carson can help carry that."

Heim, hitless in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader, has the second-lowest weighted runs created+ number (72) of the 154 players who have had at least 350 plate appearances this season, according to Fangraphs, which uses the formula to assess a player's overall impact on a team's ability score runs. In a simpler formula, Heim's .618 OPS ranks 152nd of those 154 players. He has been in a deep slump since the All-Star break, slashing .175/.203/.281/484 since July 18.

Heim, who turned 29 in June, caught 993 innings last year, missing two weeks due to a wrist tendon strain from July 27-Aug. 12. He then started every game of the postseason behind the plate. This year, Heim has started 84 of the Rangers 118 games and caught 744 innings, which actually put him on pace for an even heavier workload than a year ago. He was on pace entering Sunday for approximately 1,050 regular season innings.

Kelly is now 6 for 17 since joining the Rangers with four RBIs. Including his time with Detroit, Kelly has a .240/.325/.391/.716 slash line for the season in 196 at-bats.

Leiter could find work as

reliever: The focus of the Rangers' season may be about to shift from 2024 contention to 2025 preparation.

And that may make it all the more important for Jack Leiter to get a look.

Leiter figures to be one of the internal options for the 2025 rotation. GM Chris Young said the club, which he believes is still in contention for the AL West race, might consider calling Leiter up as a reliever to help plug a shortage of arms out there and to give him necessary experience. The Rangers will be sliding guys from their bullpen into the rotation in the coming week with Eovaldi missing at least one start, and Scherzer remaining on the IL with shoulder problems.

"We've seen teams phase guys in with work in the bullpen," GM Chris Young said. "Is there a way to do that with Jack, to integrate him. We are, by no means talking about transitioning him to the bullpen."

Leiter, 24, was the second overall pick in the 2021 draft and has started in 59 of his 61 professional appearances, including three starts in the majors earlier this year. Since returning to the minors in mid-May, he's posted a 4.25 ERA over 10 starts but has not appeared in the last 10 days as the Rangers have sought to manage his workload. Leiter has pitched 77 innings this season. The Rangers want to keep him at around 100 for the year. He did throw a bullpen session Friday and is slated to return to the Round Rock rotation in the next turn through.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Table with columns: WEST, CENTRAL, EAST, W, L, Pct, GB, Home, Away, L10, Str. Lists standings for Houston, Seattle, Texas, Los Angeles, Oakland, Cleveland, Minnesota, Kansas City, Detroit, Chicago, Baltimore, New York, Boston, Tampa Bay, Toronto.

at TB 2, Bal. 1 Curtis Mead had a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth inning and the Rays avoided a three-game sweep. The Orioles fell into a tie with the Yankees atop the American League East.

Oak 8, at Tor. 4 JJ Bleday and Zack Gelof homered in a six-run first inning, JP Sears pitched seven innings to win his third straight start and the Athletics claimed their 50th victory, matching their total from last season.

Hou. 10, at Bos. 2 Alex Bregman hit a three-run homer to key a five-run fifth inning and Yordan Alvarez followed with his third homer in two games, helping the AL West-leading Astros complete a three-game sweep and notch their fifth straight win.

Cle. 5, Min. 3 David Fry and José Ramirez homered, and the Guardians held on to earn a split of the four-game series between the top teams in the AL Central.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Summary table of Saturday's game results: NY Yankees 8-4 Texas 6-9, Cleveland 2 Minnesota 1, Oakland 1 Toronto 0, Houston 5 Boston 4.

TODAY'S PITCHERS

Table of today's pitchers with columns: Pitchers, TV/Time, 2024 W-L, ERA, Last three starts W-L, IP, ERA. Lists pitchers like Valdez, Bradley, Mahle, Bello, Singer, López, Gil, Bush, Francis, Daniel.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Table with columns: WEST, CENTRAL, EAST, W, L, Pct, GB, Home, Away, L10, Str. Lists standings for Los Angeles, Arizona, San Diego, San Francisco, Colorado, Milwaukee, St. Louis, Chicago, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Atlanta, New York, Washington, Miami.

at Mia. 7, SD 6 Jake Burger homered for the third straight game, Jesús Sánchez also had a home run and the Marlins ended the Padres' seven-game win streak. Burger has homered 12 times since the All-Star break. He did it in just 23 games, surpassing Giancarlo Stanton for the fastest in club history.

Cin. 4, at Mil. 3 Santiago Espinal had two RBIs and scored the go-ahead run in the seventh inning as the Reds halted the NL Central-leading Brewers' five-game win streak.

at Col. 9, Atl. 8 Jake Cave had three RBIs, Charlie Blackmon and Sam Hilliard each had three hits, and the Rockies mounted a furious comeback from an 8-2 deficit with a seven-run eighth inning to prevail.

at Ari. 12, Phil. 5 Merrill Kelly pitched five solid innings in his return from a shoulder injury and Jake McCarthy had three hits and four RBIs for Arizona, which stayed hot.

at LA 6, Pit. 5 (10) Teoscar Hernández drove in three runs, including a game-ending RBI single in the 10th inning, and the Dodgers handed the Pirates a season-high seventh straight defeat.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Summary table of Saturday's game results: San Diego 9 Miami 8, Atlanta 11 Colorado 8, Milwaukee 1 Cincinnati 0, LA Dodgers 4 Pittsburgh 1, Arizona 11 Philadelphia 1.

TODAY'S PITCHERS

Table of today's pitchers with columns: Pitchers, TV/Time, 2024 W-L, ERA, Last three starts W-L, IP, ERA. Lists pitchers like Gray, Abbott, Kershaw, Peralta, Quantrell, Pfaadt, Gonzales, Musgrove, Sale, Snell.

INTERLEAGUE

LA 6, at Was. 4 Jack Kochanowicz pitched 7 2/3 innings to earn his first major league win and Kevin Pillar hit a three-run double, helping the Angels avoid a three-game sweep.

Det. 5, at SF 4 Dillon Dingler hit his first career home run, Matt Vierling also went deep and the Tigers held on to avert a three-game sweep and snap a three-game losing streak.

at Sea. 12, NYM 1 Cal Raleigh hit two home runs and Luis Castillo struck out nine for the Mariners. Castillo gave up four hits and walked two in six innings, completing a tour de force series sweep for Seattle's starters.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Summary table of Saturday's game results: San Francisco 3 Detroit 1, Chicago Cubs 3 Chi. White Sox 1, Washington 5 LA Angels 4, Seattle 4 NY Mets 0, Kansas City 8 St. Louis 3.

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MLB AT A GLANCE

Verlander makes rehab start

BOSTON — Justin Verlander took his first step to returning to the Houston Astros, tossing three innings for Triple-A Sugar Land on Saturday night.

Working back from neck stiffness that's sidelined him for two months, the 41-year-old, three-time Cy Young Award winner threw 52 pitches and 36 strikes, allowing one run with three strikeouts and two walks.

Astros manager Joe Espada said they were waiting to hear how he felt Sunday, and then he'll probably get another rehab start before he could get back to the majors.

"Everything was positive, so hopefully we can get one more and then we can get him on the major-league level," Espada said Sunday morning, standing outside the dugout at Fenway Park before the Astros topped the Red Sox 10-2 in the series finale. "It's all about JV, depending how he feels for what he needs to get him back here to

stay."

Verlander hasn't pitched since June 9. He also missed the beginning of the season with right shoulder inflammation before going 3-2 with a 3.95 ERA in 10 starts. He made his season debut April 19.

Seattle activates Rodriguez: The Seattle Mariners activated outfielder Julio Rodriguez from the 10-day injured list Sunday after he missed three weeks due to a high-ankle sprain.

Rodriguez returned to the Mariners' lineup ahead of Sunday night's 12-1 win over the New York Mets and before an important nine-game road trip beginning on Tuesday with Seattle facing off against Houston atop the AL West. He'll be playing with new teammates Randy Arozarena and Justin Turner for the first time.

Rodriguez was injured on July 21 when he crashed into the wall in center field at T-Mo-

ble Park attempting to make a catch. There was no timeline on when he'd return but Rodriguez had ramped up his baseball activity extensively in recent days. Rodriguez went through full pregame drills on Saturday that included fielding, hitting and running the bases.

It's likely that Rodriguez will be the designated hitter for the Mariners in the immediate future. He was DH Sunday, going 0 for 5. Victor Robles has received the majority of the playing time in center field with Rodriguez sidelined.

AROUND THE MAJORS

Boston: LHP James Paxton limped off the field after injuring his right lower leg while making a quick move to cover first on a grounder in the opening inning Sunday against Houston. The Red Sox announced two innings later that it was a right calf strain. Boston manager Alex Cora said Paxton

will get an MRI Monday.

LA Dodgers: Rookie RHP River Ryan will miss the remainder of the season with an elbow injury that occurred during his fourth career major league start Saturday against the Pirates. Dodgers manager Dave Roberts did not know the specifics of Ryan's injury after the 25-year-old underwent an MRI on Sunday morning. Roberts did say Tommy John surgery is under consideration for the former two-way player, who was acquired in a trade from the Padres in March 2022.

Milwaukee: In his return to the majors after spending nearly four months on the injured list, DL Hall provided reason for hope that he could contribute something to the NL Central-leading Brewers' playoff push. The LHP had a career-high nine strikeouts over 4 2/3 innings in a 4-3 loss to the Reds.

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GOLF BRIEFS

Rai snares 1st victory when leader unravels

Greyserman's big lead melts on snowman-8, 4-putt double bogey

GREENSBORO, N.C. — Aaron Rai took advantage of Max Greyserman's late meltdown to win the Wyndham Championship on Sunday for his first PGA Tour title.

Rai closed with a 6-under 64, with the 29-year-old Englishman making a 6 1/2-foot birdie putt on the par-4 18th to post at 18-under 262 in the regular-season finale at Sedgefield Country Club.

"It truly is a dream come true," said Rai, a two-time winner on the European tour. "So many people have played a huge role in me being at this point."

Greyserman, the 29-year-old former Duke player, shot 69 to finish two strokes back on a day when everyone played 36 holes and some a few more in the event washed out by rain Thursday and delayed Friday and Saturday.

Rai was four strokes back after Greyserman holed out from 91 yards for eagle on the par-4 13th, then had an unexpected share of the lead a hole later when Greyserman drove out-of-bounds and made a quadruple-bogey 8 on 14.

"If that does not hit the cart path, we're probably in a different situation," Greyserman said. "That doesn't mean that that one bounce is the reason that I didn't win."

Greyserman — who shot 60 in the second round — birdied the par-5 15th to pull a shot ahead, then four-putted the par-3 16th for a double bogey and parred the last two holes.

"Played good enough to kind of run away with it," Greyserman said. "Obviously, stuff happens in golf that sometimes it's not meant to be."

Rai didn't know where he stood on the leaderboard during the round.

"I didn't really look and didn't ask to know that information," Rai said. "I think that was probably a good thing that helped me just to focus on the golf. I was playing well and I knew that if I finished off well, then you never know what can happen."

J.J. Spaun (64) and Ryo Hisatsune (67) tied for third at 15 under.

Amateur Luke Clanton bogeyed the final two holes for a 69 to tie for fifth with Austin Eckroat (67) at 14 under.

"It's exhausting. I'm exhausted," said Clanton, set to begin play Monday in the U.S. Amateur at Hazeltine in Minnesota. "Thirty-nine holes of golf is no joke."

