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Reports detail grim misconduct allegations

State seeks to sanction ex-Stoughton officers

By Laura Crimaldi
GLOBE STAFF

The report from the 2022 Stoughton police internal investigation was heavily redacted, but its conclusion was clear: Three officers with ties to a former participant in a Stoughton police youth program who killed herself had inappropriate relationships with her.

Now, more than three years after Sandra Birchmore, 23, was found dead in her apartment, graphic details of the officers' reported sexual misconduct have become public amid developments in a wrongful death lawsuit and proceedings by the state's law enforcement oversight agency.

Among the new allegations recently disclosed and detailed for the first time are text messages showing one officer initiated sexual contact with Birchmore when she was 15 and he was 27; that two other officers had sex with her in patrol cars when she was an adult; and that the department once used its authority to seek a psychiatric evaluation for her.

At a hearing last November, a lawyer for Birchmore's estate said the three former Stoughton officers "passed her around like she was a toy," according to a tape of the proceedings obtained by the Globe.

"This is a young woman who never had a chance," said the lawyer, Steven J. Marullo. He declined to comment for this story.

The Peace Officers and Standards and Training Commission, or POST, is

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NAVALNY BURIED — The coffin of Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny was carried out of the Church of the Icon of the Mother of God Soothe My Sorrows, in Moscow on Friday. **A4.**

Americans with COVID or other respiratory infections need not isolate for five days before returning to work or school, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said, a striking sign of changing attitudes toward the coronavirus. **A2.**

CVS and Walgreens will begin dispensing the abortion pill mifepristone this month, starting in a handful of states and gradually expanding to all other states where abortion is legal. **D1.**



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At the Bay State Model Railroad Museum, the commuter rail is on time, the track work gets done, and a feeling of history permeates the scene.

Pursuing perfection on a smaller scale

Railroad museum 'a bigger thing' than the models

By Lindsay Crudele
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

It's a perfect evening in Roslindale Village. Street lamps glitter along the walk to several cozy restaurants. The commuter rail coasts into the station, right on time. In the shadow of a row of Dorchester triple-deckers, next to the movie theater, motorboats skim the surface of nearby Lake Winnipesaukee. A dog nearly the size of a man approaches the diner, where hamburgers are on special for 45 cents.

Perfect, yes. Geographically accurate? Not even close. But that's because imagination, not accuracy, is what rules at the Bay State Model Railroad Museum in Roslindale, which will open for a rare public viewing this weekend.

In this miniature "Roslindale Village" — the jewel of the handcrafted landscape hidden upstairs in the model train club's South Street headquarters — little versions of trains, tracks, and the trappings of life make up the sprawling, immersive model, at 1/48th, 1/160th, and 1/187th the scale of real train tracks.

The trains are digitally controlled. When a

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US to airdrop supplies to Gaza

'We need to do more,' Biden declares after dozens die in chaos near aid convoy

By Julian E. Barnes and Zolan Kanno-Youngs
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — President Biden said Friday that the United States would begin airdropping humanitarian relief supplies into the Gaza Strip, a decision prompted by the dozens of Palestinians who were killed as Israeli forces opened fire near an aid convoy in Gaza City a day earlier.

"Innocent people got caught in a terrible war, unable to feed their families, and you saw the response when they tried to get aid in," Biden said before meeting with Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni of Italy. "And we need to do more, and the United States will do more."

Biden said that the United States would work with Jordan, which has been at the forefront of airdrop efforts to Gaza, as well as other allies to deliver aid by air and that supplies could, eventually, also be delivered by sea.

"Aid flowing to Gaza is nowhere nearly enough now," Biden said. "Innocent lives are on the line, and children's lives are on the line."

Biden and Meloni discussed efforts to prevent the war in Gaza from becoming a larger conflict, as well as support for Ukraine and steps to address human trafficking and global migration.

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Cities, states send migrants on their way

They say covering travel helps people bypass shelter system

By Tal Kopan
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — As a number of cities and states nationwide struggle to shoulder the cost of tens of thousands of migrants, a few are trying a different approach: paying for the migrants to continue traveling somewhere else.

The governments deploying such services say their approach stands in stark contrast with the busing campaign by Republican border state governors that has delivered many of the migrants to the doorsteps of Democratic-controlled cities. Instead, officials describe efforts that are organized and tailored to the plans of the individuals traveling.

Over the past several months, Illinois, New York, and Denver have all used government funds to pay for some migrants that arrive there to continue traveling if they have another destination in mind. The idea is to help people reach family members or friends who can take them in and bypass already-strained shelter systems to help them find footing in the United States as they pursue any legal right they may have to stay.

Governor Maura Healey's office said Massachusetts has, on a case-by-case basis, assisted and paid for some migrants to get to family or friends else-

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Legal aid sought for tenants facing eviction

Citing inequity, state and city officials continue push for help in housing court

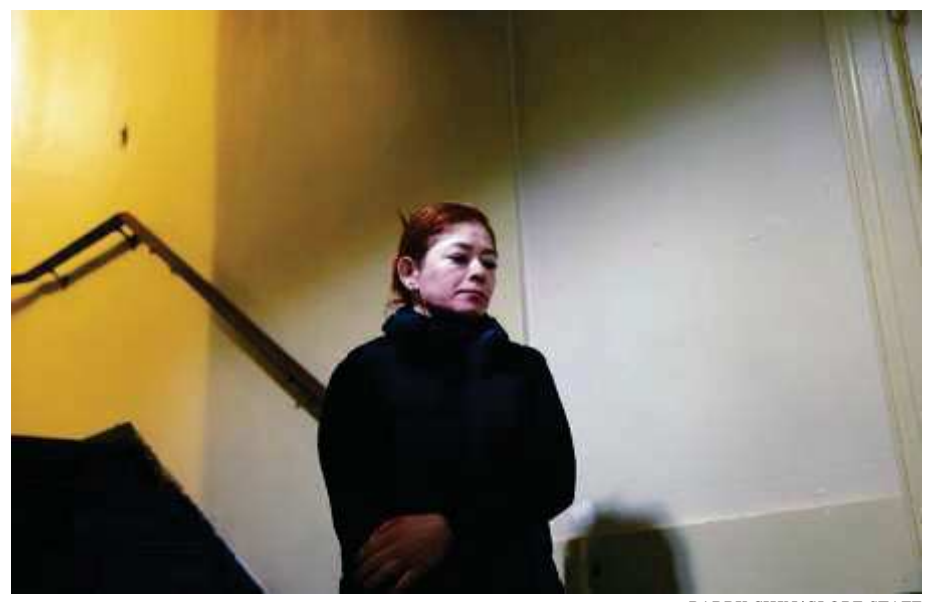
By Niki Griswold
GLOBE STAFF

When 45-year-old Mary Barrera stood before a judge in the Eastern Division of the Massachusetts Housing Court last year, she was terrified. And she was alone.

Originally from Colombia and living in the United States without legal status, Barrera was facing eviction from her three-bedroom apartment in East Boston, where she and two of her adult children have lived for nearly eight years. They normally split the $2,500 monthly rent, but after briefly losing their jobs during the pandemic, fell behind for one month.

Barrera said they were able to resume paying the following month, but when they couldn't pay what they owed in full, their landlord moved to evict them.

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When Mary Barrera faced eviction last year, she had no lawyer in court with her. She has since connected with City Life Vida Urbana.

The Nation

Timing of Trump documents trial reconsidered

Judge gives no indication of when she'll set a date

By Alan Feuer
NEW YORK TIMES

FORT PIERCE, Fla. — A federal judge in Florida held a hearing Friday to consider a new date for former president Donald Trump's trial on charges of mishandling classified documents but made no immediate decision about a choice that could have major consequences for his legal and political future.

►Judge says he'll decide within two weeks whether to remove DA from Ga. case. A6.

Judge Aileen Cannon previously said she was inclined to make some "reasonable adjustments" to the timing of the trial, which was originally scheduled to start May 20 in US District Court in Fort Pierce, Fla. Several decisions Cannon has reached in recent months about the pacing of the case have made it all but impossible for the trial to start in May.

What remained to be seen at the completion of Friday's hearing was just how long of a delay Cannon would end up imposing. She did not give an indication of her thinking or provide a sense of when she would announce a date.

On Thursday evening, Trump's lawyers and prosecutors in the office of special counsel Jack Smith sent Cannon their proposals about when the trial should begin.

Smith's legal team, hewing to its long-held position of trying to conduct the trial before Election Day, requested a date of July 8.

But after months of seeking to delay the trial until next year, Trump's lawyers suddenly suggested that they would be willing to go along with a date of Aug. 12.

The hearing in front of Cannon, who was appointed to the bench by Trump in his waning days in office, is being held just days after a decision by the Supreme Court that increased the possibility that the former president might not face trial before Election Day in his other federal case — the one in which he stands accused of plotting to overturn the 2020 election.

The justices agreed to decide whether Trump is immune from prosecution on the election interference charges, scheduling arguments for the end of April and keeping the proceedings in the trial court frozen until they resolve the issue. As a practical matter, the Supreme Court's decision to take up the case meant that the election trial was unlikely to begin before September, in the heat of the general election campaign.

Cannon's decision about whether to go with a July date, an August date, or something later in the documents case could have an effect on the timing of the election case, as well. Trump attended the hearing Friday.

It was not clear why Trump's legal team said it would be open to August after long seeking to postpone the trial until next year. But one possibility was that the lawyers, by proposing to spend much of late summer and early fall in court on the classified documents case, were seeking to reduce the chances of there being time for the election case to go to trial before Election Day.

Only months ago, it seemed Trump would spend much of 2024 in front of a jury, fending off four separate criminal indictments in four different cities.

At this point, however, only one of his criminal trials has a solid start date. Last month, a state judge in New York City picked March 25 for commencing his trial on charges of arranging hush money to a porn actor in an effort to avert a scandal on the eve of the 2016 election.

Donald Trump might not face trial before Election Day in his other federal case.

Trump's fourth criminal case, in which he stands accused of tampering with the election results in Georgia, has not yet been set for trial. It is currently in turmoil as a judge in Fulton County considers whether to disqualify Fani Willis, the district attorney who filed the indictment, from the case over allegations of financial misconduct surrounding a romantic relationship she had with one of her deputies.

The hearing in Florida touched on more than scheduling issues.

Cannon has asked the defense and prosecution to be ready to discuss Trump's unusually broad and highly politicized motion for additional discovery, which was filed in January.



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SIERRA SNOWSTORM — A camper truck moved northbound on Interstate 80 Friday in Truckee, Calif., during the most powerful storm of the season. A blizzard warning through Sunday morning covered a 300-mile stretch of the Sierra Nevada mountains, and meteorologists predicted up to 10 feet of snow.

CDC shortens COVID isolation period

Drops guidance for five days of quarantining

By Apoorva Mandavilli
NEW YORK TIMES

Americans with COVID or other respiratory infections need not isolate for five days before returning to work or school, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Friday, a striking sign of changing attitudes toward the coronavirus.

People with respiratory illnesses may resume daily activities if they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours without the aid of medications and if their symptoms are improving, agency officials said.

Acknowledging that people can be contagious even without symptoms, the CDC urged those who end isolation to limit close contact with others, wear well-fitted masks, improve indoor air quality, and practice good hygiene, like washing hands and covering coughs and sneezes.

The guidelines apply to COVID, influenza, and respiratory syncytial virus, among other respiratory ailments, which should make it easier for people to comply, Dr. Mandy Cohen, the CDC's director, told reporters Friday.

"Our goal here is to continue to protect those at risk for severe illness while also reassuring folks that these recommendations are simple, clear, easy to understand, and can be followed," she said.



DAVID GOLDMAN/AP/FILE 2020

The CDC says that people can leave isolation and return to work or regular activities if their symptoms are mild and improving and it's been a day since they've had a fever.

Cohen noted the sharp decreases in the numbers of COVID-related hospitalizations and deaths this winter compared with those in previous years and said a vast majority of hospitalizations had occurred among Americans who did not receive the latest shots.

Vaccination also decreases the chances of long COVID, she added.

The CDC last changed its policy on isolation for those with COVID during the omicron wave two years ago, when record infections ground the nation to a halt. The isolation period was cut to five days from 10.

The agency is unifying the recommendation for respiratory illnesses because the symptoms are often hard to tell apart, the viruses spread in much the same way, and they can be prevented with similar strategies, said Dr. Brendan Jackson, who leads the agency's respiratory virus response team.

Some outside experts applauded that change. "I think that makes a lot of sense, because people are not testing," said Dr. Céline Gounder, an infectious disease specialist at Bellevue Hospital Center and editor at large for public health at KFF Health News.

"If you don't know which virus you have, how are you supposed to follow the right guidance for COVID versus flu versus RSV versus the common cold virus?" she said.

Even as the agency was considering the change, some experts expressed consternation that it might lead the public to think COVID was no longer a threat. They also worried that without a recommendation to isolate for five days, employers might pressure employees to return to work before they are well.

Little has been done to improve indoor air quality in most places, and wearing masks can be socially uncomfortable for many people, Gounder said.

"This is again putting a lot of burden on the individual to do the right thing by public health," she said. Making masks affordable and providing them in public spaces and workplaces would help people follow the new guidelines, she added.

The recommendations are for the general public and do not apply to health care settings or nursing homes.

DAILY BRIEFING

Paramedic sentenced in McClain death

DENVER — A Colorado paramedic was sentenced Friday to five years in prison in a rare prosecution of medical responders following the death of Elijah McClain, a Black man whose name became part of the rallying cries for social justice that swept the country in 2020.

McClain was walking down the street in a Denver suburb in 2019 when police responding to a suspicious person report forcibly restrained him and put him in a neck hold.

His final words — "I can't breathe" — foreshadowed those of George Floyd a year later in Minneapolis.

Peter Cichuniec and a fellow paramedic were convicted in December of negligent homicide for injecting McClain with ketamine, a powerful sedative ultimately blamed for killing the 23-year-old massage therapist. Cichuniec also was convicted on a more serious charge of second-degree assault for giving a drug without consent or a legitimate medical purpose.

McClain's death and others have raised questions about the use of ketamine to subdue struggling suspects.

McClain's mother, Sheneen, raised her fist as she left the courtroom following Friday's sentencing, as she has done after previous hearings.

In testimony before the sentence was handed down by Judge Mark Warner, Sheneen McClain said she once dreamed of being a firefighter and considered them heroes "until the day they took my son's life."

"You are a local hero no more," she said as Cichuniec sat with his attorneys at a nearby table. "Next time, think for yourself and do not follow the direction of a crowd of cowards."

Cichuniec had faced up to 16 years in prison on the assault charge, and the five-year sentence was the minimum the judge could have given him under sentencing guidelines.

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Driveway shooter gets 25 years

FORT EDWARD, N.Y. — A man who fatally shot a 20-year-old woman after the SUV she was riding in mistakenly drove into his rural driveway in upstate New York was sentenced Friday to more than 25 years to life in prison.

Kevin Monahan, 66, was convicted of second-degree murder in the death last April of Kaylin Gillis. She was riding in a caravan of two cars and a motorcycle that was trying to leave after pulling into Monahan's long, winding driveway while looking for a party at another person's house in the town of Hebron.

"I think it's important that people know that it is not OK to shoot people and kill them who drive down your driveway," Judge Adam Michelini said. Apart from the wider deterrent effect, Michelini said it's important that Monahan remain behind bars rather than be free to harm more people.

The judge handed down the maximum sentence after Gillis's father, boyfriend, and best friend told Monahan and the packed courtroom about their anguish and the immeasurable void in their lives.

"Kaylin was a sweet and loving soul, something you can only wish to achieve," boyfriend Blake Walsh said from the stand, as Monahan sat with a stony face. "Kaylin was everything you wish you could be. I will never be able to forgive you for your actions."

The judge sentenced Monahan to 25 years to life for the second-degree murder and handed down a consecutive sentence of up to four years for tampering with evidence.

Michelini scolded Monahan for showing no remorse.

"You murdered Kaylin Gillis. You shot at a car full of people and you didn't care what would happen and you repeatedly lied about it. You deserve to spend the maximum time in prison allowable under the law," the judge said.

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Guilty plea in killing of Yale student

NEW HAVEN — A former MIT researcher has pleaded guilty to the 2021 killing of a Yale University graduate student found shot outside his car in Connecticut.

Qinxuan Pan faces 35 years in prison following his guilty plea Thursday in a New Haven court. The 32-year-old will be sentenced April 25.

Pan's lawyer William Gerace said Friday that it was "prudent to take this reasonable plea bargain" as his client was facing 60 years if convicted.

Prosecutors say that on the morning of Feb. 6, 2021, Pan shot Kevin Jiang multiple times on a street in New Haven, home to Yale University.

Pan eluded authorities for three months following the shooting death and was apprehended in Alabama, where officials said he was caught living under a fake name with $19,000 in cash, a passport, and several cellphones.

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Garbage cans, not bags, in NYC now

NEW YORK — New York City's tradition of piling garbage bags on the sidewalk for pickup is going the way of the dinosaur.

As of Friday, all 200,000 businesses in the Big Apple were required to put out their bags of trash in garbage bins, as communities across the county and world have long done.

The requirement is the next phase in the city's efforts to curb what Mayor Eric Adams' administration has called a "24-hour rat buffet" of trash on sidewalks.

The city in August started requiring restaurants, convenience stores, and bars to use a sturdy trash can. Now every city enterprise, including mom-and-pop shops, must comply.

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‘Peace for Ukraine — freedom for Russia!’

MOURNERS, *crying out near the cemetery where Alexei Navalny’s body was to be buried*



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The body of late Russian opposition leader Alexei Navalny was displayed during his funeral at a Russian Orthodox church in southern Moscow.

Thousands flock to Navalny’s funeral

Russian police out in force for Moscow service

By Valerie Hopkins
NEW YORK TIMES

BERLIN — Thousands of people crowded a neighborhood on Moscow’s outskirts Friday — some bearing flowers and chanting, “No to war!” — as they tried to catch a glimpse of the funeral for Alexei Navalny. The outpouring turned the opposition leader’s last rites into a striking display of dissent in Russia at a time of deep repression.

The service took place under tight monitoring from Russian authorities, who have arrested hundreds of mourners at memorial sites since Navalny died. Police presence was heavy around the church where funeral services began shortly after 2 p.m. local time, but there were no reports of widespread arrests as of the early afternoon.

After a procession to the cemetery, Navalny’s coffin was placed next to his freshly dug grave. Video livestreamed from the site showed his family members and then other mourners kissing him goodbye for the last time. Then his face was covered with a white cloth and the coffin was lowered to the Frank Sinatra song “My Way” and then the final song from “Terminator 2,” which Navalny considered “the best film on Earth.” Mourners slowly passed by, each taking a handful of dirt and tossing it into the grave.

People had chanted Navalny’s last name earlier as his coffin was taken into the Church of the Icon of the Mother of God Soothe My Sorrows, a Russian Orthodox church in southern Moscow. Images on social media showed attendees lining up, but also security cameras that local news media reported had been recently installed, and signs forbidding mourners to take pictures or video in the church.

A photograph taken inside the church and shown on Navalny’s YouTube channel showed him in an open coffin, lying in repose with red and white flowers over his body. His parents held lit candles. His widow, Yulia Navalnaya, who has vowed to carry on his political activities, and his children, Daria and Zakhar, who no longer live in Russia, did not appear to be present.

As the funeral was ending, Navalnaya shared a post on X, formerly known as Twitter, dedicated to her husband.

“Lyosha, thank you for 26 years of absolute happiness,” she wrote, using her husband’s nickname. “Yes, even over the last three years of happiness,” she said, referring to the time Navalny was in prison. “I don’t know how to live without you, but I will try to make you up there happy for me and proud of me.”

Outside the church, people chanted, “Thank you, Alexei” and “Love is stronger than fear,” according to videos from the scene. As they gathered next to the cemetery, mourners cried out, “peace for Ukraine — freedom for Russia!” Mourners who came within sight of Navalny’s mother said “thank you for your son!” One observer, Novaya Gazeta journalist Elena Milashina, said in a Facebook post that she believed “tens of thousands” of people had assembled. There was no way to verify that figure.

Around 3:15 p.m., videos showed the crowd tossing flowers onto the road as the funeral cortège left the church for the cemetery.

Almost 270,000 people were watching a livestream of the event organized by Navalny’s allies, while about 150,000 watched coverage on YouTube by the independent TV Rain, according to figures provided by the streaming platform.

The Navalny team accused the authorities of trying to prevent people from sharing photos and videos of the scene. Mikhail Klimaryov, the director of a Russian internet freedom group, the Internet Protection Society, said his group’s data showed that cellphone service in the area had been reduced to the lower-bandwidth 3G standard and described it as a “mobile shutdown.”

Opposition politicians, including Boris Nadezhdin, who sought to run against President Vladimir Putin in elections this month on an antiwar platform, and Yevgeny Roizman of Yekaterinburg were in attendance, videos of the event showed. The US ambassador to Russia, Lynne M. Tracy, was also seen in videos of the site outside the church.

When asked Friday whether he could comment on Navalny’s political legacy, Kremlin spokesperson Dmitry Peskov said, “I can’t.” He suggested the Kremlin would crack down on anyone who sought to protest during the funeral. “Any unsanctioned gatherings will be in violation of the law,” Peskov told reporters during a daily phone call.

The funeral was not mentioned among the top stories on the state news agencies RIA Novosti or TASS.

Navalny’s funeral was held during a period of intense crackdown, and less than three weeks before Putin seeks another six-year term in elections scheduled for mid-March.

At least 400 people have been detained since Navalny’s death, according to the watchdog OVD-Info, including some for simply laying flowers at improvised memorials to him. A priest who sought to hold a funeral prayer for Navalny in St. Petersburg was detained while leaving his house.

Hours before the planned mourning rites, Navalny’s family had not received his body from a Moscow morgue, a spokesperson said. But the body was eventually handed over around 12:30 p.m. local time, she said.

In the past two weeks, members of Navalny’s team complained repeatedly about the difficulty of negotiating with Russian authorities to have Navalny’s body released to his family, which took days, and agreeing on a place to hold the funeral services.

Members of his team described difficulty persuading a church, a cemetery and even a hearse to take part in the burial, saying the authorities wanted to prevent Navalny’s funeral from becoming a flashpoint for dissent.

S. Korea’s leader rips N. Korea, calls for unification

Marks uprising against colonial rule in 1919

By Hyung-Jin Kim
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEOUL — South Korea’s president lambasted North Korea on Friday over what he called its repressive rule and vowed to achieve a free, unified Korean Peninsula, weeks after North Korean leader Kim Jong Un rejected the idea of peaceful unification and threatened to occupy the South in the event of war.

South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol spoke on March 1 Independence Movement Day, a holiday marking a 1919 Korean uprising against Japanese colonial rule.

“Now, we must move toward a free, unified Korean Peninsula,” Yoon said in a televised speech. “The North Korean regime relies solely on nuclear weapons and missiles while trapping its 26 million citizens in a quagmire of misery and despair.”

“Unification is precisely what is needed to expand the universal values of freedom and human rights,” Yoon said. “Our unification efforts must become a source of hope and a beacon of light for the people of North Korea.”

Yoon and Kim’s conflicting comments on unification come after Korean animosities have run high for more than two years, with North Korea ramping up missile tests and South Korea expanding military drills with the United States in a tit-for-tat cycle.

For most of the 70 years since the end of the 1950-53 Korean War, unification was a prized goal of leaders in both Koreas, which are divided by the world’s most heavily fortified border. But the prospects for unifying the rich, democratic South and the nominally socialist, authoritarian, and poor North any time soon are extremely dim, observers say.

Despite extensive US-led sanctions and its own economic mismanagement, North Korea has appeared politically stable. Exchange programs between the Koreas have been dormant since Kim’s high-stakes nuclear diplomacy with then-president Donald Trump collapsed in 2019.

In a speech in January, Kim vowed to rewrite the constitution to remove the long-running state goal of a peaceful Korean unification and cement South Korea as an “invariable principal enemy.” He said the new constitution must specify North Korea would annex and subjugate the South if another war breaks out. The sudden abandonment of a policy to seek peaceful unification took observers by surprise.

Many experts say Kim likely aimed to take the initiative in dealings with the South while trying to diminish South Korean cultural influence and bolster his family’s rule at home.

During Friday’s speech, Yoon called Kim’s vow of enmity “truly deplorable.” He earlier said Kim’s speech showed the “anti-national and anti-historical” nature of the North Korean government.

Yoon’s speech didn’t touch on the abuses of the Japanese colonial rulers in Korea, which left painful memories and have long been a source of tension between the two countries.

“On a holiday commemorating Korea’s resistance against Japanese colonialism a century ago, Yoon touted his administration’s improved relations with Tokyo,” said Leif-Eric Easley, a professor of international studies at Ewha University in Seoul. “He emphasized that the independence movement will only be complete once the northern and southern halves of the Korean Peninsula are finally unified and free.”

Since taking office in 2022, Yoon has worked to beef up South Korea’s military alliance with the United States and resolve historical disputes with Japan, aiming to forge a stronger Seoul-Washington-Tokyo partnership against North Korea’s nuclear threats.

“Now, Korea and Japan are working together to overcome the painful past,” Yoon said. “Sharing the values of freedom, human rights and the rule of law, our two countries have become partners in the pursuit of common interests for global peace and prosperity.”

DAILY BRIEFING

Low turnout for vote in Iran

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Iran held its first parliamentary election Friday since mass 2022 protests over mandatory hijab laws following the death of Mahsa Amini, apparently drawing a low turnout amid calls for a boycott.

It wasn’t immediately clear if voter apathy or an active desire to send a message to Iran’s theocracy depressed the number of voters coming to polling stations across the Islamic Republic. While state-controlled television broadcast images of lines of voters, others across the capital of Tehran saw largely empty polling stations.

Officials including Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei sought to link turnout directly to taking a stand against Iran’s enemies.

Others, including imprisoned Nobel Peace Prize laureate Narges Mohammadi, urged a boycott of a vote they derided as a “sham.”

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Volcano victims get reparations

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — More than four years after dozens of people were injured or killed in a devastating volcanic eruption on White Island, off the coast of New Zealand’s North Island, victims and their families have been awarded a total of about $6.2 million.

Speaking at the Auckland District Court on Friday, Judge Evangelos Thomas ordered that reparations be paid to victims by three New Zealand tourism companies: White Island Tours, the helicopter company Volcanic Air Safaris, and Whakaari Management Limited, which owns the island.

It comes after Thomas ruled in October that Whakaari Management had breached a law that required it to ensure that those visiting the active volcano, also known by its Maori name, Whakaari, were not put at risk.

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Indian billionaire plans huge bash

JAMNAGAR, India — It might be the biggest party this small west Indian city has ever seen. As billionaire industrialist Mukesh Ambani prepares for the wedding of his son this summer, he’s expecting billionaires from around the world, heads of state, and Hollywood and Bollywood royalty to attend a three-day bash in the family’s hometown, starting Friday.

The nearly 1,200-person guest list includes Bill Gates, Mark Zuckerberg, Sunder Pichai, and Ivanka Trump; Indian billionaires Gautam Adani and Kumar Mangalam Birla; legendary cricketer Sachin Tendulkar; and Bollywood celebrities Deepika Padukone, Shah Rukh Khan and Rani Mukherjee.

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Phnom Penh Post to stop publishing

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia— The Phnom Penh Post, a newspaper founded in 1992 as Cambodia sought to reestablish stability and democracy after decades of war and unrest, said Friday that it will stop publishing in print this month, the latest blow to the country’s dwindling independent media.

The Post was founded as an English-language biweekly in 1992. It later added a Khmer-language edition, and in 2008 began publishing daily.

It wrote on social media that it would stop publishing both English and Khmer editions by March 29, citing a decline in advertising revenues due to a pandemic-related economic downturn, which added to difficulties caused by social media.

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US to airdrop goods to Gaza; food to be delivered first

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John Kirby, a senior National Security Council official, said that the first airdrops would focus on food, followed by water and medicine. A US military official said the Air Force plans to drop 50,000 meal rations.

The Biden administration has been considering airdrops for some time but so far has chosen not to, in part because of the logistical challenges of dropping aid into a dense war zone. But Kirby said that the chaos Thursday had underscored the need to "find more creative ways of getting assistance in faster and at a greater scale."

The deaths around the convoy have brought the humanitarian crisis in Gaza into greater focus for administration officials, they say. Officials have said they do not know what precisely happened at the convoy but that they believe the disastrous events Thursday show the lack of security in Gaza, throwing in sharp relief a failure of Israel's war and the increasingly desperate situation for Palestinians there.

The deaths may prove to be something of an inflection point, prodding the White House to put additional pressure on Israel to allow more humanitarian aid in.

Kirby said that the deaths show the need for Hamas and Israel to agree to a cease-fire and release the hostages held in Gaza. A pause in Israel's military operations would allow more humanitarian aid to move into the territory more quickly, he said.

Many questions remain unanswered about the killings around the aid convoy Thursday, for which the Israeli military and Gaza officials offered divergent accounts.

Gaza health officials say that more than 100 Palestinians were killed and more than 700 injured Thursday when Israeli forces opened fire on crowds gathered near an aid convoy in Gaza City. Witnesses said they saw people shot as they ran toward the aid trucks.

The Israeli military said a large crowd rushed the convoy and Israeli forces fired on a mob that "moved in a manner which endangered them." The Israeli military said that most of the deaths had been caused by trampling and that people had also been run over by the aid trucks.

Kirby said the Biden administration believed that Israel was conducting a fair investigation into the violence.

"The indications are they're taking this seriously," Kirby said, adding that the United States wants answers as soon as possible. "Let's see what they come up with and see what they learn."

In addition to airdrops, the United States has asked Israel to open more border crossings in eastern Gaza and is examining ways to create a temporary port that would allow aid to be brought in by sea.

Creating a temporary port could bring in more aid, but setting up such a facility in a secure way presents a challenge, officials said. The United States would not use US troops to build the temporary facility, or use American amphibious landing craft.

US officials said that while the Pentagon was still working on the details of the airdrops, they should begin in the coming days. Kirby said that planning for the airdrops was far more developed and that the operation could speed aid more quickly than by bringing in supplies via the Gaza coastline. The operation would likely involve military aircraft, one US official said.

While multiple airdrops are being planned, Kirby stressed there are limits to what can be brought in by military cargo planes.

"It will be a supplement to, not a replacement for, moving things in by ground," he said. "This isn't about replacing trucks."

Egypt, Jordan, France, and the United Arab Emirates have already participated in aid airdrops to Gaza, a demonstration that such operations are possible. The United States regularly dropped supplies by air in Afghanistan and used airdrops for humanitarian relief operations elsewhere in the past.

Airdrops are, however, an imperfect and expensive way to deliver food and medicine. Even big military cargo planes can carry only a fraction of the supplies that a truck convoy can carry. In addition, aid dropped on the ground is difficult to secure and distribute in an orderly way.

Kirby said it was important to ensure when dropping the supplies that no one on the ground was injured by the falling pallets.

US officials have said they believe that almost all of the aid that has been delivered so far has gone to civilians, with very little siphoned off by Hamas. The United States is hoping to conduct the airdrops so that UN relief agency workers can distribute the aid to civilians.

In 2014, US military aircraft dropped food and water to tens of thousands of Iraqis trapped on a barren mountain range in northwestern Iraq, after they fled Islamic State militants who were threatening them with what President Barack Obama called "genocide."

A US military C-17 and two C-130 aircrafts, escorted by F-18 fighter jets, participated in the drops over Mount Sinjar in Iraq, flying at a relatively low altitude.

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Ga. judge to rule within 2 weeks on DA's status

Willis could be facing removal from Trump case

By Kate Brumback and Alanna Durkin Richer
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Judge Scott McAfee listened to District Attorney Fani Willis testify at a hearing last month.

ATLANTA — The judge overseeing the Georgia election interference case against Donald Trump indicated Friday that he would rule within the next two weeks on whether to remove Fulton County District Attorney Fani Willis from the case over a romantic relationship with a top prosecutor.

After several days of extraordinary testimony, Superior Court Judge Scott McAfee heard arguments over whether Willis's relationship with special prosecutor Nathan Wade amounts to a conflict of interest that should force them off one of four criminal cases against the former president.

Attorneys for Trump and his co-defendants accused Willis and Wade of lying on the witness stand about when their relationship began, and told McAfee that keeping the district attorney on the case threatens to undermine the public's confidence in the hugely consequential prosecution.

"Think of the message that would be sent if they were not disqualified," said Harry MacDougald, who represents former Justice Department official Jeffrey Clark in the election case. "If this is tolerated, we will get more of it. This office is a global laughingstock because of their conduct."

Willis's office, meanwhile, said defendants have failed to provide any evidence of any financial benefit to Willis from the relationship, which she and Wade both say ended last summer. Adam Abbate, a prosecutor with the district attorney's office, accused the defendants' attorneys of pushing "speculation and conjecture" and trying to embarrass Willis with questions on the witness stand that have nothing to do with the issue at hand.

"It's a desperate attempt to remove a prosecutor from a case for absolutely no reason, your honor, other than harassment and embarrassment," Abbate said.

Willis walked into the hearing after attorneys for defendants in the election case wrapped up their arguments, and sat at a table where Wade and his attorney were also seated while listening to Abbate make his case.

The legal arguments follow several days of hearings filled with salacious testimony that has created a soap opera atmosphere overshadowing the underlying charges accusing the former president of working to overturn his 2020 election loss in a desperate bid to cling to power. Willis and Wade were forced to answer uncomfortable questions on the witness stand about their sex life and romantic getaways, underscoring the extent to which the focus of the case has wandered from allegations of election interference to the prosecutors' love lives.

Even if Willis fends off the disqualification effort, the allegations have threatened to taint the public's perception of the prosecution as Trump and others seize on the relationship to try to cast doubt on the legitimacy of the case while the Republican presidential primary frontrunner vies to reclaim the White House.

Attorneys for the election case defendants say Willis paid Wade large sums for his work and then improperly benefited when he paid for vacations for the two of them.

Willis and Wade have acknowledged the relationship, but say it has no bearing on the case against Trump. The pair said they didn't begin dating until the spring of 2022, after Wade was hired, and that they split travel expenses.

The hearings have at times wandered into surreal territory: Atlanta's mayor watching from the gallery as a former Georgia governor testified, Willis's father talking about keeping stashes of cash around the house and details of romantic getaways.

Willis's removal would throw the most sprawling of the four criminal cases against Trump into question as the former president seeks a return to the White House. But it wouldn't necessarily mean the charges against him and 14 others would be dropped.

If Willis and her office are disqualified, a nonpartisan council supporting prosecuting attorneys in Georgia would be tasked with finding a new attorney to take over. That person could either proceed with some or all of the charges against Trump and others, or drop the case altogether.

Even if a new lawyer moved forward on the path charted by Willis, the inevitable delay would seem likely to lessen the probability of the case getting to trial before November's presidential election when Trump is expected to be the Republican nominee.

At a hearing preceding testimony, McAfee noted that under the law, "disqualification can occur if evidence is produced demonstrating an actual conflict or the appearance of one." He said he wanted testimony to explore "whether a relationship existed, whether that relationship was romantic or non-romantic in nature, when it formed and whether it continues."

Those questions were only relevant "in combination with the question of the existence and extent of any personal benefit conveyed as a result of the relationship," McAfee said.

A Fulton County grand jury indicted Trump and 18 others in August on charges related to efforts to keep the Republican incumbent in power even though he lost the election to Democrat Joe Biden. Four people have pleaded guilty after reaching deals with prosecutors, while Trump and 14 others have pleaded not guilty.

Willis and Wade's relationship was first exposed in a motion filed by an attorney for Trump co-defendant Michael Roman, that sought to have the indictment dismissed and to bar Willis and Wade and their offices from continuing to prosecute the case. The motion alleges Willis and Wade were already dating when she hired him as special prosecutor for the election case in November 2021.

Capitol rioter's sentence vacated

100 others may be reconsidered

By Rachel Weiner and Spencer S. Hsu
WASHINGTON POST

A federal appeals court on Friday overturned a sentencing enhancement used against Jan. 6 defendants charged with felony obstruction, a decision that means that over 100 convicted rioters may have to be resentenced.

The decision came from the US Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit on Friday when it upheld the felony conviction of a Jan. 6 defendant who stormed the US Capitol, reaffirming a charge also lodged against former president Donald Trump that will soon be debated by the Supreme Court.

It's not clear what benefit retired Air Force Lieutenant Colonel Larry R. Brock Jr. or any other Jan. 6 defendant will receive because of the ruling. Enhancements raise the range of suggested sentences judges must consider. D.C. judges usually sentence below those guidelines and regularly make clear that their punishments would be the same without the enhancement.

The ruling could have an impact in plea negotiations, eliminating one bargaining chip used by prosecutors when encouraging defendants to plead guilty without a trial.

If the Supreme Court reverses or pares back the use of the obstruction charge, all of those cases would have to be reconsidered anew. This sentencing guidelines dispute is not as disruptive, but it adds to workload of prosecutors and the courts as they work their way through the latter half of 1,300 charged cases, three years after the rioting.

Brock, who gained notoriety after he was photographed in the Senate Chamber in an army green helmet and vest, was sentenced to two years in prison for obstructing Congress; he is slated to be released in December.

Obstruction of Congress is one of the four felony charges Trump faces in D.C. federal court; he is also accused of conspiring to commit that crime.

The appellate court had already ruled that "obstructing an official proceeding" does not apply only to destroying evidence, as many Jan. 6 defendants have claimed. Even though the crime was created in response to attempts to cover up a financial scandal, the court said, stopping Congress from certifying a presidential election also qualifies. That ruling will be reviewed by the US Supreme Court on April 16. But judges have disagreed on one element of the crime — what it means to act "corruptly."

Like Trump, Brock did not commit any violence on Jan. 6. And like Trump, he argued that he earnestly believed that the election was stolen.

"Mr. Brock thought he was acting righteously, patriotically, and with an eminently proper purpose," attorney Charles Burnham said at oral argument in September.

The judges, all Democratic appointees, said Brock did not have to act violently or know Trump lost to understand that what he was doing was wrong; it was enough to know what he was doing was illegal and could involve violence.

"Brock participated in a riot that sought to overturn the 2020 presidential election by force, and that he was himself prepared to take violent action to achieve that goal," the judges wrote. Relying on his pre-riot social media posts, they said, "Where a defendant announces his intent to use violence to obstruct a congressional proceeding, comes equipped for violence, and then actually obstructs that proceeding, the evidence supports a finding that he acted with an impermissible purpose or knowledge of the wrongfulness of his actions."

However, they agreed with Brock that he should not have been penalized for "substantial interference with the administration of justice," saying that sentencing enhancement is about thwarting the legal process in some way, not the crimes committed at the Capitol.

N.J. man to cooperate in senator's corruption case

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Ex-insurance broker Jose Uribe (left) pleaded guilty in a bribery case involving Senator Bob Menendez of New Jersey.

NEW YORK — Jose Uribe, a former New Jersey insurance broker charged in what prosecutors have described as a broad bribery scheme involving Senator Bob Menendez, Democrat of New Jersey, pleaded guilty Friday in Manhattan.

Uribe had been accused of providing Nadine Menendez, the senator's wife, with a Mercedes-Benz in exchange for Bob Menendez's efforts to intercede in an insurance fraud investigation in New Jersey.

As part of his guilty plea, Uribe also agreed to "cooperate fully" with prosecutors in their investigation, according to a formal plea agreement signed by Uribe, his lawyer and prosecutors in the US attorney's office for the Southern District of New York.

Uribe is expected to "truthfully and completely disclose all information with respect to the activities of himself and others concerning all matters about which this office inquires of him," the agreement states.

He admitted providing the car to Nadine Menendez "with the intent to influence an official act" as he pleaded guilty to seven counts, including conspiracy to commit bribery, honest services wire fraud, obstruction of justice, and tax evasion.

The judge, Sidney Stein of US District Court, set Uribe's sentencing for June 14, which means it could come during the trial of Bob Menendez and his three remaining co-defendants, which is scheduled to start May 6.

The senator, his wife, and their remaining co-defendants have all pleaded not guilty.

Uribe entered his guilty plea Friday morning in an unannounced proceeding before Stein.

Uribe's lawyer, Daniel Fetterman, declined to comment, as did Nicholas Biase, a spokesperson for the US attorney's office in Manhattan.

NEW YORK TIMES

Haley criticizes GOP as Trump nears nomination

Nikki Haley lamented the direction of the Republican Party — claiming it has abandoned its core principles of small government and free markets — with rival Donald Trump on the cusp of clinching the nomination.

"I get why Republicans are leaving the Republican Party, because we were just always about small government and freedom: economic freedom, personal freedom," Haley told reporters in Washington Friday morning. "You don't see economic freedom coming from Republicans now."

Haley represents a dying brand of Republicanism focused on lowering government spending and promoting free trade and hawkish foreign policies — philosophies that have largely been abandoned by Trump and his wing of the party. Haley expressed frustration over Trump's divisive rhetoric, saying it is off-putting to women, minorities, and young people the party needs to attract to grow.

Haley said Republicans have taken too hard a line on abortion and they need to have a more compassionate tone.

"Maybe it's Republicans' fault that we're not communicating something that makes people want to come" to the party, she said.

Haley is making a slew of campaign and fund-raising stops across the country ahead of Super Tuesday on March 5 when 15 states will cast ballots. She is scheduled to make stops in North Carolina, Massachusetts, and Texas in the coming days.

She raised about $12 million in February, even after losing to Trump in Iowa and New Hampshire, according to her campaign. That money will allow Haley to continue her bid even if she has an increasingly narrow path to the GOP nomination.

Haley has vowed to stay in the race through the fast-approaching Super Tuesday contests, despite Trump's wins in the early nominating contests.

Trump leads Haley nationwide by more than 64 percentage points, according to a RealClearPolitics polling average.

BLOOMBERG NEWS

US judge: Arizona's voting laws are not discriminatory

PHOENIX — A federal judge is upholding provisions of new Arizona laws that would require counties to verify the status of registered voters who haven't provided proof of US citizenship and cross-check voter registration information with various government databases.

In a ruling Thursday, US District Judge Susan Bolton concluded Arizona legislators did not discriminate when they adopted the laws and the state does have an interest in preventing voter fraud and limiting voting to those individuals eligible to vote.

"Considering the evidence as a whole, the court concludes that Arizona's interests in preventing non-citizens from voting and promoting public confidence in Arizona's elections outweighs the limited burden voters might encounter when required to provide (documentary proof of citizenship)," she wrote.