Second-round leader Matt Kuchar was tied for 12th at 11 under when he elected to stop play on the 18th because of darkness. He will return Monday morning to finish.

Kuchar needed a victory to extend his FedEx Cup playoff streak. He was the only player to reach every previous post-season.

The top 70 on the points list qualified for the playoff opener next week in Tennessee. Victor Perez tied for 33rd to remain 70th.

Ames defends title: In Snoqualmie, Wash., Stephen Ames successfully defended his Boeing Classic title Sunday, birdieing the par-5 18th for a 5-under 67 and a one-stroke vic-

tory over Ernie Els, Steven Alker and Robert Karlsson

The 60-year-old Ames, a naturalized Canadian from Trinidad and Tobago, won his third PGA Tour Champions title of the season and ninth overall. He won four times on the PGA Tour.

He finished at 11-under 205 at The Club at Snoqualmie Ridge.

Els and Alker played alongside Ames, each shooting 68. Els also has three victories this season. Second-round leader Karlsson shot 75 in the final group.

McDowell suspended: Graeme McDowell has become the first LIV Golf player to be suspended under its anti-doping policy for using an over-the-counter decongestant that contained a banned substance.

The Saudi-funded league said McDowell, a former U.S. Open champion, would be suspended for one tournament and fined \$125,000. He will be replaced in the field at LIV Golf Greenbrier next week by an alternate.

McDowell posted on social media Sunday that he was struggling with severe congestion that affected his sleep before the LIV Golf Nashville event in Tennessee in June. In addition to the suspension and fine, McDowell has to forfeit his prize money from LIV Golf Nashville. He tied for 42nd against a 54-man field and earned \$127,500.

Malixi completes rare double: In Tulsa, Okla., Rianne Malixi beat Asterisk Talley 3 and 2 to win the U.S. Women's Amateur at Southern Hills, three weeks after routing



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Aaron Rai of England celebrates after making a birdie putt on the 18th hole that completed a 6-under 64 in the final round at the Wyndham Championship in Greensboro, N.C.

PGA TOUR WYNDHAM CHAMPIONSHIP (At Greensboro, N.C.) SUNDAY'S RESULTS Sedgefield CC, par 70. Final round, one player on course when round suspended for darkness. 262 (18 under). Aaron Rai: 65-68-64-264 (16 under). Max Greyserman: 69-66-69-265 (15 under). Ryo Hisatsune: 67-67-64-266 (14 under). a-Luke Clanton: 68-67-62-267 (13 under). Austin Eckroat: 64-72-64-268 (12 under). Eric Cole: 68-68-69-269 (11 under). Jacob Bridgeman: 68-64-67-270 (10 under). Charley Hoffman: 64-68-70-271 (9 under). Keegan Bradley: 69-64-67-272 (8 under). Nicolas Echavarria: 68-68-66-273 (7 under). Roger Sloan: 70-65-65-274 (6 under). Davis Thompson: 66-66-66-275 (5 under). Christiaan Bezuidenhout: 70-66-63-276 (4 under). Vince Whaley: 65-71-72-277 (3 under). Adam Hadwin: 66-67-68-278 (2 under). Mackenzie Hughes: 67-69-69-279 (1 under). Seamus Power: 66-70-69-280 (even). Matt Wallace: 69-66-70-281 (over). Gary Woodland: 68-67-67-282 (8 over). Zach Johnson: 68-67-68-283 (9 over). Justin Lower: 66-70-65-284 (10 over). Denny McCarthy: 68-68-70-285 (11 over). Victor Perez: 66-69-69-286 (12 over). Patrick Rodgers: 68-63-70-287 (13 over). Nick Hardy: 68-67-70-288 (14 over). Chandler Phillips: 67-69-71-289 (15 over). Davis Riley: 69-66-68-290 (16 over). Brice Garnett: 69-67-70-291 (17 over). Doug Ghim: 68-66-68-292 (18 over). Sungjae Im: 68-67-67-293 (19 over). Kyoung-Hoon Lee: 68-67-68-294 (20 over). Daniel Berger: 68-68-68-295 (21 over). Zac Blair: 73-63-70-296 (22 over). Cameron Champ: 67-69-68-297 (23 over). Brian Harman: 69-67-69-298 (24 over). Maverick McNealy: 67-68-69-299 (25 over). Ryan Moore: 67-69-70-300 (26 over). Martin Trainer: 70-64-69-301 (27 over). Jorge Campillo: 68-67-73-302 (28 over). Taylor Moore: 65-71-67-303 (29 over). Andrew Novak: 68-67-72-304 (30 over). Chad Ramey: 65-64-73-305 (31 over). Justin Suh: 65-66-71-306 (32 over). Ben Taylor: 64-70-68-307 (33 over). Kevin Tway: 69-65-70-308 (34 over). Emiliano Grillo: 69-66-72-309 (35 over). Nate Lashley: 67-69-67-310 (36 over). Pierceson Coody: 69-67-72-311 (37 over). Jhonattan Vegas: 70-66-72-312 (38 over). Vince Whaley: 65-71-72-313 (39 over). Joel Dahmen: 71-64-73-314 (40 over). Matti Schmid: 68-67-75-315 (41 over). Seonghyeon Kim: 69-66-73-316 (42 over). WITHDRAW: Michael Kim: 68-68-76-317 (43 over). PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS BOEING CLASSIC (At Snoqualmie, Wash.) SUNDAY'S FINAL RESULTS. Snoqualmie Ridge, par 72. 205 (11 under) \$330,000. Stephen Ames: 71-67-67-206 (10 under) \$161,333. Steven Alker: 66-72-68-207 (9 under) \$96,800. Ernie Els: 69-69-68-208 (8 under) \$96,800. Robert Karlsson: 66-65-75-209 (7 under) \$79,200. Kirk Triplett: 67-70-71-210 (6 under) \$58,080. Charlie Wi: 69-64-75-211 (5 under) \$39,600. Paul Stankowski: 69-71-69-212 (4 under) \$26,229. Michael Allen: 67-75-68-213 (3 under) \$17,857. Doug Barron: 74-69-67-214 (2 under) \$13,835. David Bransdon: 67-72-71-215 (1 under) \$10,376. Richard Green: 68-73-69-216 (even) \$7,932. Bernhard Langer: 72-69-69-217 (over) \$5,949. Stuart Appleby: 71-70-70-218 (over) \$4,462. Notah Begay: 72-71-68-219 (over) \$3,346. Keith Horne: 70-71-70-220 (over) \$2,509. John Senden: 73-73-65-221 (over) \$1,882. Woody Austin: 66-73-73-222 (over) \$1,411. K.J. Choi: 72-71-69-223 (over) \$1,058. Fred Couples: 70-71-71-224 (over) \$792. Ken Duke: 69-72-71-225 (over) \$594. Steve Flesch: 70-71-71-226 (over) \$445. Miguel Angel Jimenez: 73-70-69-227 (over) \$334. Rod Pampling: 74-67-71-228 (over) \$250. Mario Tiziani: 72-69-71-229 (over) \$188. Michael Wright: 72-69-71-230 (over) \$141. Brad Adonis: 74-71-68-231 (over) \$106. Billy Andrade: 71-69-73-232 (over) \$79. Angel Cabrera: 72-69-72-233 (over) \$59. Tim Herron: 71-71-71-234 (over) \$44. Scott Parel: 71-70-72-235 (over) \$33. Boo Weekley: 70-70-73-236 (over) \$25. Brian Davis: 70-74-70-237 (over) \$19. Paul Goydos: 70-73-71-238 (over) \$14. Billy Mayfair: 69-74-71-239 (over) \$11. Rocco Mediate: 70-74-70-240 (over) \$8. Timothy O'Neal: 70-74-70-241 (over) \$6. Tom Pernice: 68-76-70-242 (over) \$4. Kevin Sutherland: 73-73-68-243 (over) \$3.

Talley in the U.S. Girls' Junior final.

Last month in the U.S. Girls' Junior, the 17-year-old Malixi — from the Philippines — beat the 15-year-old Talley 8

and 7 at El Caballero in Tarzana, Calif., the largest championship-match blowout in tournament history.

Malixi is the second player to win both events in the same

year, joining Eun Jeong Seong in 2016. She has verbally committed to play at Duke, with plans to begin college play in 2025.

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EVAN GRANT

Early game slumbers dooming Rangers

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before they dug themselves holes of 6-1 and 8-3 that they nearly escaped with a two-out ninth-inning rally, they designated for assignment yet another reliever, announced more uncertainty about the starting rotation and pronounced that Jonah Heim is no longer the everyday starter at catcher. Then, despite putting the go-ahead run on base in the ninth, they came up short when Leody Taveras bounced out to second. It leaves them 7 1/2 games behind Houston with 44 to play.

It may be time to start thinking more about free agents and the offseason than about 2024. Even there they can't have a definitive plan. The biggest impending free agent on which the team must make a decision is GM Chris Young and, well, he can't make a decision on himself. That's owner Ray Davis' call. Davis said at the outset of the season and again in mid-year that he wants to retain Young long-term. There are six weeks left until Young, who already has a World Series title on his resumé, essentially becomes a free agent. Until the Rangers have resolution there, how can they do much planning beyond this season?

So they are left to try to figure out a way to make an historic type of comeback in a race that to date had refused to leave them behind. Even that appears to be changing. Houston, which won two of three in Arlington earlier in the week, won its fifth straight game Sunday. The Astros led at the end of 27 of 28 innings against the Rangers earlier in the week. It was clear they were a step ahead.

On Sunday, the Rangers looked like a team aware that time was running out and un-



John Munson/The Associated Press

Gleyber Torres dives across the plate as Rangers catcher Carson Kelly catches the late throw to give the Yankees a 6-1 lead in the bottom of the sixth inning. The Rangers put the go-ahead run on base in the ninth but lost 8-7.

Next five

Table with 5 columns: Day, Opponent, Time, TV, Starter, Opp. starter. Rows include Mon. at Boston, Tue. at Boston, Wed. at Boston, Thu. vs. Minnesota, Fri. vs. Minnesota.

All games broadcast on KRLL-105.3 FM and in Spanish on KFLC-1270 AM.

sure what to do about it. In the top of the first first inning, Corey Seager ran into an out at second trying to extend a single, which short-circuited an early rally. In the bottom of the first, Josh Jung made an errant throw on the first play of the game, which the Yankees turned into a run.

By the fifth, the Rangers

trailed 5-1 on a Giancarlo Stanton three-run homer off José Leclerc, who had replaced Andrew Heaney. The Rangers had walked AL home run leader Aaron Judge intentionally ahead of the homer. He was followed by Matt Festa, called up to replace injured Josh Sborz, who allowed a run, and trade deadline acquisition Andrew

Chafin, who allowed consecutive homers to Juan Soto and Judge.

"The bullpen had a tough day," Bochy said. "And that came back to get us."

The Rangers had shuffled the bullpen before the game, designating Brock Burke for assignment a day after he once again struggled.

And the Rangers will have to juggle things even more in the upcoming week. They will pull Jose Ureña out to face Boston on Tuesday and don't have a starter for Wednesday as they plan to skip Nathan Eovaldi, dealing with a sore side, at least

once.

The lack of offense, however, has been the season's prevalent issue. Early on, they scored early, but couldn't add runs against opponents' bullpens. Lately, they've fired blanks for the first half of the game. Sunday marked the 24th time this year they've failed to score in the first five innings.