However, Bolton said the requirement for individuals using a state registration form to include their state or country of birth violates a provision of the Civil Rights Act and a section of the National Voter Registration Act. Doing so, she explained, would result in the investigation of only naturalized citizens based on county recorders' subjective beliefs that a naturalized individual is a non-citizen.

The laws were passed amid a wave of proposals that Republicans introduced in the wake of Joe Biden's 2020 victory in Arizona over Donald Trump.

In an earlier ruling, Bolton blocked a requirement in Arizona law that people who use a federal voter registration form provide additional proof of citizenship if they want to vote for president or use the state's vote-by-mail system. The judge had ruled those provisions were trumped by a 1993 federal voter registration law.

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Biden will push higher taxes for rich in State of the Union

President Biden will advocate plans to increase taxes on the wealthy and corporations as well as to lower prescription drug prices in his State of the Union address next week, in what aides describe as an effort to lay out second-term proposals for protecting and implementing his economic agenda.

Biden, who will speak before both houses of Congress on Thursday night, is seeking to convince voters that his administration's achievements merit another four years in office, and the televised speech will give him a high-profile forum to reiterate his arguments.

He also plans to highlight the 2022 CHIPS and Science Act, which set aside subsidies worth $100 billion to convince semiconductor makers to build in the United States, and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 as well as government efforts to stamp out so-called junk fees, a White House official said.

Some of the president's speech, according to the official, will be devoted to support for abortion rights, an issue that has been successful for Democrats since the US Supreme Court overturned the Roe v. Wade decision that had guaranteed those rights for nearly half a century.

While it's unclear if Biden will mention it in the speech, Republicans have been on the defensive over a recent Alabama Supreme Court ruling that frozen human embryos can be considered people under state law. Even so, GOP senators this week blocked a Democrat-led effort to federally protect in-vitro fertilization.

Along with pledges to lower prices for prescription drugs, Biden, will call for lowering Americans' health insurance premiums. His vow to raise taxes on the rich faces formidable obstacles in Congress. Republicans, who abhor any tax increase, narrowly control the House and Democrats have a slender hold over the Senate.

BLOOMBERG NEWS

Officials push for legal aid for tenants facing eviction

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When the case went to trial, Barrera's landlord had a lawyer with her. Barrera — with limited English, little understanding of the complex legal system, and homelessness a very real threat — was on her own.

"It's an experience that I don't wish on anyone," Barrera told the Globe with the help of a translator. "It causes all kinds of things — worry, desperation, stress."

Housing advocates say Barrera's story is all too common and demonstrates a critical inequity in the current housing court system — which is even more dire given the state's overburdened emergency shelter system.

The state's attorney general testified in October that in Massachusetts eviction cases filed in 2022, about 86 percent of landlords had lawyers compared with about 11 percent of tenants. The disparity was even more drastic in eviction filings due to nonpayment: About 90 percent of landlords had a lawyer while less than 4 percent of tenants did.

Without an attorney, tenants are at a significant disadvantage and left to navigate the complex eviction process on their own, which can be overwhelming and traumatizing.

For years, housing advocates have pushed for a "right to counsel" program that would provide free legal representation to low-income tenants facing eviction. The effort has gained traction on the state level, and now, some Boston city councilors are also exploring the possibility of establishing a pilot "access to counsel" program in the city.

Several nonprofit organizations, including Greater Boston Legal Services and the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau, offer free legal services for low-income clients, but neither of those two groups has anywhere near the staff to meet the current need, particularly for eviction cases. Both say a right to counsel program would make an enormous difference in addressing the power imbalance between landlords and tenants.

"It's unrealistic for people without an attorney to understand exactly what all their legal rights are, and what's the proper way for them to assert those rights in a court," said Laura Massie, a senior attorney with the housing unit at Greater Boston Legal Services.

Organizations like City Life Vida Urbana, a Boston-based grass-roots housing justice nonprofit, host weekly meetings in both English and Spanish to help low-income people of color who are facing displacement understand their rights.





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Above, a person spoke at a meeting of City Life Vida Urbana, a nonprofit group that connects residents facing eviction with free legal help in East Boston. Left, Mary Barrera signed in at a meeting of the group.

Barrera has been attending those meetings to get free legal advice and find social support as she's fought eviction. But without an attorney to take her case, she still ended up representing herself at trial.

"It's terrible to be there without an attorney," she said. "I was asked so many questions, and I didn't know the answers because I didn't know how the law works. At some point I didn't even know I was allowed to ask questions."

The stakes for renters such as Barrera are high, and any mistake could mean a tenant loses housing, Massie said. If tenants miss certain deadlines, they lose their right to a jury trial. If they're unable to get child care or otherwise can't make it on time to their mediation date, they automatically default and lose the case. Without legal counsel, tenants are also vulnerable to signing an unfavorable agreement they don't fully understand.

Massie recalled meeting a woman in court who had signed such an agreement and was facing eviction from public housing for violating it. But upon looking into her case, Massie found the woman had a Section 8 housing voucher and the administrating agency had incorrectly calculated the portion of the rent for which she was responsible.

"There was no way she could've known that on her own," said Massie, who was able to get the woman's balance paid off, fix the calculation mistake, and get her rent reduced retroactively — all of which would've been nearly impossible without a lawyer. "None of that required a ton of heavy lifting legally, but it was all super important for making sure that this family didn't wind up homeless."

An eviction judgment makes it exponentially more difficult to find new housing, and the consequences are even more serious for people who live in public housing, where an eviction judgment can jeopardize their eligibility for future housing benefits.

At Barrera's November trial, the judge ultimately dismissed the case due to a procedural error by her landlord's attorney. But prior to that, she said her landlord rejected all her attempts to settle the case.

She's spent the last few months dealing with headaches and a lack of appetite, stressed about the possibility that her fight isn't over.

"I worry when I get up in the morning to go to work, I'm afraid I'm going to find a [eviction] letter on my door," she said. "It's a constant feeling that doesn't leave me."

Her landlord filed to evict her again on Monday.

"It's not a fair fight," said Annette Duke, a housing attorney at the Massachusetts Law Reform Institute. "An attorney helps people negotiate a fair agreement that is sustainable, that gets the landlord the back rent, and the tenant stays housed. It's a win-win."

Duke is a leader of the Massachusetts Right to Counsel Coalition, a collection of 240 organizations that include municipal leaders, community groups, and development corporations that has advocated for a statewide counsel program for years. She argued there's ample evidence of the benefits it would bring.

A 2020 report by the Boston Bar Association estimated that a statewide right to counsel program for eviction cases would cost the state about $26 million a year but would save the state $63 million in emergency shelter, health care, and foster care costs. The benefits could include harder to quantify benefits, according to the report, such as fewer school interruptions for children and increased job and family stability.

At least four states and 17 cities have implemented similar programs and experienced significant reductions in eviction filings and default judgments, according to the National Coalition for a Civil Right to Counsel.

Last year, two Massachusetts legislative committees heard extensive testimony in support of bills that would establish a statewide program providing free legal representation in eviction cases in which the tenant income is below 80 percent of the area median income. Governor Maura Healey also proposed spending $3.5 million on such a program next fiscal year.

In Boston, Councilor Ben Weber, with the support of Councilors Liz Breadon and Ruthzee Louijeune, is pushing for a hearing to explore the possibility of establishing a pilot program in the city.

Louijeune, who advocated for families facing eviction and foreclosure as a student attorney with the Harvard Legal Aid Bureau, said it's critical for both the city and the state to invest in eviction prevention, which disproportionately impacts women of color with children.

"The number one call that we get as city councilors from our constituents is about housing," Louijeune said. "It is easier to save someone's home than to give them a home."

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Some cities, states help migrants travel on after they arrive

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where, but it's not a formal or large program.

The programs outside of Massachusetts only divert a fraction of the tens of thousands who have come to those cities, frequently bused in by Texas Republican Governor Greg Abbott as a part of his campaign to relocate migrants who cross the US-Mexico border illegally. But the strategy speaks to the broader dilemma confronting officials in Massachusetts and other blue states as they try maintain a welcoming ethos while also being overwhelmed by ballooning costs and local frustrations.

In Illinois, the relocation effort has redirected nearly 3,200 people to the tune of more than $600,000, according to The Chicago Tribune. The city of Chicago estimates more than 35,000 migrants have arrived in total over the last year and a half, with fewer than 13,000 still in shelters, the Tribune reported. A spokesperson for the Illinois governor's office told the Globe the state estimates the program reduces its shelter population by 10 percent.

"We are trying to turn over every single stone to try to make this work,-ish, because there's so much that's out of our control," Cristina Pacione-Zayas, first deputy chief of staff to Chicago Mayor Brandon Johnson, told the Globe. "We are trying to figure out, with what is in our control, what can we actually take care of and how can we be effective, how can we be efficient, and how can we continue to stand in our values."

New York City Mayor Eric Adams's office said since March 2022 through the end of January 2024, its programs have paid for more than 28,500 tickets for migrants to go elsewhere, costing more than $7.5 million.

That's a fraction of the nearly 180,000 immigrants the office said have come to the city in the past two years, over 113,000 of whom have left the city's shelters or moved elsewhere.

"New York City, like many cities dealing with this national crisis, has provided support to help these individuals and families reach their final, intended destination," Adams spokesperson Kayla Mamelak said in a statement. "We're laser-focused on using intensive case management, re-ticketing, and legal support to help more people move out of shelter as they desire more self-sufficient lives."

Meanwhile, Denver Mayor Mike Johnston estimated this week that 40 to 60 percent of those who are arriving there are opting to take the city's funds to continue their travels, according to The Colorado Sun. As of last November, the city had spent almost $4.5 million to send more than 12,000 migrants out of the state, CBS Colorado reported. A Johnston spokesperson said many of the nearly 40,000 migrants who have come to Denver never intended to end up there.

"For those interested in going to another city where they may have family, friends, or better housing and work opportunities, we support that onward travel," Jordan Fuja said in a statement, urging the federal government to do more to organize the process for migrants.



JOSEPH PREZIOSO/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

Migrant families used Terminal E at Logan Airport as a shelter at the end of January. Many states are struggling with finding housing for migrants.

In an August interview with the Globe, Murad Awawdeh, executive director of the New York Immigration Coalition, said that groups in New York were confirming that migrants had someone waiting for them before paying for travel, to ensure their safety.

"We're not sending you somewhere to be stranded somewhere else," Awawdeh said. "So if we didn't get confirmation ... we wouldn't be able to support them because we didn't want to also be harmful in the way in which Texas is doing that."

A spokesperson for the Illinois governor's office described a similar system.

"Support to move on to other locations in Illinois or other states is only offered to those who have specifically requested it, citing family, friends, or other connections that they are trying to reach," the spokesperson said. "Because of Governor Abbott's inhumane policy of busing people to freezing cold cities without their consent or knowledge of their destination, many asylum seekers arrive in Illinois despite trying to reach family in other states."

But the programs have not alleviated the local flashpoints. In Denver, the city is imposing time limits on shelters and scaling back services amid mounting costs. Suburban communities have sought to keep migrants out of their cities. In Chicago, Mayor Johnson has been postponing the imposition of a shelter time limit, as communities grapple with questions of equity among immigrant populations with the resources going toward newly arrived migrants. In New York City, the city's shelter limits have pushed migrants into limbo as they wait in weeks-long lines for support or re-sheltering.

Massachusetts is considering its own tightening of shelter programs as federal help looks unlikely.

Work permits continue to be one of the biggest requests from local officials, which would allow new migrants to support themselves more quickly. Legal clinics have popped up in all the cities combining nonprofits with support from the Department of Homeland Security to try to get as many migrants as possible permission to legally work, but locals say only so many are eligible.

Pacione-Zayas, of Chicago, noted that the US took in thousands of Ukrainians in crisis when their country was invaded by Russia and it created far less stress for local communities, in part because the federal government created programs to give the Ukrainians status and support.

She'd like to see more for new arrivals and the long-term undocumented in the United States, who have been left out of the conversation about the current situation at the border.

"We've done this before, how do we build this out further for this moment?" Pacione-Zayas said. "That will help the entire country."

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If Biden wanted to see the migrant crisis up close, he should have come to Massachusetts

Sometimes late isn't actually better than never. President Biden proved that on Thursday during a visit to the US-Mexico border, coinciding with Donald Trump's own border appearance.

Trump went to Eagle Pass, one of the busiest locations for border crossings, and planned the visit for six weeks with the Border Patrol union to select the sector that was among the "busiest" and most representative of the crisis, according to union president Brandon Judd. Eagle Pass is part of Del Rio Sector, which in January alone saw nearly 17,000 encounters with border authorities. (Those encounters can lead to a migrant being processed and released or expelled.) Trump claimed the southern border was the "safest" in the "history of the country" when he was president, though there were large numbers of migrant crossings under him, too.

"Our 'catch and release' was we released them in Mexico. ... We were doing a great job. That's where it stood — and then we had an election," he said, flanked by Governor Greg Abbott of Texas, Judd, and members of the Texas National Guard and Texas Department of Public Safety.

Brownsville, the site of Biden's visit, is part of Rio Grande Valley Sector, which saw only about 7,340 encounters in January. This was Biden's first visit to the border since January 2023, and his first since conceding just over a month ago that the region is in crisis, conveniently coinciding with immigration becoming the country's top voting issue. His visit comes after House Republicans spiked a recent bipartisan border compromise from the Senate that would have increased spending on border security as well as provided $60 billion in aid to Ukraine. In Brownsville, Biden touted the bill and said it was derailed by "rank partisan politics" and called on Trump to join him in urging Congress to pass it. "Those senators who oppose it need to set politics aside," Biden said.

But Biden's been playing politics as well. His visit, long overdue after December's record-breaking border crossings, is political cover and a signal to the Democrats worried that his abysmal immigration ratings will hurt him — and down-ballot Democrats — in November.

Biden didn't call the situation at the border a crisis until there were Republicans to blame for it. Yes, MAGA House Republicans should have passed the bipartisan bill last month, but the border crisis existed long before there was a bill on the table. Biden's immigration policy has contributed to endangering migrants at the border and burdening border communities. The crisis has predictably worsened and Americans aren't liable to forget: For years, cities and towns across the country have been gasping for support to handle a flood of migrants who are living in legal uncertainty.



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Meshach Little of Northill Wilkston Security Firm walked around the main living area at the state's new emergency overflow shelter for migrants at the Melnea A. Cass Recreational Complex in Boston on Feb. 23.

"This [visit] is a last-minute Hail Mary to try to save his presidency and we look at that as nothing more than self serving," Judd told me. Though the union supported the bipartisan border bill, it warned the president in a Thursday post on X to "keep our name out of your mouth." (Biden ignored its request, citing the union's endorsement during his remarks.)

Judd told me that if the president "had ever worked with us over the past three years of this failure, it would be different. But now, he wants to use us for political reasons." According to Judd, the president didn't reach out to the union ahead of his visit. The union endorsed Trump in 2016 and 2020 and is expected to do so again this year.

The president could have at least feigned concern for northern cities like Boston and New York that have been struggling to deal with thousands of new migrants. It's not like he hasn't had the opportunity to publicly tour a migrant shelter in the north: He's visited Boston and New York to court donors in recent months. At a campaign reception at the Westin Boston Seaport District Hotel in December, the president had enough time to point out that Republicans "refused to act" on his suggestions for border reform. It seems he didn't have enough time to visit one of the nearby emergency shelters. There are now more than 7,500 families in Massachusetts emergency shelters, many of which are migrant families, and Governor Maura Healey recently put $250 million into the emergency shelter system.

Not that a visit would have done much. New York hosted a visit by Homeland Security officials in August, with the administration remarking on the "exceptional efforts by New York officials" to accommodate the migrants. But instead of promising to stem the flow at the border, DHS officials pledged $140 million, left a list of 11 federal sites across the state where migrants could be sheltered, and greenlighted access to a hangar at JFK airport as a shelter.

After the visit, Mayor Eric Adams criticized the administration's handling of the crisis and was subsequently kicked off the president's reelection committee, perhaps freeing him to spend more time finding shelter space. "If you average 10,000 people a month and if the national plan is to have New York City continue to find spaces, that is not an answer," Adams said in August. "How do we stop this flow?"

DHS officials also visited Massachusetts in October, with little to show for it. At the end of January, Healey and eight other governors blamed the strain from migrant arrivals in their states on the "lack of congressional action on infrastructure and policies." It's a whole lot of jargon from Democratic governors who don't want to call out the president's lack of leadership, but the underlying message is the same as Adams's: do something.

If Biden actually cared about fixing the border, he would have been there early and often — or would have at least sent his supposed border czar, Vice President Kamala Harris. He's finally considering an executive order to restrict migrants from seeking asylum if they crossed the border illegally between ports of entry, something he could have tried earlier. He hasn't always been allergic to executive actions on immigration: In the first 100 days of the presidency, the administration undertook 94 executive actions on immigration, 52 of which were targeted at undoing Trump-era policies.

It's true that Republicans should have voted for the border bill. They could have even tried to negotiate stronger terms. But that blunder came after a long trail of policy failures from this administration and previous ones, including Trump's. At Brownsville, Biden said, "it's long past time to act." Yes, it is. Welcome to the border crisis, Mr. President. It's been waiting for you.

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ALEX BEAM

For Lent (or any other time), I'm giving up on giving up

My wife recently told me what she is giving up for Lent: "I'm giving up giving up."

She's right. It's time to strike a blow against Americans' obsession with self-denial. A classic example would be the proliferation of faddish "elimination diets," where you successively stop eating nuts, corn, soy, dairy, citrus fruits, nightshade vegetables (tomatoes — Tom Brady's bugaboo), wheat, gluten, pork, eggs, and fish to see if any of these foods make you feel bad.

Good luck inviting these people over to dinner; their eating habits border on the breatharian, the diet where "you replace physical nourishment with air and light." When you ask these guests if they are avoiding any food groups, you get a list as long as a CVS receipt.

Where food is concerned, I'm giving up giving up. Call me the happy omnivore. I've decided to binge on pork after reading a whiny Wall Street Journal article ("Some say pork is misunderstood") about the vicissitudes of the US swine industry, which is facing a price collapse.

Maple bacon cupcakes? Why not?

I've given up drinking so many times that I can announce that I have now definitely given up, meaning that I hereby forswear not drinking. I confess that I've been influenced — negatively — by the holier-than-thou, "sober curious" young who are guzzling "mocktails" in "temperance bars" across the land.

Boston, to its credit, has a Carrie Nation bar that in no way promotes temperance or the bar-wrecking "hatchetations" of its anti-alcohol-crusading namesake. They've got drag queens! I don't think Ms. Nation would approve.

Another option is to become "California sober." That's what Alta magazine's endearing feature "Ask a Californian" calls "an intoxication model that typically shuns hard liquor and rough drugs in favor of marijuana, psychedelics, mellow-looking wines, harmonically vibrating beers, and even [the plant-based psychedelic] ayahuasca, if you have any."

The magazine concludes: "Essentially, being California sober means being pretty high." That would be the definition of giving up giving up.

At this rate I'll start smoking again. Well, maybe not. I haven't renounced thinking entirely. And I don't think I'll stop wearing sunscreen, or give up driving on the right-hand side of the road. Because after all there is still plenty to live for.

For reasons of domestic harmony, I've had to lift my personal fatwa on watching cuddly animal TV shows. By now I've seen so many episodes of PBS's fuzzy-wuzzy "All Creatures Great and Small" that I find myself rooting for a German invasion of the Yorkshire Dales just to put feel-good veterinarian James Herriot and his furry friends out of business for good.

But I won't surrender my objections to half-baked costume dramas, e.g., "Bridgerton," "The Great," or another bizarre personal bugbear, animated films and TV shows, i.e., cartoons. Bugs Bunny and the Road Runner yes; "BoJack Horseman," and Walt Disney heart-tuggers, e.g., "Moana 2," no.

Family members have noticed gaping holes in my knowledge of current literature. It's true. I've observed a policy of avoiding books by authors younger and more successful than I am (dead writers don't count). Right now that comprises almost every living author, so I am renouncing that small-minded, spite-driven boycott.

Eleanor Catton ("Birnam Wood"), Alice Winn ("In Memoriam"), Michael Crummey ("River Thieves"), Ben Fountain ("Devil Makes Three"), and the 8,300 other writers who fall into this category — you are better than I am and you always will be. I give up.

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COURTESY MR MA

"Lonely Pine," a 1998 painting by Chinese brush painting teacher Mr Ma.

The teacher and the open window

By Elissa Ely

I'm often early to the Chinese brush painting class (as if this could remedy a beginner's incompetence) and, from the car, I see the teacher wheeling his supplies toward the school entrance. In spring and summer, sunny or wet, he stops at the door and gazes at a barrel to its right, filled with lotus flowers he donated. A plant will grow even when no one looks. But he is always looking.

Our teacher is elderly yet lithe, energetic yet imperturbable. His brush strokes on rice paper fill the viewer with feeling. When he talks, everyone leans forward, because the words are art, too.

"White space — in Chinese, we call it empty space — is like opening a window," he says, forming a mountain with rapid ink lines. "The paper is a hungry child who eats and eats."

Sometimes little windows of his own open. He doesn't often mention the past, but it's on his website and in old interviews: raised by one parent after the other died of starvation; painting all through the Cultural Revolution; delivering takeout food and cleaning houses in this country when he first arrived. Once, adding pistil and stamen to a lily, he mentioned that food was sparse when he was a boy and he used to care for his neighbor's cows in exchange for a meal. He was the hungry paper.

It pleases him when an appreciative postal worker stops to take photos of the garden outside his house. But others zoom past in their cars, and he cannot understand this. "Only look," he says, with two strokes bringing an entire waterfall into focus. Only look. We look, move to our desks, and pick up our brushes with great intentions. He is still looking.

Now he is painting a pine tree with angular branches and needles. Most of his students have been with him for 7, 10, 15 years, and some have traveled with him to China. Washing their brushes after class, they talk about furnace repairs and grandchildren; attentive exchanges of longevity and friendship.

When it comes to the teacher, though, the group shows a different kind of attention. Protective and hovering questions follow at once if he mentions that he has visited a doctor: what exactly happened in the appointment, what are his symptoms, what kind of medicinal tea is he drinking? These are the concerns of veneration.

His pine needles are in perfect asymmetry when he puts down his brush. I, for one, want to lead life the way he does — reflectively, with a continual gaze, resiliently. If we paint and paint and paint, and look and look and look, maybe it is possible.

"The color is running," he murmurs to himself, "I talk too much." We lean forward to hear every word.

Elissa Ely is a psychiatrist.

READERS' FORUM

Some see Wu's vision for city taking shape, others see it looming

Residents feel shut out of Boston rezoning plan

The article "Despite political risk, Wu pushes ahead with a zoning overhaul" (Page A1, Feb. 21) raises questions over whether Mayor Michelle Wu is taking too heavy-handed an approach to changing the city's zoning rules. It seems that Wu believes she has a mandate to do whatever she deems necessary, even if it means discounting the views of residents, to press the process forward.

A them vs. us attitude has sunk many a political career in Boston and harms the city. A neighborhood's voice may not always be the best voice, but shutting those voices out, by seeking to allow developers to build more "as of right," runs counter to a democracy. Boston is not a fiefdom; it's a glorious municipality where old and new residents can collaborate with their elected officials to make life here the best it can be.

Advocates who work on such issues as zoning, White Stadium, speed humps, and bike lanes would say that, contrary to the mayor's claim, she and her team have not "consistently solicited community input."

Wu's comment that "change is scary" is condescending. The city's residents are not all children. We have seen immense change in our city over the last decades, but the idea that change should be the purview of a single administration, or person, is anathema.

ANASTASIA LYMAN
Jamaica Plain



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Mayor Michelle Wu spoke during the 54th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast in South Boston on Jan. 15.

Mayor is thinking about how the city can work better for all

I wish to voice my support for Mayor Wu and the leadership of the Boston Planning and Development Agency. This is the first time that there is a concerted effort in our city to overhaul the zoning regulations, advance community engagement with the Squares + Streets initiative, and bring the planning process under the oversight of the mayor and City Council. Impact Advisory Groups would continue to bring community leaders to the table to discuss and call for neighborhood benefits and raise concerns about mitigating the impacts of new development. The IAG is working effectively in the South End, where I have lived for more than 50 years.

I was born in Boston, and my grandparents came here as immigrants in 1906, living many years in the West End. We remember how that neighborhood was demolished in 1958 without any community input.

Wu has a long history of thinking about how Boston could work better for all. She has focused on affordable housing. She started her public service as an intern in the Menino administration, where she helped figure out how to streamline the city licensing process. She published her own report on reforming the BPDA while she was a member of City Council in 2019. And now she is taking action to be an effective mayor.

BENJAMIN SIEGEL
Boston

Opposition to reforms is stirred by a number of concerns

I appreciate the Globe's giving attention to the Wu administration's rezoning efforts and community responses to these efforts. However, while noting opposition to the rezoning, the article could have dug deeper into why many Bostonians object to the mayor's plan.

The article suggests that the opposition is simply a repetition of longtime conflicts between individual neighborhoods and citywide reforms. Yet much of the opposition is based on other issues.

Community residents have raised concerns at public meetings of the BPDA over the potential displacement of renters, loss of local small businesses, lack of protection for historic buildings, and lack of truly affordable housing under the rezoning plan. Others believe that specific rezoning initiatives, such as Squares + Streets, have been issued with limited opportunity for community input.

Concerns are largely directed at the plan's details and implementation, which opponents contend are inconsistent with, and will not achieve, the administration's broad goals of more affordable housing, climate resilience, greater government transparency, and more community involvement.

Indeed, the Boston Preservation Alliance, in a Feb. 29 letter to the mayor, expressed concern that "current city and BPDA practices [lacked] the transparency, public engagement, and justification that" Wu's campaign promised.

Boston's residents are waiting to see a closer examination of the mayor's proposed plans, the process around them, and the intended goals.

EUGENE RADWIN
Roslindale

Two cheers for Boston's bid to overhaul White Stadium

I was surprised to read Adrian Walker's comment that White Stadium "isn't especially close to an MBTA stop" in his commentary "Stadium renovation would be welcome, but there's much more to consider" (Page A3, Feb 22). Forest Hills Station on the Orange Line is just a mile and a half on foot; Green Street Station is only a mile away. There are multiple bus lines that run past the stadium, with stops just steps away. On game day, extra buses could be scheduled for direct runs to the stadium from not only these stops but also the many commuter rail and subway stops nearby. Local roads could be closed off to non-neighborhood private traffic during the events.

There are many thousands of local residents of all races, ethnicities, incomes, and backgrounds who would be thrilled to attend a professional soccer event in the city rather than having to drive to a distant suburb, as I did when helping to organize a local and diverse youth soccer program.

Kudos to Mayor Michelle Wu for seizing a realistic opportunity to improve this long-neglected jewel in the heart of Boston.

ALAN WRIGHT
Roslindale

In his commentary on a lawsuit filed by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy against Mayor Michelle Wu and others over a plan to transform White Stadium, in Franklin Park, into the home of a women's professional soccer team, Adrian Walker writes that the plaintiffs' "concerns can't be sacrificed for the sake of speed."

Speed? Boston students have suffered without an adequate sports facility for 40 years, since the fire that left White Stadium derelict. Walker himself acknowledges that "it has been a dump for as long as anyone can remember." Proposals to renovate the site have come and gone while the cost to do so has skyrocketed. A call by the city last year for bids to overhaul the stadium brought only one proposal, for a public-private partnership, and according to Niki Griswold's front-page news story ("Suit targets White Stadium renovation," Feb. 22), "the plaintiffs argue that the inclusion of any private enterprise is a nonstarter."

Apparently, the continued status quo of squalor is preferable to a financially viable yet less-than-perfect solution. Yes, by all means let's see how taking more time, limited by public funding, produces a preferable outcome.

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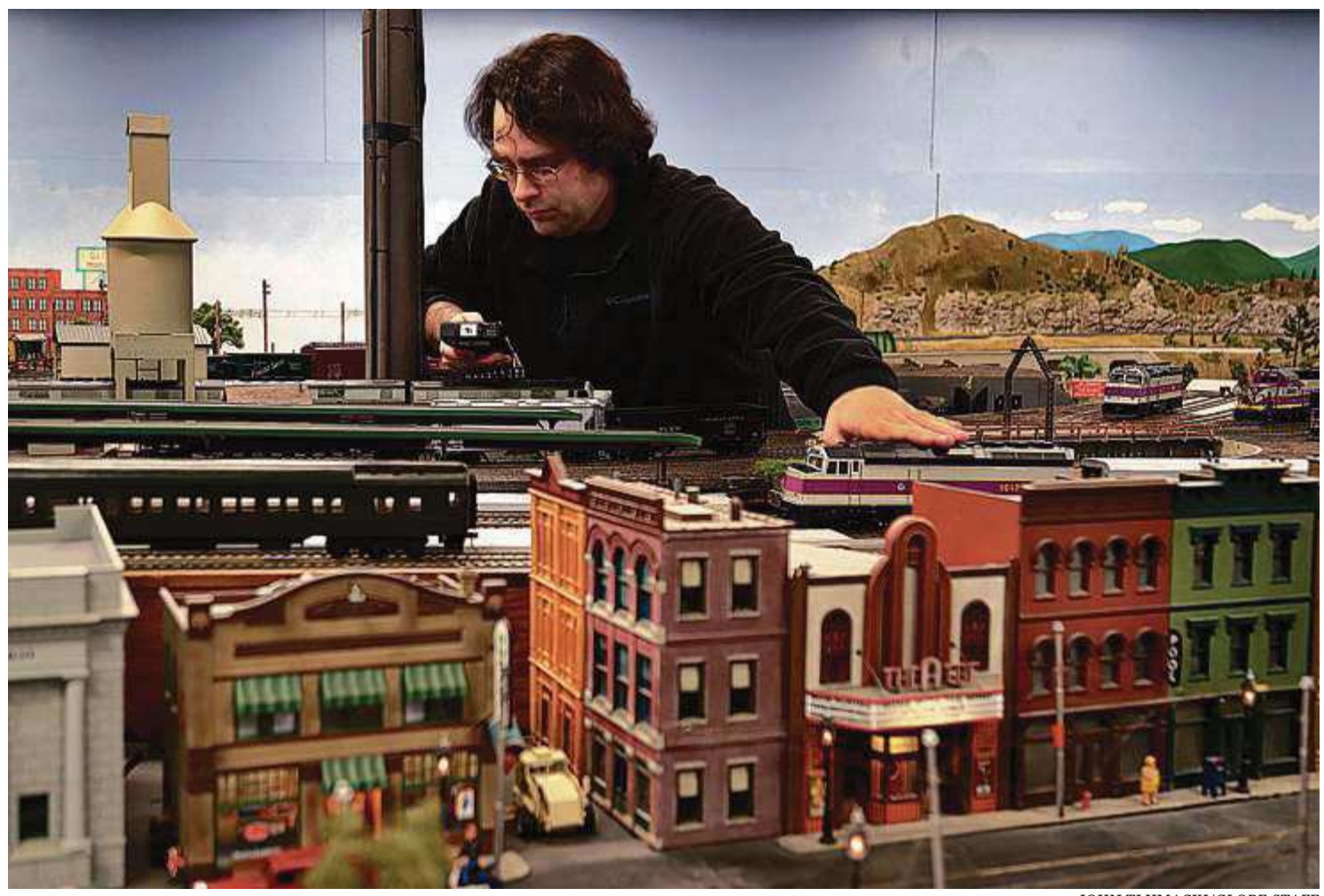
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Museum tries perfection on a smaller scale



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Tom Landro stood among the models as he prepared to place an MBTA train on the tracks.

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train stalls, Tom Landro, a club member who tends this section of the model's semifictional town, dives into a tunnel below model Birch Street, erupting from a cluster of buildings like a comic book giant. He jostles the wire above. It's an easy fix, and the train rolls on.

"That is a common occurrence," he says.

If only real train maintenance were this easy. But for the Bay State Society of Model Engineers, headquartered at the museum, it often is.

Since 1968, collectors who outgrew their basements and garages have combined their resources through the club. Members moved into their current space in 1979, building, over time, a model landscape representing thousands of miles between Portland, Maine, and rural Wyoming, all within the top floor of the 3,900-square-foot space.

The museum contains more than just trains. It's also the little things: Minuscule curtains in hotel windows flirt with an unseen breeze. Tiny laundry dries on a tiny line, tiny corn grows in a stamp-sized field, and tiny travelers wait in stations for trains that do, eventually, arrive.

Toward the mountains, trees yawn into autumn color, frozen in time around early October. (However, they never freeze completely: "They don't put the fake snow out," said Landro. "It's just a mess.") Time, too, is a construct in the museum, and vehicles and vignettes represent origins in multiple decades. It could take years to notice every detail in this massive, miniature work in progress, just as it has taken decades to create what exists today.

What is the recipe for building a world by hand?

"Imagination, patience, and determination," said Jeremy Hartwell, the club's president. "What you see in the world is just so scattered and random. . . . When you tend to build something and plan it, you make it perfect, right?" He referred to the Japanese artistic tradition of wabi-sabi, which values the presence of mistakes. "If you make something that is so perfect, it's not real," he said.

Club members have packed the streets and valleys with secrets and surprises, many of which reference the builders' own lives. Hartwell, a backyard chicken enthusiast, is especially fond of a tiny scene in which a bear — a poultry pest — sneaks up on a family waiting at a station.

Landro points out the Winnipesaukee motorboats pictured on billboards above the diner, which in real life belong to the member who built the advertisements. He calls attention to the row of triple-deckers, their siding and shingles meticulously hand-detailed. Tiny dentils frame the edge of a porch, while a family relaxes above.

"This is the house I lived in," he said. The full-scale one is near Dorchester's Ashmont Station. Landro built the ones here from scratch.

"Social clubs are not really a thing anymore," said Landro. But the club connects people as much as train tracks.

"There are individuals who could put something together like this on their own, but they're very rare," said Landro. "I think a lot of our members are here because of that, like: 'There's no way I could have something this magnificent, built by myself.' "

In addition to the open house weekends, which are held twice a year and serve as club fundraisers, guests may sign up to visit during Wednesday meeting hours. But it's during the open house weekends when the trains are fully operational. Landro estimates that more than 1,500 people came through last year.

Landro's father collected trains, as did his father. Landro dashed off and returned with a box containing a palm-sized black Chesapeake and Ohio Greenbrier, a model passenger train that belonged to his grandfather that he modified to work on electrified tracks.

"I think this still works," he said, setting it down into place. It did. Landro's home does not provide the room he needs to set up as he does here, but being a part of this club has benefits bigger than physical space. Among the group, skills, personalities, and interests mingle. Besides engineers, members are carpenters, electricians, painters. Some were present when the group began.

"It's almost like having a grandfather again," Landro said affectionately of the club's longtime members.

But a wave of interest from young people is expanding the club's ranks. Andrew Shine, a 17-year-old photography enthusiast, is a new member.

"It's a whole group of a lot of different age groups that can help you," said Shine. "It's not a common thing." (Currently, all members of the club are men, but that hasn't always been the case, Landro said. Women are welcome to join.)

For Landro, the club can feel like playtime, something he likens to video game escapism. During the day, he is a transit planner — at full scale.

"You would be surprised how frustrating that is," said Landro, who is familiar with real-life community processes, including the many years of input and red tape often involved in making a plan a reality.

"You start off with a great idea and it gets watered down," he said. "And then in five or 10 years, it gets built."

It's different in the club. "I did here what I wish I could do at work," he said.

But that doesn't mean the club is immune to contentious community processes. "When we all try to agree on a major change, it moves just as slow as in real life," he said.

A tiny bridge — first introduced 20 years ago — became a source of fierce debate, said Hartwell, after members failed to agree on abutment size. "It was borderline something out of the Three Stooges," he said.

But most of the time, members said, it is a hive of collaboration. Mountains transform at the whim of their builders; new businesses open in town.

Coming soon, Pleasant Cafe — a family restaurant known for its pizza — will appear in tiny Roslindale Square. Just like its full-scale namesake, it will feature a glass block facade. Landro has already acquired the miniature blocks.

Hartwell will finish his eighth term as club president this month, and looks forward to relaxing back into building in the small world.

"I would love to see humanity be better in so many different ways, whether it's about the environment, or the way we treat people," he said. For him, the model landscape is an expression of that dream.

"There's definitely a bigger thing [here] than just building models," he said.

Perfection is, after all, subjective.

"So you build an imperfection, but you still try to make it a little bit better."

Bay State Model Railroad Museum, 760 South St., Roslindale. www.bsmrm.org. The open house is March 2-3, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The cost is $5 for anyone over the age of 5.

Reports detail grim misconduct allegations against ex-officers







FACEBOOK

Undated photos from Facebook showed (left) Sandra Birchmore, then a member of the Stoughton Police Explorers Program, with police officer Robert Devine, and (above from left) officers William Farwell and Matthew Farwell.

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seeking to sanction the three officers, and the office of state Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell has taken over an investigation related to the case that was previously being handled by the Norfolk district attorney's office, the agencies said. A Campbell spokesperson declined to comment further.

The internal police investigation documented Birchmore's interactions with Matthew Farwell, 38, a detective, former patrolmen's union president, and married father; William Farwell, Matthew's twin brother and a fellow officer; and Robert C. Devine, 51, a former deputy chief in Stoughton who previously led the department's youth program, the Stoughton Police Explorers Program. They voluntarily left Stoughton police in 2022 and are being sued for wrongful death by Birchmore's estate, which is also suing the Town of Stoughton for negligence. The former officers and town deny the allegations, court records show.

A lawyer for Matthew Farwell said his client had no comment. William Farwell didn't respond to requests for comment. His lawyer said he would ask him about the Globe's request for comment. Devine and his lawyer didn't respond to requests for comment.

Birchmore was pregnant when police found her body in her Canton apartment on Feb. 4, 2021. The state medical examiner ruled Birchmore killed herself. Her death certificate doesn't indicate who fathered the unborn child.

Surveillance cameras captured Matthew Farwell arriving and then leaving Birchmore's apartment building three days before her body was found, and he was the last known person to see her alive, the internal affairs report said.

Birchmore, who grew up in Stoughton, endured "significant mental and emotional problems," her estate's attorneys said, and she also suffered grief after her grandmother and mother died when she was a teenager.

She joined Stoughton's Police Explorers Program at 13 and "deeply respected" police, the wrongful death lawsuit said. There she met Devine and the Farwells, who were instructors and Devine's protegees, the complaint said.

The role of Stoughton police in Birchmore's life was larger than previously known, according to court records. The department used its authority to seek a psychiatric evaluation for Birchmore, court papers show. The records don't reveal when, the identities of Stoughton police personnel who were involved, or what prompted their intervention. Under state law, police officers, some medical professionals, and social workers may apply to hospitalize people for a psychiatric evaluation if they pose "risk of serious harm by reason of mental illness."

The incident was disclosed in court by Joshua W. Heal, a former Stoughton animal control officer who was also sued by Birchmore's estate, but has since been dismissed from the case. In court filings, Heal said he met Birchmore in 2019, when they were both adults, and they engaged in a consensual sex act once after working hours at the animal shelter.

He also said Birchmore confided to him some details of sexual encounters she had with the Farwells and Devine, and that Stoughton investigators interviewed him twice, court records show. According to Heal, Birchmore said Matthew Farwell used a phone to track her whereabouts and met her for sex at his residence and at a soccer field, records show.

In 2021, Heal became a school resource officer in Abington. He resigned last year while on administrative leave because of a pending internal investigation, records show.

His lawyer, Peter S. Farrell, said "no one should infer anything" from Heal's decision to resign. "There's been no admissible evidence showing Mr. Heal violated any law regarding anything related to this case." Heal is suing the Town of Stoughton for defamation and other claims, records show.

POST, the state's police watchdog agency, has accused Matthew and William Farwell of lying about the extent of their relationships with Birchmore during 2021 interviews with State Police troopers investigating her death. The agency wants to decertify the Farwells as officers and add them to a national index of decertified officers, and decertify or suspend Devine's certification, records show. The agency currently lists them as "not certified" and proceedings against them are pending.

Over decades, Stoughton police have weathered state and federal prosecutions of its officers, including the convictions of a previous chief and a sergeant in an extortion scheme. In 2022, Stoughton police Chief Donna McNamara said she recommended the Farwells and Devine be decertified.

"They violated the policies and the core values of the Stoughton Police Department — not to mention human decency," she said in a statement last month. "This situation quite simply sickens me."

Matthew Farwell was licensed as a commercial driver in 2021 and has a trucking business headquartered at a home in Easton, records show.

After leaving the Stoughton police, William Farwell worked for the Transportation Security Administration as an explosive specialist in Maryland, but the agency dismissed him in October 2022, a spokesperson said. He purchased a home in Rio Ranch, N.M., last year, records show.

POST and a superior court judge said Matthew Farwell began having sex with Birchmore when he was 27 and a police officer and she was 15 and a police explorer. The internal affairs investigation uncovered "numerous sexually-explicit text messages" between Birchmore and Matthew Farwell in which he acknowledged "taking her virginity" in April 2013, Norfolk Superior Court Judge Brian A. Davis wrote in a Feb. 16 ruling. If true, those actions would be statutory rape; the age of consent in Massachusetts is 16.

Matthew Farwell has denied having sex with Birchmore when she was underage, court papers show. He told State Police he had sex with her two or three times and only in 2020 when she was an adult, according to POST.

Three of Birchmore's friends have told the Globe that Birchmore said she became pregnant in late 2020 with the child of Matthew Farwell. In a State Police interview, he said he told Birchmore on Feb. 1, 2021, that he didn't father her baby, ended their relationship, and blocked her on all communication platforms, records show.

POST also accuses William Farwell of encouraging Birchmore to "secretly record her sexual encounters with others" and send him the photos or videos. One photo, sent by Birchmore to William Farwell on Aug. 16, 2020, depicted the male genitalia of an unnamed Stoughton officer, according to POST records, which refer to Birchmore by her initials.

William Farwell was aware that Birchmore believed she was pregnant with Matthew Farwell's child and that Devine was having a sexual relationship with her, Davis wrote.

"Devine reportedly began engaging in inappropriate, suggestive conduct" with Birchmore when she was an explorer, Davis wrote, and by 2020, he was "having full-fledged sexual encounters with her at various locations."

Internal investigators found Facebook messages between Birchmore and Devine during which he asked her for sex acts and discussed locations to meet, Davis wrote. Devine communicated with Birchmore on Facebook, Davis wrote, using the alias Marty Riggs, a police officer from "Lethal Weapon."

Devine is also a lawyer who was demoted in 2016 from deputy chief to patrol officer after an internal probe found he lied to investigators who were looking into his role in a harassment investigation involving a woman with whom he had an extramarital affair, according to an investigative report.

In Davis's decision, he dismissed two claims against the town and one each against the Farwells and Devine. The ruling lets Birchmore's estate pursue other claims, including wrongful death, negligence, assault and battery, and civil rights violations.

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Officials hear concerns about migrant shelter

Meeting held to provide details about Fort Point facility set to open next week

By Tonya Alanez
GLOBE STAFF

State, city, and local charity officials during a virtual meeting Friday evening sought to soothe South Boston residents alarmed about an emergency shelter slated to open next week in the Fort Point neighborhood.

Nearly 300 people logged into the meeting to hear details of the plan to provide emergency shelter to 25 migrant families in an office building on a dead-end street.

Representatives from Governor Maura Healey's office, the United Way, and the Unitarian Universalist Association, which is donating the space, explained the logistics of operating a shelter at 24 Farnsworth St.

The site currently serves as the church's headquarters. The United Way will operate the shelter for families who are on a waiting list for the state's emergency shelter system. State shelters reached a capacity limit of 7,500 families in early November. A waiting list now has nearly 800 families on it.

The shelter is part of the $5 million SafetyNet Shelter Grant program, a partnership between the state and the United Way, to build emergency shelters for unhoused families this winter. The program has so far funded nine shelters, with eight accommodating 97 families per night.

Boston City Councilor Ed Flynn, who represents the area, reiterated his opposition to the location.

"It's a bad proposal; it's a bad plan," Flynn said, that "lacked community involvement from the beginning."

Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll said she hoped to "calm some fears," ensure the least impacts possible, and support the neighborhood.

It may have worked.

After the meeting, the Fort Point Neighborhood Association issued a statement saying based on the "re-

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'My 8-year-old was like, "What if she's born on a leap year?" And all of us were like, "No, that won't happen!" '

EDDIE ROACH, *on the birth of his daughter, Vivian Rose, on leap day*



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Eddie Roach comforted his leap-year baby, Vivian Rose, on Friday at Tufts Medical Center.

On Feb. 29, leap-year babies share a unique and special birthday

By Lila Hempel-Edgers
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Jennifer White and Eddie Roach of Plymouth had spent days joking with their kids about the possibility that the family's newest member might be born on leap day. Their daughters told riddles and planned out what day their baby sister's birthday would be celebrated, if born on Feb. 29.

"My 8-year-old was like, 'What if she's born on a leap year?' " Roach said Friday. "And all of us were like, 'No, that won't happen!' "

Then White went into labor Wednesday night, two days after her due date. And the next day, Feb. 29, Vivian Rose Roach was born at 2:41 a.m. at Tufts Medical Center.

She was one of eight babies born Thursday at Tufts. In all, Boston-area hospitals reported two dozen leap-day babies born this year. The newborns will forever share a unique day on the calendar.

Leap years, which typically occur once every four years, help keep the calendar in synch. Earth makes a loop around the sun every 365.2421 days. The extra time created an additional day that comes at the end of February every four years, according to the Smithsonian Institution.

The chances of being born on Feb. 29 are about one in 1,461, according to lamaze.org, a birthing organization.

Roach spent Thursday scouring the internet for information on leap-day babies, which he said are often referred to as "leaplings." He found "all these special little groups" for the leapling community. "As they get older, they celebrate together," said Roach.

The chances of being born on Feb. 29 are about one in 1,461.
Source: lamaze.org

Family members said they were thrilled to see photos and a special message for Vivian on Thursday's newscast at WCVB-TV, where Roach's cousin is an executive producer.

"All our friends were like 'Hey, we saw you on TV!' " said Roach, who plans to compile news accounts to show to his daughter when she's older. "I feel like Vivian's going to be happy when she sees everything."

One question for the family to decide is whether Vivian's birthday will be celebrated on Feb. 28 or March 1.

White said that her 8-year-old daughter, whose birthday is in March, is hoping to keep the month to herself.

"We thought it was so funny that Vivian made sure, to help her sister out, she gets born literally the day before March 1," said Roach.

But even though Vivian came in February, Roach said it makes the most sense for her birthday to be celebrated on March 1. He said he hopes that the publicity will make up for the fact that Vivian won't always be able to see her birthday on a calendar.

"Without a doubt, every four years, it's going to be a big deal," said Roach. "I'm just happy that

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After becoming stranded in R.I. pond, 'emaciated' fin whale is euthanized

By Travis Andersen and Carlos Muñoz
GLOBE STAFF

SOUTH KINGSTOWN, R.I. — A fin whale was euthanized after becoming stranded Thursday in a pond here, while the remains of a second whale washed up on a nearby beach, according to the Mystic Aquarium.

Around 6:30 a.m., a resident saw a roughly 42-foot, 25,000-pound fin whale in Potter Pond and called the aquarium's rescue hot line, the organization said in a statement.

Aquarium staffers and veterinarians found the massive whale in an "emaciated" and "compromised state," the organization said.

"After a thorough evaluation by Mystic Aquarium's veterinary team, the whale did not seem to have any apparent or obvious wounds or signs of immediate cause of stranding," the group said.

After consulting with personnel from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, rescuers decided to wait for high tide in the hope that the whale would refloat and leave the area, officials said.

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A fin whale, stranded in Potter Pond in South Kingstown, was euthanized and then towed to Dog Beach, where a necropsy was done.

Man charged with killing mom of their two children

Arrest at N.H. shopping plaza follows Amber Alert; youngsters safe

By John R. Ellement
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A man who allegedly fled a home in Berlin, N.H, with his two children, triggering a statewide Amber Alert after he allegedly shot and killed their mother, was arrested Friday on a murder charge, law enforcement officials said.

Dustin M. Duren, 37, of Berlin, is charged with second-degree murder in the death of 31-year-old Caitlyn Naffziger, who was found dead at an apartment in Berlin, the New Hampshire attorney general's office said.

He is due to be arraigned in the First Circuit Court-District Division in Berlin on Monday, Attorney General John M. Formella's office said in a statement.

An autopsy conducted on Naffziger on Friday showed she had died of a single gunshot wound to the head, and her death was ruled a homicide, according to the statement.

The relationship between Duren and Naffziger was not disclosed.

The charge comes after an Amber Alert triggered a search for Duren and Naffziger's two children that covered over 100 miles from Berlin, a city on the edge of the White Mountains, to Keene, a city in southwest New Hampshire.

Authorities put out an Amber Alert at 7:24 a.m. Friday for Elowyn Duren, 4, and her sister, Vaelyn Duren, 1, after Naffziger was found dead.

Authorities had warned that their father was potentially armed and dangerous.

Duren and the two children were found safe a few hours later at a shopping plaza in Keene, which is roughly 170 miles from Berlin.

"Around 11:00 A.M., citizens saw Mr. Duren's vehicle outside a restaurant on Key Road in Keene, New Hampshire and called police," Formella's office said. "All three individuals were found safely."

Witnesses described a dramatic scene, with police cruisers rushing into the parking lot of the shopping plaza on Key Road, off Route 10.

Elizabeth Everitt, a shift manager at a Five Guys restaurant in the shopping plaza, said she saw three police cruisers speed into the parking lot of an Applebee's restaurant. Officers got out and drew their weapons "immediately," she said.

"It was terrifying," Everitt said by phone. "At first, we saw the guns drawn and thought he was

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Harvard Law dean to serve as interim provost

By Hilary Burns
GLOBE STAFF

Harvard University on Friday said the dean of its law school will assume the role of interim provost, serving as the college's chief academic officer.

John Manning, also a law professor, will take a leave from his current role to succeed former provost Alan Garber on March 14. Garber, who served as provost since 2011, was named interim president after Claudine Gay's resignation on Jan. 2.

In addition to overseeing academic activities, Manning will also lead university-wide initiatives, including exploring whether Harvard should adopt a policy of institutional neutrality, and fostering academic freedom and civil discourse.

"An outstanding dean and eminent scholar of public law, John is also a valued colleague and a trusted adviser to me and to other leaders around the University," Garber said in a statement.

Manning, a first-generation Harvard graduate, worked early in his career as a law clerk to Antonin Scalia on the US Supreme Court. He joined the Harvard Law School faculty in 2004 and in 2017 was named dean of a school known for heated and impassioned debates.

The Harvard Gazette reported that Manning "developed a reputation for listening carefully to

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Minister remembered
Newburyport mourned Unitarian minister the Rev. Helen M. Sampson Murgida after she was fatally hit by a pickup truck. B2



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A BRIDGE TOO COLD — A pedestrian was bundled up against the weather while crossing the Longfellow Bridge.

Newburyport mourns Unitarian minister fatally hit by vehicle

By Lila Hempel-Edgers
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To those who worship at First Religious Society Unitarian Universalist Church in Newburyport, the Rev. Helen M. Sampson Murgida offered grace and guidance. To city officials, she was a faith leader who was always ready to support the community for its needs.

And so it wasn't surprising when Murgida agreed to say the opening prayer at Mayor Sean Reardon's Annual State of the City Address Wednesday, replacing another clergy member who had taken ill.

She never got to deliver the prayer. She was fatally struck by a pickup truck as she headed to City Hall. Her tragic death stunned the community, plunging the small Merrimack Valley city into mourning.

"She didn't hesitate to step up and jump in, in a moment's notice, to fill in," Reardon said in an interview Thursday evening. "That's just the type of person she was."

Murgida was struck by a 2016 Ford F-150 around 6:40 p.m. on Green Street across from City Hall, Essex District Attorney Paul F. Tucker's office said. She was transported to Anna Jaques Hospital in Newburyport, where she was declared dead.

The driver remained on the scene. The investigation continues.

An interfaith chaplain, Murgida spent her career working in special education. She will be remembered as a beacon of kindness in the community, Rebecca Bryan, the church's senior minister.

"She was just one of those people that lights up any space she goes into," said Bryan. "She dedicated her life to making this place, and the world, a place that respected all people."

As a devoted advocate for people with special needs, Murgida delivered sermons including "Neurodiversity and Self Compassion" and "Diverse Ability, Ableism, Allyship" that raised awareness for people living with disabilities.

"She preached on these things at least once or twice every single year and worked with members of our own congregation who were facing issues like this," said Bryan.

Murgida, born and raised in Somerville, founded a program called AIM, which stands for "Accessibility Inclusion Ministry," to address accessibility issues within the church. Bryan said Murgida, as part of the program, removed pews to make designated space for wheelchairs and managed a Bluetooth sound system that people could link their hearing aids into.



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Murgida advocated for people with special needs.

Outside of the church, Murgida dedicated decades to a career working with special needs children. She co-founded the Pentucket Workshop Preschool in Georgetown and taught at the Cotting School in Lexington. Murgida held administrative positions at the Somerville Charter School and Pathways Academy at McLean Hospital, and served as a hospice volunteer.

"She was incredibly involved in the community," said Reardon. "That theme of community service is what I'll remember most about her, and I know that spirit will continue in our community."

A vigil was held in honor of Murgida at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at her church in Newburyport, according to Bryan.

Reardon noted Murgida's dedication to the city, whether it was celebrating community advancements or easing pain in times of hardship. When Newburyport began celebrating Juneteenth a few years ago, Murgida delivered a sermon that Reardon still thinks about. She organized vigils for war victims after Russia invaded Ukraine, and assisted in the effort to house a family of Afghan refugees in the church's parish hall in 2022.

"Every time I saw her, it was always a smile and [an] eagerness to get involved with the community," the mayor said. "She was someone that just was so willing to give."

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The top 'open-air museum' is in Mass.

Plimoth Patuxet chosen by USA Today readers

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Plimoth Patuxet has been chosen the country's top open-air museum by USA Today 10 Best Readers' Choice 2024.

"We are grateful for this national recognition of excellence," Rob Kluin, director of marketing and communications at the Plymouth history museum, said Thursday. "There are so many facets to history and the stories we interpret."

USA Today wrote that the Plimoth Patuxet Museums "feature meticulously reconstructed and preserved structures, including the Mayflower II, a full-scale reproduction of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to America, and replica villages representing both the English and Native American villages."

The living history museums, formerly known as Plimoth Plantation, opened in 1947 and feature four historic sites for visitors — the Mayflower II, a 17th-century English Village, the Historic Patuxet Homesite, a showcase of life in the 17th-century Wampanoag communities, and the Plimouth Grist Mill, a working grain mill, according to the museum's website.



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Visitors and pilgrims at Plimoth Patuxet Museum in Plymouth.

Kluin said the museum complex seeks to "educate, inspire, spark conversation and foster connection, and much more." He described the environment as "thought-stirring, fun, and filled with a sense of wonder."

The museum has "hundreds of thousands" of visitors each year and is a popular destination for school field trips.

Kluin said the museum is an "iconic" part of Plymouth, with the Mayflower II, which returned in 2020 after restoration, serving as a "magnificent centerpiece" of the waterfront. The grist mill provides grain for restaurants across Massachusetts, including Clover Food Lab, he said.

The museum celebrated its 75th anniversary in 2022 and the 50th anniversary of the Historic Patuxet Homesite last year, Kluin said. While the museum remains "historic," Kluin said staff are "always finding ways to retell the story in fresh and engaging ways."

"We're always innovating and always changing," he said.

The museum will open for the season on March 23 until the Sunday after Thanksgiving Day, according to the museum's website. Mayflower II opens for visitors on April 13.

Other New England museums recognized on the USA Today list were Strawbery Banke Museum in Portsmouth, N.H., and Mystic Seaport Museum in Mystic, Conn.

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Biden nominates Walsh to Postal Service board of governors

By Nick Stoico
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President Biden has nominated former Boston mayor Martin J. Walsh to serve on the United States Postal Service's board of governors, the White House said Thursday.

Walsh, a Dorchester native, served in Biden's cabinet as labor secretary until he left last year to become executive director of the National Hockey League Players' Association. He was elected mayor of Boston in 2013 and served for seven years.

In a statement, the White House touted Walsh's background as a labor leader, state legislator, and mayor of Boston, as well as his two years as labor secretary.

"Walsh brought high-quality job training programs to millions of Americans, strengthened mental health support and access to treatment, and ushered in a historic surge in worker organizing," the White House said.

Earlier this month, House Democrats urged Biden to submit nominations for open seats on the board amid a surge in complaints about slow mail delivery and increased costs. Walsh's nomination, one of several the White House announced on Thursday, must be approved by the US Senate.

The board sets policy for the postal service and is made up of up to nine governors, plus the postmaster general and a deputy postmaster general. There are currently seven governors.

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This day in history

Today is Saturday, March 2, the 62nd day of 2024. There are 304 days left in the year.

►Birthdays: Actor John Cullum is 94. Actor Barbara Luna is 85. Author John Irving is 82. Actor Cassie Yates is 73. Actor, comedian Laraine Newman ("Saturday Night Live") is 72. Former Senator Russ Feingold, Democrat of Wisconsin, is 71. Former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar is 69. Singer Jay Osmond is 69. Pop musician John Cowsill (the Cowsills) is 68. Former tennis player Kevin Curren is 66. Country singer Larry Stewart (Restless Heart) is 65. Rock singer Jon Bon Jovi is 62. Blues singer-musician Alvin Youngblood Hart is 61. Actor Daniel Craig is 56. Actor Richard Ruccolo is 52. Rock singer Chris Martin (Coldplay) is 47. Actor Rebel Wilson is 44. Actor Bryce Dallas Howard is 43. Former NFL quarterback Ben Roethlisberger is 42. Country singer Luke Combs is 34. Singer-rapper-actor Becky G is 27.

►In 1861, the state of Texas, having seceded from the Union, was admitted to the Confederacy.

►In 1877, Republican Rutherford B. Hayes was declared the winner of the 1876 presidential election over Democrat Samuel J. Tilden, even though Tilden had won the popular vote.

►In 1917, actor, producer, director, and bandleader Desi Arnaz was born in Santiago de Cuba.

►In 1932, the 20th Amendment to the Constitution, which moved the date of the presidential inauguration from March 4 to Jan. 20, was passed by Congress and sent to the states for ratification.

►In 1939, John Ford's classic Western "Stagecoach," starring Claire Trevor and John Wayne, opened in New York.

►In 1943, the three-day Battle of the Bismarck Sea began in the southwest Pacific during World War II; US and Australian warplanes were able to inflict heavy damage on an Imperial Japanese convoy.

►In 1955, nine months before Rosa Parks's famous act of defiance, Claudette Colvin, a Black high school student in Montgomery, Ala., was arrested after refusing to give up her seat on a public bus to a white passenger.

►In 1962, Wilt Chamberlain scored 100 points for the Philadelphia Warriors in a game against the New York Knicks, an NBA record that still stands. Philadelphia won the game, 169-147.

►In 1985, the government approved a screening test for AIDS that detected antibodies to the virus, allowing possibly contaminated blood to be excluded from the blood supply.

►In 1989, representatives from the 12 European Community nations agreed to ban all production of CFCs (chlorofluorocarbons), the synthetic compounds blamed for destroying Earth's ozone layer, by the end of the 20th century.

►In 1990, more than 6,000 drivers went on strike against Greyhound Lines Inc. (The company, later declaring an impasse in negotiations, fired the strikers.)

►In 1995, the internet search engine website Yahoo! was incorporated by founders Jerry Yang and David Filo.

►In 2011, the Supreme Court ruled, 8-1, that a grieving father's pain over mocking protests at his Marine son's funeral had to yield to First Amendment protections for free speech in a decision favoring the Westboro Baptist Church of Topeka, Kan.

►In 2012, some 40 people were killed by tornadoes that struck Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, Kentucky, and Ohio.

►In 2018, at a funeral before an invitation-only crowd of approximately 2,000 in Charlotte, N.C., the children of the Reverend Billy Graham remembered "America's Pastor" as a man devoted to spreading the Gospel and one who lived his life at home as he preached it in stadiums.

►In 2021, Bunny Wailer, the last surviving founding member of the legendary reggae group The Wailers, died in his native Jamaica at 73.

►In 2022, Autherine Lucy Foster, the first Black student to enroll at the University of Alabama, died at age 92.

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Firefighters battled flames and smoke Friday in Chelsea at 50 Maverick St.

Two firefighters rescued from Chelsea blaze

By Adam Sennott
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Two firefighters issued a Mayday call and were rescued by ladders while battling a major fire that destroyed two buildings and displaced about 50 people in Chelsea Friday, officials said.

The fast-moving fire started on the rear porch of 50 Maverick St., where firefighters responded at around 11:45 a.m., Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard Albanese said.

The fire spread to a building at 52 Maverick St. and there was also some exposure damage to buildings at 48 and 54 Maverick St., Albanese said in an email Friday evening.

About 50 residents in all were displaced and were receiving assistance from local social service organizations, the city said in a statement.

There were no injuries, including to the firefighters who were rescued, officials said.

Two firefighters were searching the second floor of 50 Maverick St. when they ran low on air "under severe conditions" Albanese said. They issued a call for help, and were rescued via ground ladder with the help of other companies, he said.

"They were not injured and returned to work at the scene," Albanese said. "Firefighters from Chelsea and our mutual aid partners did an excellent job keeping the loss to the original 2 fire buildings."

The building at 48 Maverick St. sustained radiant heat damage to the exterior siding and some smoke damage, Albanese said. The building at 54 Maverick St. only sustained minor damage.

A total of three buildings and a single-family unit were affected by the fire, the city said in a statement.

There were about five to seven families that were displaced, Albanese said.

Residents were examined by an American Red Cross medical crew at La Colaborativa's Survival Center, where families are also receiving help to find temporary housing.

"All affected families will be placed in hotel rooms until permanent housing is identified," the statement said. "The City of Chelsea wants to thank all the first responders, the American Red Cross, and La Colaborativa for their support during this emergency."

La Colaborativa is providing the residents with shelter, hot meals, clothing, special items, medicine, pet food, and case management, said Dinanyili Paulino, the executive vice president.

Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez said in an email that he is grateful for the "heroic work" of the city's first responders.

"We experienced a difficult and fast moving fire in one of our most densely populated neighborhoods," Maltez said. "I am grateful for the quick response from our dispatch team, our police department, and the heroic work of our fire department, who were greatly supported through mutual aid by our neighboring communities."

He also thanked the social services agencies that are working to support those affected by the fire.

"Thank you to La Colaborativa, the Salvation Army and the Red Cross for supporting the affected families during this difficult time," Maltez said.

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Woman charged with drunken driving in crash; daughter injured

By Travis Andersen
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A Foxborough woman was arrested Thursday for allegedly driving drunk last week when her SUV crashed head-on into an ambulance, leaving her 8-year-old daughter with life-threatening injuries, authorities said.

Jenna L. Wilson, 40, was placed into custody around 10 p.m. Thursday on charges of drunken driving, child endangerment, and negligent operation in connection with the Feb. 22 crash, which took place around 6:40 p.m. at 215 Main St. in Foxborough, police said.

Wilson pleaded not guilty Friday in Wrentham District Court, where she was released on personal recognizance, legal filings show. Her lawyer didn't immediately return a request for comment Friday afternoon.

In a statement, police said Friday that Wilson "was traveling southbound on Main Street and crossed into the northbound lane, striking an ambulance head-on. The ambulance was carrying a patient, with two ambulance personnel on board."

Wilson's daughter was "medflighted to a Boston hospital because of the severity" of her injuries, police said. The child's condition wasn't immediately available Friday.

A police report filed in court said the girl, who was seated in the back of the SUV, suffered "severe lacerations to her abdominal region."

She also suffered a bruise on an artery and a blood clot that required surgery, her father told police. He also told authorities she had her appendix, part of her intestines, and part of her colon removed, the report said.

According to the report, medical personnel at Sturdy Hospital reported after the crash that Wilson's "blood alcohol level was 256."

Wilson spoke to police on Saturday at the hospital, where was she was being treated, and said she had gone to the Splitsville bowling alley at Patriot Place around 5 p.m. on Thursday with her daughter and her two sons, ages 14 and 12.

After they had dinner and bowled, she drove her sons to their father's house in Norfolk and was headed back to Foxborough with her daughter when the crash occurred, the report said.

Wilson told police she had two espresso martinis at Splitsville. When asked if she had had any other alcoholic beverages before the crash, she said she "did not remember," the report said.

"Wilson said that she was looking for something in the car and that she drifted into the other lane," the report said. "She saw the ambulance but, by that time, it was too late. When asked what it was she was looking for in the car, Wilson said she could not remember but it might have been a stuffed animal. ... Wilson stated that she was tired and that it was the end of school vacation week."

The ambulance, operated by Brewster Ambulance Service, was transporting a 77-year-old man, officials said last week.

"The patient was not ejected from the ambulance and was found still strapped to the stretcher in the rear of the ambulance," officials said. "This gentleman was transported to Rhode Island Hospital for evaluation."

The driver of the ambulance, a 25-year-old woman, was treating those injured in the crash when emergency responders arrived, officials said. An EMT who was sitting in the front passenger seat, described as a man in his 20s, was treated for injuries and released.

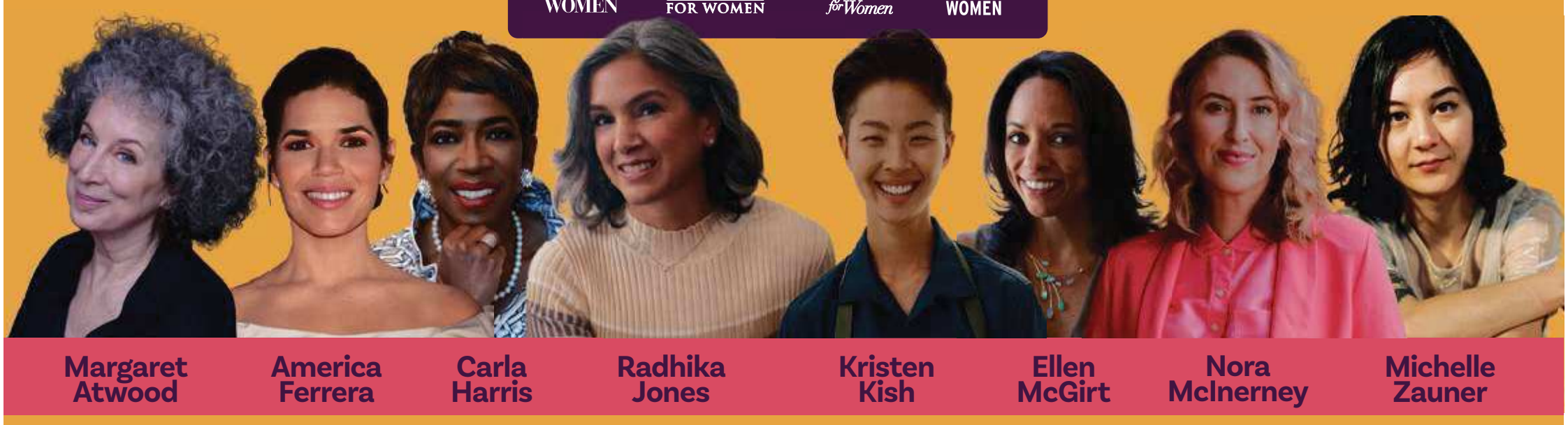
Wilson's next hearing in the case is scheduled for April 26.

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Officials hear concerns over Fort Point shelter

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sponses and commitments" they heard "we are optimistic the best possible outcome for the sheltered families can be achieved, while minimizing impact on the neighborhood."

At a community meeting on Tuesday, residents said they felt blind-sided when they discovered that the site had been approved on Monday for 90 days as a temporary so-called safety net overflow shelter for about 25 families, largely from Haiti, or an estimated 80 people.

They also learned that because the building has six bathrooms but no showers, shelter residents will be transported in vans to and from nearby YMCA's to shower.

On Friday, residents learned that the shelter will be an overnight-only site. Families will ride in 18-passenger vans to local YMCAs and community centers to take showers, cook meals, and participate in language, workforce training, and other programming, during the day.

Still, residents expressed concern over the shelter's impact.

Many were eager to know what day-to-day life was going to look like, about safety procedures and vaccinations, to what extent families had been vetted, schedules for comings and goings, plans for traffic congestion, and how long the site could be used as a shelter beyond the initial 90 days — and how they could help.

"The Seaport is not the right community for these people. There is NO transportation or grocery stores available for these people. What are safety procedures going to look like for the residents?," Nicole Depoalo asked via electronic Q&A.



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A shelter for 25 migrant families is set to open at 24 Farnsworth St. in Boston's Fort Point neighborhood.

Richard Marshall wanted to know "What assurance do we have that the program won't be expanded?"

"My understanding is UUA has two [to] three floors currently unoccupied, and with the severe need, it would not be inconceivable to see the program expanded to more square footage and/or people other than families/pregnant people," Marshall said.

The current agreement only allots for one floor of shelter space, officials said.

As far as vetting, new arrivals are screened at the Southern border, identification is required, background checks are conducted, and "all of the families who will be placed at this site are first deemed eligible and vetted by the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities," officials said.

"What are the city's plans to control diseases and viruses from foreign countries?," Matt Feher asked.

Public health officials ensured that vaccinations are current.

"I totally support establishing this shelter," one participant wrote in the Zoom chat space. "People can argue the root cause of immigration problems, but people are in need, and it's up to everyone to reach out and help. Showers or no showers, this shelter is more humane than having families live at Logan Airport. How can neighbors help? Donations of clothing, food. ... Let us know. Thank you."

After the meeting, the United Way issued a press release formally announcing the shelter.

Bob Giannino, President and CEO of United Way Massachusetts Bay, lauded the Unitarian Universalist Association for stepping forward. The Black Refugee & Immigrant Coalition will provide daytime services.

"Together, we are creating a model of how people can take care of each other in crisis while building the tools and systems necessary for longer-term solutions," Giannino said in a statement issued after the meeting.

UUA's Executive Vice President Carey McDonald said the church celebrates "the inherent worthiness and dignity of every person" and believes in the call "to take action in the face of oppression, injustice, and suffering."

"All children deserve a safe place to sleep," McDonald said in a statement issued after the meeting. "As a religious community headquartered in Boston, we consider it an act of faithful witness to use our facilities to do our part to support families in need, including migrant families who are simply seeking safety for their loved ones."

"We hope other building owners will take seriously whether their space can also be used in this way," McDonald added.

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Eddie Roach and Jennifer White's baby, Vivian Rose, was born at 2:41 a.m. on leap day at Tufts Medical Center.

Leap-year babies share a special birthday

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my wife's healthy and happy and that the baby's healthy and happy."

Leap-year babies also filled up nurseries at other area hospitals.

At Massachusetts General Hospital for Children, seven babies were born on leap day. Brigham and Women's Hospital welcomed a whopping 13 babies, Newton-Wellesley Hospital welcomed seven, and Cooley Dickinson and Nantucket Cottage hospitals welcomed one baby each.

The dry spell at Martha's Vineyard Hospital continued through Thursday, as the island's last leapling was born in 2020. Before that, according to the hospital's spokesperson, it didn't have a leap-year birth since 2016, which was its first since 1984.

At Salem Hospital, Malik Kai Lawson was born at 6:44 p.m. to Kelsey Donovan and Justus Lawson of Worcester. Malik was one of four babies born on leap day at the MGH branch, according to the hospital's spokesperson.

"I was hoping he'd be coming on leap because it's my first baby," said Donovan. "Everyone was talking about it, but I didn't really think it was going to happen."

Donovan said Malik was due Feb. 21 but ended up surprising the couple on leap day. They've already planned a few pranks to play on Malik once he's old enough to understand the uniqueness of his special day. In the meantime, Donovan said she plans to celebrate her baby's birthday on Feb. 28.

Then, again, arriving only every four years, a Feb. 29 birthday could have its own reward.

Donovan joked she could "save a lot of money on birthdays."

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Whale stranded in R.I. pond was euthanized

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"Unfortunately, the whale did not refloat," the group said. "With animal welfare as Mystic Aquarium's top priority and considering the poor condition and low likelihood of survival for the compromised animal, the decision was made to use medical intervention to alleviate the whale's suffering."

Staff from the aquarium and the state's department of environmental management were by the whale's side when it died around 9:20 p.m.

"Our hearts go out to this magnificent creature, and we remain committed to the conservation and welfare of all marine life," said Eric Anderson, the aquarium's senior director of animal health and welfare.

A necropsy was conducted Friday in an effort to determine what caused the stranding. The necropsy included what's known as a "banana peel," or removal of the whale's skin to allow researchers to perform a thorough examination.

"These cases are always heartbreaking, seeing such a beautiful animal in a compromised state," said Sarah Callan, animal rescue program manager at the aquarium. "As sad as the outcome is here, I feel some relief that this animal is now at peace. We'll collect a lot of data today and not only learn more about what happened with this specific whale, but also different threats that this species faces as a whole."

Around noon on Thursday, the remains of a second whale washed up on Moonstone Beach in South Kingstown, officials said.

The pilot whale had decomposed so had likely died some time ago, aquarium spokesperson Meagan Seacor said by email.

"There was no stranding in this case. We sent our team out to review and collect data on the animal, but due to the decomposition, we will not be able to conduct a necropsy."

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NATIONAL CENTER FOR MISSING AND EXPLOITED CHILDREN

An Amber Alert notice offered details about Dustin M. Duren and his two children.

2 kids 'safely located'; father charged with murder of their mom

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pointing the guns back, so that was nerve-racking."

Everitt said the officers lowered their weapons after a few minutes, and she noticed a nearby car matched the description from the Amber Alert.

About 10 or 15 minutes later, as emergency responders rushed to the plaza, she saw a woman run to the younger child and wrap her in a blanket.

The two children were put into an ambulance, according to Everitt.

"As soon as I saw the child, I almost started crying because seeing kids in a situation with guns was horrible," she said.

Just before 11 a.m., Everitt said, the officers had a man "laying on the ground and cuffed him."

John Boufford, who works at AutoZone Auto Parts in the shopping mall, said he noticed police cars and saw "at least half a dozen" official vehicles.

"This is not common for this area," he said. "It was definitely a surprise for sure."

Boufford said he saw the children brought over to an ambulance and heard that "both kids were checked out, and they were good to go."

According to a recording of fire department transmissions posted on Broadcastify, the children were taken by ambulance to Cheshire Medical Center.

The Amber Alert was issued after police went to an apartment at 1063 Main St. around 10:30 p.m. Thursday, where they discovered Naffziger's body, according to Formella's office.

Duren is in the custody of New Hampshire State Police while the investigation continues, officials said.

Reached by phone, relatives of Duren hung up on a Globe reporter on Friday.

Officials had said that Duren was driving a white 2017 Subaru Impreza sedan. The car has New Hampshire plates reading V69023. The "V" means it's a veteran's registration, officials said.

The Amber Alert was originally requested by the Berlin Police Department and authorized by State Police.

In a statement, Formella, State Police, and Berlin police thanked Keene police and the public "for assisting in responding to the report of . . . Duren's vehicle and his children to ensure their safety today. We also thank the citizens who responded to the Amber Alert and were alert throughout the State to safely find and locate both children."

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Harvard taps law school dean to serve as interim provost

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different points of view" and nurtured "a culture of free, open, and respectful discourse."

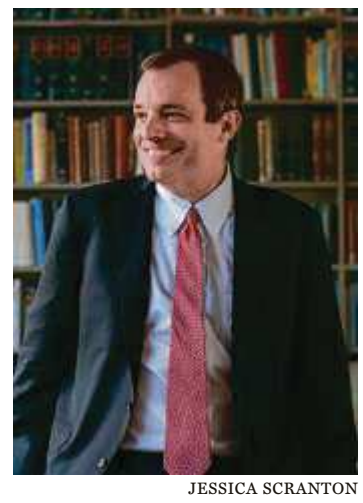
Manning, who has been mentioned in the Harvard Crimson student newspaper as a possible successor to Gay, is assuming the chief academic officer role as university leaders aim to restore calm on a campus that has been roiled by protests and allegations of bigotry since the Oct. 7 Hamas-led attack on Israel.

This semester, professors and researchers have been working to host a range of speakers and discussions about the Israel-Hamas war. And Garber in recent weeks has announced additional steps to reduce tensions, including the creation of two task forces to combat rising antisemitism and Islamophobia.

Several Harvard graduate and law students filed a federal lawsuit against the university in January, accusing the administration of failing to protect Jewish students from antisemitic harassment on campus, which the suit describes as "severe and pervasive." The university is also facing several federal investigations into campus antisemitism.

Garber and other top administrators in January reaffirmed Harvard's commitment to free expression and the right to protest, but emphasized that demonstrations that disrupt classes and university business are prohibited.

Since the Oct. 7 attack, which killed approximately 1,200 people, Harvard students have fervently protested against Israel's retaliatory military campaign in Gaza — which has killed about 30,000 people, according to Palestinian officials. Often the protests have taken place in common spaces, such as the library steps or open quads. But some protesters have barged into lecture halls and occupied university buildings, which the university stressed is prohibited.



JESSICA SCRANTON

Harvard's new interim provost John Manning.

A Harvard spokesperson said in December that 23 students were facing disciplinary action for behavior related to campus tensions over the Israel-Hamas war.

"I look forward, in the weeks and months ahead, to learning from colleagues across the University as we work together to determine how best to nurture and protect a culture in which teaching, learning, and research can thrive in the years to come," Manning said in a statement.

John C. P. Goldberg, professor of general jurisprudence, will serve as interim dean of Harvard Law School while Manning serves as provost.

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A giant new beer hall is coming to Medford this year

By Ava Berger
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The Great American Beer Hall plans to open in Medford this year with the goal of transforming a historically industrial property into a sprawling entertainment and dining space.

"We view it as an adult playground," said Mark Zarthar, one of six managing partners of Great American Beer Hall LLC behind the project. "Medford has grown dramatically over the last decade and the community deserves something like this,"

The 17,000-square-foot "tavern-style" beer hall, which is set for 142 Mystic Ave., will have indoor and outdoor spaces with a 4,800-square-foot outdoor beer garden and a 2,800-square-foot outdoor roof space, Zarthar said.

It is set to open in late summer or early fall, he said.

The layout of the beer hall is "inspired by the city's industrial history," Zarthar said, and the old tow yard that used to sit on the land.

With a "wide open" floor plan and high ceilings, along with a mix of "modern," and "minimalistic" aspects, the space will stay true to the street's commercial and industrial roots, Zarthar said.

The hall will feature 70 feet of bar space, 30 draft lines, 120 taps, two huge LED television screens, and a stage for live music, Zarthar said.

Parking will be available in a lot with 108 spaces and its front section will convert into pickleball courts during the day, Zarther said.

The outdoor beer garden will be a "communal space" with a fire pit, Zarthar said.

"We see the space as a Swiss Army knife," he said. "It will offer different settings and experiences for different audiences."

Zarthar couldn't confirm any specific local brewers the restaurant would feature, but said they plan to serve New England craft beer.

"We want to ensure craft beer lovers can come and enjoy new beers they've never tasted before, as well as classics," he said.



THE GREAT AMERICAN BEER HALL

Rendering of the 17,000-square-foot "tavern-style" beer hall, set to open at 142 Mystic Ave. in late summer or early fall.

For other audiences, the hall will have cocktails, wine, and non-alcoholic drinks, Zarthar said. The food will be "American classic" with artisan pizza, sandwiches, salads, desserts, and more, Zarthar said.

"The shining star is the pizza," Zarthar said. "We want creative, dynamic pizza designs. We are looking at pizza with crab and barbecue pulled pork with the classic cheeses."

The space will also host private events such as corporate outings, and Zarthar said they have already received an inquiry about a wedding reception.

"The wide open floor plan definitely allows for a great social environment," Zarthar said. It will be "family friendly," he said.

Zarthar said the partners want to see family-friendly hours particularly from noon to 4 p.m. on weekends, which he said his brother, Brian, calls "stroller hours." The ownership group is still "in the process of figuring out the flow" of these hours but Zarthar said he envisions a brewery environment during a time when parents can bring their children and enjoy some form of entertainment.

The beer hall will be located half a mile from Tufts University, Zarthar said.

"Depending on the time of day or depending on the day of the week you come, we can have a stroller hour, we can have Tufts students who come at night, or a big sports crowd on a Sunday," he said.

Zarthar said his family has owned Murray Supply Corp., a plumbing business on Mystic Avenue, since the 1960s and acquired property on the street over the past couple of decades. All six managing partners in the ownership group are equally invested, Zarthar said, but Brian is the "prominent" partner and will be in Medford on a day-to-day basis.

With the family's close ties to Medford, Zarthar said he knew "the community could benefit" from the space.

Great American Beer Hall LLC will own the beer hall, Zarthar said, but his extended family will retain ownership of the land.

"We wanted to leverage the land to do something better for the community," he said.

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Crown Castle USA, Inc. is proposing to modify an existing small-cell facility. The modification will consist of the installation of an antenna at 26ft on an existing 35ft Pole telecommunications facility located at 20 Leston Street, Boston, Suffolk County MA (42.2829, -71.090448). Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending comments to: Project 007965-PR - MH, EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at 785.760.5938.

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The Bidding for and award of the contracts for the following projects are to be in accordance with the requirements of **Mass General Laws Chapter 30 § 39M**.

TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
BEVERLY-SALEM: Bridge Preservation, B-11-005=S-01-013 (307 & 308), Kernwood Avenue over the Danvers River (612855)	$6,142,000.00
DISTRICT 3: Application of Reflectorized Pavement Markings at Various Locations (613413)	$1,565,000.00
DISTRICT 5: Pavement Repairs and Improvements at Various Locations (Areas A, B, & C) (613245)	$4,237,000.00
DISTRICT 6: Scheduled and Emergency Impact Attenuator Repairs and Replacement at Various Locations (613352)	$521,000.00
TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	**PROJECT VALUE**
DISTRICT 2: Bridge Deck Wearing Surface Repairs at Various Locations (613430)	$1,986,000.00

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TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
DISTRICT 3: Scheduled and Emergency Standpipe and Fire Safety Systems Inspection, Testing and Repairs at Various Locations (613420)	$158,000.00

All prospective Bidders must complete and e-mail an electronic copy of "Request Proposal Form (R109)" to the MassDOT Director of Prequalification for approval: prequal.r109@dot.state.ma.us. The blank "Request Proposal Form (R109)" can be obtained at: https://www.mass.gov/prequalification-of-horizontal-construction-firms.

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BY: Monica Tibbits-Nutt, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
Jonathan L. Gulliver, Highway Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024

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City Of Boston Public Improvement Commission

February 29, 2024

Ordered: That due notice be given that this Commission is of the opinion that in said City of Boston the following public improvements will be considered at the request of the petitioner: GCB Realty LLC.

On a petition by the petitioner for the making of **Specific Repairs** within the following public ways in West Roxbury:

- **Centre Street** – on its easterly side at address nos. 632-638, generally between Greenview Avenue and Lester Place;
- **Greenview Avenue** – east of Centre Street.

This Commission appoints **March 14, 2024,** at 10:00 AM, in Boston City Hall room 801, as the time and place for the Public Hearing to consider the petition of the petitioner.

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From left: Sabrina Nasios and Marty Callahan got married on Leap Day at Dearly Studio in Bow Market; Dan Bravo and Caitlin Bresnahan's wedding cake for their ceremony and reception at Dearly Studio.

On Leap Day, couples leaned into novelty at micro wedding venue Dearly Studio

By Adri Pray
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

On Feb. 29, Sabrina Nasios and Marty Callahan were married in four minutes and 13 seconds.

The Ashland couple faced each other, in front of a dozen of their closest friends and family members, while Jusmine Martin, the officiant of the ceremony and founder of the micro wedding venue they were standing in, pronounced them husband and wife.

After a kiss and embrace, Martin took two Polaroid photographs of the couple — because "someone always blinks," she said — and handed them a red marker to sign the door frame with. Her husband, Blair Rutherford, popped champagne and poured each attendee a glass.

The Callahans were the first of four couples to be married at Dearly Studio on Leap Day, according to Martin, who opened the small event space last June. Located above Rebel Rebel wine bar in Somerville's Bow Market, the chapel experienced its busiest month in February, with 12 weddings.

"People have accepted us so wholeheartedly, which has been really great," Martin said. "We're finding our footing and really trying to figure out if these short-term leases at Bow Market are something we can really sink our teeth into, or if it's something fun that we [can try] for a year, and we're really happy to get to be continuing here, because there is a demand for it."