"You just keep going for nine innings," Bochy said. "We'd love to get some runs early and play with the lead. That's a lot easier to do than trying to fight and come from behind. But it's a little bit of a rut that we're in. We've talked about it. If we had

Yankees 8, Rangers 7

Baseball score summary table for Yankees vs Rangers. Includes columns for AB, R, H, BI, BB, SO, Avg. and a detailed line-up for both teams.

1-ran for Lowe in the 9th.

E—Jung (1), Chisholm (1). LOB—Texas 10, New York 6. 2B—Seager (15), Smith (21), Wells (13). HR—Lowe (10), off Leiter; Kelly (1), off Leiter; Soto (29), off Heaney; Stanton (20), off Leclerc; Soto (30), off Chafin; Judge (42), off Chafin. RBIs—Seager (61), Lowe (47), Kelly 2 (4), Garcia (56), Stanton 4 (52), Soto 2 (82), LeMahieu (23), Judge (106). SB—Judge (6), Chisholm (4), Garcia (10). SF—Stanton, LeMahieu. Runners left in scoring position—Texas 5 (Taveras 2, Lowe, Jung, Seager); New York 3 (Volpe, Verdugo, Wells). RISP—Texas 3 for 11; New York 1 for 7. LIDP—Soto. GDP—Lowe. DP—Texas 1 (Lowe); New York 1 (Volpe, LeMahieu).

Pitching statistics table for the game, including IP, H, R, ER, BB, SO, NP, ERA for both teams.

Inherited runners scored—Leclerc 2-2, Chafin 1-0, Cousins 1-0, Kahnle 1-1, Holmes 1-0. IBB—off Heaney (Judge). Umpires—Home, Vic Carapazza; First, Tom Hanahan; Second, Adam Hamari; Third, Edwin Moscoss.

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a silver bullet about why, we'd definitely do something about it."

Nathaniel Lowe, who hit into a double play in the fourth and struck out with two on to end the sixth, was a prime example. He homered off reliever Mark Leiter Jr. in the eighth to cut the margin to 8-4. In the ninth, with two outs and a runner on base, he worked his way to a two-out, 10-pitch walk as the tying run.

"I'm as guilty as anybody," he said. "I've left a lot of guys out there. They've made some tough pitches. But it's added up to a lot of outs, instead of runs. I just don't have an answer."

The season has reached that point for the Rangers.

They are out of answers. And, it appears, out of time.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

# ESD alum seeks to mitigate concussion risks

### Brother's head injury was catalyst for Hogg's head-covering idea

By SOPHIA VESELY  
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Carter Hogg's concussion-prevention idea began as a sketch on a notecard. Then, he graduated to a miniature prototype he tried out on some action figures he found in a dusty box in storage.

His invention evolved into a life-sized product for football players to wear during games to reduce the risk of serious head injuries. His company, G8RTech (pronounced gator tech), developed the G8RSkin and a newer model, the Shiesty, a padded balaclava that is worn underneath helmets. Football players at seven Dallas-Fort Worth high schools tested the product this spring.

Hogg, a 2022 Episcopal School of Dallas graduate and a junior defensive back at Johns Hopkins in Maryland, was inspired to join the protective equipment game after his older brother, FJ Hogg, suffered a career-ending concussion and a traumatic brain injury as a linebacker for Washington and Lee in Virginia. It took two years for FJ to recover.

Hogg's initial design looked like a medieval helmet a knight would wear into battle. After redesigning prototypes his senior year at ESD and in his first year of college, Hogg came up with the original G8RSkin, which launched in May 2023.

After laboratory testing, Hogg initiated a 100-athlete pilot program to gain feedback. He also wore the product during Johns Hopkins' football season last fall.

"Definitely had a couple hits where if I wasn't wearing it, I would not have been OK,"



2021 File Photo/Smiley N. Pool

Hogg said.

He described one play in which he collided with a teammate who had to be carried off the field, while he was able to continue playing.

"I can only imagine what it would have been like without it," he said of the G8RSkin.

Other athletes had similar comments about its ability to protect, Hogg said, but many said the concussion cap was too heavy and made it difficult to hear.

"Being an athlete myself, it was really important to make sure it's not just something that's protective, but that's actually practical to wear," Hogg said. "Admittedly, the first version wasn't quite there yet, but we thought it was still important to get people wearing it."

Hogg designed the G8RSkin Shiesty, which is a third of the weight of the original, at just eight ounces, and

has a lower profile because it does not extend down the chest. It pulls over the head and includes perforations over the ears for unobstructed hearing on the field.

The modified cap even scored higher than the original in testing that measured its reduction in concussion risk at 79% on the upper side of the head. The Southern Impact Research Center delivered repeated blows to a crash test dummy head wearing the product.

### Tested in Texas

Hogg also tested the Shiesty this spring on about 80 players from seven Dallas-area high school football teams: Allen, Wylie, Garland, Sachse, Mesquite, Midlothian Heritage and Highland Park.

The feedback Hogg received was exponentially better, aesthetically and perfor-

mance-wise, than the original G8RSkin.

"It's a great idea," Midlothian Heritage head coach Eric Edwards said. "They have a lot of studies that would make it a no-brainer that everybody should wear it, but I also know it is going to be hot with that padding."

Hogg said the Shiesty features a built-in pocket for cooling gel packs along the neckline to prevent players from getting too hot.

Wylie senior running back Josh Osborne, in a testimonial video for G8RTech, said the concussion cap feels comfortable and that he didn't notice a difference while wearing it.

"I do actually like it a lot," he said. "We got into contact the other day. First play, head-to-head contact. I really didn't feel anything. It was really nice."

The Shiesty costs \$99 on G8RTech's website and comes

in sizes small to extra large.

After players tried it in the spring, Edwards said he provided flyers and information on the cap to parents and said they could purchase it for the upcoming season. He said he won't know until practice starts Monday if anyone plans to wear it.

"If I end up having a couple guys that really like it, and they want to wear it, then I would go about buying it and getting it for those few kids," he said.

### Increasing numbers

Hogg said he hopes the preventive gear will curb the decline of youth participation in football, hockey and other helmet sports. Since 2016, tackle football participation rates for kids ages 6 to 12 have decreased 29%, according to the Aspen Institute's Project Play 2022 analysis.

"Just knowing what those

sports can do in developing you as a person and all the lessons you get taught, it's super important to be able to preserve those sports," Hogg said, "and let people continue to play them just in a safer environment without having to erode the foundation of what makes them so great."

The Johns Hopkins student is also concerned with protecting football players after their careers end. In a 2023 study by Boston University's Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE) Center, 345 out of the 376 former NFL players (91.8%) studied had CTE, a neurodegenerative disease caused by repeated concussions and traumatic brain injuries.

"How are you when you are 30, 40, 60 [years old]?" Hogg said. "Are you still able to do things that you would normally want to do? Are you able to function on an everyday basis? What we can do to make things safer is the best way to go about it."

Hogg plans to continue improving the Shiesty. The company is also releasing a neck laceration protector for youth hockey players, a new USA Hockey requirement, and considering other forms of protective gear, such as shoulder pads.

"There is a lot that can be done with protective equipment," Hogg said. "It's been pretty stagnant in a lot of areas."

"Helmets have seen a lot of development here in the last decade, if you just look at the progress of what I was wearing in middle school compared to what people are wearing now, but that's because of people really shining a light on the issue and those companies really being forced to innovate. I don't think you've truly seen that with a lot of these other products."

## NASCAR

# Dillon pushes way into playoffs

### Ranked 32nd, driver secures first Cup Series win in nearly two years

By NOAH TRISTER  
The Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Austin Dillon raced to his first NASCAR Cup Series victory in nearly two years, sending Joey Logano into a spin on the final lap to win in overtime at Richmond on Sunday night.

It was Dillon's first win since Aug. 28, 2022, at Daytona. He had just two top-10 finishes this year and entered the race ranked 32nd in the standings. Now he's on track for the post-season — but he didn't do it gently.

"I hate to do that, but sometimes you just got to have it,"

Dillon said.

Dillon appeared to be cruising to a victory when Ricky Stenhouse Jr. and Ryan Preece collided, forcing the first caution of the entire 400-lap, 300-mile race aside from the pre-scheduled ones after the end of the first two stages.

So the drivers went to overtime, and Logano clearly got the better of Dillon on the restart. Then Dillon came up behind Logano and spun him — and when Denny Hamlin appeared to be moving past him on the inside, Dillon made contact with him too and sent him into the wall.

Dillon emerged from all that chaos with a victory in his No. 3 Chevrolet. That number was famously driven — often aggressively — by Dale Earn-

hardt. And that symmetry did not appear lost on seven-time Cup champion Jimmie Johnson, who weighed in on social media.

"Dale Sr vibes," Johnson said.

Logano, unsurprisingly, was in no mood to shrug off Dillon's move.

"It's ridiculous that that's the way we race. Unbelievable," Logano said. "I get bump and runs. I do that. I would expect it. But from four car lengths back, he was never going to make the corner. And then he wrecks the other car. He wrecks the 11 to go with it. What a piece of crap."

The 11 — Hamlin — wasn't pleased either.

"He's going to be credited with the win, but obviously he's

just not going to go far," Hamlin said. "You've got to pay your dues back on stuff like that. But it's worth it, because they jump 20 positions in points. So I understand all that. There's no ill will there. I get it. I just hate I was a part of it. It would have been fun if I was not one of the two guys that got taken out on the last corner."

Dillon appeared on his way to a much less controversial victory after passing Hamlin for the lead with 29 laps to go. This was the first time in a points-paying Cup race that teams had multiple tire options. The "Option" tires were softer, giving drivers a speed boost but less longevity than the "Prime" tires. Teams had only two sets of Option tires for the race.

## NASCAR CUP SERIES COOK OUT 400

(At Richmond, Va.)  
SUNDAY'S RESULTS  
Richmond Raceway: Lap length: .75 miles  
(Start position in parentheses)

- (6) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 408 laps, 50 points.
- (1) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 408, 52.
- (10) Tyler Reddick, Toyota, 408, 40.
- (8) Bubba Wallace, Toyota, 408, 42.
- (22) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 408, 32.
- (5) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 408, 50.
- (15) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 408, 30.
- (19) Carson Hocevar, Chevrolet, 408, 31.
- (4) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 408, 34.
- (21) Daniel Suárez, Chevrolet, 408, 37.
- (11) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 408, 26.
- (12) Kyle Busch, Chevrolet, 408, 25.
- (13) William Byron, Chevrolet, 408, 24.
- (3) Josh Berry, Ford, 408, 24.
- (28) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 408, 21.
- (23) Todd Gilliland, Ford, 408, 20.
- (7) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet, 408, 32.
- (9) Joey Logano, Ford, 408, 32.
- (16) Noah Gragson, Ford, 407, 17.
- (25) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 407, 16.
- (14) Ty Gibbs, Toyota, 407, 15.
- (20) Zane Smith, Chevrolet, 407, 14.
- (18) Austin Cindric, Ford, 407, 13.
- (26) Ryan Preece, Ford, 407, 12.
- (30) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 407, 0.
- (27) Justin Haley, Ford, 406, 10.
- (17) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 406, 9.