Sabrina and Marty met at a business networking meeting 11 years prior, began dating in 2015, and were engaged by the end of 2022. Before they found Dearly, they were committed to a destination wedding in New Hampshire, but the novelty of the quadrennial date convinced the Callahans to change course.

"Marty's the love of my life," Sabrina said in an interview a few days ahead of the wedding. "He's who I was meant to be with. I'm just forever grateful that I have him."

Three of the four couples, including Sabrina and Marty, opted for the venue's $300 "Quickie" package, which includes a half-hour ceremony in the chapel, an officiant, legal document filing, up to four guests, a framed Polaroid photo, and, as a Leap Day exclusive, champagne.

The third couple of the day, Caitlin Bresnahan and Dan Bravo, opted for the venue's "Love on Top" package — the space's two-hour affair that includes everything in the "Quickie" package plus two bottles of champagne, up to 10 guests, a wedding favor for each, a floral add-on, and full use of the bar.

They were wed with their two Shiba Inus, Kira and Austin, by their sides and 13 of their friends and family members watching. A cake, frosted with pink and white flowers, sat on the bar next to champagne toasts, as Martin acted as a self-described "omniscient narrator" to marry the couple.

Caitlin and Dan, of Melrose, met online at the beginning of 2023, instantly connected, and were engaged by the end of the year. They thought Leap Day would be a "fun, lighthearted way" to celebrate "finding the right match," Caitlin told the Globe prior to the wedding.

The couple opted to use Carly Febo, a freelance photographer who can be added to any wedding with an additional charge. Febo, who is not associated with Bow Market, is one of the six "preferred vendors" attached to Dearly. Others, including Filomena Demarco Jewelry, Rococo Floral, Maca, and Buenas, are attached to the Somerville Market, and services from each can also be added on for a fee.

Emily Lyons and Evan Kielmeyer of the North End were the final wedding of the day. They came alone and were married at the altar in the studio in front of Martin, Rutherford, and the Globe. They enjoyed a champagne toast, fulfilled the Dearly traditions, and left to enjoy a cinnamon cake with vanilla buttercream frosting for two. They don't plan to tell anyone about the wedding until they have to.

"Honestly, if it wasn't for the taxes, nobody would have known about this," Kielmeyer said in an interview before their wedding. "We probably would have revealed it 10 years from now."

"There's no one right way to have a wedding and anyone who tries to tell you otherwise is silly," Martin said at the conclusion of the evening. "Dearly isn't for everyone. But if it is your vibe, I try to make it really special for folks."

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BLOWW: A queer community built on trust and taking up space in the world of professional wrestling

By Henry Bova
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

For Boston League of Wicked Wrestlers members, the trust they share goes beyond the ring.

Sure, trust is built from literally holding each other's lives in their hands, performing dangerous choreographed stunts during their elaborate stage show for sold-out crowds across Boston, but what BLOWW has offered for 20 years is a haven for female and queer artists to freely create and express themselves.

"We have people who are huge wrestling marks. We have people who were theater nerds. We have people who were dancers. We have people who never did a sport in their life," said Heather McCormack, a BLOWW wrestler since 2014. "They're just excited to be a queer person taking up space in a safe and supportive environment."

That environment showcases athleticism and gives members of historically marginalized communities a chance — as brash, hammy, professional wrestlers — to be as visible as possible. On Sunday at the Center for Arts at the Armory in Somerville, the uplifting values of professional wrestling will be on full display.

"In the queer community, it's not always about 'us versus them,'" said Emily Whitney, a wrestler since 2018. "It's 'What are we doing for ourselves and how can we provide support?' That's been huge for me."

For the past six years, BLOWW has been drawing sold-out crowds to increasingly large venues, including events at Arts at the Armory in the last two years.

Older events generated buzz, but they were different in that they had a raw, DIY ethos. The shows were often at dive bars or punk shows, and featured little more than a wrestling mat on the ground. There wasn't any professional training around this time either, with everyone learning their moves from older members or online video demonstrations.

"We would literally duct tape our gym mats to these grimy floors and throw each other around and do wildly dangerous, untrained moves," said McCormack, who was first drawn to the organization after witnessing what was billed as a women's wrestling league 10 years ago. The spectator-to-participant pipeline has become common among BLOWW members.

"I did not grow up watching professional wrestling," she said, adding that she didn't have much of an athletic background but loved theater. "I was very excited by the fact that it was just a bunch of women that seemed incredibly badass. I was just like, 'I want to be like that. I want to beat people up.'"

These early shows were well received, but they took a toll on the performers, who suffered long-lasting injuries in the name of their art. McCormack recalled that when the group first started receiving professional advice in 2018, their first trainer, Providence wrestler Sully Banger, was both amazed and horrified by what he saw.

"He came in and saw us, and he was like, 'What the hell, you guys are gonna die," she said. "He was like, 'What you guys are doing is crazy and awesome, and I want to help you.'"

He eventually connected the group with a different local trainer, which elevated the wrestling element of their performances. This was one of several changes within the organization that took place in the late 2010s. The biggest came in 2017, when the group officially rebranded to the Boston League of *Wicked* Wrestlers, changed from "Women Wrestlers," and established itself as an explicitly LGBTQ+ organization.

"One of our members came out as non-binary," said McCormack. "We talked about it as a league and decided what we really want to do is provide a space where people who are marginalized have a platform to express themselves and be the architects of their own story."

These developments, paired with the decisions to invest more into the theatrical side of shows and to "punch up" with their comedy instead of aiming to shock, birthed a new BLOWW.

"We have the best fans in the world," she said. "We're not training to the extent of these other wrestling promotions, but what we do is provide storytelling and character development and a universe and a community that is so unique."

BLOWW prides itself on being welcoming for fans and providing an alternative to the very male-dominated culture surrounding the sport. The organization embraces the art form of professional wrestling — in all its campiness and violence — to the fullest, and has received a lot of support from outside wrestlers.

"I met so many wrestlers who were really kind and really believed in what we were doing," said Veronica Santana, a member of BLOWW since 2016. "They believe in our mission to be for marginalized gender identities and queer folks."

Santana portrays Shabby Wizard, a mystical being who's flunked out of wizardry school and wants to prove their worth through physical combat. When choosing her wrestling persona, she wanted something that would allow herself to perform completely uninhibited.

"I feel like I can just be myself without any fear of how I'm going to be interpreted," she said. "It's really an escape to be this character who's this amorphous, genderless wizard. I'm not thinking about my body and feeling insecure, I just feel glorious, it's beyond feeling beautiful."

Whitney, who wrestles as THE BUTCHER, leans hard into being a heel, portraying a union-busting villain to rile up audiences. They take great joy in being a brash antagonist and satirizing an issue that's very important to them.

"I work in the beer business, and it's very hard, grueling work oftentimes," they said. "I love being able to get the crowd to hate me because they know that workers need rights and they deserve to unionize. Everyone in our crowd is on board with that."

The evolution of BLOWW has seen identity shifts and booming production values, but according to McCormack, the mission has been consistent since the start.

"For an arts organization of any kind to survive and thrive over 20 years is awesome," she said. "At our core, we're creating a platform for people who have traditionally been excluded from these spaces to be their biggest and best selves."

The Boston League of Wicked Wrestlers hosts "Krystal's Brawl" Sunday, March 3, at the Center for Arts at the Armory in Somerville. Doors are at 6 p.m. and bell time is 7 p.m. The event is sold out.

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The Boston League of Wicked Wrestlers hosts another sold-out show at the Center for Arts at the Armory in Somerville this Sunday. Below: Heather MacKinnon wrestling as Pammmmmmmmmmmmy at Arts at the Armory in 2023.



TV HIGHLIGHTS

Exhibition baseball: Nationals-Red Sox, 1:05 p.m., NESN
PWHL: Boston-Montreal, 4 p.m., NESN
Men's college basketball: Pitt-Boston College, 6 p.m., ACC
NHL: Bruins-Islanders, 7:30 p.m., NESN
NBA: Nuggets-Lakers, 8:30 p.m., ABC
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Passing thoughts

Patriots could land one of top three quarterbacks . . .

By Nicole Yang
GLOBE STAFF

INDIANAPOLIS — As the Patriots continue to mull their options with the No. 3 overall pick in this year's draft, the team met with the top three quarterback prospects this week at the NFL Scouting Combine.

Southern Cal's Caleb Williams, Louisiana State's Jayden Daniels, and North Carolina's Drake Maye all spoke with members of New England's contingent in Indianapolis, but will wait until their respective Pro Days to work out and participate in testing. Williams also elected to forgo the medical examination, saying he will do so during his formal visits with teams.

The Patriots were well-represented at the combine this year, with coach Jerod Mayo, de facto general manager Eliot Wolf, senior personnel executive Alonzo Highsmith, director of player personnel Matt Groh, senior personnel adviser Patrick Stew-

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SEAN M. HAFFEY/GETTY IMAGES

USC's Caleb Williams, the consensus No. 1 quarterback in the draft, met with the Patriots during the scouting combine.

. . . Or they could unearth a sleeper later in the draft

By Christopher Price
GLOBE STAFF

INDIANAPOLIS — Ja'Lynn Polk would like a word with those who believe Michael Penix Jr. doesn't belong in the conversation about the top quarterbacks in this year's NFL Draft.

"Watch his arm," said Polk, a teammate of Penix at Washington and his unofficial hype man at this week's NFL Scouting Combine. "A lot of people don't think he has the speed that he has. A lot of people don't think he's as smart as he is. It's going to show. What's done in the dark is going to come into the light.

"I guarantee you. *I guarantee you*. I'm saying it over and over again: Michael Penix will be on the top when it's all said and done. And I stand on that."

If they stick at No. 3, conventional wisdom suggests the Patriots will draft a quarterback, with the choice being whoever is left after Chicago and Washington take some combination of

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TARA SULLIVAN

Cora still beloved, but Sox future is cloudy



FORT MYERS, Fla. — Spring training is still young, but nothing here at Fenway South has altered the narrative around these fragile, frugal Red Sox. With a roster light on star power and heavy on cost-effectiveness, this team is going to need an awful lot to go right to avoid a third consecutive last-place finish.

Good thing they have a manager long on experience and heavy with patience. Alex Cora might just be their best asset in holding this all together.

But he may eventually be their best export, too.

Cora, 48, begins the final year of his contract with no indication of an extension coming anytime soon. Rather, he seems willing, maybe even content, to work without the safety net, secure in the knowledge he would be quite the attractive target on the managerial free agent market. One more harsh reality of all this constant rebuilding is that it might lead to Cora's departure at season's end.

That's if Cora even wants to keep managing. From his first interview session upon arriving in Fort Myers to a chat before Friday's game at the Twins, Cora has been up front about the challenge of missing family time with his two young sons and college-aged daughter. How a position that requires "24 hours, seven days a week" pulls him away from them.

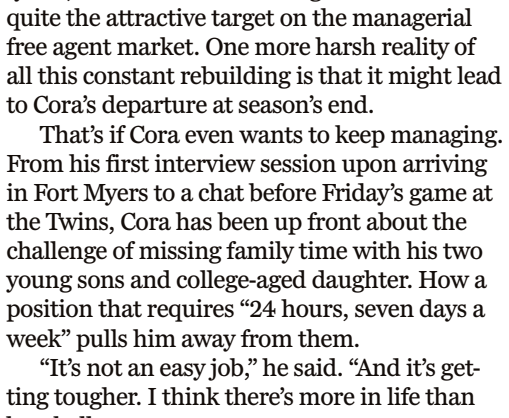
"It's not an easy job," he said. "And it's getting tougher. I think there's more in life than baseball.

"I lived it when I retired [from playing]. That first year was great. I traveled the world, spent time with my daughter, and it was good. Now, this offseason was really good. We went from New Hampshire to Costa Rica to Miami, we did a lot of stuff. They skied in New Hampshire, we saw the volcanoes in Costa Rica, and ended up in Puerto Rico.

"It's not the job or the contract or the Red Sox or whatever, it's where we're at. To be part of it would be fun."

Cora's newfound perspective was partly rooted in how tired, both mentally and physically, he was by the end of last season. But it's also a nod to how much the organization has changed since he first arrived. From the heady big-spending Dave Dombrowski days that helped Cora manage his way to a 2018 World

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BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Expectations are low for Alex Cora's sixth season as manager of the Red Sox.



MATTHEW J. LEE/GLOBE STAFF

Jayson Tatum (32 points) let the Celtics fans, as well as Mavericks coach Jason Kidd (left) and Maxi Kleber, know he drained a 3-pointer.

Hang 10

Celtics drop Mavericks to extend streak

By Adam Himmelsbach
GLOBE STAFF

Celtics	**138**
Mavericks	**110**

The Celtics haven't been tested often during this powerful winning streak. Opponents have tended to burst when Boston decided it was time to make them burst.

For part of Friday night at TD Garden, it appeared that the Mavericks might at least give the Celtics a tense late-game scenario to navigate. Dallas clawed back from a double-digit deficit and pulled within 2 points early in the third quarter. But that pressure was fleeting, partly because these Celtics just seem inevitable and overwhelming. They outscored the Mavericks by 22 points in the second half and eventually coasted to a 138-110 win.

"I don't think we look at it as a run," Jaylen Brown said. "I think that starts with us just being ourselves.

"Obviously, teams play and game plan for us and they play

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MATTHEW J. LEE/GLOBE STAFF

Jaylen Brown (25 points, 7 rebounds, 5 assists) went with the low three in celebration of a make from behind the arc in the fourth quarter.

GARY WASHBURN
ON BASKETBALL

Irving is at peace, even among the jeers

Whether his critics decide to believe it, Kyrie Irving appears to be in a better place these days. He cracked a smile when asked about the constant boos he withstood each time he touched the ball Friday for the Mavericks as they made their annual visit to TD Garden.

Irving left Boston after the 2018-19 season, and so much has happened in the NBA, with the Celtics, and on earth, since then. But Bostonians have long memories, especially when they feel betrayed, and Irving's promise to re-sign and then abrupt reversal a few months later will not be forgotten.

Add to that his unsuccessful stint with the Nets, his refusal to play games for various reasons and the Celtics' rise to the top of the NBA, and the vitriol remains fresh. Irving comprehends and

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Burlington boys are on the mark, defeat Whitman-Hanson in basketball. **Schools, C7**

KEVIN PAUL DUPONT

ON HOCKEY

Outside help may not heal Bruins

T-minus one week from the NHL trade deadline (next Friday), the Bruins have won but four of their last 12 games. That's not a fluke. It's what the Bruins are right now, a bunch of guys searching to regain their pluck 'n' strut.

Their game is dull and out of synch. Their best players, including too many of their top six forwards, are far from being their best players. Their goaltending too often doesn't deliver big or timely saves. The back-line six or seven are soft. Their special teams, most nights, toggle between the bland and the outright bad.

If there is a cure, beyond general manager Don Sweeney fixing all those issues with some multidimensional deadline wizardry, it didn't make itself apparent in Thursday's firewagon 5-4 win over the Stanley Cup-defending Golden Knights at TD Garden.

The Bruins once again built a sizable lead (3-0 in the opening 17 minutes) and once again turned what should have been a comfortable stroll to victory into a needless nail-biter.

The good news: For the first time in a fortnight, they managed to end their night's work in three periods, thus avoiding becoming one of three teams in NHL history to play in seven consecutive overtime games. Getting in and out in 60 minutes has become, well, a challenge for the century-old franchise.

Sweeney is shopping, albeit with minimal capital beyond what he has on his Boston/Providence rosters. At this point, the draft cupboard's hinges have been worn thin. He has picks he can yield, but he has dealt those at times when his team has looked a player or two away from being a true Cup contender. That's not how this team looks. Not right now.

During an interview that aired on 98.5 The Sports Hub after the first intermission Thursday night, the ninth-year GM sounded generally pleased with what he has witnessed to this point. Without being specific, Sweeney also acknowledged areas he'd "like to address," said it "remains to be seen" if he could find answers in the coming days, and that he wanted to be careful about "overpromising and underdelivering."

Forever the same ol' Dealin' Don, unwilling to share any of the deep dark Causeway Street secrets here at crunch time. Like Sylvester, Sweeney wouldn't offer a hint of Tweety Bird's whereabouts if the feathers were flying out of his mouth, nostrils, and ears.

There is a Part 2 of Sweeney's interview to come — likely Saturday night when the Bruins face the Islanders in Elmont, N.Y. — and maybe he'll spill the trade beans then. The chance of that is in lockstep with owner Jeremy Jacobs at the same time announcing he will roll back the 9.5 percent price increase to next year's season tickets that were announced Monday. There is never any equivocation when it comes to asking Black-and-Gold fans to pony up more . . . and more . . . and . . . more.

It was Morgan Geekie who led the "best players" category vs. Vegas. The 25-year-old Manitoban picked up his first career hat trick. Jesper Boqvist and rookie defenseman Mason Lohrei added the other strikes. Prior to this year, none of the three had ever played a game for the Boston Bruins.

None of the roster regulars, including high-priced veterans, put a puck in the net. That's familiar. Many of the regulars struggled to score for the entire month of February. Outcome: a wishy-washy, uh-oh 4-3-5 month. As noted, it's who they are right now.

This can be, and often is, an exciting time of year. Sweeney and staff have done some astute, crafty deadline dealing in years past, including big-time acquisitions of Rick Nash, Hampus Lindholm (still sidelined, by the way), and last year's haul of Tyler Bertuzzi, Garnet Hathaway, and Dmitry Orlov. Only Lindholm stuck.

Sweeney made an attempt to secure veteran unrestricted free agent Patrick Kane at midseason, but the prolific winger opted to sign with the Red Wings. Kane has posted 31 points in 29 games with Detroit. Those numbers would have looked pretty good here, especially in a February gone fallow.

Geekie's performance Thursday, when he increased his season output to 13-17—30 (career highs for goals and points), was a poignant reminder that the NHL's potentially most impactful deals are typically done in the dead of summer rather than the chaos of the deadline. The unrestricted free agent market, remember, is how the Bruins in 2006 landed Zdeno Chara.

July free agency is about roster building and setting a franchise's foundation.

Deadline dealing is about augmenting rosters with hired hands and, in some cases, attempting to salvage a season.

The deadline is here, and it's clear the Bruins need to ask for more from the players on hand and from whoever else might walk through the door in the next few days. Based on February, the ask may be too big for anyone to answer.

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Florida	60	40	16	4	84	38	198	145
Boston	61	35	12	14	84	32	207	169
Toronto	59	34	17	8	76	30	220	187
METROPOLITAN	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
NY Rangers	60	40	17	3	83	39	201	164
Carolina	60	36	18	6	78	35	198	167
Philadelphia	61	31	23	7	69	27	185	182
WILD-CARD	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Detroit	60	33	21	6	72	31	216	191
Tampa Bay	62	32	24	6	70	30	210	210
Washington	59	28	22	9	65	25	158	188
*New Jersey	59	30	25	4	64	30	198	205
NY Islanders	59	25	20	14	64	24	175	200
Pittsburgh	57	27	22	8	62	25	170	156
Buffalo	60	28	28	4	60	27	174	180
Montreal	60	23	28	9	55	19	170	215
Ottawa	58	25	30	3	53	23	193	208
Columbus	59	19	30	10	48	17	173	218

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Dallas	62	36	17	9	81	34	222	188
Winnipeg	58	37	16	5	79	37	177	139
Colorado	61	37	19	5	79	35	226	189
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Vancouver	62	38	17	7	83	38	222	175
Vegas	60	33	20	7	73	29	196	172
Edmonton	57	35	20	2	72	33	204	170
WILD-CARD	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Los Angeles	59	30	19	10	70	28	183	161
Nashville	61	34	25	2	70	32	194	189
Calgary	59	29	25	5	63	29	185	184
St. Louis	59	30	26	3	63	28	171	185
Seattle	59	26	22	11	63	23	165	169
Minnesota	60	28	26	6	62	25	189	202
Arizona	60	24	31	5	53	22	175	199
*Anaheim	59	21	35	3	45	20	157	211
San Jose	58	15	38	5	35	14	124	228
Chicago	60	15	40	5	35	14	123	213

* — Not including late game; ROW — Regulation plus overtime wins

THE PLAYOFF FORMAT

Eight teams in each conference qualify. The top three teams from each division comprise the first six spots. The two remaining teams with the most points, regardless of division, qualify for the final two wild-card spots.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Arizona 5	at Ottawa 3	New Jersey	at Anaheim
At Washington 5	Philadelphia 2		

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Boston at NY Islanders	7:30	Montreal at Tampa Bay	7
Winnipeg at Carolina	12:30	Ottawa at Philadelphia	7
Florida at Detroit	3	Vegas at Buffalo	7
Edmonton at Seattle	4	San Jose at Dallas	8
Colorado at Nashville	6	Columbus at Chicago	8
Minnesota at St. Louis	6	Pittsburgh at Calgary	10
NY Rangers at Toronto	7		

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

At Boston 5	Vegas 4	At Nashville 6	Minnesota 1
At Florida 4	Montreal 3 (SO)	At Dallas 4	Winnipeg 1
Carolina 4	at Columbus 2	Colorado 5	at Chicago 0
NY Islanders 5	at Detroit 3	At Seattle 2	Pittsburgh 0
At Toronto 4	Arizona 2	Los Angeles 5	at Vancouver 1
Buffalo 3	at Tampa Bay 2 (OT)	Anaheim 6	at San Jose 4

COYOTES 5, SENATORS 3

Arizona	3	0	2	5
Ottawa	1	2	0	3

First period — 1. Arizona, Carcone 16, 7:31. 2. Arizona, Moser 4 (Guenther, Carcone), 12:39. 3. Arizona, Schmaltz 17 (Maccelli, Durzi), 15:37 (pp). 4. Ottawa, Tarasenko 16 (Chychrun, Pinto), 18:09. Penalties — MacEwen, Ott, double minor (hi stick), 13:53. Greig, Ott (tripping), 15:21. McBain, Ari (roughing), 20:00.

Second period — 5. Ottawa, Batherson 21 (Bernard-Docker, Stuetzle), 13:49. 6. Ottawa, Pinto 6 (Tarasenko, Stuetzle), 15:52 (pp). Penalties — Durzi, Ari (hi stick), 14:54.

Third period — 7. Arizona, Guenther 7 (Schmaltz, Maccelli), 4:18 (pp). 8. Arizona, Maccelli 11 (Hayton, Moser), 18:45 (en). Penalties — Cooley, Ari (slashing), 1:29. Kelly, Ott (interference), 1:29. Greig, Ott (hooking), 3:52. Stecher, Ari, served by Maccelli (cross check), 10:38. Stecher, Ari (roughing), 10:38. Stuetzle, Ott (roughing), 10:38.

Shots on goal — Arizona 18-4-8 — 30. Ottawa 11-19-7 — 37.

Power plays — Arizona 2-4; Ottawa 1-3.

Goalies — Arizona, Vejmelka 7-15-2 (37 shots-34 saves). Ottawa, Forsberg 11-10-0 (29 shots-25 saves).

Referees — Ghislain Hebert, Mitch Dunning. Linesmen — Derek Nansen, Steve Barton.

A — 17,734 (19,153). T — 2:34.

CAPITALS 5, FLYERS 2

Philadelphia	2	0	0	2
Washington	0	3	2	5

First period — 1. Philadelphia, Brink 9 (Frost, Tippett), 1:52. 2. Philadelphia, Tippett 22 (Zamula, Frost), 18:23 (pp). Penalties — DStrome, Was (tripping), 3:35. Wilson, Was (tripping), 16:47.

Second period — 3. Washington, Ovechkin 17 (Wilson, Lapierre), 4:34. 4. Washington, Milano 7 (Pacioretty, DStrome), 9:55. 5. Washington, Carlson 5 (Lapierre, Sandin), 17:45. Penalties — York, Phi (tripping), 10:56. Pacioretty, Was (boarding), 14:49.

Third period — 6. Washington, Mantha 19 (DStrome, Wilson), 6:04 (pp). 7. Washington, DStrome 22 (Pacioretty, Edmundson), 15:38. Penalties — Walker, Phi (hi stick), 5:39. Hathaway, Phi, double minor (roughing), 7:39. Wilson, Was, double minor (roughing), 7:39. Walker, Phi (interference), 18:21.

Shots on goal — Philadelphia 11-5-7 — 23. Washington 5-9-7 — 21.

Power plays — Philadelphia 1-3; Washington 1-3.

Goalies — Philadelphia, Ersson 17-12-4 (21 shots-16 saves). Washington, Lindgren 13-9-5 (23 shots-21 saves).

Referees — Pierre Lambert, Jon McIsaac. Linesmen — Trent Knorr, Mark Shewchyk.

A — 18,573 (18,398). T — 2:31.

Islanders thumbnails

- **When, where:** Saturday, 7 p.m., at UBS Arena, Elmont, N.Y.
- **TV, radio:** NESN, WBZ-FM (98.5).
- **Goals:** Brock Nelson 27, Bo Horvat 23, Mathew Barzal 18.
- **Assists:** Noah Dobson 54, Barzal 45, Horvat 27.
- **Goaltending:** Ilya Sorokin (19-13-0, 3.11), Semyon Varlamov (6-7-3, 2.91).
- **Head to head:** This is the third and final meeting. The Bruins are 2-0-0 vs. the Islanders.
- **Miscellany:** The Islanders have won their last two and are 6-5-3 since Patrick Roy took over as coach Jan. 20 . . . Dobson is fifth overall in assists and second among defensemen . . . Barzal has 5 goals and 7 assists in his last 10 games . . . Simon Holmstrom is tied for the league lead with five shorthanded goals.



DANIELLE PARHIZKARAN/GLOBE STAFF

In his second season as coach, Joe Mazzulla has led the Celtics to the top spot in the NBA's overall standings.

CHAD FIN

Alas, I'm glad Mazzulla stayed on as coach



When the Celtics fell behind, three games to none, to the Heat in the Eastern Conference finals last May, I was all for turning the rookie coach into the ex-coach the moment the season's imminent end arrived. Maybe you were too.

It was close to impossible to avoid being down on Joe Mazzulla and the entire recent Celtics experience, which annually brought success right up to a painful, dispiriting end.

The Heat, ever-prepared and ever-annoying, had smoked the disconnected Celtics by 26 points in Game 3.

For all intents and purposes, the quest to return to the NBA Finals and avenge the previous season's loss was over, or would be after 48 more minutes of unused timeouts, nap breaks on defense, and watching the Celtic that dribbled the ball over midcourt too often take the shot.

It was an ugly performance against an opponent with a knack for drawing out the Celtics' worst habits, and it was not difficult to see it as the necessary end to *something*.

I wrote this line with venom and vigor after Game 3: "Joe Mazzulla, one of the few Celtics who hasn't quit, is the one who is going to have to go when this charade of a series, and the season with it, is mercifully over."

Wrote this line too: "Their players, as shown through their recent words and pathetic actions, clearly do not believe their coach gives them a fighting chance."

And this: "The Celtics tried to develop a coach with a roster built to win now, and it backfired."

Now, this is not an apology or a *mea culpa*. I'm not here to eat crow for Joe. In those circumstances, in that emotional maelstrom of frustration and disappointment, I believe it was the fitting sentiment.

The Celtics *were* embarrassingly checked out in Game 3, Mazzulla was overmatched, and it's not as if I stood alone in disgust. Eddie House, the NBC Sports Boston analyst and 2008 champion, said after Game 3, "I feel like the Celtics have quit on their coach. Call it what we really see. I feel that those guys out there don't believe in what their coach is doing. ... I don't believe they really believe in Joe Mazzulla."

I'll always wonder whether the Celtics would have stuck by Mazzulla had they been clobbered in Game 4. But they weren't. They did not check out, go through the motions, and scatter for the summer. They pulled off three straight victories, by 17 points, 13 points, and then 1 point, with Derrick White's wonderful putback at the buzzer suddenly making a Game 7 victory feel inevitable.

It was not. Jayson Tatum rolled his ankle on the first possession, the other Celtics could not overcome it, and the Heat prevailed by 19.

But the Celtics did not roll over when the opportunity presented itself. In a small way, that reflected well on Mazzulla, even though some Celtics seemed to have the attitude of, "We can do this, even if it's in spite of him."

Nine months after writing that Mazzulla needed to go, I'm glad that view did not become reality. There would have been an element of genuine unfairness to it, even by the ruthless standards of professional sports.

Rather than moving on from or demoting Mazzulla, his most ardent supporter did something wiser. Brad Stevens made things easier for him.

Veteran assistants Sam Cassell and Charles Lee were notable, welcome additions to the coaching staff. Grant Williams, a role player who could gripe to the officials like a superstar, went to Dallas (and didn't stay long) in a sign-and-trade. Most important, Marcus Smart, the longest-tenured and for better or worse the most headstrong Celtic, was swapped to Memphis in a three-way deal that brought Kristaps Porzingis from Washington.

Smart's departure hurt, but it was the right thing to do in multiple ways. It opened more playing time for master-of-everything Derrick White. It gave the Celtics an enviable inside/outside weapon in Porzingis. And it left the Celtics positioned to acquire Jrue Holiday — a calmer, unthreatened, superior version of Smart — when he suddenly became available.

Mazzulla has a more coachable roster this season — and he's a better coach. He has earned greater trust. He's not overwhelmed. He has ceased hoarding timeouts, explains his reasoning thoughtfully during press conferences, and now remembers to play White in crunch time.

Some would complain that the Celtics are too 3-point-happy, but I'm fine with the Celtics shooting 40 or so a game, provided that they're good looks rather than contested stepbacks with 12 seconds on the shot clock. And it's not as if he's ignoring post play. The Celtics use Porzingis in the paint whenever they need a quick 2 or he has a mismatch.

I would like to see Mazzulla use some bench players a little more over the final 20-plus games. Oshae Brissett is helpful as an energy boost, and Mazzulla does need to find out whether Xavier Tillman can be a factor in the playoffs. But for the most part, he has handled the roster and the players' workload with the big picture in mind. If he can ever get these guys to box out, then I'll *really* believe in him.

The real test comes in the playoffs, of course, and I think we'd all be OK with it if Mazzulla doesn't have to match X's and O's with Erik Spoelstra along the way. But these Celtics are a juggernaut, a far better and more well-rounded team than they were a year ago, and everyone should feel great about where they are and where they are headed.

This could be a heck of a redemption story for the Celtics and their improving second-year coach. No, this is not an apology to Joe Mazzulla, not yet. But I wouldn't mind crafting something come June.

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Lohrei improves while paired with Carlo

By Conor Ryan
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BRUINS NOTEBOOK

At first glance, **Brandon Carlo** and **Mason Lohrei** look to have similar profiles on the ice.

Carlo, a steady, stay-at-home anchor on the Bruins defense corps, has the frame needed to eat up pucks and snuff out scoring chances at 6 feet 5 inches and 217 pounds.

Lohrei is a virtual carbon copy at 6-5 and 211 pounds.

But the tale of the tape is usually where the comparison ends between the blue liners, especially when Lohrei gets the puck on his stick.

"It's crazy seeing a guy that big be that mobile," Carlo said. "The way that he moves around guys and just makes that extra move along the blue line when he's the last man back — it's fun to see. I don't know if I would dream of doing that as much. But I love watching it."

Lohrei's candidacy as a future power-play quarterback was on display Thursday in a 5-4 win over the Golden Knights.

The 23-year-old Lohrei mercifully ended the Bruins' run of overtime contests at six straight with his fourth goal of the season. He uncorked a one-timer from the right circle on the man advantage that beat Vegas goalie **Adin Hill** through the five-hole at 15:23 of the third period to give the Bruins the lead for good.

The Bruins would welcome Lohrei's ability to ferry pucks to the net and orchestrate Grade A chances when activating off the blue line. But if the 2020 second-round pick wants to stick around, he'll need to take a page out of Carlo's book and shore up his defensive game.

Now in his third call-up from AHL Providence, Lohrei has impressed coach **Jim Montgomery** over this latest stint (4 points in five games, 19:09 ATOI) with his ability to get past poor shifts or games quickly.

"In this league, if you have an average or subpar game, that next game you've got to get it back right away," Montgomery said after Thursday's win. "And I thought he did that for us tonight. I really liked his response."

Some growing pains were to be expected for an offensive-minded defenseman like Lohrei, who made the switch from forward when he was 16 years old.

But with **Hampus Lindholm** out with a lower-body injury, the Bruins have thrust Lohrei into regular minutes alongside Carlo.

Over their last five games together, Lohrei and Carlo have logged 50:16 of five-on-five time, with just 13.7 percent of faceoffs set in the offensive zone. But even with those heavy D-zone reps, the Bruins have outscored opponents, 4-2, over that time.

Montgomery stressed Carlo's communication and "positive reinforcement" on the ice as a useful resource for a rookie like Lohrei. And after years of playing alongside a puck-mover in **Torey Krug**, Carlo has welcomed the chance to play with another offensively gifted defenseman.

"I've always loved playing with guys who move the puck well," Carlo said. "I think there are things that he can help me with, with moving the puck out of the zone, and then vice versa — I'd like to try and help him on the rush reads and whatnot defensively. I think we're a very good match."

Lohrei's poise has been evident to Carlo since he earned his first call-up in early November.

"His approach to the game is great," Carlo said. "I think his confidence has definitely always shown, but his calmness at times defensively has been great. I feel like we're not trying to run out of position as much and we're reading off of each other better. So just with those reads, I feel like he's doing a lot better of a job."

McLaughlin up

The Bruins recalled forward **Marc McLaughlin** from Providence on an emergency basis. The North Billerica native and former Boston College captain has appeared in 53 games with Providence this season, totaling 6 goals and 5 assists . . . Montgomery was pleased with the play of the fourth line of **Jesper Boqvist**, **Jakub Lauko**, and **Justin Brazeau** Thursday. The Bruins held a 17-2 edge in shot attempts during their 8:04 of five-on-five reps . . . Boqvist scored his fourth goal of the season but Montgomery was encouraged by the play of Lauko, who set up Boqvist's tally after getting scratched the previous two games. "Really happy with Lauko," Montgomery noted. "I thought it was probably his best all-around game of the year and we saw a lot from him — game in and game out — last year."

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CELTICS NOTEBOOK

Holiday may shoot for Olympic gold again

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A 3-pointer by Jrue Holiday (11 points; 3 of 3 on threes) had the Celtics reserves up off the bench to celebrate.

Jrue Holiday is expected to play for Team USA in the upcoming Paris Olympics, according to a report from The Athletic earlier this week. The report also mentioned that Celtics teammate **Jayson Tatum** is expected to be a part of the team's core.

Holiday was asked about the report at the Celtics' morning shootaround Friday, before making all three of his 3-pointers and contributing 11 points and seven assists to a 138-110 win over the Mavericks at TD Garden. He spoke about how much competing in the Olympics again would mean to him after helping Team USA win the gold medal at the 2020 Tokyo Games.

His wife, **Lauren Cheney Holiday**, is a two-time Olympic gold medalist in women's soccer.

"It's always an honor to represent your country," Holiday said. "Obviously I do it for my country, and I do it for my family.

"I think everybody here knows my wife. She's the rock star in our household. I think to be able to represent my country and my family is something I've always been proud of."

Holiday, a three-time NBA All-Defensive first team selection, started five of the six games for Team USA at the Tokyo Games. He averaged 11.8 points, 4.8 rebounds, and 3.8 assists while shooting 48.3 percent from the field.

March Madness memory

Joe Mazzulla scored a then-career high 17 points in West Virginia's Elite Eight matchup with Kentucky in the 2010 NCAA Tournament. The Celtics coach's Mountaineers beat the Wildcats to advance to the program's first Final Four since 1959, but lost to eventual champion Duke in the semifinal round.

DeMarcus Cousins and **John Wall**, who went on to make a combined nine NBA All-Star appearances, both played for Kentucky in that game. Cousins expressed his frustration with how the game went in a video clip previewing an upcoming episode of the "Point Game" podcast.

"Y'all know Joe Mazzulla was guarding me in the back of that 1-3-1 [zone]," Cousins told Wall. "And y'all [expletive] wanted to keep shooting threes. I was like give me the ball. I was supposed to have 45 that game, brother. I had Joe Mazzulla guarding me in the post."

Cousins, who was 9 inches taller and 60 pounds heavier than Mazzulla at the time, finished with 15 points and shot 6 for 11 from the field. Kentucky went 4 for 32 from 3-point range.

"I thought we did a good job taking away the threes from them," Mazzulla said. "It was a complex defense that was kind of tough to figure out. We got kind of lucky, I don't think we hit any 2-pointers in that game. We hit eight threes in the first half which allowed us to get out to a significant (lead). It was one of those games where they couldn't get much from the outside, but we did and got lucky."

"Obviously they were a dominant team with dominant players. It really came down to execution and shotmaking. We got lucky in that first half. In the second half they were obviously way more talented but I thought we executed the game plan pretty well."

White's good fortune

Derrick White hosted "Strikes for Special Olympics Massachusetts" at Kings Dining and Entertainment in Back Bay on Wednesday.

White said the event, which raised funds for Special Olympics Massachusetts' year round initiatives, was inspired by his aunt, a longtime Special Olympics participant.

"Throughout my years in the league, I have been fortunate enough to work with multiple Special Olympics teams and individual athletes at different events and my annual summer camp, and I continue to be amazed at each competitor," White said.

The event has raised nearly $100,000, according to the Celtics. Special Olympics Massachusetts offers free sports training and competitions for athletes with intellectual disabilities across the state year round.

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Celtics 138, Mavericks 110

At TD Garden

DALLAS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt	PPG
Green	28	1-5	0-0	1-3	2	2	2	8.9
Washington	35	7-16	0-0	2-7	0	2	17	13.3
Lively II	23	7-7	1-2	2-4	1	0	15	9.1
Irving	37	9-23	0-0	2-4	2	1	19	25.7
Doncic	37	14-25	6-8	3-12	11	3	37	34.5
Gafford	6	0-0	0-0	0-2	0	0	0	10.6
Hardaway Jr.	20	3-6	2-2	0-5	0	1	10	16.7
Exum	15	1-5	2-2	0-2	1	1	4	8.9
Kleber	20	0-1	1-2	0-2	2	1	1	5.3
Powell	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	3.9
Jones Jr.	7	0-1	1-2	0-0	1	0	1	8.9
Hardy	4	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	7.8
Prosper	4	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	2	2.5
Totals		44-94	13-18	10-42	20	12	110	

FG%: .468, FT%: .722. 3-pt. goals: 9-34, .265 (Green 0-2, Washington 3-9, Irving 1-7, Doncic 3-9, Hardaway Jr. 2-4, Exum 0-1, Kleber 0-1, Hardy 0-1). Team rebounds: 4. Team turnovers: 8 (13 pts.). Blocks: 4 (Washington, Lively II, Gafford, Powell). Turnovers: 7 (Irving, Doncic 2, Hardaway Jr., Kleber, Jones Jr., Hardy). Steals: 4 (Lively II 2, Jones Jr., Prosper).

BOSTON

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt	PPG
Brown	31	11-20	1-1	1-7	5	3	25	22.3
Tatum	37	10-19	7-7	0-8	3	2	32	27.1
Porzingis	29	8-14	4-4	3-6	2	2	24	20.3
Holiday	27	4-6	0-0	0-2	7	1	11	13.0
White	32	5-10	0-0	1-7	8	2	13	15.5
Tillman	15	3-3	0-0	0-1	2	1	6	5.9
Horford	28	5-8	0-0	1-8	3	1	12	7.9
Hauser	15	0-3	0-0	0-4	1	1	0	7.8
Pritchard	16	4-7	0-0	1-2	1	2	10	8.0
Brissett	4	1-2	1-1	0-0	0	0	3	3.6
Mykhailiuk	4	0-0	0-0	1-1	1	0	0	2.6
Springer	2	1-2	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	3.6
Totals		52-94	13-13	9-47	33	15	138	

FG%: .553, FT%: 1.000. 3-pt. goals: 21-43, .488 (Brown 2-5, Tatum 5-9, Porzingis 4-8, Holiday 3-3, White 3-6, Horford 2-5, Hauser 0-3, Pritchard 2-4). Team rebounds: 4. Team turnovers: 9 (13 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Porzingis, Holiday, White 2, Tillman, Horford 2, Brissett). Turnovers: 9 (Tatum 4, White 2, Horford, Pritchard, Mykhailiuk). Steals: 4 (Brown, Holiday 2, White).

Dallas	32	27	31	20	—	110
Boston	38	28	36	36	—	138

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Kristaps Porzingis had his share of open looks, finishing with 24 points and six rebounds against his old Mavericks team.

Celtics extend winning streak to 10

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up to a level. But we've just got to stay consistent and keep doing what we're capable of doing, and eventually, their line will break."

The Celtics' 10-game winning streak is the longest in the NBA this season. Although several tough matchups await, they have given few reasons to believe that this surge will end anytime soon.

This team, at 47-12, is also on pace to win 65.3 games, and with each victory that is added to the tally, the prospect of a truly historic regular season becomes more visible. But the Celtics are not really thinking about any of that now.

They continue to train and learn and experiment for when the games matter most. Jayson Tatum said coach Joe Mazzulla has recently put an added emphasis on being "open-minded" down the stretch of the regular season. There is a purpose to it all.

"Whether it's sub patterns, whether it's defensive schemes that we run, whether it's play calls he's going to throw out to us . . . [we're] trying things out to see what we can do in the playoffs," Tatum said. "So, every night looks a little bit different."

Tatum's nights have looked slightly different recently, too. He was once again pushed hard at the start, sitting for less than two minutes over the first three quarters.

When the fourth began he had played five more minutes than any teammate.

Tatum finished with a team-high 32 points despite scoring just 2 in the opening quarter. After the game Mazzulla pushed back against the suggestion that it was a slow start for the All-Star. Mazzulla said it was simply a great start for the team, and that Tatum continues to have a strong understanding of what the game needs from him, and when.

"If it calls for me to essentially pass the ball eight possessions in a row because that's the right read, then you have to trust that that's what's going to help us win the game," Tatum said.

Tatum's quiet beginnings rarely stay at that volume, of course. His 16-point third quarter helped flip a 2-point game into another romp.

"Once the game slowed down and kind of lost its rhythm, I thought we went straight to him to be able to get us to do something different," Mazzulla said.

Tatum's MVP push has been resuscitated recently thanks to this flood of wins, even as most of his key statistics remain below those of the other candidates, including Mavericks star Luka Doncic.

Doncic poured in 16 points in just eight first-quarter minutes, and when the Celtics began to send more attention in his direction he carved up their defense with his passing. Mazzulla said they did not defend Doncic perfectly, but they did enough, even as he finished with 37 points, 12 rebounds, and 11 assists.

"The points that he's responsible for can really be the reason why they go on a lot of runs," Mazzulla said. "So the guys did a great job of changing matchups, changing coverages and keeping him off balance. It's a credit to our team, because it's very hard to watch one guy play and get scored on."

Brown scored 25 points and Kristaps Porzingis 24 for the Celtics, who connected on 21 of 43 3-pointers (48.8 percent).

Porzingis took the lead early, posting up Doncic and Kyrie Irving and also spraying a pair of 3-pointers, giving him 10 points in the first 3:30. Starts such as that are why Tatum's quiet stretches can blend in.

Tatum hardly touched the ball during his first five-minute stint, but the extra attention he drew was helpful anyway. Jrue Holiday connected on a pair of off-balance 3-pointers and he and Porzingis started a combined 7 for 8 from beyond the arc.

The Celtics led by as many as 12 points in the first half and took a 66-59 lead to the break.

Tatum found a rhythm at the start of the third quarter by draining consecutive 3-pointers, but the Mavericks kept pushing with Doncic delivering precise, flashy passes. He found Irving with a no-look bounce pass for a fast-break layup and then lofted an alley-oop to Dereck Lively that made it 77-74 with 7:20 left.

But after the Mavericks pulled within 2 on P.J. Washington's third 3-pointer of the quarter, the Celtics regained control with an 8-0 burst that included put-backs by Porzingis and Al Horford. Tatum added two more 3-pointers and they took a 102-90 lead to the fourth.

"I thought that stretch that we really kind of blew the game open started with our defense," Mazzulla said. "We kept them off the free throw line, we limited them to one shot, and even when we missed, we took good shots, which allowed us to get back in transition and get stops."

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Irving at peace, even among all the jeers

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even embraces that as he ages and becomes one of the old heads.

"A lot of attention's on me in terms of the fandom," he said after the Celtics' 138-110 win. "It's been six years. Gotta love it, but rightfully so. They have a right to boo. From my career record against them in the last few games, I haven't won so until I beat them, they have all the right to continue to boo. I think that's what makes the theatrics of sports and competitive sports fun. Just gotta embrace it. It's part of it."

Irving hasn't always been so accepting. There was his infamous stepping on the Celtics leprechaun logo at center court after the Nets' Game 4 playoff win in May 2021. There have been disparaging words about his time in Boston and treatment by the fans. But his issues appear to have dissipated, and they also have on the Boston side.

Irving and Jaylen Brown embraced after Friday's game and had a short conversation. Jayson Tatum said he remains close with Irving, who served as a mentor when he entered the league. Feelings have softened. The Celtics have ascended to an elite team while Irving has struggled to find his footing.

He appears comfortable in Dallas, and has been an ardent supporter of Brown and Tatum, and their development into cornerstones.

"They've learned to accept that failure is part of the journey," he said. "And that every season is going to be different and the pieces around you, how you elevate them matters. Taking a lot of my advice but also they've taken a lot of others' advice and they have experience now. You've got to give them credit and to see them grow, I'm nothing but proud. They've been showing again in the past few years that they're a force to be reckoned with, not really playing around with us in the regular season, a lot of us [other] teams.

"You can see that they remaining focused and that's the true testament of a team that wants to win a championship. They're hungry."

Each time he touched the ball the crowd booed. They cheered vigorously when he lost his dribble and the ball rolled out of bounds in the third quarter. He had no reaction. In previous years, he showed hecklers his middle finger or jawed back before inbounding the ball. This time, nothing.

Irving played ball. He finished with 19 points on 9-for-23 shooting. He's played better. He's been more dazzling. But there was no bitterness or anger. He was in a pleasant mood after the game, humming songs as he got dressed for the trip back to Dallas.

"The booing's part of it," he said. "I have dealt with Boston fans prior to coming here [in 2017]. I wouldn't say I exited them a few times [in the playoffs] but early in my career we used to come into Boston and smack them around. So I have both sides of the coin now and I've accepted that that's what comes with the competitive side. I've had both sides, sending Boston fans home and also them booing me all the time and seeing the way they treat some of the star players in the league.

"They want to win. So you've got to give them credit."

For Irving, Dallas may have become the perfect fit for his mercurial ways. He asked out of Brooklyn because he felt disrespected because of a lack of a contract extension and lack of support after the Nets suspended him for his controversial tweet of a link to a book with apparent anti-semitic tropes.

It's been one year since his trade to Dallas and he's stayed mostly out of the headlines, missing 22 games with various injuries but also averaging nearly 26 points per game in giving Luka Doncic a reliable secondary offensive threat.

"There are no guarantees, especially if you're a No. 1 pick or No. 60 pick, you gotta find your niche, you gotta find a team that you can grow with and I feel like I've done that here in Dallas," he said. "It's been a great unraveling of who I am as a person as well as maturing. When you come into the league, it's just basketball, basketball, basketball. It's not really a work-life balance. Once I learned that, pretty much the keys of the world opened up to me and this basketball forum became more of an artistic expression for me."

Kyrie Irving may never be completely forgiven in Boston, but he has made steps in embracing his responsibility for what happened here and is at peace with the criticism.

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KINGS 124, TIMBERWOLVES 120

SACRAMENTO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Barnes	41	6-12	0-2	0-2	0	3	14
Murray	43	7-15	2-2	1-5	1	1	17
Sabonis	41	7-14	6-10	5-15	8	6	21
Ellis	18	1-2	0-0	2-2	7	4	2
Huerter	33	3-12	0-0	2-6	4	3	8
Duarte	6	0-1	0-0	1-2	0	1	0
Len	5	2-4	0-2	1-2	1	0	4
Mitchell	25	7-8	2-2	0-2	2	4	16
Monk	33	16-29	2-4	0-4	4	3	39
Lyles	19	1-3	1-2	2-5	2	4	3
Totals		50-100	13-24	14-45	29	29	124

FG%: .500, FT%: .542. 3-pt. goals: 11-29, .379 (Barnes 2-5, Murray 1-3, Sabonis 1-2, Ellis 0-1, Huerter 2-7, Mitchell 0-1, Monk 5-8, Lyles 0-2). Team rebounds: 10. Team turnovers: 8 (9 pts.). Blocks: 6 (Murray, Sabonis 3, Ellis, Lyles). Turnovers: 7 (Barnes, Murray, Sabonis, Huerter, Mitchell, Monk 2). Steals: 8 (Barnes, Murray 2, Ellis 4, Monk).

MINNESOTA

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Towns	37	7-17	4-5	2-6	5	6	19
McDaniels	45	9-11	3-4	1-7	1	5	26
Gobert	42	6-9	4-8	2-16	1	5	16
A.Edwards	19	2-11	6-6	0-2	2	0	11
Conley	36	4-8	5-6	0-3	8	3	14
Morris	15	2-4	0-0	0-0	2	1	5
Reid	36	8-18	1-1	2-7	3	0	18
Alexander-Walker	25	2-5	1-2	1-2	3	0	7
McLaughlin	12	2-2	0-0	0-1	4	2	4
Totals		42-85	24-32	8-44	29	22	120

FG%: .494, FT%: .750. 3-pt. goals: 12-31, .387 (Towns 1-6, McDaniels 5-7, A.Edwards 1-3, Conley 1-3, Morris 1-2, Reid 1-6, Alexander-Walker 2-4). Team rebounds: 13. Team turnovers: 13 (20 pts.). Blocks: 5 (Gobert 3, A.Edwards, McLaughlin). Turnovers: 12 (Towns 3, McDaniels, Gobert, A.Edwards, Conley 3, Reid, Alexander-Walker, McLaughlin). Steals: 4 (Towns, Conley 2, Reid).

Sacramento	30	30	31	24	9	— 124
Minnesota	22	37	23	33	5	— 120

A — 18,024 (19,356). T — 2:37. Officials — Mark Lindsay, CJ Washington, Derek Richardson.

TRAIL BLAZERS 122, GRIZZLIES 92

PORTLAND

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Camara	21	2-5	0-0	2-7	1	1	4
Grant	33	4-10	0-0	0-2	5	1	10
Reath	23	8-16	0-1	3-5	1	3	18
Simons	26	3-9	0-0	2-5	8	0	7
Murray	24	5-8	2-2	1-2	2	1	14
Thybulle	26	5-10	2-2	1-3	2	2	13
Hagans	24	2-5	2-2	1-2	5	4	6
Walker	22	7-9	4-4	3-10	2	3	19
Banton	20	8-15	0-0	2-7	3	1	19
Brown	9	3-3	1-3	0-1	0	1	7
Rupert	7	1-2	2-2	1-2	2	1	5
Badji	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0
Totals		48-92	13-16	16-46	31	20	122

FG%: .522, FT%: .813. 3-pt. goals: 13-31, .419 (Grant 2-5, Reath 2-8, Simons 1-4, Murray 2-3, Thybulle 1-4, Walker 1-1, Banton 3-5, Rupert 1-1). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 14 (19 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Reath 2, Hagans 3, Walker, Banton 2). Turnovers: 14 (Grant, Reath, Simons 2, Thybulle 4, Hagans, Walker 2, Banton, Brown, Rupert). Steals: 13 (Camara, Reath 2, Murray 3, Thybulle 3, Hagans, Walker 2, Banton). Technicals: def. 3-second, 2:04/4th.

MEMPHIS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Aldama	28	3-10	0-0	3-8	1	1	6
Williams Jr.	29	3-7	2-5	0-2	5	2	8
Jemison	30	2-3	1-2	2-6	1	5	5
Williams	26	4-10	0-0	0-5	2	1	9
Goodwin	34	4-13	1-2	2-3	2	1	10
Watanabe	17	0-1	0-2	0-1	0	2	0
Jackson	23	4-8	1-2	0-1	0	1	11
LaRavia	26	7-13	4-5	0-2	2	2	21
Stevens	21	7-12	4-4	1-1	2	2	19
Hurt	7	1-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	3
Totals		35-79	13-22	8-30	15	17	92

FG%: .443, FT%: .591. 3-pt. goals: 9-24, .375 (Aldama 0-4, Williams 1-3, Goodwin 1-5, Jackson 2-3, LaRavia 3-7, Stevens 1-1, Hurt 1-1). Team rebounds: 17. Team turnovers: 23 (27 pts.). Blocks: 8 (Aldama, Williams Jr. 2, Goodwin 4, Hurt). Turnovers: 21 (Aldama 4, Williams Jr. 4, Jemison, Williams, Goodwin 3, Watanabe 2, Jackson 2, LaRavia 3, Stevens). Steals: 6 (Williams, Goodwin 2, Watanabe, LaRavia, Stevens).

Portland	17	34	40	31	—	122
Memphis	21	24	27	20	—	92

A — 15,493 (18,119). T — 2:08. Officials — Nick Buchert, Andy Nagy, Robert Hussey.

CAVALIERS 110, PISTONS 100

CLEVELAND

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Strus	35	4-11	4-4	2-4	4	3	14
E.Mobley	35	7-13	8-11	4-17	7	3	22
Allen	35	1-7	7-8	4-15	2	1	9
Okoro	25	4-9	2-2	0-0	4	2	12
Garland	36	9-21	3-3	1-5	4	4	29
Wade	19	2-4	0-0	0-2	0	4	6
Merrill	25	4-9	0-0	1-3	1	0	12
Niang	19	1-7	0-0	0-4	3	0	2
Porter Jr.	11	1-2	2-2	0-3	0	3	4
Totals		33-83	26-30	12-53	25	20	110

FG%: .398, FT%: .867. 3-pt. goals: 18-41, .439 (Strus 2-7, E.Mobley 0-1, Okoro 2-5, Garland 8-12, Wade 2-4, Merrill 4-9, Niang 0-3). Team rebounds: 11. Team turnovers: 16 (16 pts.). Blocks: 6 (E.Mobley 2, Allen, Okoro, Wade 2). Turnovers: 15 (Strus 2, E.Mobley, Allen 2, Okoro 2, Garland 5, Merrill, Niang, Porter Jr.). Steals: 7 (E.Mobley 2, Allen, Okoro, Garland, Wade, Niang). Technicals: Strus, 4:53/4th.

DETROIT

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Thompson	37	6-11	1-2	1-7	3	0	15
Stewart	33	6-12	0-0	1-9	3	1	16
Duren	31	4-7	6-7	4-10	2	5	14
Ivey	31	6-17	5-6	1-3	4	6	18
C.Cunningham	37	6-19	7-7	0-3	10	3	21
Grimes	14	1-6	0-0	0-0	0	0	2
Fontecchio	25	2-8	2-3	0-2	1	3	7
Flynn	5	0-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	0
Wiseman	12	2-4	0-0	2-6	0	3	4
Fournier	15	0-2	3-3	0-2	1	1	3
Totals		33-89	24-28	9-42	24	23	100

FG%: .371, FT%: .857. 3-pt. goals: 10-36, .278 (Thompson 2-3, Stewart 4-7, Ivey 1-9, C.Cunningham 2-8, Grimes 0-3, Fontecchio 1-3, Flynn 0-2, Fournier 0-1). Team rebounds: 8. Team turnovers: 9 (10 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Thompson 2, Stewart 3, Duren, Ivey). Turnovers: 8 (Thompson, Duren, Ivey, C.Cunningham, Grimes, Fontecchio 3). Steals: 10 (Thompson 5, C.Cunningham, Grimes, Fontecchio 2, Fournier).

Cleveland	32	31	28	19	—	110
Detroit	24	24	22	30	—	100

A — 19,299 (21,000). T — 2:12. Officials — Sean Wright, Dedric Taylor, Phenizee Ransom.

PELICANS 129, PACERS 102

INDIANA

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Nesmith	21	3-5	1-2	0-3	3	2	9
Siakam	20	5-10	1-2	0-2	3	1	12
Turner	19	5-10	2-4	2-5	0	3	12
Haliburton	23	0-7	0-0	0-3	3	0	0
Nembhard	30	4-12	0-0	0-0	4	3	10
Johnson	7	0-1	2-2	0-0	1	3	2
McConnell	17	4-8	0-0	2-4	3	1	8
Smith	11	4-6	0-0	2-3	0	1	9
Mathurin	20	4-10	4-4	1-2	1	1	13
Toppin	16	2-5	0-0	1-2	0	3	5
Jackson	18	6-9	1-2	7-11	1	1	13
Walker	27	2-9	0-0	0-7	6	1	6
K.Brown	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Tshiebwe	5	1-3	1-2	2-2	0	1	3
Totals		40-95	12-18	17-44	25	21	102

FG%: .421, FT%: .667. 3-pt. goals: 10-32, .313 (Nesmith 2-3, Siakam 1-2, Turner 0-1, Haliburton 0-6, Nembhard 2-8, Smith 1-2, Mathurin 1-3, Toppin 1-3, Walker 2-4). Team rebounds: 9. Team turnovers: 16 (20 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Turner 3, Johnson, Walker 2, Tshiebwe). Turnovers: 16 (Siakam 2, Turner 2, Haliburton, Nembhard, McConnell 2, Smith, Mathurin 2, Toppin, Jackson 2, Walker 2). Steals: 9 (Nembhard 2, McConnell, Toppin, Jackson 2, Walker 3). Technicals: team, 0:40/1st, Jackson, 3:32/3rd.

NEW ORLEANS

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Williamson	21	3-6	2-4	1-3	7	0	8
Ingram	30	13-21	7-9	1-8	6	3	34
Valanciunas	26	7-11	0-0	3-9	3	2	15
H.Jones	26	3-4	0-0	0-1	1	2	6
McCollum	25	5-11	0-0	0-4	1	2	14
Murphy III	28	8-14	6-9	1-7	1	2	28
Nance Jr.	15	2-2	0-0	1-3	3	1	4
Alvarado	25	4-7	0-0	0-3	2	2	9
Marshall	22	0-1	1-2	0-3	1	0	1
Hawkins	7	2-3	0-0	1-1	0	0	6
Ryan	6	0-3	0-0	1-1	0	1	0
Zeller	6	1-2	0-0	2-4	0	2	2
Robinson-Earl	4	0-1	2-2	0-0	0	0	2
Totals		48-86	18-26	11-47	25	17	129

FG%: .558, FT%: .692. 3-pt. goals: 15-32, .469 (Ingram 1-2, Valanciunas 1-1, McCollum 4-7, Murphy III 6-12, Alvarado 1-4, Hawkins 2-3, Ryan 0-2, Robinson-Earl 0-1). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 17 (20 pts.). Blocks: 4 (Valanciunas 2, McCollum 2). Turnovers: 17 (Williamson 5, Ingram 2, Valanciunas 4, Alvarado 2, Ryan, Zeller 2, Robinson-Earl). Steals: 9 (H.Jones 2, McCollum 2, Murphy III 2, Nance Jr., Alvarado, Marshall). Technicals: H.Jones, 3:32/3rd.

Indiana	26	30	16	30	—	102
New Orleans	48	29	31	21	—	129

A — 17,898 (16,867). T — 2:12. Officials — Tyler Ford, Natalie Sago, Mousa Dagher.

LEADERS

Not including yesterday's games

SCORING

	FG	FT	Pts.	PPG
Doncic, DAL	594	369	1755	34.4
Gilgs-Alexander, OKC	638	456	1808	31.2
Antetokounmpo, MIL	663	418	1773	30.6
Mitchell, CLE	454	248	1315	28.0
Durant, PHX	525	286	1450	27.9
Brunson, NYK	550	301	1551	27.7
Booker, PHX	473	299	1353	27.6
Curry, GSW	497	249	1517	27.6
Tatum, BOS	505	307	1484	27.0
Fox, SAC	498	232	1372	26.9

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

	FG	Att.	Pct.
Gafford, DAL	234	342	.684
Poeltl, TOR	239	362	.660
Zubac, LAC	235	359	.655
Gobert, MIN	295	457	.646
Allen, CLE	347	542	.640
Duren, DET	260	415	.627
Claxton, BKN	254	410	.620
Antetokounmpo, MIL	663	1075	.617
Sabonis, SAC	468	760	.616
Wagner, ORL	248	418	.593

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.
Boston	47	12	.797	—	W 10	28-3	33-6
New York	35	25	.583	12½	L 2	20-11	24-13
Philadelphia	34	25	.576	13	W 1	19-13	23-17
Brooklyn	23	36	.390	24	W 1	14-17	15-19
Toronto	22	38	.367	25½	L 2	12-18	15-23
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Streak**	**Home**	**Conf.**
Cleveland	39	20	.661	—	W 1	20-10	26-14
*Milwaukee	39	21	.650	½	W 4	24-7	28-13
Indiana	34	27	.557	6	L 1	20-12	25-15
*Chicago	28	31	.475	11	W 1	16-14	16-21
Detroit	9	50	.153	30	L 1	4-25	6-29
SOUTHEAST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Streak**	**Home**	**Conf.**
Orlando	34	26	.567	—	W 2	20-8	23-15
Miami	33	26	.559	½	L 1	15-13	22-16
Atlanta	26	33	.441	7½	L 1	15-16	15-25
Charlotte	15	45	.250	19	L 3	8-22	9-28
*Washington	9	50	.153	24½	L 13	3-25	6-32

WESTERN CONFERENCE

PACIFIC	W	L	Pct.	GB	Streak	Home	Conf.
*LA Clippers	37	20	.649	—	L 2	20-8	23-16
Phoenix	35	24	.593	3	W 2	20-11	21-17
Sacramento	34	25	.576	4	W 1	16-10	23-16
Golden State	32	27	.542	6	W 3	16-15	16-21
LA Lakers	33	28	.541	6	W 2	21-9	22-19
SOUTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Streak**	**Home**	**Conf.**
New Orleans	36	25	.590	—	W 1	18-12	24-18
Dallas	34	26	.567	1½	L 1	18-13	21-18
Houston	25	34	.424	10	L 3	20-10	17-18
Memphis	20	40	.333	15½	L 4	7-23	13-27
San Antonio	12	48	.200	23½	W 1	6-21	8-26
NORTHWEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Streak**	**Home**	**Conf.**
Minnesota	42	18	.700	—	L 1	22-7	29-9
Oklahoma City	41	18	.695	½	L 1	24-6	25-14
Denver	41	19	.683	1	W 5	24-5	23-13
Utah	27	33	.450	15	L 2	18-11	14-22
Portland	16	42	.276	25	W 1	9-20	7-32

* — Not including late game

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

At BOSTON 138	Dallas 110	Sacramento 124	at Minnesota 120 (OT)
Cleveland 110	at Detroit 100	Portland 122	at Memphis 92
At Philadelphia 121	Charlotte 114	Milwaukee	at Chicago
Golden St. 120	at Toronto 105	Washington	at LA Clippers
At New Orleans 129	Indiana 102		

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta at Brooklyn	3	Denver at LA Lakers	8:30
Utah at Miami	5	Houston at Phoenix	9
Portland at Memphis	8		

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

At Orlando 115	Utah 107	At San Antonio 132	Okla. City 118
Milwaukee 111	at Charlotte 99	At Phoenix 110	Houston 105
At Brooklyn 124	Atlanta 97	At Denver 103	Miami 97
Golden St. 110	at New York 99	At LA Lakers 134	Washington 131 (OT)

WARRIORS 120, RAPTORS 105

GOLDEN STATE

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Moody	32	7-13	0-0	1-5	1	1	17
Kuminga	27	9-19	6-6	2-6	2	1	24
D.Green	28	1-4	4-4	2-13	5	2	6
Thompson	30	5-13	0-0	1-7	1	2	14
Curry	30	9-22	0-0	2-6	6	2	25
Saric	6	1-2	0-0	0-0	2	0	2
Payton II	14	2-4	0-0	3-4	1	0	4
Quinones	23	2-6	1-2	1-4	1	0	6
Looney	10	0-1	0-2	1-4	2	1	0
Paul	24	5-10	0-0	0-4	5	2	13
Jackson-Davis	16	3-4	3-4	2-4	0	3	9
Robinson	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		44-98	14-18	15-57	26	14	120

FG%: .449, FT%: .778. 3-pt. goals: 18-44, .409 (Moody 3-5, Kuminga 0-2, Thompson 4-9, Curry 7-15, Saric 0-1, Payton II 0-1, Quinones 1-5, Paul 3-6). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 14 (8 pts.). Blocks: 5 (Moody 2, D.Green 2, Looney). Turnovers: 14 (Moody, Kuminga 2, D.Green 3, Thompson 2, Curry 4, Saric, Looney). Steals: 9 (Moody 2, D.Green, Thompson 2, Payton II, Looney, Paul 2). Technicals: .

TORONTO

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Barnes	16	4-7	0-0	0-6	3	1	10
Barrett	31	9-16	3-4	0-3	4	1	23
Poeltl	25	5-10	0-2	5-14	2	5	10
Trent Jr.	30	4-14	0-0	1-3	2	0	9
Quickley	36	4-15	1-2	0-5	11	0	12
Agbaji	10	1-3	0-0	0-0	0	1	2
B.Brown	23	2-5	0-0	0-2	1	1	4
Olynyk	28	5-10	5-7	5-10	3	3	16
Dick	27	5-11	0-0	0-2	3	1	12
Boucher	5	1-2	0-0	0-2	0	1	2
Carton	6	1-2	2-2	0-0	2	0	5
Freeman-Liberty	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
McDaniels	1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Nwora	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Totals		41-96	11-17	11-47	31	14	105

FG%: .427, FT%: .647. 3-pt. goals: 12-45, .267 (Barnes 2-5, Barrett 2-4, Trent Jr. 1-8, Quickley 3-11, Agbaji 0-2, B.Brown 0-2, Olynyk 1-3, Dick 2-6, Boucher 0-1, Carton 1-2, McDaniels 0-1). Team rebounds: 8. Team turnovers: 13 (14 pts.). Blocks: 2 (Poeltl, Quickley). Turnovers: 13 (Barnes 2, Barrett 2, Poeltl, Quickley 3, B.Brown 2, Olynyk 2, Boucher). Steals: 9 (Barnes, Poeltl, Trent Jr. 2, Quickley, Olynyk 3, Dick). Technicals: .

Golden State	28	33	32	27	—	120
Toronto	31	33	19	22	—	105

A — 19,800 (19,800). T — 2:10. Officials — Brian Forte, Ashley Moyer-Gleich, Derrick Collins.

76ERS 121, HORNETS 114

CHARLOTTE

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Curry	23	2-8	0-0	1-2	2	2	5
Bridges	39	10-18	2-2	1-11	2	0	27
Richards	30	8-9	3-4	2-4	1	1	19
Mann	32	3-10	2-2	0-3	6	2	9
Martin	32	4-9	3-3	1-4	2	2	12
Micic	28	4-9	4-4	0-0	7	0	13
G.Williams	27	6-6	0-1	2-6	2	4	13
Bertans	20	5-12	0-0	0-1	2	1	14
McGowens	9	1-3	0-1	0-1	0	1	2
Totals		43-84	14-17	7-32	24	13	114

FG%: .512, FT%: .824. 3-pt. goals: 14-33, .424 (Curry 1-3, Bridges 5-7, Mann 1-4, Martin 1-4, Micic 1-2, G.Williams 1-1, Bertans 4-10, McGowens 0-2). Team rebounds: 7. Team turnovers: 5 (4 pts.). Blocks: 6 (Richards 2, Martin 2, G.Williams, McGowens). Turnovers: 5 (Bridges, Martin, Micic 2, G.Williams). Steals: 5 (Curry, Micic 2, G.Williams, McGowens). Technicals: .

PHILADELPHIA

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Hield	32	5-11	0-0	1-3	6	2	13
Harris	40	13-19	0-0	2-12	4	2	31
Bamba	19	1-4	0-0	2-8	1	2	2
Lowry	36	5-9	2-2	1-6	10	3	15
Maxey	39	11-29	6-6	2-6	5	1	33
Payne	17	2-6	0-0	0-0	7	4	5
Batum	27	3-7	0-0	2-4	2	1	8
Reed	24	5-6	1-1	5-8	3	2	11
Council IV	5	1-5	1-2	0-1	0	0	3
Totals		46-96	10-11	15-48	38	17	121

FG%: .479, FT%: .909. 3-pt. goals: 19-44, .432 (Hield 3-8, Harris 5-8, Bamba 0-1, Lowry 3-6, Maxey 5-10, Payne 1-4, Batum 2-6, Council IV 0-1). Team rebounds: 8. Team turnovers: 7 (3 pts.). Blocks: 7 (Harris, Bamba 2, Maxey, Batum, Reed 2). Turnovers: 7 (Bamba 2, Lowry 2, Payne 2, Reed). Steals: 5 (Hield 2, Harris 2, Bamba).

Charlotte	27	36	21	30	—	114
Philadelphia	32	26	30	33	—	121

A — 19,788 (20,318). T — 2:12. Officials — Zach Zarba, Scott Twardoski, Evan Scott.



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The Hornets' Davis Bertans, who shot 5 of 12 and had 14 points, lets a shot fly over Paul Reed of the 76ers in the first quarter of Philadelphia's 121-114 victory.

CB Jackson's second Patriots' stint is over

By Nicole Yang
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The Patriots released cornerback J.C. Jackson on Friday, marking the end of his second tenure in New England.

Jackson's future was in doubt, given his high salary-cap hit for the 2024 season. The transaction frees up approximately $14 million in cap room, with no dead money, bringing New England's total cap space close to $100 million.

The Patriots traded for the 28-year-old in October to boost their cornerback depth following a season-ending injury to rookie Christian Gonzalez and other injuries to Jonathan Jones, Jack Jones, and Marcus Jones. The transaction also included a late-round pick swap with the Chargers in 2025.

Jackson appeared in eight games for the Patriots last year before he was placed on the reserve/non-football illness list to end the season. Former coach Bill Belichick shed little light on the situation, though Jackson's agent Neil Schwartz said publicly that his client was dealing with "mental health issues."



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The release of J.C. Jackson will save the Patriots about $14 million in cap room.

Jackson is free to sign with any team, and will once again be looking for a fresh start. After joining the Patriots as an undrafted rookie in 2018, the Maryland product developed into a Pro Bowl lockdown cornerback. His 2021 season (eight interceptions, 23 passes defensed) earned him a five-year, $82.5 million contract with the Chargers, but he did not live up to his value, prompting his unceremonious return to the Patriots.

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The Patriots are re-signing Nathan Rourke, a league source confirmed.

The Patriots claimed Rourke off waivers in December. He did not take a snap, but was active as the backup to Bailey Zappe for New England's regular-season finale.

The 25-year-old Rourke is a Canadian native who started his pro career in the CFL.

They may go with QB option

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Caleb Williams, Jayden Daniels, and Drake Maye.

But there are plenty of other targets for the Patriots to consider, many of whom should be available if they want to trade out of the No. 3 spot and into the middle or the end of Day 1.

One of those is Penix. The lefty, who led Washington to the national championship game, is best known for his arm strength and ability to throw deep; he completed a pass of at least 40 yards in 11 of 15 games last season. In all, he ended the season 363 of 555 (65 percent) for 4,903 yards, with 36 touchdowns and 11 interceptions.

While there are concerns about his injury history — ACL tears to his right knee ended his 2018 and 2020 seasons, while shoulder injuries (one on each side) ended his seasons in 2019 and 2021 — he said Friday he's been given the all-clear by the medical people at the combine.

Asked about the medical check, the 23-year-old Penix said, "It went good. I got it all out of the way yesterday. Wasn't as bad as I thought. At this point, I can't control whether there are questions about my injury history."

The 6-foot-3-inch, 213-pounder, who is expected to go between late on Day 1 and early in Day 2, said he hadn't yet connected with the Patriots. That could change between now and the draft; on Wednesday, Patriots coach Jerod Mayo highlighted the value of the pre-draft prospect visits.

If Penix did get a chance to connect with the Patriots, what would he tell them about his game?

"I just feel like I'm a leader," he said. "I'm a guy that's going to bring the best out of everybody around them. I feel like in every aspect I can elevate the guys around me and highlight them into becoming better people and players as well. I feel like that's a good thing for a quarterback."

One quarterback prospect who did meet with the Patriots was Michigan's J.J. McCarthy. McCarthy, who got the better of Penix and the Huskies in the national title game, came away impressed.

"It went amazing," McCarthy said. "Coach Mayo was just an awesome guy, asking really great questions. You could definitely tell he's been around this process a long time and been a part of it. Just great interactions. Would be an honor to be part of their organization."

The 6-3, 202-pound McCarthy, who has managed to climb into the first round in many mock drafts, didn't have overwhelming numbers last season, going 240 of 332 (72 percent) for 2,991 yards, with 22 touchdowns and four interceptions.

The 21-year-old shrugged off the numbers.

"All I cared about was being the best teammate I could possibly be, being the best quarterback I could possibly be, whatever's asked about me," he said. "The only stat I cared about was W's, and we did pretty good in that category."

Another notable quarterback who met with the Patriots was Oregon's Bo Nix. Nix had eye-popping numbers, going 364 of 470 (77 percent) for 4,508 yards, with a whopping 45 touchdowns and just three interceptions. Most mock drafts have him targeted as a Day 2 possibility, with a chance of sneaking into the end of Day 1.

The 24-year-old Nix, who played five seasons of college football (three at Auburn and two at Oregon), is older than most quarterbacks in this draft class. (He's less than a year younger than Jacksonville's Trevor Lawrence, who has been in the NFL three seasons.) He started 61 games in college, more than any other quarterback in NCAA history.

However, given that he was part of multiple offensive systems, Nix sees that experience as a value asset, and something that could set him apart.

"Experience is one of the most valuable traits," he said. "Repetition is the mother of all skills. The more you can do something, the better you get.

"Learning new things — five systems in five years — is a lot to learn, but it's a lot of fun. I wouldn't trade it for the world. It's one of the best things that makes me me."

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Meet and greet with the top three

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art, director of pro scouting Steve Cargile, and director of college scouting Camren Williams among those on site.

Williams, Daniels, and Maye offered generic reviews of their meetings with the Patriots. Daniels said it was "good" to put faces to names, while Williams noted the room "wasn't as packed" as it was for his conversation with the Washington Commanders, who own the second overall pick.

"The Patriots were cool," Williams said. "They had just a few guys here. We talked mainly about ball. It was a good impression. They were asking me questions about my life, about ball, testing me, and things like that."

Added Maye, "I was really impressed with them. Coach Mayo, I first congratulated him. Any time you become a new head coach is a pretty cool experience. New England is obviously a great sports town. To meet with them, I thought

Baseball

Duran, back in the game, after more speed

By Peter Abraham
GLOBE STAFF

FORT MYERS, Fla. — **Jarren Duran** was one of the fastest players in the major leagues last season, his sprint speed ranking in the 96th percentile.

In his mind, that's not good enough. Duran is working on being faster, adjusting his stride so he runs in a straighter line.

Duran said he "runs like a lizard," with too much sideways movement. He wants to be more efficient.

"It'll clean me up and hopefully make me faster," Duran said. "You know how track runners run? They have a clean form. I'm going to work on that. The more times I can hit the ground, the faster I'm going to be."

Duran made his spring training debut Friday in a 5-3 loss against the Twins at Hammond Stadium. He was 0 for 2 and played four innings in left field.

The Sox eased Duran into the action to make sure he was fully healthy after season-ending surgery on his left big toe in August.

"Pretty nervous, to be honest," Duran said. "Especially coming off surgery and feel like I haven't played forever. But it was awesome to be out there."

Defensively, Duran has been preparing for center field and left field. The Sox seem committed to using **Wilyer Abreu** in right field, with **Tyler O'Neill** a possibility.

Duran believes he'll be ready to go for Opening Day.

"It's just a progression to be on my feet more and more," he said. "Swinging every day, chasing balls every day."

Red Sox spring training report

SCORE: Twins 5, Red Sox 3
RECORD: 4-3-1
BREAKDOWN: The Sox were held to six hits and struck out 13 times before a crowd of 5,801 at Hammond Stadium. David Hamilton's RBI single gave the Sox a 2-1 lead in the second inning, but Lucas Giolito loaded the bases with one out in the third inning. Single A righthander Jordan DiValerio entered the game and gave up a grand slam to Royce Lewis on a middle-middle fastball after falling behind, 3-and-0. Justin Slaten, Chris Murphy, Isaiah Campbell, and Justin Hagenman combined on five perfect innings with seven strikeouts for the Sox.
NEXT: The Sox have a split-squad doubleheader Saturday, with both games at 1:05 p.m. They host the Nationals, with Brayan Bello and Tanner Houck scheduled to pitch. That game will be on NESN. They also play the Rays at Port Charlotte, with Nick Pivetta getting the start.
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Cron added

The Sox signed veteran first baseman **C.J. Cron** to a minor league contract that included an invitation to spring training. The deal won't be official until Cron has a physical.

Cron had one of the best seasons of his career in 2022 for the Rockies, making the All-Star team for the first time. He finished with 29 home runs and 102 RBIs.

He followed with one of his worst years, his OPS plunging to .729 as he dealt with a back injury. The Rockies sent him to the Angels at the trade deadline, and Cron played in only 15 more games.

Cron was brought in to compete with **Bobby Dalbec** for a spot on the bench. Both are righthanded hitters with power, but Cron has 1,049 games of major league experience to Dalbec's 294.

Dalbec also has a minor league option remaining. He does have the advantage of being able to play third base and middle infield in a pinch, while Cron has played only first in his career.

Dalbec was 0 for 3 with two strikeouts Friday.

Giolito takes loss

Lucas Giolito retired seven of the first nine Twins he faced and took a 2-1 lead into the third inning. A single and two walks followed, and the righthander was out of the game after 48 pitches.

Then came a grand slam by **Royce Lewis** off minor leaguer **Jordan DiValerio**. That left Giolito charged with four runs.

"My stuff felt pretty good, especially the slider," Giolito said. "But in the third inning, I kind of got ahead of myself and got out of sync."

Giolito felt it was a product of going into the third inning for the first time.

"I didn't feel sharp in the third inning," he said. "I felt more sharp in the first two."

Twins 5, Red Sox 3

At Hammond Stadium, Fort Myers, Fla.

BOSTON	ab	r	h	bi	MINNESOTA	ab	r	h	bi
JarDuran lf	2	0	0	0	Julien 2b	3	2	2	1
MContreras lf-rf	3	0	0	0	Harry 2b	1	0	0	0
Rafaela cf	2	1	1	0	Correa ss	2	1	0	0
Meidroth 3b	1	0	0	0	De Andrade ss	1	0	0	0
Abreu rf	3	0	1	1	Buxton cf	2	1	0	0
Rosier lf	1	0	1	0	Neuse cf	1	0	0	0
Dalbec 1b	3	0	0	0	Lewis dh	2	1	1	4
Yorke 2b	1	0	0	0	Kepler rf	3	0	0	0
Reyes 2b	2	1	0	0	Santana 1b	3	0	0	0
Jordan 1b	1	0	1	0	Vázquez c	2	0	0	0
McGuire c	2	0	0	0	Camargo c	1	0	0	0
Kolozsvary c	1	0	0	0	Margot lf	2	0	0	0
Westbrook 3b	1	0	0	0	Sayre lf	1	0	0	0
Sogard ss	2	0	0	0	Farmer 3b	2	0	0	0
Hamilton ss	2	0	1	1	Severino 3b		0	0	0
González cf	2	1	1	1					
Dunand dh	3	0	0	0					
Totals	**32**	**3**	**6**	**3**	**Totals**	**27**	**5**	**3**	**5**

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Minnesota.....104 000 00x — 5 3 1

E—Santana (1). **HR**—González (1), Julien (1), Lewis (1). **SB**—Rafaela (2). **CS**—Rafaela (1).

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Giolito L 0-1	2⅓	2	4	4	3	1
DiValerio	⅔	1	1	1	0	0
Slaten	1	0	0	0	0	1
Murphy	2	0	0	0	0	2
Campbell	1	0	0	0	0	1
Hagenman	1	0	0	0	0	3

Minnesota	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Ryan	2	3	2	2	1	2
Varland W 1-0	2	0	0	0	1	4
Stewart	1	0	0	0	0	1
Jax	1	0	0	0	0	2
Staumont	1	0	0	0	1	1
Okert	1	2	0	0	0	2
Harris S 1	1	1	1	1	0	1

Umpires—Home, Erich Bacchus; First, Marvin Hudson; Second, Andy Fletcher; Third, Manny Gonzalez. **T**—2:19. **A**—5,801.

Pivetta ready to go

Why did the Sox wait a week before putting **Nick Pivetta** into a game? Turns out he was too ready. Pivetta arrived at camp having already faced hitters. So the Sox dialed him back, and his first start will come Saturday against Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte. The plan is for him to work three innings. "We're always trying to slow him down," manager **Alex Cora** said . . . It may not necessarily happen in a game, but the Sox plan to give **Rob Refsnyder** some work at first base just in case he's needed. Refsnyder has 27 career starts at first, but none since 2020 and most of them back in 2016. **Pablo Reyes** will start at first base against the Rays Saturday. He has never started a regular-season game there as a professional. This explains why signing Cron or another first baseman was a priority . . . Abreu is 1 for 13 with seven strikeouts in five games. Cora said Abreu is still controlling the strike zone and taking good swings.

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If Alex Cora wants to continue managing — "Last year was a tough one on me," he said — he figures to have no trouble finding work for next season.

Cora team's clear leader, but for how long?

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Series title, these currently constructed Sox, be it Chaim Bloom or Craig Breslow making decisions, just don't operate the same way. It's not what Cora signed up for.

Not that it would be easy to leave, given the way the Red Sox stood by him, rehiring Cora in late 2020 following his one-year suspension by Major League Baseball for his role in the Astros' sign-stealing scandal. He earned the second chance for what he'd accomplished in his initial two-year stint from 2018-19.

Now? It all feels different. There Cora was, talking on that first day of camp like someone looking ahead to a different personal future. A sampling:

"Last year was a tough one on me. I've got to be honest. The season took a toll on me. Mentally, physically, it was tough."

"I'm not going to manage 10 more years, I'll tell you that. I don't see myself being like Tito [Francona] or Tony [La Russa], you know?"

"I envision myself doing other stuff in the game, with the family, back home in Puerto Rico. But I don't want this season to be about me. It's about the Boston Red Sox and how we need to bounce back to be better to play in October."

"Obviously it's something that's going to come up through the season and I respect that, but I really don't want to talk too much about it, because this is where I am. I love it here. I appreciate everything this organization has done with me and my family."

Cora hasn't lost his touch with players, even if said players are less Mookie Betts and more Bobby Dalbec. Amazingly, only one remains from that 2018 championship roster, and let's be honest, the Red Sox had almost no choice in re-signing Rafael Devers to a long-term contract, needing some evidence for fans that the surrender represented in the departures of Betts, J.D. Martinez, Xander Bogaerts, David Price, Chris Sale, Nate Eovaldi, et al, was not entirely complete.



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Alex Cora (second from left) has the support of both his players and his bosses, chief baseball officer Craig Breslow and Sox president and CEO Sam Kennedy, but Cora remains without a contract for beyond this season.

Cora remains — and to many of the young, developing players on the roster, he is the glue that holds this paper-and-chewing-gum contraption together.

As mercurial first baseman Triston Casas put it, "He's the right man for the job. He's the backbone of the org for sure."

Casas was one of the team's few bright spots last year. The 23-year-old finished third in American League Rookie of the Year voting after batting .263 with 24 home runs.

As someone with an unusual personality, Casas appreciates and respects Cora's extensive résumé.

"He's been in so many high-pressure situations throughout his career and his life," Casas said. "He sets a great example every day as to what he's expecting, and it's never results, it's all about accountability, it's all about effort and attitude.

"And he does those things really well regardless of whether we win or whether we lose. He's always keeping a level head.

"He always wants us to do well. He has our backs, and I think all of us feed off his lead at the helm. We're going to keep doing that until the wheels fall off."

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Kennedy gets more FSG shine

Sox president/CEO sees title burnished

By Michael Silverman
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Sam Kennedy will still be the president and CEO of the Red Sox, but the Brookline native is getting a title promotion.

At Fenway Sports Group's annual in-person partners meeting Friday afternoon in Bonita Springs, Fla., Kennedy was named the new CEO of FSG — the parent company of the Red Sox, Liverpool FC, and Pittsburgh Penguins, among other holdings.

Kennedy first joined the Red Sox front office ahead of the 2002 season upon the franchise's purchase, rising through the ranks on the sales and marketing side while also helping with the creation of Fenway Sports Management, FSG's marketing arm, where he has served as CEO since 2009.

Kennedy became president and CEO of the Sox in 2017, then part of the ownership group and a partner with FSG in 2021.