### RACE STATISTICS

Average Speed of Race Winner: 100.155 mph.  
Time of Race: 3 hours, 3 minutes, 19 seconds.  
Margin of Victory: Under Caution.  
Caution Flags: 4 for 26 laps.  
Lead Changes: 26 among 9 drivers.  
Lap Leaders: D. Hamlin 0-45; C. Bell 46-80; D. Hamlin 81-83; C. Bell 84; D. Hamlin 85-92; D. Suárez 93-121; D. Hamlin 122-123; C. Elliott 124-126; K. Larson 127-143; C. Bell 144-176; C. Elliott 177; T. Reddick 178-185; D. Suárez 186-235; C. Bell 236-281; C. Elliott 282; D. Suárez 283-292; D. Hamlin 293-332; A. Dillon 333-346; D. Hamlin 347-371; A. Dillon 372-400; D. Hamlin 401; A. Dillon 402-405; J. Logano 406-407; A. Dillon 408.

### Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led):

D. Hamlin, 7 times for 124 laps; C. Bell, 5 times for 122 laps; D. Suárez, 4 times for 93 laps; A. Dillon, 4 times for 35 laps; K. Larson, 1 time for 17 laps; T. Reddick, 1 time for 8 laps; C. Elliott, 3 times for 5 laps; C. Hocevar, 1 time for 2 laps; J. Logano, 1 time for 2 laps.

## WTA NATIONAL BANK OPEN

(at Toronto)  
SUNDAY'S RESULTS  
Surface: Hardcourt outdoor

- WOMEN'S SINGLES SEMIFINAL
- Amanda Anisimova, United States, d. Emma Navarro (8), United States, 6-3, 2-6, 6-2.  
Jessica Pegula (3), United States, d. Diana Shnaider (14), Russia, 6-4, 6-3.
- WOMEN'S DOUBLES SEMIFINAL
- Desiree Krawczyk and Caroline Dolehide (3), United States, d. Bethanie Mattek-Sands and Sofia Kenin (7), United States, 6-2, 3-6, 10-7.

# Scoreboard

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## BASEBALL

### PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Sugar Land	24	16	.632	—
Round Rock	18	20	.474	6
Albuquerque	17	21	.447	7
Oklahoma City	16	23	.410	8½
El Paso	15	24	.385	9½

WEST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Salt Lake	22	16	.579	2
Salt Lake	22	17	.564	2½
Tacoma	22	17	.564	2½
Reno	20	18	.526	4
Sacramento	16	22	.421	8

### SUNDAY'S RESULTS

at Oklahoma City	3	Round Rock	0
Las Vegas	10	at Salt Lake	6
Tacoma	8	at Reno	4
at Sugar Land	1	El Paso	0
Sacramento	0	at Albuquerque	0

### TUESDAY'S GAMES

Albuquerque	at Round Rock	7:05
Sugar Land	at Tacoma	2:05
Reno	at El Paso	7:35
Salt Lake	at Sacramento	8:45
Oklahoma City	at Las Vegas	9:05

## TEXAS LEAGUE

SOUTH	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco	24	15	.615	—
Midland	23	16	.590	1
San Antonio	23	20	.474	5½
Amarillo	17	22	.436	7
Corpus Christi	12	26	.316	11½

## NORTH

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Springfield	23	16	.590	—
Arkansas	22	17	.564	1
NW Arkansas	20	18	.526	2½
Tulsa	18	20	.474	4½
Wichita	16	23	.410	7

### SUNDAY'S RESULTS

at Midland	4	Frisco	1
Tulsa	4	at Arkansas	3
Wichita	10	at Corp. Christi	1
San Antonio	5	at Springfield	4
NW Arkansas	6	at Amarillo	4

### TUESDAY'S GAMES

Springfield	at Frisco	7:05
Midland	at Tulsa	7:00
Corp. Christi	at NW Arkansas	7:05
Arkansas	at Wichita	7:05
Amarillo	at San Antonio	7:05

### SUNDAY'S BOX SCORE

Midland 4	Roughriders 1		
Frisco	ab r h bi Midland ab r h bi		
Rodriguez ss	3 0 0 0	Clarke cf	3 1 1 0
Hatcher lf	4 0 2 0	Milone 1b	4 0 2 2
Acosta 2b	4 0 1 0	Bolte rf	3 0 0 0
Johnson c	4 1 1 0	Winkler 3b	4 0 0 0
Zavala dh	3 0 0 0	Susac c	4 0 0 0
Mitchell 1b	4 0 0 0	Groshans 2b	4 1 2 0
Matech 1b	4 0 0 0	Buehler lf	1 1 0 0
Matech 1b	4 0 2 0	Rosario dh	3 0 0 0
Matech 1b	3 0 0 0	Angles ss	4 1 2 2
Totals	33 1 7 1	Totals	30 4 7 4

### TOTALS

Frisco	000 100 000	— 1 7 2	
Midland	001 000 12x	— 4 7 0	
2B—	Johnson; Groshans, Milone.	SB—	Hatcher-2, Acosta; Clarke; E—
Trudeau	3P	H R ER BB SO	50
Frisco	1P	1 1 0 2 3	

## TRANSACTIONS

### BASEBALL

**NEW YORK YANKEES**—Sent **C Jose Trevino** to Somerset (EL) on a rehab assignment. Reinstated RHP **McGough** to Reno.

**COLORADO ROCKIES**—Placed RHP **Dalton Hudson** on the 15-day IL. Selected the contract of LHP **Josh Rogers** from Albuquerque (PCL).

**LOS ANGELES DODGERS**—Placed RHP **River Ryan** on the 15-day IL. Recalled RHP **Landon Knack** from Oklahoma City (PCL).

**MILWAUKEE BREWERS**—Reinstated LHP **DL Hall** from the 60-day IL. Placed LHP **Hoby Milner** on the 15-day IL, retroactive to Aug. 9. Transferred RHP **Enoli Paredes** to the 60-day IL.

**PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES**—Designated RHP **Nick Nelson** for assignment. Optioned RHP **Kyle Tyler** to Lehigh Valley (IL). Claimed RHP **Kyle Tyler** off waivers from Miami. Assigned RHP **Max Castillo** outright to Lehigh Valley.

**ST. LOUIS CARDINALS**—Designated RHP **Nick Robertson** for assignment. Reinstated RHP **Riley O'Brien** from the 60-day IL. Optioned RHP **Riley O'Brien** to Memphis (IL).

**SAN DIEGO PADRES**—Recalled RHP **Sean Reynolds** from El Paso (PCL). Optioned RHP **Jhony Brito** to El Paso.

**ATLANTA FALCONS**—Signed QB **John Paddock**, WR **Jakeem Grant** and RB **Spencer Brown**. Waived QB **Nathan Rourke**. Placed OLB **Braley Trice** and CB **Harrison Hand** on injured reserve.

**BALTIMORE RAVENS**—Signed WR **Anthony Miller** and P **Jack Browning**. Waived G **Tykeem Doss** and LS **Randen Plattner**.

**CAROLINA PANTHERS**—Waived C **Harrison**

## BASEBALL

Sent LHP **Blake Walston** to Reno (PCL) on a rehab assignment. Optioned RHP **Scott McGough** to Reno.

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## BASEBALL

Mazatlan ..... 2 DC United ..... 1  
Philadelphia ..... 2 CF Montreal ..... 0  
St. Louis ..... 3 Portland ..... 2  
Colorado ..... 3 FC Juarez ..... 1  
America ..... 2 Atlas ..... 1  
Toluca ..... 2 Houston ..... 2

Toluca advances 6-4 on penalties  
FC Cincinnati ..... 1 Santos ..... 1  
FC Cincinnati advances 6-5 on penalties  
NYC FC ..... 1 New England ..... 1  
NYC FC advances 7-6 on penalties  
Cruz Azul ..... 0 Orlando City ..... 0  
Cruz Azul advances 5-4 on penalties

## ROUND OF 16

Seattle	vs. Pumas	9:30
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## TENNIS

### ATP NATIONAL BANK OPEN

(at Montreal)  
SUNDAY'S RESULTS  
Surface: Hardcourt outdoor

### MEN'S SINGLES QUARTERFINAL

Sebastian Korda, United States, d. Alexander Zverev (2), Germany, 7-6 (5), 1-6, 6-4.  
Alexei Popyrin, Australia, d. Hubert Hurkacz (4), Poland, 3-6, 7-6 (5), 7-5.

### MEN'S SINGLES SEMIFINAL

Andy Rublev (5), Russia, d. Matteo Arnaldi, Italy, 6-4, 6-2.  
Alexei Popyrin, Australia, d. Sebastian Korda, United States, 7-6 (0), 6-3.

### WOMEN'S DOUBLES SEMIFINAL

Rajeev Ram, United States, and Joe Salisbury

## BASKETBALL

### WNBA

WESTERN	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	17	8	.680	—
Seattle	17	8	.680	—
Las Vegas	16	8	.667	½
Phoenix	13	12	.520	4
Los Angeles	6	18	.250	10½
Dallas	6	19	.240	11

### EASTERN

W	L	Pct.	GB	
New York	21	4	.840	—
Connecticut	18	6	.750	2½
Indiana				

# Paris Summer Olympics

## MEDAL COUNT

# Bragging rights go down to final event

United States wins overall medal count, ties China for gold

By JENNA FRYER  
The Associated Press

PARIS — The U.S. women's basketball team held off France on Sunday to win gold in the final event of the Paris Olympics, and that hardware was needed for the Americans to tie China for the most with 40.

The U.S. easily won the total medal count with 126. Aside from the 40 gold, the Americans won 42 silver and 44 bronze.

"I saw the medal count beforehand so I knew," said U.S. women's coach Cheryl Reeve, who thought to herself, "that's what we need — more pressure."

The U.S. lost a bronze medal Sunday when the International Olympic Committee said it was reallocating the bronze given to Jordan Chiles in the women's floor final to Romanian Ana Barbosu. U.S. Olympic officials are appealing.