Also receiving a title bump is Billy Hogan, the Liverpool CEO who is now the FSG International CEO.

Hogan was part of the acquisition team when the company purchased Liverpool back in 2010. He's been working at the club since 2012 in a variety of roles, ascending to CEO in 2020, where he replaced Peter Moore amid the most successful period in the club's recent history.

Like Kennedy, Hogan's background is largely commercial, having served as Liverpool's chief commercial officer before taking over as CEO. Prior to FSG's acquisition of the club, Hogan was the managing director for FSM, with his primary duty the securing of high-level sponsorships for the Red Sox.

The changes reflect somewhat of a formal acknowledgment of work Kennedy and Hogan have already been doing.

"This moment in FSG's expansion marks a fitting occasion to formalize our leadership structure, recognizing the ongoing contributions and responsibilities shouldered by Sam and Billy across our entire portfolio," FSG said in a statement. "We know our people are our greatest asset, and in Sam and Billy, we have two of the most accomplished executives in the industry whose enduring contributions stand out even more as original hires by FSG over two decades ago."

As FSG has expanded into the NHL and, most recently, the PGA Tour (as the leader of a consortium of North American sports owners), Kennedy has been spending considerable time on both the transactions and integration into the FSG conglomerate.

FSG is fronted by principal owner John Henry, chairman Tom Werner, and president Mike Gordon.

Henry also owns the Boston Globe.

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Schools

BOYS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

Rodriguez, Burlington hit the mark in win

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Andover sophomore Luca Palermo (right) led the No. 8 Golden Warriors with 30 points and 11 rebounds against Marshfield.

Burlington spent Friday's MIAA Division 2 first-round matchup scorching the nets at Burlington High.

The 12th-seeded Red Devils buried 13 3-pointers and used pristine ball movement to roll by No. 21 Whitman-Hanson, 73-54. Burlington (15-6) has won 14 of 16 as it advances to play defending state finalist Mansfield in the second round.

"Everyone on our team can shoot, so it's deadly," said senior Cedric Rodriguez. "We take a bunch of shots every day at practice and that hard work is paying off."

Rodriguez, the program's all-time scoring leader, set the tone early by scoring 24 of his game-high 31 points in the first half. The 6-foot-5 forward splashed three long balls in the opening quarter before using his size advantage to score on the block and clean up misses. The Red Devils led, 33-24, at halftime.

Whitman-Hanson directed their defense toward Rodriguez in the second half, and he let his teammates take over. Lefthanded point guard Jaden Brehm (14 points) canned three long balls, Don Teguia (10 points) added two, and Matt Gray (11 points) chipped in another as Burlington built a 59-42 lead.

"That's us, we shoot," said Burlington coach Phil Conners.

Division 1 State

Andover 76, Marshfield 54 — Sophomore Luca Palermo led the eighth-seeded Golden Warriors (16-5) with 30 points and 11 rebounds in a decisive first-round victory that set up a Round of 16 matchup against ninth-seeded Lowell.

Franklin 78, Bridgewater-Raynham 57 — Sean O'Leary (22 points, 9 rebounds), Caden Sullivan (21 points, 9 rebounds), and Justice Samuels (12 points) propelled the No. 3 Panthers (22-1) to the first-round win.

Xaverian 76, Peabody 36 — Senior Lorenzo Carrara scored 35 points, reaching 1,000 career points in a first-round win for the No. 5 Hawks (15-6).

Methuen 81, Springfield Central 67 — Isaiah Andino (20 points), Earl Pemberton Jr. (19 points), and Drew Eason (18 points) combined to help the No. 21 Rangers (12-9) upend No. 12 Springfield Central (15-6).

Worcester North 90, King Philip 64 — Senior Joe Okla scored a career-high 24 points as the defending state champion and top-seeded Polar Bears (20-0) rolled to a first-round win.

Division 2 State

Leominster 78, Marblehead 58 — Jack Dadah (22 points), Jayden Johnson (21 points) and Terrance McCormack (17 points) paced the No. 2 Blue Devils (18-3).

Scituate 63, Chicopee Comprehensive 60 — Senior captains Brian Good (18 points, 7 rebounds), Michael Porter (17 points), and Ryan Dunn (13 points) paved the way for the No. 15 Sailors (19-4).

Somerset Berkley 62, Burncoat 53 — Mason Medeiros scored 19 points, Finn Bjork recorded a double-double (10 points, 14 rebounds), and Brendan McDonald added 11 points for the forth-seeded Raiders (19-2).

Division 3 State

Apponequet 72, Lowell Catholic 70 — Will Levrault poured in 28 points and Nathan Levesque recorded a double-double with 17 points and 14 rebounds for the seventh-seeded Lakers (12-9), who will advance to play No. 23 Dover-Sherborn (13-8) in the second round.

Dover-Sherborn 47, St. Mary's 46 — Mason Melchionda had a team-high 16 points and Jonathan Windle added 12 as the 23rd-seeded Raiders (14-8) pulled off the upset of the No. 10 Spartans in Lynn.

Medfield 73, Worcester Tech 51 — Luke Lisciandra provided 28 points and Pete Kumar added 17 for the sixth-seeded Warriors (17-4) in the Round of 32.

Salem 69, East Bridgewater 40 — Freshman Jordan Maxson poured in 33 points as the No. 15 Witches (14-7) cruised to a first-round triumph.

Division 4 State

Bourne 94, Roxbury Prep 49 — Mike Dankert tossed in 21 points, Nate Reynolds had 17, Dom Quelle and Emery Robbins both added 13, and Quinn Moriarity chipped in 11 for the second-seeded Canalmen (20-1), who advance to face 15th-seeded Monomoy (16-6) in the second round.

Lynn Tech 55, Northbridge 50 — Jayden Welch dominated with 26 points, 10 rebounds, and 5 assists to propel the No. 8 Tigers (17-2) to a first round triumph.

Millbury 66, West Bridgewater 49 — Kenny Donnelly dropped in 17 points to lead the No. 4 Woolies (18-5).

Monomoy 66, Cathedral 51 — Junior Jackson Rocco (26 points) led all scorers and classmate Finn Hyora scored all 16 of his points during the second half to help the 15th-seeded Sharks (15-6) win their first postseason appearance in Harwich.

Division 5 State

English High 67, Kennedy Academy 63 — Ronniel Luna scored 13 points in a first-round victory for the No. 13 Eagles (7-14).

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GIRLS' BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

Freshman leads Newburyport to record-setting upset

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Weymouth attacked the Lincoln-Sudbury defense from the outset of their Division 1 MIAA Tournament victory, with Megan Doyle (center) scoring 13 points with 19 rebounds.

With Newburyport senior captain Olivia McDonald struggling at the outset, freshman guard Ava Bailey played the game of her life, finishing with 16 points, 5 rebounds, and 4 assists to lead the No. 27 Clippers (11-10) to a 52-41 win over No. 6 Norton in the first round of the Division 2 girls' basketball tournament, the largest upset (by seed) since the advent of the statewide format.

"I forget how young she is," Newburyport coach Karen Grutchfield said. "It doesn't matter how old you are, if you're a player, you're a player, and she is a player."

The No. 6 Lancers (15-6) pulled within 6 points late in the third quarter. That's when McDonald showed up, draining critical 3-pointers.

"I told her, just keep shooting, and she just kept shooting," Grutchfield said. "Really proud of her toughness."

McDonald finished 13 points, 4 assists, and 3 steals, and 6-foot-2-inch junior Olivia Foley scored 12 points with 14 rebounds.

The Clippers face No. 11 Watertown in the Round of 16.

Division 1 State

Bishop Feehan 80, Methuen 35 — Senior captain Julia Webster poured in a career-high 26 points (11-of-14 shooting) and corralled 10 rebounds, junior Charlotte Adams-Lopez added 19 points, and junior Maddy Steel scored 13 points as the top-seeded Shamrocks (17-4) cruised in the Round of 32.

Framingham 59, Newton North 50 — Allie Regan fired in 21 points as the the No. 11 Flyers (14-7) registered the first-round win, their third victory over their Bay State Conference rival this season.

Quincy 55, Hopkinton 36 — Alyssa Hopps scored 22 points, followed by Niamh Gendron's 15, to lead the ninth-seeded Presidents (18-3) to a first-round victory.

Weymouth 58, Lincoln-Sudbury 46 — Abby Morris drilled a trio of first-quarter 3-pointers and Callie Flynn (16 points, 12 rebounds) and Megan Doyle (13 points, 19 boards) recorded double-doubles as the seventh-seeded Wildcats secured a first-round victory.

Division 2 State

Dartmouth 76, Shepherd Hill 45 — In Dartmouth's first tournament victory since 2012, junior guard Kat Cheesebro poured in 35 points for the fourth-seeded Indians (18-3).

Medfield 68, Westborough 50 — Tess Baacke led the top-seeded Warriors (19-2) with 19 points, Annie Stanton and Naya Annigeri added 15 apiece, and Izzy Kittredge dropped 10 more in a first-round victory.

Nashoba 56, Duxbury 53 (3 OT) — Maddy Toth hit a clutch corner 3-pointer with 39 seconds left in the third overtime and Lexi Prybyla scored 19 points as the 19th-seeded Wolves (12-9) outlasted No. 14 Duxbury.

Notre Dame (Hingham) 66, Tewksbury 32 — With 30 seconds to go and the first-round victory secured, sophomore Elle Orlando scored her 1,000th-career point for the No. 3 Cougars (19-1).

Oliver Ames 43, Silver Lake 40 — Facing an upset bid from the No. 28 Lakers (8-14), Sarah Hilliard stepped up, dropping 10 of her game-high 16 points in the second half for the No. 5 Tigers (15-6).

Division 3 State

North Reading 60, Pittsfield 47 — Caitlin Reilly scored a game-high 29 points, draining eight 3-pointers, as the 23rd-seeded Hornets (15-6) upset No. 10 Pittsfield in the first round.

Springfield International 54, Falmouth 53 — Angel Stewart hit the winning 3-pointer from the corner with nine seconds left, capping a rally from down 13 with under three minutes to play for the 14th-seeded Bulldogs (13-8) in the first round.

Division 4 State

Cohasset 50, Ayer Shirley 24 — Sarah Chenette went off for the No. 6 Skippers (14-7), scoring 24 points, collecting 13 rebounds, and recording 5 steals en route to a first-round victory.

Georgetown 50, Manchester Essex 40 — Thanks to a big second half from Tyrah Marcelin the 15th-seeded Royals (14-8) advanced to their third straight Round of 16.

Rockland 51, Joseph Case 45 — The No. 17 Bulldogs (9-14) trailed by 9 at the break, but a balanced attack led by Cailey Kelleher's two second-half 3-pointers secured a first-round victory over the No. 17 Cardinals (14-7).

Division 5 State

Westport 74, New Mission 33 — The No. 5 Wildcats (19-1) had four double-digit scorers — Skylar Rezendes (19 points), Julia George (17 points), Meghan Molloy (14 points), and Korynne Holden (10 points) — in a dominant first-round victory.

NEW ENGLAND WRESTLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bristol-Plymouth's Hicks stuns top seed to reach quarterfinals

By AJ Traub
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

PROVIDENCE — As the seconds ticked away and his opponent struggled to break his grasp, Nathan Hicks had the whole crowd realizing that he is a legitimate contender.

The Bristol-Plymouth sophomore's shocking 4-3 decision over top-seeded Teghan McConnell to advance to the 157-pound quarterfinals had the crowd at the New England Interscholastic Wrestling Championships stunned.

"Before I walked on the mat, I was looking around and seeing a bunch of people I knew who came here to watch," said Hicks. "I thought 'I better put on a show for them.' "

At the Providence Career and Technical Academy, Hicks built an early lead over his Bedford, N.H., opponent with a takedown and nearfall in the first 30 seconds half, but there was a long way to go.

McConnell started the second period with a nearfall, but in the third it was Hicks starting on top and only allowing an escape point with seven seconds to go.

"In the first period when I took him down to his back, I was amazed that I was able to do that because I didn't think I was getting that," Hicks said. "Throughout the match I kept trying things. He wasn't that tough on bottom. He could barely get out. I'm really strong on top."

Now 52-6 on the season, Hicks is looking for a finals match against St. John's Prep senior Jayden D'Ambrosio, the No. 2 seed, who he lost to earlier this season.

D'Ambrosio, the All-State champ (Hicks placed third), became part of the first father-son duo to win All-State titles in Massachusetts history. His father, James, won a 152-pound title at Wakefield in 1994, but fell short of a New England championship.

"It's pretty cool, thinking me and my dad are the only ones in Mass who have won an all-state title as father and son," he said. "I want to one-up him, though."

■ Ponaganset (R.I.) leads the boys' competition after Day 1 with 50.5 points, followed by Xavier (Conn.) with 47 and Haverhill with 34.

■ Lawrence sophomore Hillary MacDonald gave up trying to join the wrestling team her freshman year. Friday, she won her first match by pin at girls' New Englands, representing Massachusetts as All-State champion.

If told she'd be here at the beginning of the season, she wouldn't believe it.

"When I started I didn't win anything," said the 165-pounder. "I didn't know my moves. I would stress over it and it would be very rough. Now that I know my moves and I can work them, having that strength helps a lot."

Her brother, Jose, who wrestled in Puerto Rico, encouraged her to try it.

After one day of wrestling, Belfast (Maine), Noble (Maine), and Norwalk (Conn.) were tied for the girls' lead with 8 points. Oliver Ames was fourth with 7 points and Plymouth (6) was tied with Scituate (R.I.) in fifth.

REVOLUTION | TAKEAWAYS

CONCACAF win 'was our best game'

By Hayden Bird
BOSTON.COM STAFF

The Revolution picked apart Panamanian side Club Atlético Independiente, 3-0, on Thursday night in the club's first competitive game at Gillette Stadium in 2024, securing a berth in the CONCACAF Champions Cup Round of 16 (where New England will face Liga Deportiva Alajuelense of Costa Rica).

Entering the night up 1-0 after last weeks' first leg in Panama, New England produced what was by far the best display of new head coach Caleb Porter's start to the season. Quick passing combinations and stifling defense ensured that the visitors — who, as Porter noted, were in "probably the coldest game they've ever played in their lives" — posed no real threat throughout the night.

Here are a few takeaways from a chilly night in Foxborough:

■ "Porter-ball" reigned as New England remained in control all night

Since arriving in New England only a few weeks ago, Porter has maintained that his team will have a "clear identity."

Yet in the first two games, situational circumstances made it a little harder to identify. The "terrible" field conditions in Panama in the first leg negated much of the Revolution's passing, and the MLS opener over the weekend was a game largely distorted by forward Giacomo Vrioni's ill-fated first half dismissal (sending New England into a very different game plan for much of the night).

Thursday night showed the first sustained glimpse at what might be dubbed "Porter-ball." And if the win against Independiente speaks to anything, it's the methodical potential of such a playing style.

"I thought it was our best game, in terms of controlling a game and carrying a game," Porter said afterward.

The opening goal, which New England created quickly (in the eighth minute), resulted from an end-to-end passing sequence of real beauty. Started by goalkeeper Henrich Ravas, progressing through midfield via a slick one-two between brothers Carles and Nacho Gil, it culminated with a series of one-touch passes.

The Gil brothers, having helped start the move, capped it off with Carles assisting Nacho's first goal with the Revolution:

"That was an unbelievable team goal, very good passage of play, and the type of buildup that we want to see in the football that we play," Porter said.

■ Giacomi Vrioni remains enigmatic, but very determined

After pressing the self-destruct button over the weekend in the MLS-opening loss against D.C. United — accumulating a pair of unnecessary yellow cards in the first 25 minutes to earn an early send-off — Vrioni had what bordered on a good game Thursday.

He did not get on the scoresheet, but was probably unlucky to not earn a penalty kick in the 20th minute when he tried to round Independiente goalkeeper Eddie Roberts Chifundo after being played in by a well-weighted DeJuan Jones through ball.

Instead, Vrioni was somewhat strangely awarded a yellow card for diving (replays were unclear, but the decisiveness by the official to card the New England forward appeared a bit harsh).

■ It was another exciting performance from Esmir Bajraktarevic

At halftime, Revolution captain Carles Gil was subbed off due to what Porter explained was a tight achilles (adding that the team doesn't think it's a serious injury).

In his place, New England sent on 18-year-old academy graduate Esmir Bajraktarevic. The US international dazzled in isolated moments — achieving three nutmegs off the dribble, though he was eventually punished for it by increasingly irritated Independiente defenders — and helped add to the Revolution's lead.

His positioning and ability to find pockets of space are a unique talent for someone his age, and Bajraktarevic used this skill to help his team double its lead (and effectively end the first-round matchup). Drifting in behind the Independiente left back (but managing to remain onside), he broke free and squared his pass for an easy Tomas Chancalay tap-in:

While Bajraktarevic has mostly featured as an outside attacking midfielder/winger for New England, he showed he can play in a more central "No. 10" role on Thursday.

■ Cleaning up a few midfield mistakes

Though it was mostly a night of good news, Porter will undoubtedly have a few things he'll want to address when watching the game tape.

One of the more noticeable (if sporadic) issues was a few unnecessary turnovers in midfield. It might be partly attributable to the new tactics, and Porter's desire for a more up-tempo passing game.

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SportsLog

Newton disappointed in self

Former NFL quarterback **Cam Newton** said he's disappointed in himself for losing control of his emotions over the weekend at a seven-on-seven youth football tournament in Atlanta, resulting in a brief fight involving several men from competing teams. A 22-second video surfaced Sunday showing the 34-year-old Newton, who spent one season with the Patriots, involved in an altercation with at least three other men outside of a school at the tournament. Newton did not throw any punches, and appeared to try to fend off some attackers.

Dolphins' Hill sued

A social media influencer is suing Dolphins wide receiver **Tyreek Hill** over an alleged incident that happened at the NFL star's South Florida home last summer. In a lawsuit that **Sophie Hall's** attorneys filed Feb. 23, the influencer claims that Hill "forcefully and purposefully" shoved her while the two were participating in a football drill at his Southwest Ranches mansion. Hill was "humiliated" after Hall knocked him backward during a "friendly football lesson," according to the lawsuit.

GOLF

Cauley is . . . leading

Bud Cauley is leading on the PGA Tour. That might not have seemed likely a few years ago. Cauley — who was seriously injured in a 2018 car crash and is playing a tour event for only the third time in nearly 4½ years — shot a 6-under-par 65 at PGA National in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., to take a one-shot lead after 36 holes of the Cognizant Classic. **Austin Eckroat** (67) and **Garrick Higgo** (65) were a shot back. **Shane Lowry** and world No. 2 **Rory McIlroy** were part of a group three shots off the pace . . . **Anthony Kim** hit his first competitive shot in 4,320 days and then hit more shots than he wanted at LIV Golf Jeddah in Saudia Arabia. He opened with a 6-over-par 76 and was in last place, trailing **Jon Rahm** and **Adrian Meronk** by 14 shots.

COLLEGES

Football tweaks?

The NCAA is considering allowing the head coach to have in-game communication with one player on offense and one on defense in a series of rules proposals. In games involving Football Bowl Subdivision teams, each school would have the option to use coach-to-player communications through the helmet to one player on the field. The communication would be turned off with 15 seconds remaining on the play clock or when the ball is snapped, whichever comes first.

NIL probes halted

Following another courtroom loss, the NCAA has halted investigations into booster-backed collectives or other third parties making name, image and likeness compensation deals with Division 1 athletes.

Scoreboard

Schools

BASKETBALL

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Fri., March 1 — First round
Andover 76, Marshfield 54
BC High 81, Winchester 45
Cambridge 61, Lincoln-Sudbury 58
Cath. Memorial 81, Lexington 67
Franklin 78, Bridge.-Raynham 57
Methuen 81, Springfield Central 67
N. Andover 73, Haverhill 53
Worcester North 90, King Philip 64
Xaverian 76, Peabody 36
DIVISION 2
Fri., March 1 — First round
Bedford 53, Grafton 41
Burlington 73, Whit.-Hanson 54
Holyoke 93, Duxbury 72
Leominster 78, Marblehead 58
Malden Cath. 80, Oliver Ames 44
Mansfield 62, Westboro 45
Milford 57, Nashoba 50
Pope Francis 73, Abp. Williams 45
Scituate 63, Chicopee Comp. 60
Shepherd Hill 57, Dartmouth 54
Somerset Berkley 62, Burncoat 53
Westwood 59, Masconomet 52
Sat., March 2 — First round
Northampton at Sharon, 2; Wakefield at Doherty, 2; Middleborough at Hopkinton, 5.
DIVISION 3
Fri., March 1 — First round
Apponequet 72, Lowell Cath. 70
Charlestown 85, Digh.-Rehoboth 34
Dover-Sherborn 47, St. Mary's 46
Medfield 73, Worcester Tech 51
Old Rochester 65, Foxboro 59
Salem 69, E. Bridgewater 40
Taconic 55, Oakmont 45
Tantasqua 68, Dennis-Yarmouth 40
Sat., March 2 — First round
Shawsheen at Watertown, 2; Lynnfield at Martha's Vineyard, 3.
DIVISION 4
Fri., March 1 — First round
Bourne 94, Roxbury Prep 49
David Prouty 58, Ham.-Wenham 55
Lynn Tech 55, Northbridge 50
Manchester 75, Frontier 47
Millbury 66, W. Bridgewater 49
Monomoy 66, Cathedral 51
Monument Mtn. 94, Uxbridge 54
Tyngsboro 66, Greenfield 61
Sat., March 2 — First round
Carver at Nantucket, 2.
DIVISION 5
Fri., March 1 — First round
Athol 67, Southbridge 51
Drury 57, Salem Academy 50
English High 67, Kennedy Academy 63
Holbrook 81, Calvary Chapel 52
Mahar 60, Smith Academy 15
Old Colony 57, Duggan Academy 56
Pioneer Valley Regional 65, Fenway 37
Rockport 63, Neighborhood House 48
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Fri., March 1 — First round
Bp. Feehan 80, Methuen 35
Framingham 59, Newton North 50
Quincy 55, Hopkinton 36
Springfield Central 55, Plymouth N. 33
Taunton 57, Winchester 56
Weymouth 58, Lincoln-Sudbury 46
DIVISION 2
Fri., March 1 — First round
Billerica 68, Middleboro 50
Dartmouth 76, Shepherd Hill 45
Leominster 43, Bedford 38
Mansfield 72, Marlborough 65
Medfield 68, Westboro 50
Nashoba 56, Duxbury 53
Notre Dame (H) 66, Tewksbury 32
Oliver Ames 43, Silver Lake 40
Sat., March 2 — First round
Holliston at Worcester South, 3:30.
DIVISION 3
Fri., March 1 — First round
Medway 49, Triton 30
Newburyport 52, Norton 41
N. Reading 60, Pittsfield 47
Sandwich 66, Hudson 37
Springfield Intrntional 54, Falmouth 53
Tantasqua 47, Dennis-Yarmouth 38
Watertown 47, Old Rochester 28
DIVISION 4
Fri., March 1 — First round
Cathedral 90, Lynn Tech 33
Cohasset 50, Ayer Shirley 24
Georgetown 50, Manchester 40
Littleton 68, New Heights Charter 37
Rockland 51, Joseph Case 45
Tyngsboro 63, Mystic Valley 16
Sat., March 2 — First round
Southwick at Bourne, 6.
DIVISION 5
Fri., March 1 — First round
Drury 54, Neighborhood House 25
Franklin Cty. Tech 58, Pioneer Valley 47
Palmer 57, Ware 27
Renaissance 50, N. Brookfield 27
W. Boylston 63, Hampden Charter E. 20
Westport 74, New Mission 33

NEPSAC tourney

BOYS
NEPSAC CLASS AAA
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Newman School at Vermont Academy, 2; New Hampton at St. Thomas More, 3.
NEPSAC CLASS AA
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Brimmer & May at Winchendon, 2; Northfield Mt. Hermon vs. Bradford Christian at Austin Prep High, Reading, 3.
NEPSAC CLASS A
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Phillips Exeter at Milton Academy, 1:30; Phillips Andover at Taft, 4.
NEPSAC CLASS B
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Brooks at Rivers, 3:30; Millbrook (N.Y.) at Canterbury, 4:15.
NEPSAC CLASS C
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Kents Hill at Wheeler (R.I.), 2; Harvey (N.Y.) at Portsmouth Abbey, 3.
NEPSAC CLASS D
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Watkinson at Rocky Hill Country Day, 1; Boston Trinity at Lexington Christian, 2.
GIRLS
NEPSAC CLASS A
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Kent at Sacred Heart (Conn.), 1; Hotchkiss at Loomis Chaffee (Conn.), 2.
NEPSAC CLASS AA
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Dexter Southfield at Nobles, 2; Tabor at Tilton, 3.
NEPSAC CLASS B
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Suffield Academy at Beaver Country Day, 2; Greens Farm at St. George's, 3.
NEPSAC CLASS C
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Millbrook (N.Y.) at Brewster Academy, 2; Holderness at Wilbraham & Monson, 2:30.
NEPSAC CLASS D
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Covenant Christian at Rocky Hill Country Day, 10:30a; Vermont Academy at Watkinson, 2.

HOCKEY

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Sat., March 2 — Second round
Arlington Catholic at Pope Francis, 1; Winchester vs. Arlington at Ed Burns Arena, Arlington, 1; Wellesley vs. St. John's Prep at Essex Sports Center, Middleton, 2:30; BC High vs. Catholic Memorial at Warrior Ice Arena, Boston, 7; Marshfield vs. Reading at Burbank Arena, Reading, 7; Weymouth vs. Franklin at Pirelli Veterans Arena, Franklin, 7:30.
DIVISION 2
Sat., March 2 — Second round
North Andover vs. Woburn at O'Brien Arena, Woburn, 12; Gloucester vs. Newburyport at Henry Graf Skating Rink, Newburyport, 1:30; Malden Catholic vs. Duxbury at The Bog, Kingston, 2:30; Masconomet vs. Canton at Zapustas Rink, Randolph, 2:30; Whitman-Hanson vs. Concord-Carlisle at Edge Sports Center, Bedford, 3; Boston Latin vs. Billerica at Hallenborg Pavillion, Billerica, 7.
DIVISION 3
Sat., March 2 — Second round
West Springfield vs. Lynnfield at McVann-O'Keefe Memorial Rink, Peabody, 12; Grafton vs. Pembroke at Hobomock Ice Arena, Pembroke, 2:20; Methuen vs. Marblehead at Rockett Arena, Salem, 3; Watertown vs. Scituate at Hobomock Ice Arena, Pembroke, 4:40; Marlborough vs. Nauset at Charles Moore Arena, Orleans, 6; Medfield vs. Triton at Henry Graf Skating Rink, Newburyport, 6:30.
DIVISION 4
Fri., March 1 — First round
Nantucket 6, St. John Paul II 3
Sat., March 2 — Second round
Hudson vs. Winthrop at Larsen Rink, Winthrop, 2; Gardner vs. Sandwich at Gallo Arena, Bourne, 4; Lunenburg/Ayer Shirley vs. Norwell at The Bog, Kingston, 5:20; Dedham vs. Dover-Sherborn/Weston at Rivers School, Weston, 6:30; ORR/Fairhaven vs. Hanover at Hobomock Ice Arena, Pembroke, 7.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Sat., March 2 — Second round
Boston Latin vs. St. Mary's at Connery Rink, Lynn, 2; HPNA vs. Hingham at Canton Ice House, Canton, 3:15; Archbishop Williams vs. Methuen/Tewksbury at Methuen High School, Methuen, 5; Belmont vs. Lincoln-Sudbury at Valley Sports Arena, Concord, 5:30; Bishop Feehan vs. Shrewsbury at NorthStar Ice Sports, Westborough, 5:30; Braintree vs. Notre Dame (Hingham) at Rockland Ice Rink, Rockland, 6; Westford vs. Malden Catholic at Valley Forum II, Malden, 6:40.

Schools

DIVISION 2
Sat., March 2 — Second round
Milton vs. Pembroke at Hobomock Ice Arena, Pembroke, 12; Gloucester vs. Duxbury at The Bog, Kingston, 1; Plymouth vs. Burlington at Burlington Ice Palace, Burlington, 2:20; King Philip vs. Falmouth at Falmouth Ice Arena, Falmouth, 4; Martha's Vineyard vs. Algonquin at New England Sports Center, Marlborough, 5:30.

NEPSAC tourney

BOYS
NEPSAC STUART/CORKERY
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Avon Old Farms at Cushing, 2; Salisbury (Conn.) at Kimball Union, 2:30.
NEPSAC MARTIN/EARL
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Berkshire at Kent, 2; Phillips Andover at Dexter Southfield, 2.
NEPSAC PIATELLI/SIMMONS
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Pomfret at Canterbury, 2; Frederick Gunn (Conn.) at Rivers, 2:30.
GIRLS
NEPSAC CHUCK VERNON (ELITE)
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Loomis Chaffee (Conn.) vs. Nobles at Nobles, Dedham, 3; Phillips Andover vs. Williston Northampton at Williston Northampton, Easthampton, 4.
NEPSAC DOROTHY HOWARD (SMALL)
Sat., March 2 — Semifinals
Rivers at New Hampton, 2:30.

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Colleges

BASKETBALL

MEN
NEW ENGLAND
Brown 71, Harvard 68 (OT)
Marist 58, Fairfield 55
Quinnipiac 82, Iona 64
Yale 80, Dartmouth 56
OTHER EAST
Canisius 61, Mount St. Mary's 56
Cornell 87, Penn 81
Manhattan 70, Siena 68
Princeton 84, Columbia 70
Rider 71, Niagara 61
SOUTH
Appalachian St. 80, Arkansas St. 57
Austin Peay 90, Bellarmine 87 (OT)
FGCU 59, Jacksonville 57
Georgia So. 92, Old Dominion 75
Georgia St. 82, Marshall 79
James Madison 86, Coastal Carolina 76
Lipscomb 81, Eastern Ky. 67
Louisiana 77, Southern Miss 61
North Florida 78, Stetson 59
Queens University 91, Kennesaw St. 82
South Alabama 80, La.-Monroe 69
MIDWEST
Ohio 66, Bowling Green 59
Dayton, at Loyola Chicago
SOUTHWEST
North Alabama 82, Cent. Arkansas 78
Troy, at Texas State
TOURNAMENTS
NCAA Division III
Catholic 75, Worcester St. 72
Keene State 82, Marymount 76
Oswego State 74, Babson 63
Trinity 83, Utica 54
Widener 101, Roger Williams 70

WOMEN
NEW ENGLAND
Columbia 77, Brown 62
North Carolina A&T 69, Northeastern 55
Penn 79, Dartmouth 41
Princeton 60, Harvard 49
Yale 79, Cornell 72
OTHER EAST
Campbell 66, Delaware 65
Hampton 48, Hofstra 42
Stony Brook 60, Drexel 58
SOUTH
Belmont 87, Indiana St. 62
Coastal Carolina 74, Georgia St. 62
James Madison 70, Old Dominion 58
La.-Lafayette 58, Southern Miss 57 (OT)
Marshall 90, Georgia So. 43
Murray St. 85, Evansville 59
Towson 67, Charleston 55
Troy 108, South Alabama 71
William & Mary 68, UNCW 50
SOUTHWEST
Appalachian St. 64, Arkansas St. 57
Texas State 76, La.-Monroe 73
WEST
Hawaii 63, UC Davis 57 (OT)
TOURNAMENTS
NCAA Division III
Baldwin-Wallace 59, Trinity 54
Bates 66, Brooklyn 51
Bowdoin 69, Western N.E. 48
RIC 56, St. Joseph's (M) 37
Scranton 60, Framingham St. 39
Smith 61, Maine Maritime 46
UMass-Dartmouth 78, N.J. City 69
Widener 57, Springfield 50

HOCKEY

MEN
NEW ENGLAND
Alaska-Anchorage 3, Stonehill 1
Boston College 5, UNH 3
Dartmouth 5, Brown 3
Merrimack 2, Providence 1
UConn 4, Northeastern 3
Vermont 2, Maine 1
OTHER EAST
Colgate 6, Rensselaer 2
Princeton 4, St. Lawrence 4
Union 3, Cornell 2
MIDWEST
Denver 6, St. Cloud State 2

Baseball

EXHIBITION SEASON

GRAPEFRUIT LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	7	1	.875	—
NY Yankees	4	2	.667	2
Philadelphia	3	2	.600	2½
Boston	4	3	.571	2½
Detroit	4	3	.571	2½
NY Mets	4	3	.571	2½
Washington	4	3	.571	2½
Houston	4	4	.500	3
St. Louis	3	3	.500	3
Atlanta	3	4	.429	3½
Minnesota	2	4	.333	4
Tampa Bay	2	4	.333	4
Pittsburgh	2	5	.286	4½
Toronto	2	5	.286	4½
Miami	1	3	.250	4

CACTUS LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	4	1	.800	½
LA Dodgers	6	2	.750	—
Texas	5	2	.714	½
Colorado	6	3	.667	½
Kansas City	6	3	.667	½
Arizona	4	3	.571	1½
Chi. Cubs	4	3	.571	1½
LA Angels	4	3	.571	1½
Oakland	3	4	.429	2½
San Diego	4	6	.400	3
Chi. White Sox	3	6	.333	3½
Cleveland	2	5	.286	3½
Milwaukee	2	5	.286	3½
San Francisco	1	4	.200	3½
Seattle	1	5	.167	4

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
At Minnesota 5, Boston 3
Baltimore 3, at Atlanta 1
Houston 10, at Washington 8
At Philadelphia 6, Miami 6
At St. Louis 3, NY Mets 2
At Detroit 4, Philadelphia 2
At Pittsburgh 12, Tampa Bay 8
At Chi. Cubs 10, Chi. White Sox 6
At Kansas City 5, Oakland 4
At San Francisco 11, Texas 5
LA Angels 5, at San Diego 3
At Milwaukee 4, San Diego 3
At Colorado 10, Seattle 9
At NY Yankees 8, Toronto 4
Arizona 12, at Cincinnati 8
At LA Dodgers 6, Cleveland 4
SATURDAY'S GAMES
Boston at Tampa Bay, 1:05
Washington at Boston, 1:05
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 1:05
NY Yankees at Baltimore, 1:05
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 1:05
St. Louis at Houston, 1:05
Atlanta at Toronto, 1:07
NY Mets at Miami, 1:10
Chi. Cubs at LA Dodgers, 3:05
Chi. White Sox at Texas, 3:05
Kansas City at Cleveland, 3:05
San Diego at San Francisco, 3:05
Arizona at LA Angels, 3:10
Cincinnati at Colorado, 3:10
LA Dodgers at Milwaukee, 3:10
Oakland at Seattle, 3:10

Premier League

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Liverpool	26	18	6	2	60
Manchester City	26	18	5	3	59
Arsenal	26	18	4	4	58
Aston Villa	26	16	4	6	52
Tottenham	25	14	5	6	47
Man. United	26	14	2	10	44
Brighton	26	10	9	7	39
West Ham	26	11	6	9	39
Wolverhampton	26	11	5	10	38
Newcastle	26	11	4	11	37
Chelsea	25	10	5	10	35
Fulham	26	9	5	12	32
Crystal Palace	26	7	7	12	28
AFC Bournemth	25	7	7	11	28
Everton	26	8	7	11	25
Brentford	26	7	4	15	25
Notting. Forest	26	6	6	14	24
Luton Town	25	5	5	15	20
Burnley	26	3	4	19	13
Sheffield	26	3	4	19	13

SATURDAY'S GAMES
West Ham at Everton, 10a
Wolverhampton at Newcastle, 10a
Crystal Palace at Tottenham, 10a
Liverpool at Nottingham Forest, 10a
Brighton at Fulham, 10a
Chelsea at Brentford, 10a
Aston Villa at Luton Town, 12:30

	SAT 3/2	SUN 3/3	MON 3/4	TUE 3/5	WED 3/6	THU 3/7	FRI 3/8
	TB/WAS (exh.) 1:05 NESN	TOR (exh.) 1:05 NESN	DET (exh.) 1:05	TB (exh.) 1:05 NESN	MIN (exh.) 1:05	ATL (exh.) 1:05 ESPN	
	NYI 7:30 NESN		TOR 7:00 NESN	EDM 7:30 NESN		TOR 7:00 NESN	
		GS 3:30 ABC		CLE 7:30 NBCSB, TNT*		DEN 10:00 NBCSB, TNT	
		TOR 2:00 AppleTV			LDA† 6:00 FS2		
	MON 4:00 NESN				TOR 7:00 NESN		

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ON THE AIR

AUTO RACING

10 a.m.	Formula One: Bahrain Grand Prix	ESPN
5 p.m.	Xfinity: The LiUNA!	FS1

BASEBALL

1:05 p.m.	Exhibition: NY Yankees at Baltimore	MLB
1:05 p.m.	Exhibition: Washington at Boston	NESN

PRO BASKETBALL

5 p.m.	Utah at Miami	NBA
8:30 p.m.	Denver at LA Lakers	ABC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

noon	Butler at DePaul	FS1
noon	Colgate at Lehigh	CBSSN
noon	Florida at South Carolina	ESPN
noon	Florida State at Georgia Tech	ESPN2
noon	Tulane at Florida Atlantic	ESPNU
noon	Villanova at Providence	Fox
1 p.m.	Illinois at Wisconsin	Big Ten
1 p.m.	Kansas at Baylor	ABC
1:30 p.m.	Arkansas at Kentucky	CBS
2 p.m.	Oklahoma State at Texas	ESPN2
2 p.m.	Oregon at Arizona	ESPN
2 p.m.	Towson at UNCW	CBSSN
2:30 p.m.	Marquette at Creighton	Fox
2:30 p.m.	UMass at Davidson	USA
3:15 p.m.	Penn State at Minnesota	Big Ten
4 p.m.	Mississippi State at Auburn	ESPN2
4 p.m.	North Carolina St. at North Carolina	ESPN
4 p.m.	Saint Louis at URI	CBSSN
4 p.m.	USC at Washington	CBS
5:30 p.m.	Iowa at Northwestern	Big Ten
6 p.m.	Green Bay at Milwaukee	ESPNU
6 p.m.	Pittsburgh at Boston College	ACC
6 p.m.	Texas A&M at Georgia	SEC
6 p.m.	Texas Tech at West Virginia	ESPN2
6 p.m.	VCU at Richmond	CBSSN
6 p.m.	Virginia at Duke	ESPN
7:30 p.m.	Xavier at Georgetown	FS1
8 p.m.	Houston at Oklahoma	ESPN2
8 p.m.	Michigan State at Purdue	Fox
8 p.m.	Middle Tennessee at Sam Houston St.	ESPNU
8 p.m.	New Mexico at Boise State	CBSSN
8 p.m.	Syracuse at Louisville	ACC
8 p.m.	Tennessee at Alabama	ESPN
8:30 p.m.	Mississippi at Missouri	SEC
10 p.m.	Gonzaga at Saint Mary's	ESPN
10 p.m.	Long Beach State at UC Irvine	ESPN2
10 p.m.	San Jose State at UNLV	CBSSN
10 p.m.	Stephen F. Austin at Grand Canyon	ESPNU

FISHING

8 a.m.	AFTCO Bassmaster Elite	FS1

PRO FOOTBALL

1 p.m.	NFL Combine (RBs, QBs, WRs)	NFL

GOLF

12:30 p.m.	LIV: Royal Greens & Jeddah (tape)	CW
1 p.m.	PGA: Cognizant Classic	Golf
3 p.m.	PGA: Cognizant Classic	NBC
9:30 p.m.	LPGA: HSBC World Championship	Golf

PRO HOCKEY

12:30 p.m.	Winnipeg at Carolina	NHL
3 p.m.	Florida at Detroit	ABC
4 p.m.	PWHL: Boston at Montreal	NESN
7:30 p.m.	Boston at NY Islanders	NESN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

1 p.m.	Hockey East: Holy Cross at UConn	NESN+
7:30 p.m.	Hockey East: Merrimack at NU	NESN+

HORSE RACING

3 p.m.	America's Day at the Races	FS2
5 p.m.	1/ST: Gulfstream, Hallandale	CNBC

RUGBY

8 p.m.	MLR: Houston at Utah	FS2
9:30 p.m.	NRL: S. Sydney at Manly-Warringah	FS1
11:30 p.m.	NRL: Brisbane at Sydney	FS1

SKIING

noon	Alpine World Cup	CNBC
2 p.m.	Alpine World Cup (tape)	NBC
3 p.m.	Alpine World Cup	CNBC

MEN'S SOCCER

10 a.m.	Premier: West Ham at Everton	USA
12:30 p.m.	Premier: Aston Villa at Luton Town	USA
4:30 p.m.	MLS: Orlando at Miami	Fox
6:55 p.m.	FASL: Everton at Manchester City	CBSSN

TRACK AND FIELD

9 a.m.	World Indoor Championships (tape)	CNBC

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NBA G League

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	Pct.	GB
Delaware	16	7	.696	--
Osceola	13	7	.650	1½
Capital City	15	9	.625	1½
Indiana	15	9	.625	1½
College Park	14	10	.583	2½
Maine	13	11	.542	3½
Wisconsin	12	12	.500	4½
Long Island	11	11	.500	4½
Motor City	11	12	.478	5
Birmingham	11	13	.458	5½
Windy City	10	12	.455	5½
Greensboro	10	13	.435	6
Grand Rapids	10	13	.435	6
Cleveland	10	13	.435	6
Raptors	9	15	.375	7½
Westchester	6	16	.273	9½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	Pct.	GB
Sioux Falls	17	7	.708	--
Rio Grande Valley	13	7	.650	2
Stockton	14	8	.636	2
South Bay	12	9	.571	3½
Rip City	12	9	.571	3½
Texas	13	10	.565	3½
Austin	12	10	.545	4
Santa Cruz	12	10	.545	4
Mexico City	11	10	.524	4½
Oklahoma City	12	12	.500	5
Memphis	11	12	.478	5½
Ontario	10	13	.435	6½
Salt Lake City	9	13	.409	7
Iowa	6	15	.286	9½
G League	2	24	.077	16

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Windy City 117, G League 87
College Park 110, Cleveland 102
Greensboro 107, Delaware 105
Maine 117, Wisconsin 108
Capital City 138, Birmingham 107
Rip City 122, Iowa 107
Rio Grande Valley, at Stockton
SATURDAY'S GAMES
Westchester at Motor City, 4
Maine at Wisconsin, 7
Salt Lake City at Stockton, 8
South Bay at Texas, 8:30

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Miami	2	1	1	0	4
D.C. United	1	1	0	0	3
Charlotte	1	1	0	0	3
Columbus	1	1	0	0	3
Chicago	1	0	1	0	1
Philadelphia	1	0	1	0	1
Toronto	1	0	1	0	1
Nashville	1	0	1	0	1
Montreal	1	0	1	0	1
Orlando	1	0	1	0	1
Cincinnati	1	0	1	0	1
NY Red Bulls	1	0	1	0	1
Atlanta	1	0	0	1	0
NYCFC	1	0	0	1	0
New England	1	0	0	1	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Portland	1	1	0	0	3
Minnesota	1	1	0	0	3
LAFC	1	1	0	0	3
Dallas	1	1	0	0	3
Sporting KC	1	0	1	0	1
LA Galaxy	1	0	1	0	1
St. Louis	1	0	1	0	1
Houston	1	0	1	0	1
Real Salt Lake	2	0	1	1	1
Vancouver	0	0	0	0	0
Austin	1	0	0	1	0
San Jose	1	0	0	1	0
Seattle	1	0	0	1	0
Colorado	1	0	0	1	0

SATURDAY'S GAMES
LAFC at Real Salt Lake, 2
Columbus at Minnesota, 2
Orlando at Miami, 4:30
Charlotte at Vancouver, 7:30
NYCFC at St. Louis, 8:30
NY Red Bulls at Houston, 8:30
Philadelphia at Sporting KC, 8:30
Montreal at Dallas, 8:30
Cincinnati at Chicago, 8:30
Nashville at Colorado, 9:30
LA Galaxy at San Jose, 10:30
Austin at Seattle, 10:30
D.C. United at Portland, 10:30

Latest line

NBA
Saturday

Favorite	Pts.	Underdog
At Brooklyn	NL	Atlanta
At Miami	NL	Utah
At Memphis	NL	Portland
At LA Lakers	NL	Denver
At Phoenix	NL	Houston

NHL

Favorite	Line	Underdog	Line
At Carolina	-145	Winnipeg	+125
Florida	-150	at Detroit	+130
Edmonton	-150	at Seattle	+130
Colorado	-135	at Nashville	+115
Minnesota	-125	at St. Louis	+105
At Tampa Bay	-255	Montreal	+205
At Toronto	-120	NY Rangers	+100
At Philadelphia	Off	Ottawa	Off
At Buffalo	Off	Vegas	Off
Boston	-135	at NY Islndrs.	+115
Columbus	-130	at Chicago	+110
At Dallas	-450	San Jose	+350
At Calgary	-125	Pittsburgh	+105

Transactions

NBA
Detroit: Center Mike Muscala waived.