China came in second in the

SUMMER OLYMPIC MEDALS				329 of 329 total events					
Nation	G	S	B	Tot	Nation	G	S	B	Tot
United States	40	44	42	126	Ecuador	1	2	2	5
China	40	27	24	91	Mexico	0	3	2	5
Britain	14	22	29	65	Bahrain	2	1	1	4
France	16	26	22	64	Hong Kong	2	0	2	4
Australia	18	19	16	53	Philippines	2	0	2	4
Japan	20	12	13	45	Ethiopia	1	3	0	4
Italy	12	13	15	40	Portugal	1	2	1	4
Netherlands	15	7	12	34	Armenia	0	3	1	4
Germany	12	13	8	33	Colombia	0	3	1	4
South Korea	13	9	10	32	Lithuania	0	2	2	4
Canada	9	7	11	27	Moldova	0	1	3	4
New Zealand	10	7	3	20	Slovenia	2	1	0	3
Brazil	3	7	10	20	Algeria	2	0	1	3
Hungary	6	7	6	19	Indonesia	2	0	1	3
Spain	5	4	9	18	Argentina	1	1	1	3
Uzbekistan	8	2	3	13	Egypt	1	1	1	3
Iran	3	6	3	12	Tunisia	1	1	1	3
Ukraine	3	5	4	12	Dominican Republic	1	0	2	3
Sweden	4	4	3	11	Tajikistan	0	0	3	3
Kenya	4	2	5	11	Botswana	1	1	0	2
Belgium	3	1	6	10	Chile	1	1	0	2
Poland	1	4	5	10	Saint Lucia	1	1	0	2
Romania	3	4	2	9	Uganda	1	1	0	2
Denmark	2	2	5	9	Guatemala	1	0	1	2
Cuba	2	1	6	9	Morocco	1	0	1	2
Norway	4	1	3	8	Kosovo	0	1	1	2
Switzerland	1	2	5	8	Albania	0	0	2	2
Greece	1	1	6	8	Grenada	0	0	2	2
Turkey	0	3	5	8	Malaysia	0	0	2	2
Ireland	4	0	3	7	Puerto Rico	0	0	2	2
Georgia	3	3	1	7	Dominica	1	0	0	1
Bulgaria	3	1	3	7	Pakistan	1	0	0	1
Azerbaijan	2	2	3	7	Cyprus	0	1	0	1
Croatia	2	2	3	7	Fiji	0	1	0	1
Taiwan	2	0	5	7	Jordan	0	1	0	1
Israel	1	5	1	7	Nongolia	0	1	0	1
Kazakhstan	1	3	3	7	Panama	0	1	0	1
Jamaica	1	3	2	6	Cape Verde	0	0	1	1
South Africa	1	3	2	6	Ivory Coast	0	0	1	1
Thailand	1	3	2	6	Peru	0	0	1	1
North Korea	0	2	4	6	Qatar	0	0	1	1
Kyrgyzstan	0	2	4	6	Refugee Olympic Team	0	0	1	1
India	0	1	5	6	Singapore	0	0	1	1
Serbia	3	1	1	5	Slovakia	0	0	1	1
Czech Republic	3	0	2	5	Zambia	0	0	1	1
Austria	2	0	3	5					

total medal race with 91. China won 40 gold, 27 silver and 24 bronze. Japan was a distant third with 20 gold medals, 45

overall. Great Britain won 65 medals, but only 14 were gold for an overall ranking of seventh.



Ricardo Mazalan/The Associated Press

Jennifer Valente won one of two gold medals the United States needed to tie China for most at the Paris Olympics with 40. Valente defended her title in omnium cycling.

The medal rankings are done by gold, and the last time the U.S. didn't top the standings was at the Beijing Olympics in 2008, when the Americans finished second to China, 48-36.

The U.S. has won the most overall medals in eight consecutive Summer Games. The last time the Americans failed to top the medal leaderboard was the Barcelona Olympics in 1992. The "Unified Team" featuring athletes from ex-Soviet republics won both the most golds (45) and total medals (112), while the Americans

were second in both categories with 37 golds and 108 medals.

The U.S. had been battling with China for the lead in gold medals the last several days and entered Sunday, the final day of competition, trailing China 39-38.

China picked up an early gold medal Sunday when Li Wenwen won the top medal in women's 81kg weightlifting. The U.S. followed with another gold when Jennifer Valente defended her women's omnium title in track cycling.

It then came down to the women's basketball game, and

the U.S. won gold for the eighth consecutive time.

The United States won a total of five medals on Sunday, including a silver in women's freestyle 76kg (wrestling), a team silver in women's volleyball and a bronze in men's water polo.

Three years ago at the Tokyo Olympics, the U.S. beat China with 39 gold medals to 38. The U.S. won 113 medals in Tokyo. The Americans were far more dominant at the Rio Olympics in 2016, when they won 46 gold medals to 27 for Great Britain 26 for China.

## BRIEFS

# Valente caps best cycling showing in four decades

U.S. women win silver in volleyball; Men take bronze in water polo

MONTIGNY-LE-BRETONNEUX, France — Jennifer Valente rolled around the Velodrome National de Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines one last time with the American flag held aloft Sunday, a dominant defense of her Olympic omnium title giving her a second gold medal in a span of four days.

The Stars and Stripes flew often after cycling events at the Paris Games.

The Americans won three gold medals and six in all for their best showing at the Olympics in four decades, and Valente capped everything off in style. The 29-year-old from San Diego finished with 144 points in the final event of the cycling program, well ahead of Daria Pikulik of Poland and Ally Wollaston of New Zealand, who rounded out the omnium podium.

"It's been a really long week of racing," Valente said. "I raced [team pursuit] qualifying over a week ago, and we had some really good performances, so to pull it off on the last day, I'm really excited."

Kristen Faulkner also captured two gold medals in Paris, winning the Olympic road race and joining Valente and teammates Lily Williams and Chloe Dygert in winning the team pursuit. The three gold medals and six total won by the Americans are their most since the team won four gold medals and nine total at the 1984 Los Angeles Games.

Earlier in the final session of cycling, Harrie Lavreysen of the Netherlands won his third gold medal of the Paris Games by holding off Australians Matthew Glaetzer and Matthew Richardson in the finals of the men's keirin, and Ellesse Andrews of New Zealand captured her second gold and third medal overall by sweeping Lea Friedrich of Germany in the sprint finals.

**Italy leads U.S. volleyball repeat:** Monica De Gennaro of Italy made three previous trips to the Olympics only to leave empty-handed each time.

Finally, at age 37, she's going home with the gold.



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Thea LaFond of Dominica wears Olympic ring glasses as she carries her country's flag into the stadium during closing ceremonies for the 2024 Paris Summer Olympics.

Italy beat the defending champion U.S. team Sunday to win gold in women's volleyball at the Paris Olympics.

"It feels special," she said. "It's the dream of every player to play in the final of the Olympics and win it. It is something unique. We worked so hard for so many years to be able to reach this final."

When Italy scored the match point to end it, many of the players collapsed to the court, then began hugging in a huge scrum. Together they tossed De Gennaro into the air.

The victory came in straight sets, 25-18, 25-20, 25-17. The Italians ended a dominant tournament having lost just one set.

It's the first medal in the sport for top-ranked Italy and sends the Americans home in disappointment after they won their first Olympic title in Tokyo. It's a huge win for the Italians, whose previous best Olympic finish was fifth.

U.S. coach Karch Kiraly changed the lineup after a five-set loss to China on July 29 to start group-stage play. He moved veterans Jordan Larson and Kelsey Robinson Cook to the bench in favor of Avery Skinner and Kathryn Plummer.

The move worked, and the team defeated Serbia the next

time out to get back on track. But on Sunday, it wasn't enough to get past the mighty Italian team and repeat as champions.

**U.S. men medal in water polo for first time since 2008:** Adrian Weinberg made 16 saves in regulation and denied Vince Vignari in the penalty shootout, helping the United States beat Hungary 11-8 on Sunday for the bronze medal in men's water polo at the Paris Olympics.

It's the first medal for the U.S. men since the team lost to Hungary in the final of the 2008 Olympics. The U.S. also won bronze when Paris last hosted in 1924.

Ben Hallock had two goals for the U.S., which bounced back after losing to Serbia in the semifinals.

"This is going to be the second-happiest day of my life, because I'm getting married in 20 days, so it's a pretty good second," U.S. attacker Alex Bowen said. "Maybe it'll hold that until I have a kid. Busy summer."

Gergo Zalanki and Denes Varga each had two goals for Hungary, the winningest men's water polo program in history. Hungary took home the bronze at the Tokyo Games.

"In Hungary, we have a strong legacy in water polo," Varga said. "If we don't win,

there is a great disappointment."

Hungary opened an 8-6 lead on Daniel Angyal's goal with 3:22 left. But the U.S. rallied with man-up goals by Bowen and Hannes Daube.

Daube, Max Irving and Bowen converted their opportunities in the penalty shootout, and Hungary was shut out in the tiebreaker. Varga hit the cage before Vignari was turned away by Weinberg. When Gergo Zalanki hit the cage again, it was over.

As the U.S. coaches and players celebrated wildly — on the sideline and in the pool — Bruce Springsteen's "Born in the U.S.A." played on the sound system at Paris La Defense Arena. Coach Dejan Udovicic waved his arms in the air to fire up the U.S. fans in the crowd.

"It's 11 years I was waiting for this," said Udovicic, who took over the U.S. program in 2013.

**Hassan concludes monster meet with gold:** Nobody will ever accuse Sifan Hassan of taking the easy route at the Olympics.

Heading into the last 150 meters of her 10-day Olympic odyssey that spanned three events and 38 miles, the Netherlands' runner traded elbows with Tigst Assefa of Ethiopia, and then sprinted by her to win the last track event of the Paris

Games.

Hassan added gold to the bronze medals she won in the 5,000 and 10,000 meters.

"I feel like I am dreaming. At the end, I thought, 'This is just a 100-meter sprint. Come on, Sifan. One more. Just feel it,'" Hassan said. "Every step I challenged myself, and now I am so grateful."

Hassan raised her hands and yelled as she crossed the line, before wrapping the Dutch flag around her head. Then, taking in the enormity of her win, Hassan plunged her head in her hands and appeared to weep with joy.

The finish had everything: suspense, speed, grit and feistiness, all against the stunning backdrop of a golden dome glittering under the morning sun.

Hassan, an Ethiopia native, finished in an Olympic record time of 2 hours, 22 minutes, 55 seconds. Assefa won silver, three seconds behind, and Kenya's Hellen Obiri took the bronze.

The Ethiopian team lodged a protest to have Hassan disqualified for obstruction, but it was rejected by the Jury of Appeal. It looked as if Assefa was blocking Hassan before they traded elbows.

Hassan did not attend the post-race news conference, where Assefa said she would have won if Hassan hadn't impeded her.

"I didn't expect at that moment it would happen. Maybe at that moment, if she didn't push me I would have the gold," Assefa said through a translator. "But anyway, I'm so happy for her that she gets the gold medal."

Assefa declined to specify if she asked for the protest or if it was the Ethiopian team on its own.

"I can't say anything, but she is a good athlete," Assefa replied.

By simply completing the marathon, the 31-year-old Hassan ran more than 38 miles. She now has six Olympic medals. In Tokyo, Hassan won the 5,000 and 10,000, and finished third in the 1,500.

"She has shown the world that she can do everything," Obiri said. "People say it's impossible, but she's done it. So I say 'Big up' for her."

**Party closes Paris Olympics:** Setting out to prove that topping Paris isn't mission impossible, Los Angeles rolled out a skydiving Tom Cruise, Grammy winner Billie Eilish and other stars on Sunday as it took over Olympic hosting duties from the French capital, which closed out its 2024 Games just as they started — with joy and panache.

Capping two and a half extraordinary weeks of Olympic sports and emotion, Paris' boisterous, star-studded closing ceremony in France's national stadium mixed unbridled celebration with a somber call for peace from International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach.

Following in Paris' footsteps in 2028 promises to be a challenge: It made spectacular use of its cityscape for its first Games in 100 years, with the Eiffel Tower and other iconic monuments becoming Olympic stars in their own right as they served as backdrops and venues for medal-winning feats.

But the City of Angels, like the City of Light, showed that it, too, holds some aces.

Cruise — in his Ethan Hunt persona — wowed by descending from the top of the stadium to electric guitar "Mission: Impossible" riffs. Once his feet were back on the ground — and after shaking hands with enthralled athletes — he took the Olympic flag from star gymnast Simone Biles, fixed it to the back of a motorcycle and roared out of the arena.

The appetite-whetting message was clear: Los Angeles 2028 promises to be an eye-opener, too.

Still, this was largely Paris' night — its opportunity for its final party. And what a party it was. Thousands of athletes danced and sang the night away — reveling in the artistic show that celebrated Olympic themes and its fireworks flourishes.