AHL

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Hershey	41	9	0	3	85
Providence	34

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VERMONT
HIAM, Alexander Watson

CONNELLY, Janet Phillips



Of Needham, passed away peacefully on February 28, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. Janet was predeceased by her devoted husband of 56 years, John W. "Jack" Connelly, Jr. Dedicated and caring mother to John P., Stephen, Sheila Scott and Kate Conry, of Needham, MaryAnn McCabe of Waban, and Michael of Bethlehem, PA. Predeceased by her dear sister, Marie Joyce; and brothers, John and Edward Phillips. Janet was the cherished "Gigi" of 15 grandchildren, Kevin, Maeve, Madeline, Denis, Elena, Michaela, Kailey, Jack, Joseph, Alicia, Peter, Maggie, Nora, Caroline and Christian; and proud great-grandmother of Amatiel and Charlotte. Also survived by her loving sons and daughters-in-law and many nieces and nephews. Janet was a proud graduate of Newton Country Day School (1955) and Newton College of the Sacred Heart (1959). After raising her six children, Janet worked as an administrator at Sun Life of Canada. Janet was happiest cheering for her children and grandchildren on the field, on the ice, in the pool, on stage, and in life. We will miss her dearly.

Funeral from the George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 1305 Highland Ave., NEEDHAM, Monday, March 4th, at 9:00 am. Funeral Mass at St. Bartholomew Church, Needham, at 10:00 am. Friends and relatives kindly invited. Visiting Hours Sunday, March 3rd, from 3-6 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Newton Country Day School or the Cure Alzheimer's Fund (curealz.org). For online guestbook and additional obituary, gfdoherty.com

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GIANGRANDE, Marie T. (Dulong)



Of Woburn, February 28, at the age of eighty-seven. Beloved wife of the late John Paul Giangrande. Cherished mother of John T. and his wife, Sally, Michael P. and Nancy M. Giangrande, all of Woburn, Christopher L. and his wife, Charlene of Marblehead and Denise M. Kelly and her husband, Aidan of Georgia. Adored grandmother of Jessica, Andrew, Trevor, Owen, John Paul, Jeffrey, Colin and Max. Dear sister of Joan Cashell, her husband, Kevin of Woburn and the late Gertrude Reil. Marie is also lovingly survived by many loving nieces and nephews. A Funeral Mass will be Celebrated in St. Barbara's Parish, 138 Cambridge Road, Woburn on Monday, March 4, at 10 A.M. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to Calling Hours on Monday morning, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., prior to the Mass in the Lynch-Cantillon Funeral Home, 263 Main Street, WOBURN, MA. Remembrances may be made, to honor Marie, to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 465 Waverly Oaks Road, Suite 202, Waltham, MA 02452.

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HIAM, Alexander Watson

Age 66, of Putney, Vermont, passed away on February 26, 2024.

Born in Evanston, Illinois on August 1, 1957, Alex spent much of his childhood in Needham and Falmouth, MA. He was the son of the late Edwin W. Hiam and Katharine C. Hiam.

A brilliant student, Alex overcame dyslexia as a child and went on to graduate from Harvard College in 1980 with a bachelor's degree and from the Haas School of Business, U. C. Berkeley, in 1986 with an MBA. He leaves behind his beloved spouse and soulmate, Deirdre Hiam.

Alex taught business classes at Western New England University, American International College and the Isenberg School of Business at UMass Amherst. He wrote countless business books and training materials, often with a uniquely creative approach. More recently, he wrote, illustrated and published a number of children's books and young adult fiction books.

Inspired by nature, Alex was an artist in several mediums and also a collector and a teacher. He led art workshops and readily gave tours of his paintings, books and antiques for friends and children. He also loved music and enjoyed playing the piano, flute, dulcimer, harmonica and ukulele with his family.

From his father, Alex developed a love of birding and had a deep interest in ornithology throughout high school and college, organizing many trips and working with the Audubon Society. He was often seen birding on the side of the road with his binoculars or hiking in the woods with Einstein, the family pup. Alex loved sailing, skiing, racket sports and renovating houses. He had boundless energy, a beloved sense of humor and unflappable creativity and kindness. He served on boards and supported local and philanthropic organizations.

Alex viewed raising a family and becoming a grandfather as his proudest accomplishments. He was happiest sharing his many gifts with his family and being involved in his children's lives, taking on roles like coaching and substitute teaching. A deeply devoted parent and husband, Alex loved his children, Eliot, Paul, Noelle, Sadie and Eisa, beyond measure.

Alex is survived by his wife, Deirdre; his five children and two grandchildren. He leaves behind his sons, Eliot Hiam of New Rochelle, NY and his spouse, Jessica, Paul Hiam and his partner, Mary Claire Abbot of Staatsburg, NY; and their son, Paul Edwin; his daughter, Noelle Hiam and her partner, Nick Aives of Bolinas, California; and their daughter, Mona; and his youngest two Sadie and Eisa Hiam of Putney. Alex also leaves behind two sisters, Claire Telford of California and Joan Hiam of New Rochelle, NY; and a twin brother, Jerry Hiam of Putney; extended family and many dear friends.

A Service will be held at the Friends Meeting House on Saturday, March 2, 2024, at 1pm.

Those who would like to commemorate Alex are encouraged to do so by donating to Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

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MARSHALL, Phyllis L. (Pascarelli)



Of Hull, died February 28, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

Family was the focal point of Phyllis' entire life. Being a wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother gave her the ultimate satisfaction. She never missed a sports game, event or activity that any of her children or grandchildren were involved with. Sunday dinners were a must and the menu was announced days in advance. She was also known to sneak her grandpups forbidden treats. This closeness also connected them on an annual vacations to Papoose Pond in Waterford, ME, that were attended by the entire family. A tradition that will carry on in her name. She was especially proud of her Dorchester ("OFD") roots and her patriotism knew no bounds. Phyllis worked in the snack bar at Cohasset Winter Gardens and Pilgrim Arena in Hingham, where she made so many friends and connections in the hockey world, as well as at the South Shore VNA and hospice for 30 years. She will be remembered for her kindness, loyalty, tough love and pride in the family she and her husband, Don, created.

Born 1935, to Dominic and Edna (Clays) Pascarelli. Beloved wife of the late Donald W. Marshall. Loving mother of Joyce Cox and her late husband, Joseph of Hull, Don Marshall and his wife, Kathy of Hingham, Chuck Marshall and his wife, Susan of Braintree and Tim Marshall and his wife, Denise of Hull. Sister of the late Victor Pascarelli. Cherished Nana to her grandchildren, Kerri (John) Dalrymple, Kelly (Greg) Webber, Tim (Christina) Marshall, Paige (Bianca) Muscato, Kyle Marshall, Madi Shaw and Haley (Lonnie) Taylor. Beloved great-grandmother to Cameron Dalrymple, Christopher and Emma Webber. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to greet the family during the Visiting Hours on Monday, March 4, from 4 to 8 PM, in the Pyne Keohane Funeral Home, 21 Emerald St. (off Central St.), HINGHAM. A Celebration of Life Service will be held in the funeral home, at 9 AM, Tuesday, March 5, prior to the Funeral Mass in St. Paul's Church, Hingham, at 10 AM. Burial in Hull Village Cemetery, Hull.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Phyllis may be made to Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

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RANDO, Stephen J.



Of Dedham, February 28, 2024. Beloved husband of Elisa A. (Socci) Rando. Devoted father of Joseph M. Temple of Sacramento, CA, Michelle E. Temple of Dedham and Stephanie E. Rando of Quincy. Grandfather of Coco Temple. Brother of Charles A. Rando, Jr. and his wife, JoAnn of Dedham and Ellen Conforti and Adele Kirsner, both of Thomasville, GA. Son of the late Charles A. and Mary E. (Donahue) Rando. Also survived by many beloved nieces, nephews and cousins.

Stephen was the treasurer of Puritan Ice Cream of Roslindale.

Visiting Hours will be held at the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM, on Monday, March 4, from 4 to 7pm. His Funeral will be held from the funeral home on Tuesday, March 5, at 9am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary's Church, Dedham, at 10am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment in Brookdale Cemetery, Dedham.

Online guestbook, at gfdoherty.com

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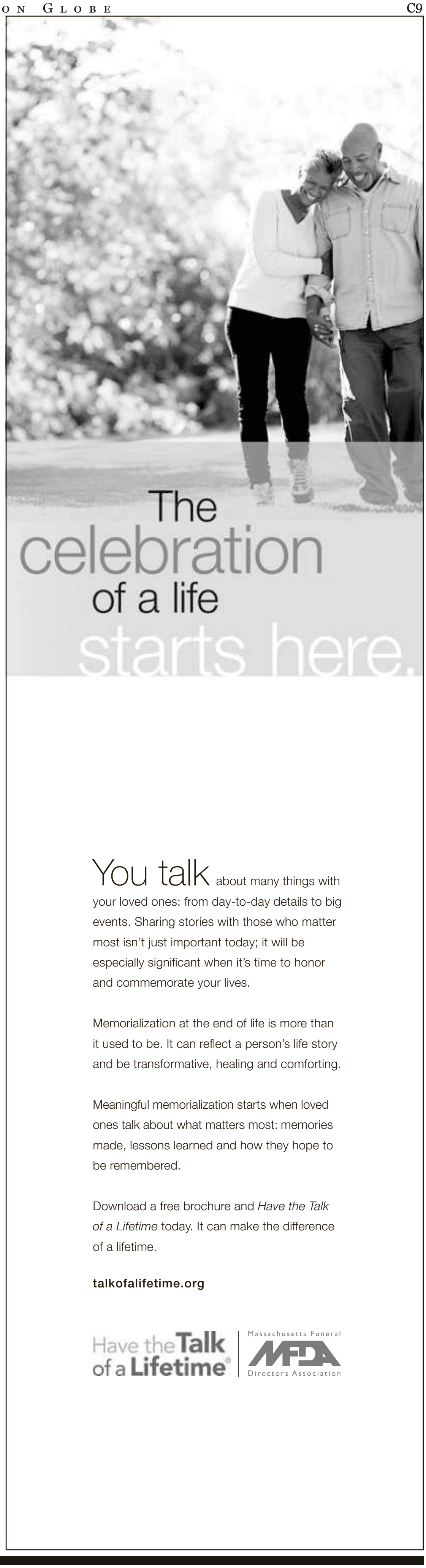
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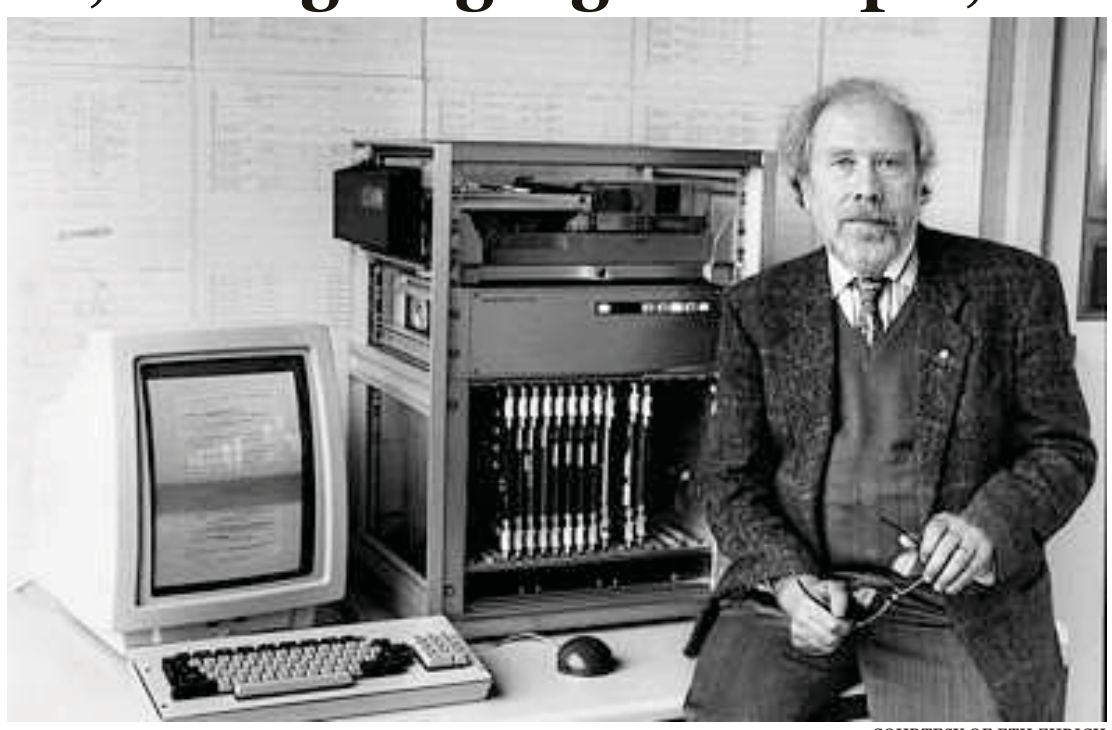
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Obituaries

Niklaus Wirth, coding language developer, 89

By Brian Murphy
WASHINGTON POST



COURTESY OF ETH ZURICH

Dr. Wirth received the Turing Award, often referred to as the Nobel Prize of computing.

In the late 1970s, an ambitious new computer company called Apple started to brainstorm its next steps as the age of home computers suddenly seemed a reality. The company had already made a mark with the desktop Apple II in 1977. Apple cofounder Steve Jobs and others were trying to set the bar higher.

What emerged was unlike anything on the consumer market: a user-friendly screen of folders and menus and a curious scroll-and-click device dubbed a mouse — first with the commercial-flop Lisa in 1983 and then the groundbreaking Macintosh in 1984.

Jobs found inspiration wherever he could. One point of reference was just down the road at the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center and its in-house Alto computer network, forerunners of the desktop.

Another muse was a software visionary in Switzerland, Niklaus Wirth, whose elegantly simple coding language, Pascal, helped power the personal-computer revolution at Apple in the 1980s and elsewhere and profoundly streamlined how programmers built their instructions.

"This was the first generation which was free to focus on what you could do with the computer rather than on the computer itself," said Dr. Wirth, who died at his home in Zurich on Jan. 1 at 89.

Dr. Wirth's Pascal, named for 17th-century French mathematician Blaise Pascal, brought a simplified language and intuitive logic into the digital realm in the early 1970s. Earlier computer coding options, including FORTRAN, BASIC, and others, worked well with straightforward processes but often required complicated steps to execute more challenging functions.

Dr. Wirth liked to repeat an analogy coined by British computer scientist Tony Hoare, who described the pre-Pascal languages as akin to playing the piano with two fingers. Easy songs can be learned quickly, but harder pieces become exceedingly difficult.

Pascal's spread was partly fueled by Dr. Wirth's open-source initiatives. He made no attempt to profit off his creation, saying it should be a "public good." He shared the source code with anyone who asked. At the same time, computers were increasingly becoming part of everyday use in academia and business. Access to Pascal gave a generation of young programmers a common tool kit to experiment and build code.

"Along came a generation who had ready access to computers and, most importantly, who had not to unlearn old habits," he said in a 2004 interview with an academic journal published by the University of Klagenfurt in Austria.

Pascal variations took root across the industry, including for Microsoft Windows. A former software company, Borland, developed fast-running versions of Pascal, including the popular Turbo Pascal. Dr. Wirth "changed the way people think about programming," one of the Borland cofounders, Philippe Kahn, told BusinessWeek.

In 1984, Dr. Wirth received the Turing Award, often referred to as the Nobel Prize of computing, presented by the Association for Computing Machinery. In his speech at the awards ceremony in San Francisco, Dr. Wirth described the process of invention as separating "what is essential and what ephemeral" and, through trial and error, casting aside anything overcomplicated or unnecessary.

"One learns best," he said, "by inventing."

Niklaus Emil Wirth was born in Winterthur, Switzerland, on Feb. 15, 1934. His father was a geography professor, and his mother was a homemaker.

He recounted being deeply curious about mechanics and experimentation as a boy. He dabbled with a homemade chemistry lab in the basement, took apart radios, and built model airplanes he sent aloft in the fields around his home. The crashes, he said, taught him lessons about the value of thrift and precision.

"If you have to pay [for repairs] out of your own pocket money," he told BusinessWeek in 1990, "you learn not to make the fixes overly complicated."

He received a degree in electrical engineering in 1959 from Zurich's Federal Institute of Technology, known as ETH Zurich.

He left Europe for further studies: a master's degree in 1960 from Laval University in Quebec City and a doctorate in programming languages from the University of California Berkeley three years later.

He took a position at Stanford University's newly created computer science department from 1963 to 1967.

He and colleagues developed computer languages, including a version of algorithmic language called Algol-W that was adopted by some universities to teach programming on the IBM System/360 mainframe computer.

Dr. Wirth returned to Switzerland to start a similar computer science program at ETH Zurich. He expanded on Algol-W to create the first iteration of Pascal, which was intended to teach programming students. The first Pascal code was in operation in 1970 on the university's computers.

Gradually, Dr. Wirth introduced the concept of "structured programming," which includes the ability to reuse common code for simplicity and reduce potential bugs. The concept, considered innovative in the early 1970s, became the standard for programming instruction.

"The art in engineering is not so much to make something very complicated," Dr. Wirth said in a 1985 interview. "The art is to make a complicated problem simpler."

In 1976, Dr. Wirth took a sabbatical to work at the Xerox Palo Alto Research Center, which would inspire the early Apple designers. He described the experience of having his own desktop computer as "overwhelming" and a motivation for deciding to share Pascal on an open platform.

At ETH Zurich, he later developed a high-performance computer workstation he called Lilith, and helped a Swiss startup, Logitech, market the mouse. Logitech became one of the world's largest makers of computer accessories. Dr. Wirth was appointed to lead ETH's Institute of Computer Systems in 1990 and retired in 1999.

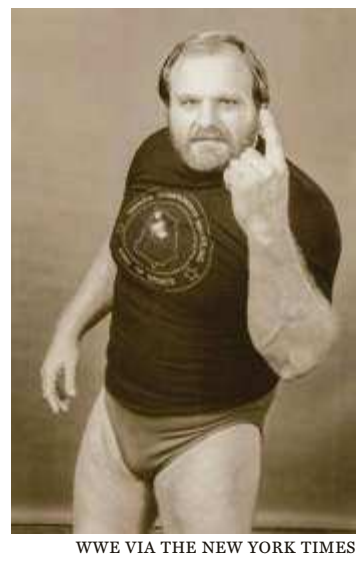
His marriage to Nani Jucker ended in divorce. He was married to Diana Blessing from 1984 until her death in 2009. Survivors include his partner, Rosmarie Müller; three children from his first marriage; six grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. The family announced the death but did not provide a cause.

Dr. Wirth is often given credit as the father of a frequently repeated adage in computing: Software speed is slowing relative to the pace of increased speed in hardware such as microprocessors.

"When you develop a program, it's much harder to devise a simple solution than complicated ones," he said. "Unfortunately, our computers are terribly uncritical. They swallow anything."

Ole Anderson, 81, wrestler was original member of Four Horsemen team

By Jesus Jiménez
NEW YORK TIMES



WWE VIA THE NEW YORK TIMES

Ole Anderson wrestled as a pro for nearly three decades.

Ole Anderson, a professional wrestler who starred as an original member of the Four Horsemen team in the 1980s and was later critical of the sport's corporate greed, died Monday. He was 81.

The Carter Funeral Home in Winder, Ga., said Mr. Anderson died at his home in Monroe, Ga. The funeral home did not share a cause of death.

World Wrestling Entertainment, known as the World Wrestling Federation when Mr. Anderson wrestled, said in a statement Monday that he was known for his "hard-nosed style and gruff demeanor."

Mr. Anderson wrestled professionally from the late 1960s through the 1980s, after training under Verne Gagne, a member of the WWE Hall of Fame.

Through the 1970s and early 1980s, Mr. Anderson was a member of the tag team known as the Minnesota Wrecking Crew, which over the years included Gene, Lars, and Arn Anderson, who called themselves brothers and were popular around the Midwest. They were part of regional circuits such as the Mid-Atlantic Championship Wrestling and the Georgia Championship Wrestling that were united under the National Wrestling Alliance, which regularly crowned them tag team champions.

In the 1980s, Mr. Anderson teamed up with Arn Anderson, Ric Flair, and Tully Blanchard to become the Four Horsemen, who went on to dominate the National Wrestling Alliance and later World Championship Wrestling, which competed with the WWF.

"The group set a standard of style, attitude and success that has inspired every stable that followed," WWE said in its statement, calling it "one of the greatest stables in sports-entertainment history."

After retiring from wrestling, Mr. Anderson booked matches for World Championship Wrestling in the 1990s, when its popularity rivaled the WWF (which later bought out World Championship Wrestling).

As professional wrestling became more popular and commercialized, Mr. Anderson grew increasingly disparaging of it. In a 2003 book "Inside Out: How Corporate America Destroyed Professional Wrestling," written with Scott Teal, Mr. Anderson wrote about his disdain for the corporate transformation of the sport and his clashes with executives, including Vince McMahon, the longtime head of WWE.

Mr. Anderson continued criticizing the WWE for years. In an interview in 2021, he said that McMahon had made professional wrestling more about entertainment than sport.

"The stuff that's on the television today, I have a hard time watching," he said.

He was left out when other members of the Four Horsemen were inducted into the WWE Hall of Fame, but he is a member of the National Wrestling Alliance and World Championship Wrestling halls of fame.

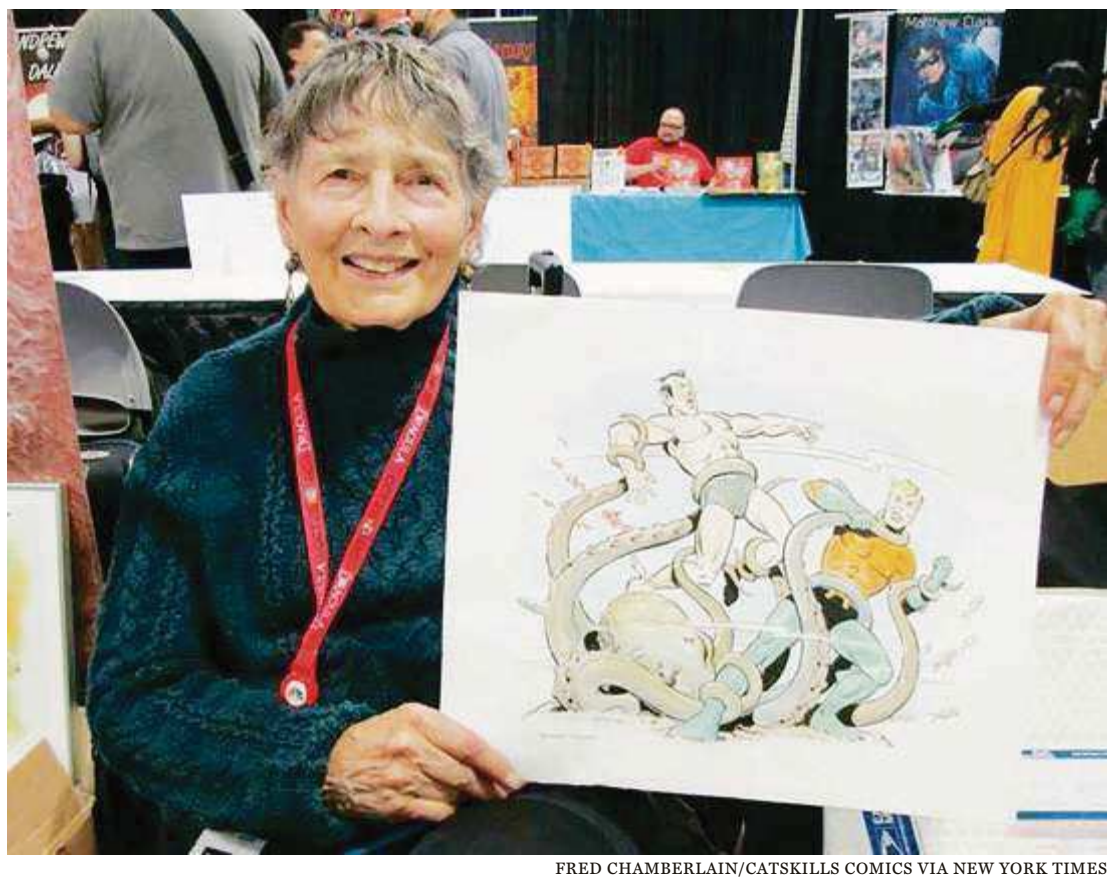
He was born Alan Robert Rogowski on Sept. 22, 1942, in St. Paul, to Robert Joseph Rogowski and Georgiana Bryant. He became interested in professional wrestling as a career after serving in the Army. Growing up in Minnesota, Mr. Anderson said in 2021, he had been exposed to professional wrestling by watching Gagne, who also grew up in the state.

According to an excerpt from his book, Mr. Anderson said he had tried out as a wrestler in front of Gagne, who was impressed with Mr. Anderson's physical ability. After performing several exercises, Mr. Anderson said, Gagne asked him if he was tired. Mr. Anderson said he refused to signal any fatigue.

"I was smart enough to know that you never admit that there's anything wrong," Mr. Anderson wrote. "Even if there was, you don't admit it. I learned that lesson as an amateur wrestler. You never let anybody know that you were tired. You just keep on going until you drop."

Ramona Fradon, 97; longtime force in comics 'wasn't daunted by the all-male industry'

By George Gene Gustines
NEW YORK TIMES



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Ms. Fradon drew the adventures of DC Comics undersea hero Aquaman from 1951 to 1963.

Ramona Fradon, who in a long career as a comic book artist added to the mythology of Aquaman and helped create the eccentric superhero Metamorpho, died Saturday at her home in New York's Ulster County. She was 97.

The cause was congestive heart failure, her daughter and only immediate survivor, Amy Fradon, said.

Ms. Fradon is most closely associated with the DC Comics undersea hero Aquaman, whose adventures she drew from 1951 to 1963. Drawing a feature for more than 100 issues is a remarkable achievement in comics; even more noteworthy is that Ms. Fradon was one of the few women working steadily in comics at the time.

"She wasn't daunted by the all-male industry" because she was doing what she loved, Amy Fradon said in an interview Monday. "She drew right up to last week," she continued. "I gave her agent her last seven drawings, and when I took them outside, she said, 'Those are the last, those are the last seven.'"

Ramona Fradon's version of Aquaman, a character who first appeared in 1941, modernized him for new readers and gave him the chiseled good looks of a movie star. "When I was drawing him back in the '50s, he was nice and wholesome, with a nice haircut and pink cheeks," she said in an interview with Vulture in 2018. "I had a crush on him."

She worked with many writers on Aquaman, whose stories were one of several features in the anthology series Adventure Comics. In the story "How Aquaman Got His Powers," published in Adventure No. 260 in 1959, she and writer Robert Bernstein established the hero's back story: his father, Tom Curry, was a lighthouse keeper and his mother, Atlanna, was from the undersea kingdom of Atlantis. They later introduced Aqualad, his sidekick.

Ms. Fradon was assigned to draw Aquaman by editor Murray Boltinoff after she had drawn two Adventure stories starring the character Shining Knight. "He said I had a simple style, which was good for children, and Aquaman was aimed at young readers," she recalled in an interview with Howard Chaykin for the 2014 book "The Art of Ramona Fradon."

In 1964, Ms. Fradon worked with editor George Kashdan and writer Bob Haney to create Metamorpho. An unconventional superhero, he has a chalk-white, skull-like head, and each of his limbs is composed of a different element, into which he can transform at will. Metamorpho made his debut in The Brave and the Bold No. 57, along with a supporting cast that included his love interest, Sapphire Stagg; her father, Simon Stagg; and his Neanderthal servant, Java.

"The beautiful, willful and sexy Sapphire Stagg was Moi, or didn't I wish," Ms. Fradon was quoted as saying in "The Art of Ramona Fradon." She also noted that her brother, who teased her as a child, was the tongue-in-cheek model for Java.

Ms. Fradon also worked on Super Friends, a comic book based on the television cartoon series featuring many of DC's heroes, and Plastic Man, a humorous superhero created by Jack Cole in 1941 and revived by DC in the 1980s.

She had been semiretired since 1995, although she continued to sell occasional drawings and do work for fans on commission (Aquaman and Metamorpho were frequent requests). On Jan. 3, Catskill Comics, which represented Ms. Fradon, announced her official retirement. The company was also the first to report her death.

Ramona Dom was born Oct. 2, 1926, in Chicago, but grew up in Westchester County, north of New York City. Her father, Peter Dom, was a commercial typographer and logo designer. Her mother, Erma (Haefeli) Dom, managed the home. Her brother, Jay, was also a typographer.

Because her father wanted Ramona to be a fashion artist, she attended the Parsons School of Design in New York. But she had no interest in fashion and soon switched to the Art Students League of New York to learn more of the basics of art, like figure drawing.

During her time at the League she met Dana Fradon, a fellow student who would later become a prolific cartoonist for The New Yorker; they married in 1948. They worked together on a sample cartoon strip, and a friend suggested that Ramona Fradon put together some test pages for comic books, which she took to a few publishers before landing her first assignment at DC Comics.

The Fradons divorced in 1982. Dana Fradon died in 2019.

Ms. Fradon stepped aside from comics in 1965 to raise her daughter, who was born in 1959. By that time Metamorpho had graduated to a solo series; she left after four issues, and the series was canceled with issue No. 17 in 1968, but Metamorpho himself has resurfaced many times. He is slated to make his big-screen debut, portrayed by Anthony Carrigan, next year in "Superman: Legacy," which will reboot the DC film universe under the direction of James Gunn.

Ms. Fradon returned to the industry in 1973, joining Marvel Comics for two stories. Her first assignment featured a new character, the Cat, now known as Tigra. The story was killed, and she was relieved that it was: She found it a struggle to use the so-called Marvel method, which required artists to compose a story using only a plot summary — in this case, one paragraph. She felt more successful with Fantastic Four No. 133, which she drew from a full script written by Roy Thomas.

She then returned to DC, where she worked on House of Mystery, Plastic Man, Freedom Fighters, and Super Friends. She drew Super Friends from 1976 to 1980.

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Cambridge biotech FogPharma raises $145m

One of few startups to reach late stage of private equity financing in the last year

By Allison DeAngelis
STAT

Oncology startup FogPharma just closed a $145 million Series E round, the company confirmed, reaching a late stage of financing that few other biotechs have hit in recent years.

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FogPharma, headquartered in Cambridge, is developing cancer treatments using corkscrew-shaped peptides called helicons that could possibly better breach cells.

As CEO Mathai Mammen sees it, very few exemplary medicines shuttle off of drug companies' pipelines, wade through clinical trials, and end up in the hands of physicians and patients in a given year. Far more often, pharma and biotech companies are pushing out drugs that are incrementally better than what came before, extending cancer patients' survival by a few more months, halting their tumor growth for a little while longer.

But FogPharma could deliver something truly unique, Mammen said.

"Life is short. Let's try, at least, to focus on extraordinary drugs. Try our very best not to do anything incremental, but some things that are kind of earth-moving," he said. "That comes at a cost, right? Because you don't typically have a stream of those. I'm OK with patiently waiting."

Mammen had teased that a Series E round was on his mind during an interview at the conference; FogPharma last raised money in November 2022 and was in need of a fresh cash infusion.

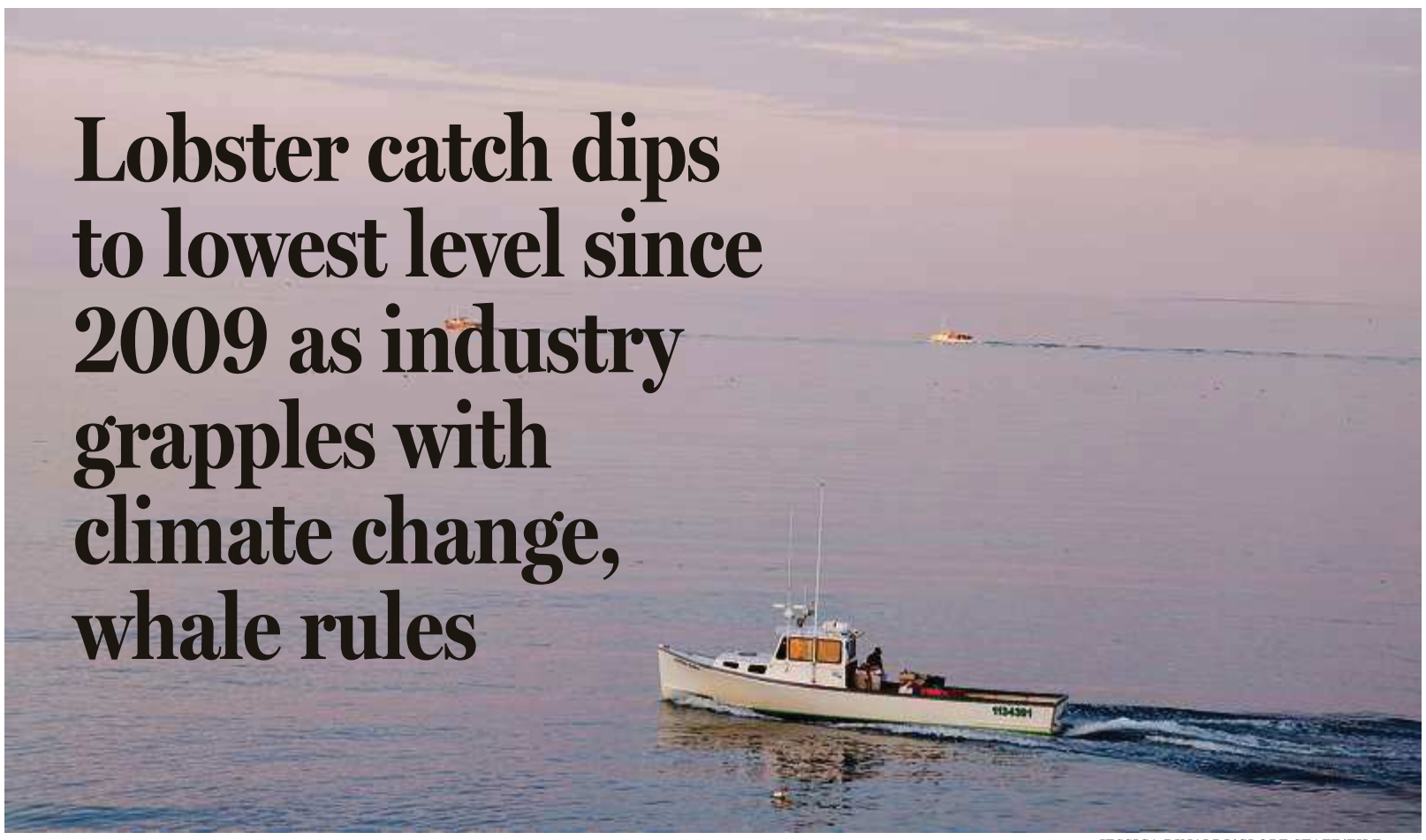
Biotech FogPharma ultimately raised money from around 18 investors, including ARCH Venture Partners, Fidelity Management & Research Company, GV, Cormorant Asset Management, RA Capital, General Catalyst, and former Johnson & Johnson CEO Alex Gorsky. Biotech entrepreneur Alexis Borisy is joining the company's board in conjunction with the fund-raising, filling a seat designated to investor Nextech.

Biotechs have generally had a harder time raising later stages of private equity and venture capital financing in recent years. During the COVID-induced biotech boom, many companies opted to go public after raising just a couple of rounds of private funding, with mixed results. Once the biotech market hit the skids, investors became more cautious with their dollars, making it harder for startups to raise money altogether.

Approximately seven biotechs raised Series E rounds in the last year, compared to 18 during the same time period five years ago, according to data from Pitchbook.

In many cases, this type of financing round would be a precursor to an IPO. But Mammen isn't keen on going public in the near future. The Series E funds give the biotech at least a couple of years of runway, if everything goes according to plan.

Lobster catch dips to lowest level since 2009 as industry grapples with climate change, whale rules



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Maine fishermen's catch in 2023, a total of 93.7 million pounds of lobster, fell more than 5 percent from the year that preceded it.

By Patrick Whittle
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTLAND, Maine — America's lobster fishing business dipped in catch while grappling with challenges including a changing ocean environment and new rules designed to protect rare whales.

The lobster industry, based mostly in Maine, has had an unprecedented decade in terms of the volume and value of the lobsters brought to the docks. But members of the industry have also said they face existential threats from proposed rules intended to protect the North Atlantic right whale and climate change that is influencing where lobsters can be trapped.

Maine fishermen's catch in 2023 fell more than 5 percent from the year that preceded it, and the total of 93.7 million pounds of lobsters caught was the lowest figure since 2009, according to data released Friday by the Maine Department of Marine Resources. The figure tracks with the up-and-down year lobster fishermen experienced, said Dave Cousens, a fisherman based out of Criehaven island and a former president of the Maine Lobstermen's Association.

The price of bait and fuel eased somewhat, but the volume of catch didn't seem to match other recent years, Cousens said. The Maine lobster haul has fallen from a high of 132.6 million pounds in 2016, though the 2023 year's figure was still much more than fishermen produced in most of the 2000s. The 2023 haul was also the second year in a row the total catch declined.

Fishermen who participate in Maine's lifeblood lobster industry are on edge about what the future holds, as lobsters have inched steadily northward as waters have warmed, Cousens said.

"We've gone down steadily from 132 million. We're going back downhill," Cousens said. "There's no question climate change is affecting it."

Fishermen from Massachusetts, Rhode Island and other Northeast states also harvest lobsters with traps from the cold waters of the Atlantic Ocean, but about 80 percent comes to the docks in Maine in a typical year.

The price of lobsters at the docks has ebbed and flowed in recent years, but it has stayed fairly consistent to consumers. The price at the docks spiked to more than $6.70 per pound in 2021 and fell to less than $4 per pound in 2022. Last year, it was a little less than $5 per pound, and the total catch was worth more than $460 million at the docks, according to data released Friday. That is the third highest figure of the last four years.

"The price Maine lobstermen received last year is a reflection of the continued strong demand for this iconic seafood," said Maine marine resources Commissioner Patrick Keliher.

The state's fishermen have been in a lengthy legal battle with the federal government over rules designed to protect the whales, which are vulnerable to entanglement in fishing gear. The fishermen argue the proposed rules are so strict they could put them out of business, but conservationists say they are essential to save the whales, which number less than 360 in the world. A right whale found dead off Massachusetts this winter showed signs of entanglement in Maine gear.

The ways in which climate change is affecting the industry are a subject of ongoing scientific study. The southern New England lobster industry has collapsed as the ocean has warmed, and the waters off Maine logged the second-warmest year on record in 2022.

R.I. Gov. McKee signs executive order on AI

Task force to advise on opportunities, risks, and create a state code of ethics

By Edward Fitzpatrick
GLOBE STAFF

PROVIDENCE — Governor Daniel J. McKee on Thursday signed an executive order creating the state's first Artificial Intelligence Task Force and a Center of Excellence for AI and Data within state government.

The goal is to explore how artificial intelligence can make state government more efficient, enhance public services, and prepare the state to responsibly support the technology's advancement in the private sector, according to the McKee administration.

"Rhode Island recognizes that the rise of AI technology will enhance future government operations and change the way we do business," McKee said in a statement. "Rather than simply react to the changes in the information technology landscape, I want Rhode Island to be a leader as this field evolves. This executive order is the first step in being proactive and preparing state government for this new technology."

McKee signed the order at Rhode Island College, and the task force will be chaired by former US Representative James R. Langevin, a Rhode Island Democratic who is leading RIC's new Institute for Cybersecurity & Emerging Technologies. The task force plans to assess the risks and opportunities of artificial intelligence and advise state policymakers.

"Our institute is aptly named to include emerging technologies, and the power of AI is truly still emerging," Langevin said in prepared remarks. "Even the creators of AI aren't sure exactly where this technology is headed, which makes it all the more important for Rhode Island to explore its capabilities and weaknesses."