Even Bach got the party bug, jokingly calling the Paris Games "Seine-sational" — a nod to the Seine River that, despite water quality concerns, staged Olympic triathlon and marathon swimming and the wacky and wonderful opening ceremony.

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# Paris Summer Olympics

## WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS

# U.S. fights to keep Chiles' bronze

Federation submitting video evidence it says will support appeal

By THUC NHI NGUYEN  
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PARIS — USA Gymnastics is not letting Jordan Chiles give up her bronze medal without a fight.

Hours after the International Olympic Committee ruled that the U.S. gymnast should return her medal because of a score change, USA Gymnastics will now submit a new appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport arguing that everything was done correctly the first time.

According to a statement released by USAG on Sunday night, the federation will sub-

mit video evidence that shows U.S. head coach Cecile Landi filed an inquiry 47 seconds after Chiles' score was published, which is within the one-minute time window. The Romanian Gymnastics Federation initially got the inquiry voided with an appeal to the CAS claiming that the inquiry was filed one minute and four seconds after the score was posted.

In a statement, USA Gymnastics said its time-stamped video was not available before the first decision.

The competition took place Aug. 5 and the CAS upheld the Romanian petition Saturday, voiding the inquiry that gave Chiles an additional one-tenth in difficulty value that pushed her from fifth to third place. The International Gymnastics



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**American Jordan Chiles** had won the bronze medal in floor exercise in Paris but was reranked after a score inquiry that was deemed late moved her to fifth place.

Federation reranked the gymnasts after the decision, putting Romania's Ana Barbosu into bronze medal position with a

13.700, but left it up to the IOC to reallocate the medals. The organization got in touch with the U.S. Olympic and Paralymp-

pic Committee to facilitate a return of Chiles' medal.

Since winning her third Olympic medal — her first individual Olympic medal — on Monday, Chiles has returned to the United States, where her post-Games media tour included a stop at the Nasdaq composite, on the *Today* show to announce her return to UCLA, and a conversation with Elmo.

Chiles was the last gymnast to compete in the floor exercise final, and her coaches had one minute to inquire about her score after it was posted. The inquiry submitted on behalf of Chiles added one-tenth to her score, moving her into third place with a 13.766, after judges decided she should have gotten full credit on a leap that involved a 540-degree turn in the

air. "All this talk about the athlete, what about the judges?? Completely unacceptable," U.S. teammate Suni Lee posted on an Instagram story. "This is awful and I'm gutted for Jordan. I got your back forever Jo. U have all my flowers and you will ALWAYS be an Olympic champion."

Chiles helped the United States to team gold in Paris and competed all-around in the team final. She also has a silver medal in the team competition from Tokyo.

"Sending you so much love Jordan," Simone Biles posted in an Instagram story with a photo of her hugging Chiles after the floor competition. "Keep your chin up Olympic champ! We love you!"



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**Brittney Griner (back)** celebrates with a coach after a win over France in the women's gold medal basketball game.

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

# Griner: 'This one meant a lot to me'

Wins gold for U.S. 612 days after Russian prison exchange

By DOUG FEINBERG  
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PARIS — Standing on the medal stand with her third gold medal draped around her neck, Brittney Griner looked at the U.S. flag with tears streaming down her cheeks during the national anthem.

She didn't wipe them away until after the anthem ended, never trying to hide how she feels representing her country 612 days after the U.S. got the American star home after 10 months in a Russian prison.

Not with all that this moment meant.

Griner didn't think she'd have this chance again.

"This one meant a lot to me," Griner said after the U.S. held off France 67-66 to win an unprecedented eighth straight gold medal in women's basketball Sunday. "I mean, just having a chance to play for gold, represent my country, what my country did for me? Yeah, this is the highest on the pinnacle right here."

This gold medal victory capped a long road back for Griner, who was sitting in a Russian penal colony two years ago not sure if she would ever get home again, let alone play basketball or compete in a third Olympics being held in Europe so close to Russia.

She had been sentenced to nine years behind bars for drug possession and smuggling in Russia, spending 10 months in jail before she was part of a high-profile prisoner exchange in December 2022. Griner, a Phoenix Mercury center who was playing basketball in Russia during the WNBA offseason when she was detained, said she would never play internationally again except with USA Basketball.

Now, Griner has her third gold medal playing for the U.S. and plans to place this one next to her newborn son, Bash.

"It was a long journey, a

hard journey to get back into it," the 33-year-old said. "I'm just happy that my body was able to hold up and be able to be here."

Griner has learned to appreciate the little things at the Olympics more than she did the first two times she played in them — 2016 in Rio de Janeiro and in 2021 in Tokyo. In 2021, Griner led the U.S. with 30 points, the most points ever scored by a U.S. player in a gold-medal game.

That was three years ago, but Griner's ordeal in Russia left her appreciating the mundane details of each day.

"Waking up, going to practice, even when you don't want to practice, having the opportunity to do that, because we overlook it," she said. "That's the opportunity that we get to do and I just cherish every second I can now."

During these Games, the U.S. pulled off another high-profile prisoner exchange hours before Griner took the court during pool play. Knowing that more Americans were coming home had her "head over heels" happy at their return.

Teammate Diana Taurasi, who helped lobby for Griner's return during her detention, stood two teammates away from Griner during the medal ceremony and anthem. Taurasi said she could sense Griner's emotions and called it almost "mind-boggling" that Griner got back to this point.

"She's a person that is grateful for all the support that she got through all this," Taurasi said. "And it wasn't easy. And it's still not easy for her. She still carries a big burden ... to make sure everyone gets out. She carries that burden really heavy on her back."

During the game itself, Griner scored four quick points and finished with two rebounds in the win.

"The gold [medal game] is just the icing on the cake, being in the Olympics ... as well," Griner said.

# Golden streak extended by foot

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fortune after such a gutsy performance, couldn't hold back their tears.

"I knew it was a two-pointer straight away," said Williams, who brushed off a question about whether she had been fouled on the game-deciding play. "It was very difficult for me to stop in time. I don't think we should hold our heads down. There's a little bit of disappointment, but once that pill has been swallowed we can celebrate the silver medal. What we've done is inspirational."

The U.S. team didn't bother waiting for a video replay to begin celebrating in front of the team's bench. LeBron James, Carmelo Anthony, Vanessa Bryant, Sue Bird and Megan Rapinoe cheered along from nearby courtside seats, relieved that the women's team hadn't suffered its first Olympic defeat since the semifinals of the 1992 Olympics. The women's basketball team delivered the United States' 40th and final gold medal at the Paris Olympics, tying it with China for first in the gold medal standings. The United States led China 126-91 in overall medals.

Aja Wilson, who shook off a slow start to finish with game-highs of 21 points and 13 rebounds, was named tournament MVP. Veteran guard Diana Taurasi secured her sixth gold medal, setting a record for any men's or women's basketball player. Breanna Stewart joined Wilson on the all-tournament team with Williams, Australia's Alanna Smith and Belgium's Emma Meesseman. Earlier Sunday, Australia beat Belgium 85-81 for bronze.

"It wasn't the prettiest of the games, but those are the ones you've got to grind out," Wilson said. "Paris showed us a good time. I leaned on my defense. That's what got me and my team going. When it comes to getting the job done, a woman is going to step up to the plate and get it done."

For the usually invincible Americans, the difficulties began shortly after tip off during an ugly first half in which neither team could get its offense on track. France started 2 of 17 from the field but kept pace because the U.S. repeatedly squandered possessions with ill-advised turnovers, missed countless layups and went more than six minutes without a field goal.

Wilson and Stewart combined to shoot 3 of 15 in the first half, and the U.S. didn't make a single 3-pointer to compensate for their front line's struggles. Backup center Brittney Griner, the former Baylor star, hit two baskets in quick succession to help the United States build some momentum, but even that proved fleeting against an active French defense that packed the paint and forced 13



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**Above:** The United States' Naphessa Collier (right) collides with France's Valeriane Ayayi during the first half. Collier helped the Americans with 11 rebounds. **Left:** France's Gabby Williams (15) reacts with teammate Marieme Badiane after hitting a buzzer-beater as time expired. However, it was ruled that her foot was on the 3-point line and only counted as two, leaving the French one point short. Collier is in the foreground, celebrating the United States' 67-66 victory and the gold medal.

turnovers before halftime.

The Americans' nerves ratcheted up another notch when France guard Marine Fauthoux hit a 3-pointer from nearly half-court to beat the shot clock in the second quarter. On an afternoon when everyone was struggling with their shots, Fauthoux somehow connected on the toughest shot of all.

When France took a 27-25 lead shortly after halftime, it was the first time the U.S. had trailed in the second half all tournament. The hosts didn't stop there, running off a 10-0 lead to force the Americans to contemplate the possible end of their historic winning streak.

But the United States responded with an 8-0 run of its own, as reserve guard Kelsey Plum hit big 3-pointers from the right corner and left angle to breathe some life into the Americans' limp attack. Sabrina Ionescu, another backup,

then found Naphessa Collier with a beautiful look-away pass for a layup to put the United States back on top 41-40. The key second-unit contributions were a reminder of the U.S.'s clear depth advantage over the rest of the field.

"We had a hard time getting to our identity of getting in transition and scoring," Reeve said. "It was an ugly game for a reason: We both made it hard for each other. We needed to get players in off the bench to help. We just found a way to get it across the finish line."

Neither team could create separation early in the fourth quarter, and the United States still found itself tied with under five minutes to play. Williams, who led France with 19 points and seven rebounds, kept finding answers until the very end. In a sign of France's pluck, the United States had scored at least 85 points in all five of its previous tournament games.

Down the stretch, the United States ground out points at the free throw line and with an unconventional jumper from Wilson. Her shot bounced high off the backboard before rattling home, prompting her to scream with happiness as she ran back down the court.

Plum, who had 12 points and four assists, made four clutch free throws in the final two-plus minutes. Stewart also came up with a timely block on a late attempt by Fauthoux to help the United States triumph by the slimmest of margins.

Less than 24 hours after the U.S. men's basketball team defeated France, the U.S. women matched the feat and watched as the Stars and Stripes were raised in Paris.

"The atmosphere tonight was incredible," Stewart said. "We have the biggest target on our back. The parity of women's basketball is continuing to grow. We know it's not easy."

## Whip up home recipes to take care of you

KING FEATURES SYNDICATE

Dear Heloise: Over the years, you've written about some anti-aging hints and things that women can do at home to help themselves with their health, weight and skin. I cut them out and saved them in an album. But two years ago, we had a house fire, and I lost that album. Could you repeat a few of them for me and women like me who just want to look our best as we age?

*Eleanor A., Cheyenne, Wyo.*

Eleanor, here are some of my favorite hints for self-care. Before you do any dieting or try any new idea, check with your doctor to see if they approve. What might be helpful to one person might be harmful to another. These are only home recipes, but your doctor knows your history and will advise whether or not to try them:

■ Combine 1/2 cups of powdered milk, 3 teaspoons of lemon juice and 1 tablespoon of brandy in a saucepan, and bring to a boil. Stir constantly. After it has cooled down to a warm temperature (never hot), take an artist's brush or basting brush, and paint your face and neck with the mixture. Once the mixture has dried, step un-

der the shower and wash it off with warm water. Your skin should feel smooth and glowing.

■ Another facial is to take 1 cup of powdered milk and the whites of two eggs (do not use the yolk for this), and blend them together. Mix well. Use a brush, such as a pastry brush, and paint your face and neck. Lie down and relax while it dries, then wash it off with warm water.

■ Make sure you stay hydrated all year long and stay out of the sun. The sun is one of the major reasons our skin ages.

■ If you use a bronzing cream or powder, don't try to go too dark. An artificial tan should only be one or two shades darker than your natural skin color.

■ If you develop a pimple, cut a lemon in half and use the cut side on



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the pimple. Or try tea tree oil and put a spot bandage over the pimple. This should help eliminate redness and, in some cases, eliminate the pimple. Try using lemon juice on age spots. It should help to lighten them.

*Heloise*

Dear Heloise: When our father died, we received a vast amount of vases of flowers that could not be taken to the cemetery. After the ser-

vice, we gave several to neighbors. When the flowers were dead, we washed the vases and took them to local florists instead of donating them to charities. They were happy to get them. We did this again when our mother passed.

Just another way to reuse them. Love your column!

*S.H., Texas*

Dear Heloise: A large pepper

mill fell from an overhead cabinet, causing a rather large chip in my black stove. Calls to local repair shops and manufacturers revealed no options for repair. So, my fix was black enamel nail polish. It worked perfectly, without any evidence of damage.

*Cindy, Palm Coast, Fla.*

Dear Heloise: I have a stand mixer with a shield, but sometimes I just need to quickly whip something, like heavy whipping cream, but my hand mixer will splash the cream outside of the bowl, making a mess on the counter and, at times, on my clothes.

So, I took a deep-dish, frozen plastic pie shell cover and pierced two holes in it, matching it with the beater holes on my mixer. Then I just insert the beaters into the mixer with the plastic pie cover between the mixer and the beater holes. The clear plastic allows you to see the ingredients being whipped and prevents splashing at the same time!

The cleaned plastic pie cover can be used several times before recycling.

*Wanda N. Shelton, Ashdown, Ark.*

## Aunt learns reason behind his silence

ANDREWS McMEEL SYNDICATION

Dear Abby: I am very close to my oldest sister's three sons, especially "Lucas," who is 38. He and I have communicated often and have seen each other (we live in different states) over the years. In a way, I have been his confidant. He knows I love him like a son.

Lucas is a professional in a big city and earns excellent money. He's well-liked and enjoys going out with friends. We haven't seen each other in a year and a half, and our phone/text communications have dwindled to nothing. When I spoke with him briefly a month ago, he was visiting my sister. He shared that he was having a hard time and said he would call. I have reached out, but he has not responded.

A month ago, his brother's wife confided to me that Lucas has lost a lot of weight and has been struggling with meth addiction. I was shocked and contacted his brother to confirm that this was true. I almost hopped on a plane to see Lucas, but it's clear he's avoiding me.

My family typically handles things with a "don't ask, don't tell" strategy. I'm very much up front (I'm a licensed mediator). I also have learned much about addiction, and I'm very concerned about Lucas. I have been having stress dreams about this. I am also struggling with letting my sister know, but I've been waiting to speak with Lucas. I'd really appreciate any advice you have.

*Worried Aunt in California*

Dear Worried Aunt: It is possible that your sister already knows about her son's addiction, particularly if it has wrought physical changes. However, if she doesn't know, I do not think you should be the bearer of



DEAR ABBY

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this news. This is something Lucas must do on his own.

I also think it would be a mistake to force an in-person encounter with your nephew. If you would like to reach out to him and remind him how much you love him and tell him you know what is going on, I see no harm in that.

If, in the course of your profession, you have information that could benefit Lucas, by all means offer it. But freeing himself from his addiction is something he is going to have to do on his own, when he's ready.

Dear Abby: My mom is a widow and has been dating a man. One day, after they went out, I noticed he had left his phone behind. I know it sounds horrible, but I snooped and found he has been texting another woman. He calls her "gorgeous," offers to bring her food, tells her "sweet dreams," sends her photos of himself, etc.

I always knew Mom could do better, and I had my suspicions about this guy. I am very protective of her. She has been through so much. What do I do with this information? If I tell her, I'll feel ashamed for looking in the first place. Please help.

*Snoop in Missouri*

Dear Snoop: You have to tell your mother what you did and what you found. Do not classify it as "he's cheating," because you don't know for certain. Simply state the facts, then let her do her own investigating and draw her own conclusions.

## DNA tests turn up unwanted siblings

WASHINGTON POST WRITERS GROUP

Adapted from an online discussion.

Dear Carolyn: My entire view of my family has changed. One of my siblings did a DNA test and found out that our father produced two children with a woman who worked for him. One of them has been reaching out to me and obviously wants to develop some type of relationship.

My other siblings want nothing to do with her, so I am the only one who has had contact with her.

I realize my half-sibling did nothing wrong, but for me she is a reminder that my father cheated on my mother and did so for a long time. I have so many conflicting emotions about this, about my newly discovered half-siblings but especially about my parents. Both died before DNA science made it impossible to keep secrets like this.

*Conflicted*

Dear Conflicted: There is no reason you can't tell this to the half-sib who keeps reaching out to you: "I realize you did nothing wrong. However, I have so many conflicting emotions about this, especially about my parents. I would appreciate some time to deal with this on my own before I decide on any next steps."

Take the time you need, without apology.

Re: Half-sibs: My father was a philandering SOB (except they called it "charming playboy" back then). I know of two half-siblings and have met them — I would be shocked if there weren't more. But I'm not interested in knowing about them, let alone meeting them. I don't have mixed feelings or conflicting emotions. I simply have no interest in these "relatives" by blood only. And that's OK.

*Anonymous*

Dear Anonymous: Yes, thank you. The full range of acceptance is defensible, from zero to a full long-lost sibling embrace.



CAROLYN HAX

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Dear Carolyn: I recently discovered my partner developed feelings for someone he works with, and they hung out several times one-on-one when I was out of town. He has agreed to stop hanging out with that person one-on-one, and for now that is the main boundary I want put in place.

What steps do you advise I take to not be constantly paranoid and itching to check their texts, nag about their whereabouts all the time, etc.? It is exhausting for me, and I want to start trusting my partner again.

*Trust Issues*

Dear Trust Issues: What you do only make sense if you understand the "boundary" and trust are two entirely separate things.

It's actually a rule, telling your partner, "You can't date this person anymore." A boundary is personal: "I'm not OK with my partner's dating crushes while I'm away."

The rule stuff is all you — the declaring, nagging, checking up. The basis for trust is all him: Does he want to stop seeing the co-worker and stay with you?

If the answer to the latter is not a big, hearty, self-motivated "yes!" then none of the former will make a difference. Except to make you miserable.

So let yourself off the exhausting trust-police hook, and let your gut take over: Is he in this, really in this, with you? Yes or no.

If yes, then let go. It might not be perfect, but you're there for each other when it counts, even through outside crushes.

If no, then let him go.

The hard part of this is the trust fall — accepting you'll be OK, either way, together or broken up. Once you make it, though, it's so, so much better.

## Pay no attention to residents in PJs

ANDREWS McMEEL SYNDICATION

Dear Miss Manners: My friends and I live in a retirement community that takes good care of us, in part by putting little levers near the tops of our apartment doors that our security personnel flip up at night. It is our responsibility to open the door when we arise, which allows the latches to flip down, indicating that we're up and probably not in trouble.

Our etiquette problem comes up when my friends and I walk for fellowship and exercise. We normally walk outside, but when the weather's bad, we walk inside, up and down the halls. This is common in our community, and it is generally accepted.

But because we walk fairly early, sometimes we are walking past someone's front door as they open it, briefly, just to let the latch fall. Sometimes they are completely dressed, and sometimes they are in their dressing gowns.

Should we greet the person in this situation ("Good morning!" without pausing) or just keep walking, looking straight ahead?

Gentle Reader: Perhaps, as this is a retirement establishment, Miss Manners can invoke the Newspaper-on-the-Porch rule without being asked what on earth she means. How would a newspaper land on the porch unless you left your laptop there and it wasn't stolen?

The meaning is that a brief moment of visibility, even when not dressed for public view, should be politely ignored. The idea was that one should not have to make oneself "presentable" for such a quick foray. (Whoops, there is another concept that might be foreign to many — that you should look presentable when in public.)

This required both sides to maintain the fiction that the person on the porch had



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not been observed. This would be harder to do in the proximity of a hallway.

So, if you can plunge down the hall without eye contact, do so. Otherwise, a quick hello, and keep moving.

Dear Miss Manners: We have been friends with a couple for about 30 years. We have watched their children grow to be lovely young ladies, as they have watched ours grow to be adults. We are close with the couple but not so much with their children.

In 2021, during COVID, their youngest daughter got married in a small private ceremony in their backyard. Only about 15 people were in attendance. Because we are close to our friends, we gave their daughter and her new husband a monetary wedding gift even though we weren't invited to their wedding. The daughter and her new husband did not acknowledge the gift.

Fast-forward to the present day: We are invited to a celebration of their wedding. My question is, do we give another gift?

Gentle Reader: This couple has been married for three years, and you already gave them a wedding present. Miss Manners is not aware of the need for a You're Still Married present.

That said, perhaps you are so fond of the parents, and have such pleasant memories of the daughter as a child, that you want to do something extra. While there is no need to give a present, there is no ban against doing so.

HOROSCOPE

By NANCY BLACK
Tribune Media Services

AUGUST 12 BIRTHDAY: Fortune follows social connection this year. Shared accounts swell in autumn. Follow news around winter changes. Capture and conserve spring resources, for a shift in summer research or travels.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Study finances and review resources. Budget for priorities. Secure what you have. Avoid risky business.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Coordinate strategies around an obstacle. Designate who does what. Travel delays could make virtual networking convenient.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Today is a 9 — Work deadlines could preempt personal time. Go for balance. Exercise and sunshine reduce stress.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Today is an 8 — Relax and have fun despite unexpected circumstances. Allow chaotic moments to pass. Romance sparks in conversation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Take a gentle approach at home with family. Keep or change your promises. Take advantage of lucky domestic conditions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — Polish your presentation. Edit carefully to avoid a mess. Better to delay publication than issue corrections.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is an 8 — Focus on making money. Buy basic necessities and postpone extras. Grow savings and budget for upcoming purchases.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 9 — Use your power responsibly. Watch your step. Avoid stomping on someone. Misunderstandings come and resolve easily.

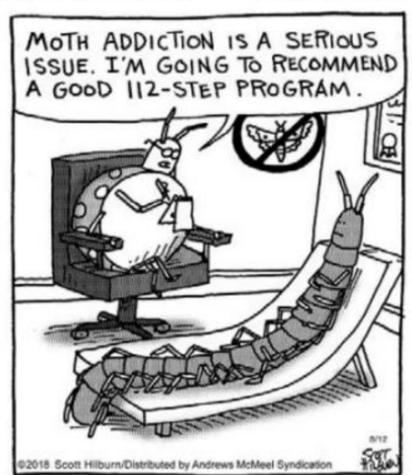
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Slow down and reflect on where you've been and what's ahead. Complete projects. File and put things away.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — Team challenges could cause delays. Untangle kinks as they arise. Avoid impetuous behavior. Keep your cool.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Prepare to overcome a professional hurdle. Keep backups; better safe than sorry. Avoid provoking jealousies or confrontation.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — Stay on top of your studies to avoid getting caught blindsided by a test. Obstacles and traffic could frustrate travels.

ARGYLE SWEATER By Scott Hilburn



DENNIS THE MENACE By Hank Ketcham



FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



CRABGRASS By Tauhid Bondia



CRANKSHAFT By Tom Batiuk and Chuck Ayers



CURTIS By Ray Billingsley



DOONESBURY This week's strips are reprints. By Garry Trudeau



GARFIELD By Jim Davis



NEW YORK TIMES DAILY CROSSWORD No. 0708

Puzzle by Daniel Bodily and Andrea Carla Michaels

Edited by Joel Fagliano

- ACROSS: 1 Surveys of public opinion, 6 Comedian Poundstone, 11 "Eureka!" or "Ouch!", 14 Farewell, in France, 15 "My guess is...", 16 Fishy topping, 17 Decorator's suggestion, 19 Actress Thurman of "Pulp Fiction", 20 "You'll never know until you...", 21 Currency of Mexico, 22 More levelheaded, 24 Garment that usually clasps in the back, 25 Gathering for superhero fans, 28 Calif-length slacks, 31 Capital city of Western Australia, 32 Carpet calculations, 33 Fishing rod attachment, 35 "\_\_\_ Te Ching", 38 Kickflip or heelflip, for example, 42 Tongue-clicking sound, 43 Taj Mahal's city, 44 Father of Bart, Lisa and Maggie, 45 Say "cheese" for the 48-Across, 48 Shutterbug's device, 49 Hazard near a hive, 52 Oomph, 53 Pants that are often blue, 54 Kind of exam that would be apt in dental school?, 56 Nickname consisting of the 19th-21st letters of the alphabet, 59 Surgery sites, for short, 60 "Boy, is that loud!" ... or a hint to the ends of 17-, 25-, 38- and 49-Across, 64 City that's home to Copacabana Beach, familiarly, 65 Tax cheat's dread, 66 Commotion "Jeopardy!" host, 68 Takes five, 69 No-nos, DOWN: 1 International treaty, 2 Skunk's defense, 3 Flower in an Easter bouquet, 4 August baby, perhaps, 5 Word yelled in unison by party guests, 6 Photos Created for a specific purpose, as a committee, 8 "Oh, what's the \_\_\_?", 9 Hasty escape "Yes, cap'n!", 10 Do-or-die moment, 12 Titular Shakespearean teenager, 13 Hanker (for), 18 Blue expanses on maps, 23 Do something, 24 Kid with an attitude, 26 Puccini's "La Rondine" or "Turandot", 27 Fuse together, 28 Who's who in a movie, 29 Synagogue chests, 30 Busiest time to travel, 33 Actor Seth of "Superbad", 34 Mr. Potato Head attachment, 36 Laptop brand, 37 Vegetable in Creole cuisine, 39 "\_\_\_ Ha!", ("South Pacific" song), 40 Where things can be bought with baht, 41 Easy victory, 46 Yahoo competitor, 47 Fighting words, 48 White House policy chief, 49 One-named singer from Iceland, 50 Almost too coincidental, 51 "OK, understood", 55 "Phooey!", 56 Fuzzy part of a kiwi, 57 Put through the paces, 58 Salt Lake City collegians, 61 Shade, 62 What cover the outfield walls of many baseball stadiums, 63 Dove's sound

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER



GET FUZZY This week's strips are reprints. By Darby Conley



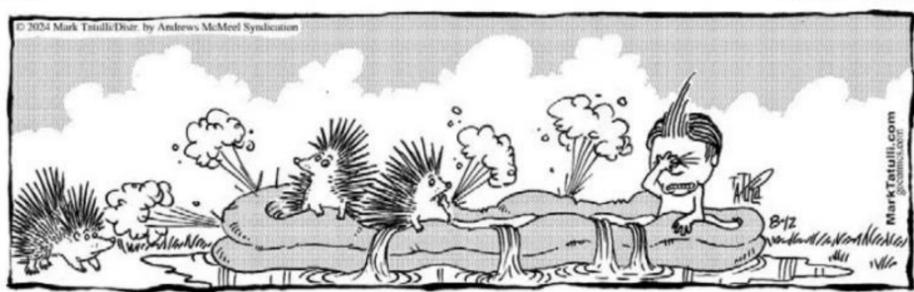
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MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

By Mike Peters



ONE BIG HAPPY

By Rick Detorie



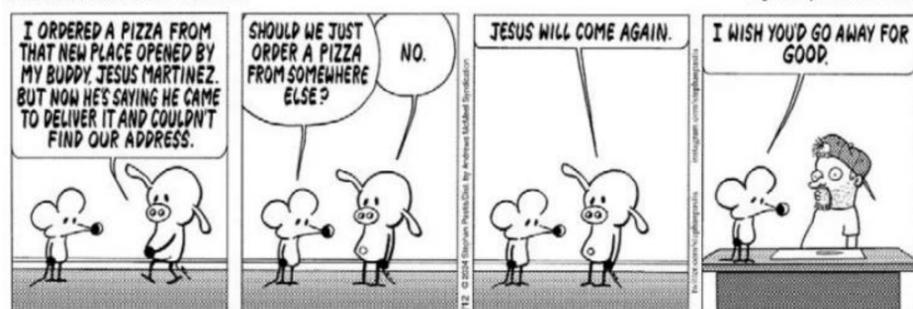
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By Charles M. Schulz



PEARLS BEFORE SWINE

By Stephan Pastis



PICKLES

By Brian Crane



ROSE IS ROSE

By Pat Brady



SALLY FORTH

By Francesco Marciuliano and Jim Keefe



SHERMAN'S LAGOON

By J.P. Toomey



ZITS

By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



TODAY IN HISTORY

The Associated Press

1867 President Andrew Johnson sparked a move to impeach him as he defied Congress by suspending Secretary of War Edwin M. Stanton, with whom he had clashed over Reconstruction policies. (Johnson was acquitted by the Senate.)

1898 Fighting in the Spanish-American War came to an end.

1909 The Indianapolis Motor Speedway, home to the Indianapolis 500, first opened.

1953 The Soviet Union conducted a secret test of its first hydrogen bomb.

1981 IBM introduced its first personal computer, the model 5150, at a press conference in New York.

1990 Fossil collector Sue Hendrickson found one of the largest and best preserved Tyrannosaurus Rex skeletons ever discovered; nicknamed "Sue" after Hendrickson, the skeleton is now on display at Chicago's Field Museum.

2017 A driver sped into a

WONDERWORD

By DAVID OUELLET

HOW TO PLAY: All the words listed below appear in the puzzle — horizontally, vertically, diagonally and even backward. Find them, circle each letter of the word and strike it off the list. The leftover letters spell the WONDERWORD.

HAPLOTYPES ARE INTERESTING Solution: 7 letters

Grid of letters for the Wonderword puzzle:

H	E	R	E	D	I	T	Y	R	O	T	S	I	H	S
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C	O	M	M	O	N	O	I	T	A	L	U	P	O	P

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Last Saturday's Answer: Patience  
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crowd of people peacefully protesting a white nationalist rally in the Virginia college town of Charlottesville, killing 32-year-old Heather Heyer and injuring more than a doz-

en others. (The attacker, James Alex Fields, was sentenced to life in prison on 29 federal hate crime charges, and life plus 419 years on state charges.)

LOVE IS...

By Kim Casali



PLUGGERS

By Rick McKee



You're a plugger when a friend starts to tell a story and you know you both better sit down.

COMMUTER PUZZLE

Edited by Stella Zawistowski Tribune Content Agency

- ACROSS  
1 Having lots of money  
5 Gave an address  
10 River barrier  
13 Actor Pascal  
14 \_\_\_ over (studied)  
15 Big bird that can't fly  
16 \_\_\_ salts  
17 African antelope  
18 Chicken serving  
19 "To Catch a Thief" star: 2 wds.  
21 Moral offenses  
22 \_\_\_ sauce (sushi condiment)  
23 Totally cool  
24 Fitting  
26 Made happy cat sounds  
29 Icy cold  
33 Customers  
36 NBA venue  
37 Car or truck  
38 Ctrl-\_\_\_-Del  
39 Apiece  
40 Fashion fad  
42 Calorie-free drinks: 2 wds.  
45 Tournament rounds  
46 Weekly TV program  
47 Antlered animal  
49 New York ballplayer  
50 Actress Basinger  
53 Plots out  
56 Civil judge  
60 \_\_\_ of Good Feelings  
61 Safe place  
62 Knight's weapon  
63 "Just a \_\_\_!"  
64 Come up  
65 Number in an octet  
66 Rode the bench  
67 Sports figures, for short  
68 Kill

- DOWN  
1 Copy, for short  
2 "According to me": 2 wds.  
3 Shoe with holes  
4 Over-the-fence hit: 2 wds.  
5 Gets through a book quickly: 2 wds.  
6 Survey  
7 Taken by mouth  
8 Nairobi's land  
9 Hall or Byrnes  
10 Supermarket section  
11 "So be it"  
12 Coffee cups  
13 Violin parts  
20 Mario \_\_\_ (racing game)  
21 Sound systems  
25 Golf org.: Abbr.  
26 Showy spring blooms  
27 Actress Kemper  
28 Calculates  
30 "\_\_\_ the way!"  
31 Ancient Peruvian  
32 Morse signals  
33 "Memory" musical  
34 Tempt  
35 Bit of news  
41 Internet option: Abbr.  
43 Binds  
44 Compromises  
48 Former big-box chain  
50 Roo's mom  
51 Needing calamine  
52 Encounter  
53 Chaotic situation  
54 Field of study  
55 Agreement  
57 Sneaker brand  
58 Adventure tale  
59 Commuting option  
61 Possesses

Grid for the Commuter Puzzle:

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SUDOKU PUZZLE

Andrews McMeel Syndication

Complete the grid so that every row, column and 3x3 box contains every digit from 1 to 9 inclusively.

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

Grid showing the solution to yesterday's Sudoku puzzle.

Today's 9x9 Sudoku puzzle grid with some numbers pre-filled.

DIFFICULTY RATING: ★☆☆☆☆

ACES ON BRIDGE

By BOBBY WOLFF Andrews McMeel Syndication

In today's deal, South's decision to enter the auction with a two-spade overcall was aggressive but reasonable at pairs.

West kicked off with the heart king, overtaken by East for a heart return to the queen, followed by the heart 10.

Declarer should have done better there. There was likely to be a diamond loser, no matter what declarer did.

This loser-on-loser play would in effect condense declarer's potential spade and diamond losers into one.

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Vulnerable: Neither Dealer: West

The bidding: South West North East 2♣ 1♥ Pass 1NT 2♠ Pass 3♠ All pass

Opening Lead: Heart king

LEAD WITH THE ACES

South holds: ♠ J 10 8 5 4 2 ♥ Q 4 ♦ K Q 6 4 3 ♣ -

South West North East 2♣ Dbl. Pass 3♠ Pass 3NT All pass

Answer: Lead the diamond four. The opponents know you have spades, but they still settled on three no-trump.

BABY BLUES

By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



BALDO

By Hector Cantu and Carlos Castellanos



B.C.

By Mastroianni and Hart



BIZARRO

By Wayno and Piraro



BLONDIE

By Dean Young



MONDAY PRIME TIME

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MOVIES

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Large table listing TV programs, movies, and sports events for Monday, August 12, 2024, categorized by time slot and network.

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