So, he said, he is looking forward to creating "a comprehensive roadmap for how to prepare for and utilize artificial intelligence in a way that is effective, responsible, and ethical."

"We will work together to chart a path forward that allows Rhode Island to maximize the benefits of AI technology while mitigating the risks as best we can," Langevin said.

Under the leadership of the Department of Administration, the Center of Excellence for AI will create a state code of ethics for artificial intelligence and predict future trends in the field. The data center will promote the advancement of enhanced data operations and management and give state leaders opportunities to collaborate on data analysis and data-driven decision-making.

"Artificial intelligence is a powerful tool, and the steps our administration is taking today will prepare Rhode Island to use it effectively and responsibly," Lieutenant Governor Sabina Matos said in a statement. "As this technology continues to rapidly advance, the bodies created by this executive order will ensure that our government does not lag behind."

The executive order includes the creation of a statewide, federated data platform that will make it easier to access and use data and leverage best practices from existing data systems, such as the Data Ecosystem at the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, and Rhode Island Longitudinal Data System at the Office of the Postsecondary Commissioner.

"Having better data and data infrastructure will also put government in a better position to evaluate how AI can most benefit state workers and the public, and it's important that we take a measured, responsible approach to both data infrastructure development and AI," Department of Administration Director Jonathan Womer.

The executive order also includes the creation of a chief data officer position within the state's Enterprise Technology Strategy and Services Division to oversee the Data Center for Excellence.

"When it comes to technology, data security and individual privacy continue to be our top priorities," Chief Digital Officer and Chief Information Officer Brian Tardiff said. "By making our first order of business the crafting of a State Code of Ethics for this work, we are ensuring a human-centric focus that minimizes bias and maximizes support and resources."

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Abortion pills to be dispensed in Mass., R.I.

CVS, Walgreens to distribute mifepristone 'in the weeks ahead'

By Brittany Bowker
GLOBE STAFF

The nation's two largest pharmacy chains will begin dispensing the abortion pill mifepristone this month, starting in a handful of states and gradually expanding to all other states where abortion is legal.

Woonsocket, R.I.-based CVS will begin dispensing mifepristone to patients with prescriptions in all of its pharmacies in Massachusetts and Rhode Island "in the weeks ahead," according to spokesperson Amy Thibault. Walgreens will begin dispensing the abortion pill "within a week" Walgreens spokesperson Fraser Engerman said, and will begin providing mifepristone in Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, California, and Illinois.

"We've received certification to dispense mifepristone at CVS Pharmacy and plan to fill prescriptions for this medication in states where legally permissible," Thibault told the Globe in a statement Friday. "We're working with manufacturers and suppliers to secure the medication, and are not yet dispensing it in any of our pharmacies. We'll begin filling prescriptions for the medication in Massachusetts and Rhode Island in the weeks ahead and will expand to additional states, where allowed by law, on a rolling basis."

Walgreens also said it would gradually expand to other states where abortion was legal and where pharmacies were legally able to dispense the abortion pills, Engerman said.

Both CVS and Walgreens received certification to dispense the abortion pill under guidelines issued by the Food and Drug Administration last year.

The pharmacy chains said they would be monitoring the possibility of providing the abortion pill in states where abortion bans or limitations have been enacted but not enforced because of legal challenges, including Kansas, Montana, and Wyoming.

In both Rhode Island and Massachusetts, mifepristone is already available in clinics or easily prescribed through telemedicine and dispensed through the mail, and it is uncertain how much initial demand there will be.

Dr. Benjamin Brown is an obstetrics and gynecology physician at Women & Infants Hospital in Providence. He called pharmacy access to mifepristone "a very positive step for our patients."

"We have good scientific evidence that the in-person dispensing requirement is not necessary to ensure patients get safe care," Brown said. "We also know that barriers to care harm patients by causing delays, logistical challenges, and increased costs. So, I expect that having mifepristone available in pharmacies in Rhode Island and Massachusetts will mean more patients will have access to the care they need, in a way that works for them."

The pharmacy option could take on more importance later this month when the Supreme Court hears a case from abortion opponents who have sued the FDA seeking to remove mifepristone from the US market. If the Supreme Court upholds a lower court ruling, it could mean that patients would have to obtain mifepristone in person, by visiting a clinic, doctor, or pharmacy.

Mifepristone is one part of a two-drug regimen that blocks a hormone that is needed for a pregnancy to continue. When used together with another medicine called misoprostol, it is used to end a pregnancy through around 10 weeks, according to the FDA. Mifepristone is taken first, followed by misoprostol 24 hours to 48 hours later.

Medication abortion is the most common method for terminating pregnancies in the United States. It was first approved by the FDA in 2000.

Brown said he believes there will be a need for commercial pharmacies to provide mifepristone.

"When given an option about how and where to access mifepristone, many people do choose to get their medication through avenues such as a retail pharmacy, or via telehealth, rather than in-person with their provider," Brown said. "Moreover, abortion is incredibly common in the US, with about one in every four people with a uterus having an abortion at some point in their life."

Mifepristone is also used for miscarriage management, Brown added.

"This is welcome news for reproductive health care in Massachusetts," said Carol Rose, executive director of the ACLU of Massachusetts. "Mifepristone is safe and effective, and increased pharmacy access helps relieve some needless burdens for patients seeking abortion or miscarriage care."

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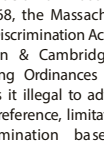
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Docket No. SU21P0738PM
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street. Boston MA, 02114

In the matter of: Richard Manning of Boston, MA

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Brian J. McLaughlin, Esq. Of Boston, MA

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
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Musk sues OpenAI and Sam Altman for violating principles

OpenAI, the influential artificial intelligence company that ousted and then reinstated its high-profile CEO three months ago, faces a new drama: a lawsuit from Elon Musk, one of the richest men in the world and a co-founder of the AI lab.

Musk sued OpenAI and its CEO, Sam Altman, accusing them of breaching a contract by putting profits and commercial interests in developing AI ahead of the public good. A multibillion-dollar partnership that OpenAI developed with Microsoft, Musk said, represented an abandonment of a founding pledge to carefully develop AI and make the technology publicly available.

"OpenAI has been transformed into a closed-source de facto subsidiary of the largest technology company, Microsoft," said the lawsuit filed Thursday in Superior Court in San Francisco.

Musk helped found OpenAI in 2015 as a response to AI work being done at the time by Google. Musk believed Google and its co-founder, Larry Page, were dismissive of the risks AI presented to humanity.

Musk left OpenAI's board during a power struggle in 2018. The company went on to become a leader in the field of generative AI and created ChatGPT, a chatbot that can produce text and respond to queries in humanlike prose. Musk, who founded his own AI company last year called xAI, said OpenAI was not focused enough on the technology's risks.

OpenAI declined to comment on the lawsuit.

NEW YOR TIMES

Health care company says it was hacked by ransomware group

Health care providers across the country are reeling from a cyberattack on a massive US health care technology company that has threatened the security of patients' information and is delaying some prescriptions and paychecks for medical workers.

The hack could also disrupt discharging people from the hospital, a major hospital association said.

Change Healthcare announced Thursday that a ransomware group that had claimed responsibility for the attack was at fault. Change Healthcare also said it is assessing the impact of the attack, which it first acknowledged on Feb. 21 and has affected billing and care-authorization portals across the country.

"Patient care is our top priority and we have multiple workarounds to ensure people have access to the medications and the care they need," Change Healthcare said in a statement.

Owned by UnitedHealth Group, Change Healthcare manages health care technology pipelines, processing 14 billion transactions a year. The company said its investigation determined that Change Healthcare, Optum, UnitedHealthcare, and UnitedHealth Group systems have been affected. Change also confirmed Thursday that ransomware group ALPHV, or Blackcat, made the breach. The company didn't respond to a question about whether it paid or negotiated a ransom.

One of the most immediate impacts is that people are seeing delays in getting prescriptions, American Hospital Association spokesperson Ben Teicher said.

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Consumer sentiment shows reversal from earlier optimism

US consumer sentiment faltered in late February as current views of the economy and the outlook deteriorated, marking a reversal from earlier in the month that showed a pickup in optimism.

The sentiment index declined to 76.9 from a preliminary reading of 79.6, according to the final February survey from the University of Michigan. The intramonth drop was the biggest since March 2020.

The earlier February reading — which included interviews through Feb. 14 — was the highest since July 2021. Gas prices climbed notably toward the end of the month, but the survey didn't specify what led sentiment to deteriorate so much through Feb. 26, when the final responses were collected.

Consumers expect prices will climb at an annual rate of 3 percent over the next year, up from the 2.9 percent expected in January, data Friday showed. They see costs rising 2.9 percent over the next five to 10 years, unchanged from the prior month.

Despite the drop, sentiment has largely been improving in the last two years as inflation has retreated without much damage to the economy.

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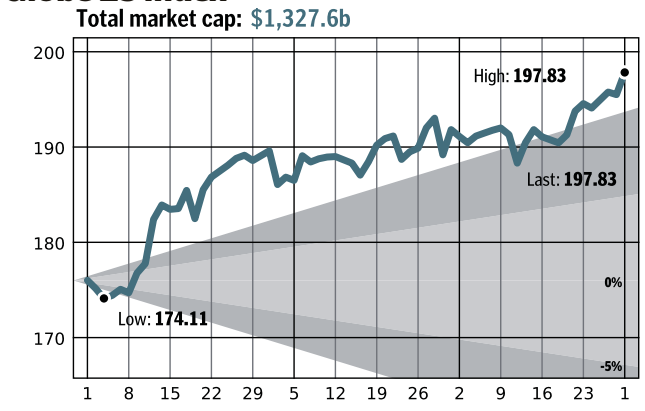
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Yesterday 197.83 ▲ 2.33 ▲ 1.2% ▲ YTD 4.9%

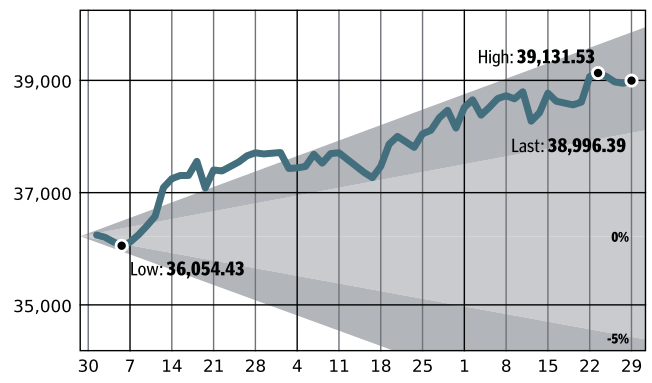
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General Electric (GE)	158.65	+1.76	+1.1	172.7
TJX Cos Inc (TJX)	98.51	-0.63	-0.6	112.3
Vertex Pharma (VRTX)	432.76	+12.02	+2.9	111.8
Boston Scientific (BSX)	67.13	+0.92	+1.4	98.5
Analog Devices (ADI)	196.16	+4.34	+2.3	97.3
American Tower Corp (AMT)	201.76	+2.90	+1.5	94.1
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc (KDP)	29.28	-0.63	-2.1	40.6
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	95.06	+2.82	+3.1	36.3
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	633.80	+14.99	+2.4	32.1
Biogen Inc (BIIB)	220.95	+3.96	+1.8	32.1
Symbotic Inc (SYM)	40.93	+1.53	+3.9	24.0
Iron Mountain (IRM)	81.03	+2.39	+3.0	23.7
PTC (PTC)	187.76	+4.75	+2.6	22.4
State Street Corp (STT)	73.85	+0.12	+0.2	22.3
Veralto Corp (VLTO)	86.76	+0.34	+0.4	21.4
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	138.56	+4.20	+3.1	20.8
DraftKings Inc (DKNG)	43.53	+0.21	+0.5	20.6
Waters Corp (WAT)	346.04	+8.62	+2.6	20.5
Eversource (ES)	58.41	-0.29	-0.5	20.4
Alnylam Pharma (ALNY)	152.61	+1.52	+1.0	19.2
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	73.65	-0.15	-0.2	17.3
Akamai (AKAM)	110.24	-0.68	-0.6	16.7
Teradyne Inc (TER)	105.88	+2.29	+2.2	16.2
Dynatrace Inc (DT)	49.05	-0.50	-1.0	14.5

Markets

Another winning week on Wall St.

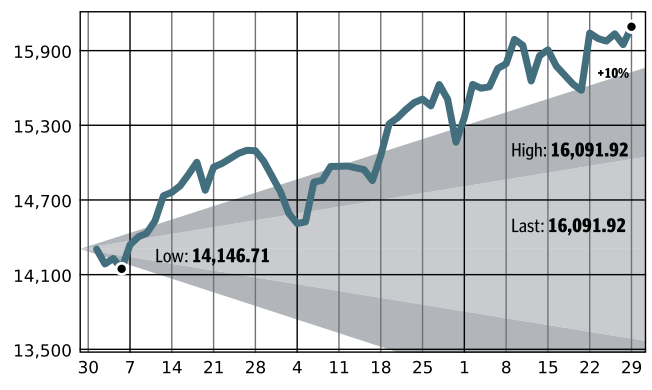
NEW YORK — Wall Street closed its latest winning week with more gains Friday, pushing US stocks to new heights. In the bond market, Treasury yields eased after reports on manufacturing and sentiment among US consumers came in softer than economists expected. They reinforced bets that the Federal Reserve may begin cutting interest rates in June, particularly after a report on Thursday showed a key measure of inflation behaved pretty much as expected last month. The hope has been that the Fed will cut interest rates several times this year to offer some relief for banks and the broader economy. The Fed has indicated it may do so if inflation continues to cool decisively toward its 2% target. But a string of stronger reports on the economy than expected have made traders push back forecasts for when the cuts could begin. The hope now is that the Fed could start in June after traders shelved earlier expectations for March. Hopes for a June cut built after a report showed the US manufacturing industry shrank in February for a 16th straight month. Manufacturing has been one of the weakest-performing areas of the economy, while a resilient job market and spending by US consumers have propped it up. ASSOCIATED PRESS

DOW JONES industrial average



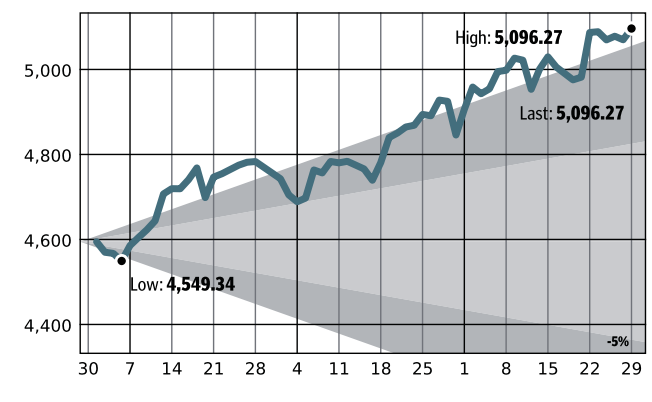
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NASDAQ Composite index



Yesterday 16,274.94 ▲ 183.02 ▲ 1.1% ▲ YTD 8.4%

S&P 500 index



Yesterday 5,137.08 ▲ 40.81 ▲ 0.8% ▲ YTD 7.7%

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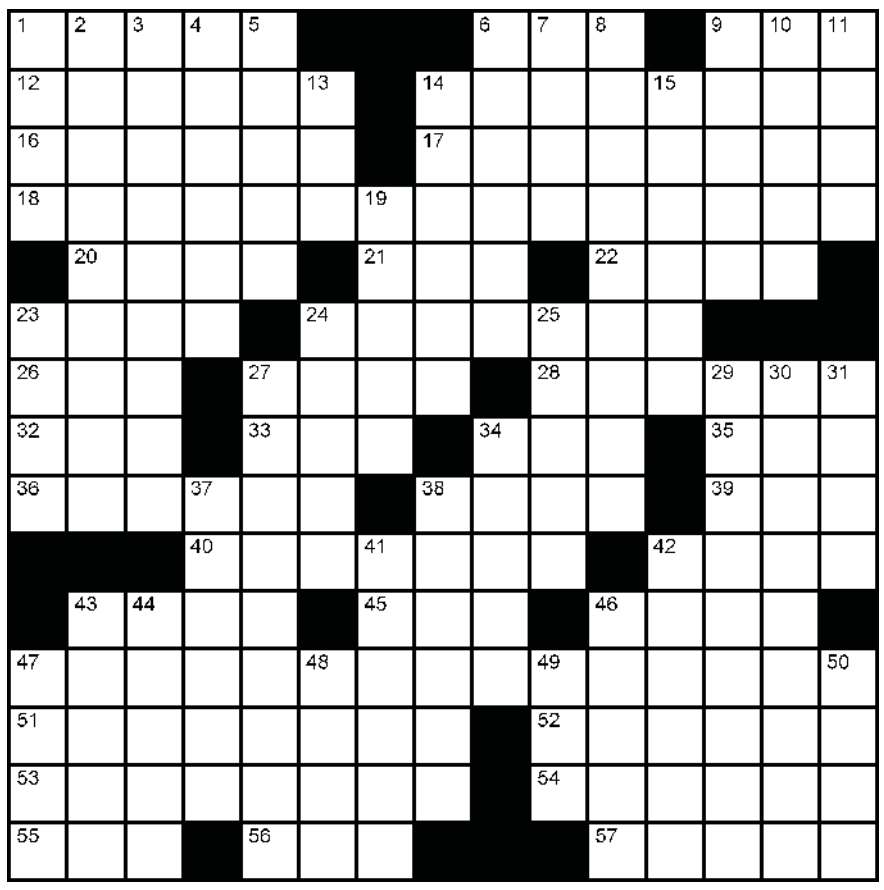


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UNIVERSAL CROSSWORD PUZZLE

UNIVERSAL FREESTYLE 114 BY JESS RUCKS | EDITED BY DAVID STEINBERG



ACROSS

1 ___ President (title missing from American history)
6 Winter hrs. in California
9 "Terrif!"
12 Makes very happy
14 Fish whose female lays eggs in the male's pouch
16 "Please stay!"
17 "You can't give up yet!"
18 Idea such as class distinctions
20 Coastal bird
21 Name hidden in "Who can it be?"
22 Sleeping spots
23 Low-cal
24 Structure for a vine to climb
26 Mike and ___ (candy brand)
27 Anti-DUI org.
28 @
32 Jamaican music genre
33 Tuna in a spicy poke bowl
34 GPS path
35 Business VIP
36 ___ please (does one's best)
38 Portable sleeping spots
39 Friday, for the workweek
40 "I'll have what she's having"
42 Selects, with "for"
43 Courage and persistence
45 Egg cells
46 Blue-green
47 "You're freer than you think"
51 Russian grandmother ... or a headscarf she may wear
52 Make over
53 "Look alive!"
54 Old-fashioned train lounge?
55 Golfer's goal, at least
56 Thesaurus wd.
57 Really little

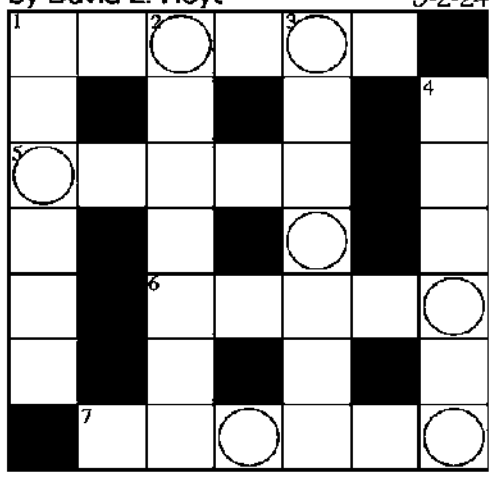
DOWN

1 Dr.'s orders
2 Indian potato snack
3 Group of movers and shakers?
4 Garb
5 Rap's ___ Thee Stallion
6 Garlicky Puerto Rican pork shoulder
7 Simon ___ (kids' game)
8 "What a bummer!"
9 Quack
10 Sportswear brand headquartered in Kobe
11 Flexed
13 Sun, in Spanish
14 Highly influenced?
15 Fiona, e.g.
19 Rap's ___ B
23 Simpson who plays the saxophone
24 Western lake whose name means "big water" in Washoe
25 Milky coffee drink
27 They assess your problem-solving skills
29 Elsa's architectural feat in "Frozen"
30 Courteous chap
31 Subtle shoutouts
34 Like Venus, but not Aphrodite
37 Foment
38 Warning
41 Aaron who created "The West Wing"
42 Composer's lifework
43 Accra's country
44 Concrete support rod
46 Word you might s-p-e-l-l if your pet is near
47 Recipe amt.
48 "___, matey!"
49 Ornament shape
50 Word that aptly surrounds "sprightly"

JUMBLE CROSSWORDS™

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3-2-24



ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Guard	RTYENS
5. Cereal ___	NIRAG
6. Best, first-class	EELTI
7. Produced, put on	DATGSE

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Cue	LNAISG
2. Closest	ERTAESN
3. Leasing	NTRNGIE
4. Keen, astute	SWEHRD

DOUBLE BONUS

The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.

CLUE: It premiered in 1951

CLUE: Allowed, accepted

How to play

Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the Bonus.

ANSWERS: 1A-Sentry 5A-Grain 6A-Elba 7A-Stayed 1D-Signal 2D-Nearest 3D-Kenting 4D-Strewn BONUS: Vagrant Ornate
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Boston's forecast

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TODAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **44-49** LOW **42-47**
Considerable cloudiness with rain and drizzle this afternoon. Winds SE 7-14 mph.
Periods of rain tonight; there can be ponding on roadways. Winds NE 7-14 mph.

SUNDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **48-53** LOW **42-47**
A little rain and drizzle in the morning; otherwise, low clouds. Winds N 7-14 mph.
Cloudy at night with spotty drizzle. Winds N 6-12 mph.

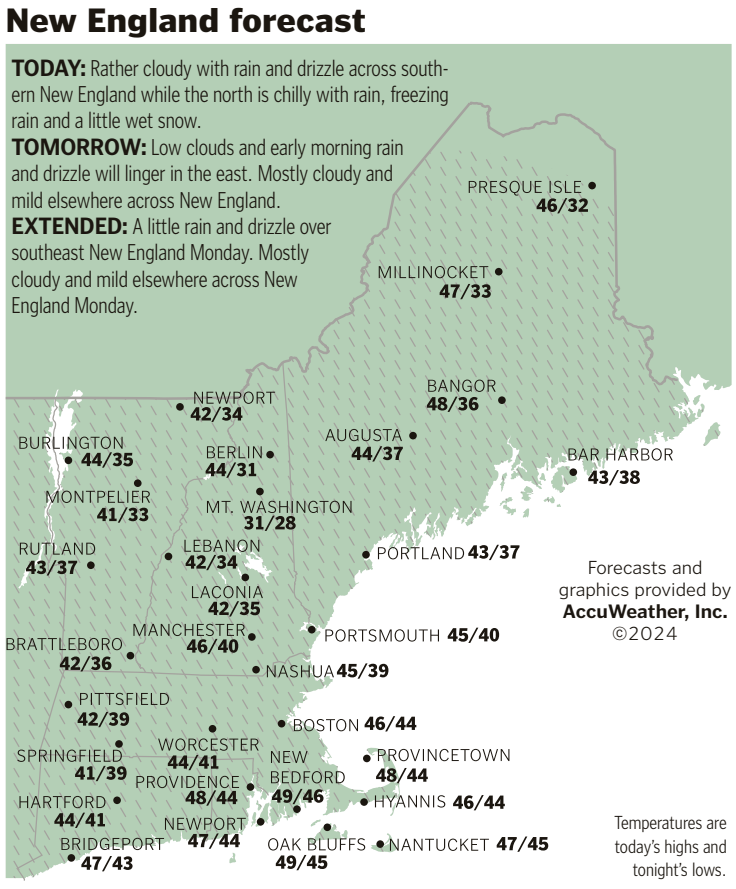
MONDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **47-52** LOW **39-44**
Considerable clouds and mild with a touch of rain. Winds NE 6-12 mph. Low clouds at night. Winds NNE 4-8 mph.

TUESDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **53-58** LOW **43-48**
Mild with low clouds. Winds E 6-12 mph. Clouds breaking at night. Winds WSW 4-8 mph.

WEDNESDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **56-61** LOW **40-45**
Overcast and mild. Winds NE 7-14 mph. Plenty of clouds at night. Winds NE 10-20 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Rather cloudy with rain and drizzle across southern New England while the north is chilly with rain, freezing rain and a little wet snow.
TOMORROW: Low clouds and early morning rain and drizzle will linger in the east. Mostly cloudy and mild elsewhere across New England.
EXTENDED: A little rain and drizzle over southeast New England Monday. Mostly cloudy and mild elsewhere across New England Monday.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	42°/23°
Sunrise	6:17 a.m.
Sunset	5:36 p.m.
Moonrise	none

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Dense fog
Visibility	0 miles
Wind	west at 58 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	9/-17
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	26.0"

Boston snowfall (5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.0"
Total for March	0.0"
Normal for March	7.8"
Season total	9.7"
Season normal	49.2"

Degree days

	Heat
Yesterday	32
Monthly total	32
Normal to date	30
Season total (normal)	3512 (4002)
Last year to date	3341

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.00"	Month to date	0.00"	Year to date	8.29"
Precip days in March	0	Norm. month to date	0.13"	Norm. year to date	6.86"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	3:17	3:51
Height	9.1	8.0
Boston low	9:43	9:54
Height	1.1	1.7
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	2:56	3:32
Hampton Beach NH	3:10	3:46
Plum Island	3:41	4:14
Ipswich	2:59	3:28

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	3:16	3:50
Marblehead	3:17	3:51
Lynn	3:08	3:43
Scituate	3:23	3:56
Plymouth	3:36	4:07
Cape Cod Canal East	3:11	3:45
Cape Cod Canal West	2:02	
Falmouth	3:01	3:35

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	4:27	5:13
Chatham	4:03	4:44
Wellfleet	3:31	4:05
Provincetown	3:27	4:02
Nantucket Harbor	4:24	5:07
Oak Bluffs	3:38	4:04
New Bedford	12:10	12:34
Newport RI	---	12:05

New England marine forecast

Small craft advisory
Gale warning Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	SE 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	48/45
East Cape Cod Canal	SE 8-16 kts.	1-2 ft.	50/44
Buzzards Bay	SE 8-16 kts.	1-3 ft.	50/45
Martha's Vineyard	SE 8-16 kts.	1-3 ft.	50/46
Nantucket	SE 10-20 kts.	2-3 ft.	48/45
Provincetown	SE 8-16 kts.	1-3 ft.	48/43

For current Charles River Basin water quality, call (781) 788-0007 or go to http://www.charlesriver.org.

Cities

Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

● Travel delays possible, **C** Clouds, **F** Fog, **H** Haze, **I** Ice, **Pc** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **Sh** Showers, **S** Sun, **Sn** Snow, **Fl** Flurries, **T** Thunderstorms, **W** Windy

	Today		Tomorrow	
Atlanta	65/54	Sh	70/59	C
● Atlantic City	54/43	R	59/42	Sh
Charlotte	64/52	Sh	71/53	C
Chicago	61/46	S	70/56	S
● Dallas	82/59	S	82/63	S
● Denver	66/27	Pc	51/24	Pc
Detroit	54/36	Pc	62/46	S
Fort Myers	83/66	C	84/67	T
● Los Angeles	59/50	R	62/45	Pc
Miami	82/70	C	85/70	T
New Orleans	73/62	T	77/65	T
● New York City	49/46	R	63/47	Sh
● Philadelphia	53/44	R	64/43	C
● Phoenix	77/53	S	73/51	S
● Salt Lake City	53/28	R	39/25	Sn
● San Francisco	55/45	R	56/46	Sh
Seattle	44/32	C	45/34	Sn
● Washington	57/44	R	66/46	C
Beijing	52/26	S	51/23	S
● Cancun	87/73	Pc	86/74	Sh
● Mexico City	82/51	S	83/52	S
● Montreal	41/34	R	48/36	Pc
Toronto	47/37	Sh	49/39	Pc
Vancouver	44/33	C	44/33	R
● Jerusalem	70/49	S	58/47	Sh
● London	47/33	Sh	50/33	Pc
● Moscow	37/20	C	37/22	C
Paris	49/40	C	50/35	C
Rome	62/47	S	62/48	R
● San Juan	83/74	Pc	84/74	Sh
Stockholm	43/37	C	44/30	Pc
● Tokyo	47/37	R	55/40	S

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, March 2, 2024:
You are an independent thinker who is loyal to your loved ones. Once you know what you want to do, you go for it. You can be intense. It's time to create solid foundations in your life. Keep things simple. Take charge of your health. Exercise will be important this year.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
This is a great day to schmooze! You have a strong sense of adventure today, and you want to do something different. Travel would be ideal. However, if you can't travel, then be a tourist in your own town. Learn something new and meet people from different backgrounds. Tonight: Privacy.
TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
As I've said before, you are the financial wizard of the zodiac. Today the Moon is in one of your Money Houses, which will focus your attention on taxes, debt, insurance issues, inheritances and shared property. You're in an excellent position to deal with these matters today. Tonight: Friendships.
GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
Today the Moon is opposite your sign, which means you will have to go more than halfway when dealing with others. Nevertheless, it will be a pleasant day for you because you will enjoy the company of friends and partners, as well as members of the general public. Tonight: You are admired.
CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
It will please you to help someone today. You might assist someone or be of service to them. The reverse might be true, and someone might help you, especially a co-worker. You also might learn something that can benefit your own health today, which is a good thing. Tonight: Explore!
LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
This is a lovely day to socialize with others. Enjoy playful activities with children today. Explore the arts, the theater and the entertainment world if possible, because you will appreciate escaping into something different and stimulating. Change your routine! Tonight: Check your finances.
VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
You'll be happy to cocoon at home and relax among familiar surroundings. Moments of privacy will please you, and very likely, memories of your childhood will bubble to the surface of your mind. Discussions with a family member might take place. Tonight: Partnerships.
LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
Grab any opportunity to study something new. You also might enjoy a warm connection with relatives, siblings or neighbors. A short trip will please you, especially if you can see new places and meet new faces. You're eager to explore and learn! Tonight: Work.
SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
You're focused on financial matters. This could relate to earnings or ways to boost your wealth. Or perhaps you're focused on shopping or making a big purchase, especially for something beautiful -- art objects or something attractive to wear. Tonight: Play!
SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
The Moon is in your sign, which will make you more emotional than usual. However, it will also make you friendly and pave the way for dealing with others. (When the Moon is in your sign, it helps you get your way with things and asking for what you want.) Tonight: Cocoon.
CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
You will welcome time spent alone. You'll enjoy a chance for some privacy. You need to take a breather from the busyness of everything around you. Some of you might use this private time to explore romance or a secret love affair. Tonight: Discussions!
AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
Enjoy time spent with friends or groups. You feel sociable and friendly. In fact, a friendship might turn into a romantic connection. Interaction with artistic and creative people will also benefit you. You might work with a friend or a group to beautify something. Tonight: Maintain your belongings.
PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
You look attractive to others. In fact, other people notice you more than usual because something about your private life seems to be more public for some reason. This is a good day to ask for a raise or a promotion. Good luck! Tonight: You're strong.

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SUDOKU

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9						6		
	3				9	4	5	
				4	2	3		
4			1		3			9
		3	8	7				
	6	9	7				8	
		7						2
8								3

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

South dealer — N-S vulnerable

North
♠ K J
♡ K 5 4
♢ Q J 5 4 2
♣ Q 6 4

West
♠ 6 5
♡ J 10 9 7
♢ A 7 6
♣ J 10 8 3

East
♠ A Q 10 9 2
♡ 6 3 2
♢ 8 3
♣ 9 7 2

South
♠ 8 7 4 3
♡ A Q 8
♢ K 10 9
♣ A K 5

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All Pass

Opening lead — ♡ J

"Simple Saturday" columns focus on basic technique and logical thinking.

A defender labors under the burden of not seeing partner's hand. To help themselves, defenders signal by means of the cards they play (not by how fast they play them or with emphasis or lack of emphasis).

One member of my club is known as Signaling Sam because he signals with excess zeal. In today's deal, West led the jack of hearts against 3NT, and Sam, East, signaled discouragement with the deuce. South won and led the king and 10 of diamonds, winning as Sam showed "count" by playing the eight and then the three.

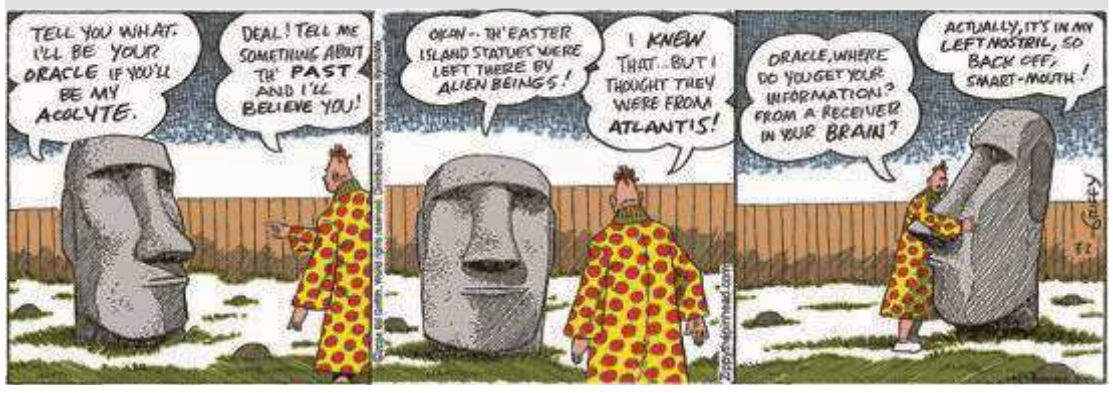
On the next diamond, West took the ace, and Sam banged down his 10 of spades. West duly shifted to a spade, but after Sam took the queen, ace and nine, South's eight was high. Making three.

Sam signaled with the setting trick. On the third diamond, he needed to discard the deuce of clubs, discouraging. West would surely get the message and lead a spade for down two.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ K J ♡ K 5 4 ♢ Q J 5 4 2 ♣ Q 6 4. Your partner opens one spade, you respond two diamonds, he bids two hearts and you try 2NT. Partner then bids three hearts. What do you say?

ANSWER: Your 2NT showed about 11 points and suggested game. Partner's three hearts says he wants neither notrump nor game. He has a minimum two-suiter and has signed off. Pass. Your minor-suit honors are probably worthless. In a game-forcing 2/1 style, you would have responded 1NT.

ZIPPY "He Nose Things" by Bill Griffith



ADAM@HOME by Rob Harrell



BIZARRO by Wayno & Piraro



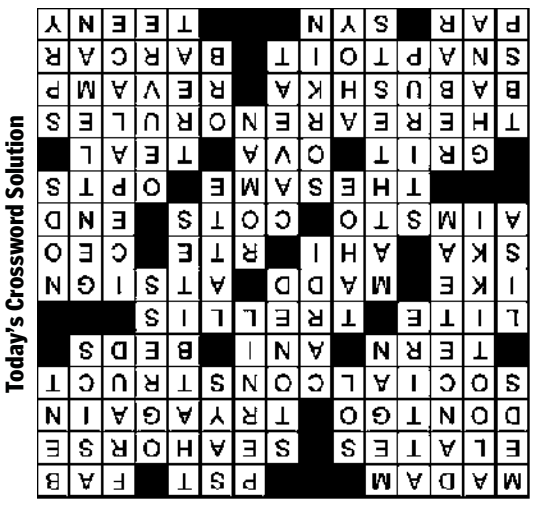
MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM by Mike Peters



ROSE IS ROSE by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer



Today's Crossword Solution



Today's Sudoku Solution

3	1	7	6	9	5	4	2	8
2	6	9	8	3	4	7	1	5
4	8	5	1	2	7	9	6	3
6	4	1	5	7	8	3	9	2
9	2	8	3	6	1	5	7	4
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1	5	4	9	8	6	2	3	7
7	3	6	4	1	2	8	5	9
8	9	2	7	5	3	1	4	6

TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY MATTHEW GILBERT



SEARCHLIGHT PICTURES VIA AP

Andrew Scott (pictured in "All of Us Strangers") will play Tom Ripley in "Ripley," an eight-episode miniseries coming to Netflix on April 4.

Talent to spare on Netflix's 'Ripley'

Andrew Scott has been winning tons of praise — if not an Oscar nomination — for his performance in "All of Us Strangers." Next up for him: a new eight-episode miniseries based on Patricia Highsmith's 1955 crime novel "The Talented Mr. Ripley." Called simply "Ripley," it's coming to Netflix on April 4.

Scott will play Tom Ripley, the suave but violent and amoral con man that Highsmith featured in five novels. Johnny Flynn will play Dickie Greenleaf and Dakota Fanning will play Marge Sherwood. In Anthony Minghella's 1999 movie "The Talented Mr. Ripley," those three roles were played, respectively, by Matt Damon, Jude Law, and Gwyneth Paltrow. It's set in the early 1960s, when Ripley is hired by a wealthy industrialist to travel to Italy and convince the man's dilettante son, Dickie, to return home. The show is written, directed, and executive produced by Steve Zaillian of "The Night Of" and "Schindler's List," and it's in black-and-white.

As preparation, you can watch the 1999 movie on Paramount+, and you can stream "Purple Noon," the 1960 French adaptation starring Alain Delon as Ripley, on the Criterion Channel. Also, if you want more Scott, beyond "All of Us Strangers" and "Fleabag," he was excellent in a 2021 miniseries adaptation of Nancy Mitford's "The Pursuit of Love" that can be streamed on Amazon Prime.

LOVE LETTERS

BY MEREDITH GOLDSTEIN

Can we celebrate our love minus marriage?

Q. I love my partner. We've been together 2½ years. (I am a woman, he is a man; we're both 30, give or take.) We live together, we have a joint bank account (and personal bank accounts), our families spent last Christmas together at our house, and we talk about what names we like for our future children. We have fun together every day. It's the most stable relationship I've ever been in.

We have discussed the issues I take with the institution of marriage (listening to the "Love Letters" podcast episode with Jia Tolentino I found myself nodding like a bobblehead doll on the dashboard of a truck driving down a dirt road), and though my partner is down for the full wedding package, he has graciously agreed that we will have a big party with our friends and family, have rings, but no formal ceremony and certainly no paper signing. But I'm not excited and haven't taken next steps.

I'm dreading telling people and pretending to be excited. It's like I want to counteract the wedding hysteria. Why was no one that excited for me a few weeks ago when I landed an amazing new job? I'm excited for the actual wedding party — that will be fun. But the engagement, I feel like I want to keep that private; it feels too intimate and special to be boasting about.

Why do you think I'm stalling? Or better, how can I overcome my reluctance? P.S. 1. I come from a looooooong line of divorcees and multi-divorcees. 2. Fun fact: People can stay with someone for their whole life and never marry them, and people can marry and then split up a week later. 3. I have seen too many divorces to be naïve enough to believe that we will be together forever. We might. We might not. 4. I don't believe people should stay in relationships that don't make them happy, and I wish there was less shame around divorce and separation. Are you going to send me to a psychologist? Fair.

LIMBO LADY

A. First, some context. This letter writer is referencing a "Love Letters" podcast episode where New Yorker writer Jia Tolentino talked about why she didn't want to marry her longtime partner, whom she loved very much. She preferred the idea of being coupled without the paperwork. She spoke eloquently about THIS in the interview, and I very much appreciated it — because I am someone who likes love and weddings, but has never wanted to be married ... for similar reasons.

That episode came out in March of 2020. Then, in 2021, I saw Tolentino announce that she got married — for health insurance reasons. It was a happy event (based on the Instagram photo I saw), but she still resented that she had to make a choice because of a system that doesn't match her values.

Sometimes we wind up taking part in a ritual we don't like, and we do our best to make it our own.

In your case, I wonder if a wedding-ish party is the right move. What if you turned it into a housewarming party? An anniversary party? What if there were *no* wedding rituals attached to the event? Not even rings? I love the idea of a "we've been together for five years party," when you hit that point. Then there will be even more to celebrate. Perhaps this compromise isn't quite it.

It is frustrating that it feels like people care about weddings more than jobs (or other parts of life), but ... that's not true of everyone. If I woke up tomorrow engaged and pregnant (lol), 70 percent of my friends would still ask, "Soooo, are you writing another book?" I'm part of a community that cares about work *a lot*. Some of my friends prefer to hear about travel. Or kids.

I happen to think it's very cool you got a new job. If you want others to know it's important to you, call them and tell them how excited you are about it. Ask to have a dinner to celebrate. Sometimes people need to be told when something is a big deal.

Last thing: You can't control how others feel or how they react to things. If *you're* comfortable with your choices, that's great. If your partner understands, that's wonderful. Do not expect anyone else to share your values or validate you in the *exact right way*. As long as they support you, it kind of doesn't matter if they get it.

Also, sure, go to a psychologist if you want, I guess. It wasn't my instinct for advice, but therapy is nice.

MEREDITH

Meredith is seeking questions about everything from dating and marriage to life after divorce. Scan the QR code to make your anonymous submission.

READERS RESPOND:

People have stayed in relationships without getting married for years now. Common-law partnerships are a legally protected thing in some places, and have been for longer than you've been alive. And where they are not a legally protected thing, a sensible couple will see a lawyer and ensure there is something in place should the relationship end.

AULDYIN

You threw in that bit about your new job sort of randomly. Who didn't give you your props: Boyfriend? Parents? Friends? Whose validation are you looking for? And why do you need it?

BLUEAWNING

All marriage provides are legal protections as well as a "grand romantic gesture." I think you are so caught up with your issues of what marriage is and isn't that you don't want to look like you are backpedaling. The institution of marriage is what YOU and your partner make of it. Forget about what other people do. It's just about you as a couple.

JSMUS

My question is: Do you really not believe in the institution and idea of marriage, or is that something you have convinced yourself of in order to somehow avoid the pain, hurt, and messiness of a divorce? Because I hate to be the one to break it to you, but if you and your partner stay together, have kids, buy a home, and basically build a family, and then 10 years later decide it isn't working anymore, it's not going to be any easier, legally or emotionally, to end the relationship than it would if you got married.

THE-BLOG-CONSIGLIERIE

^YES. This.

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		7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30	11 pm	11:30
2	WGBH PBS	(6:30) Member Favorites		Member Favorites				Member Favorites			
4	WBZ CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	FBI: Int "He Who Speaks Dies"		FBI: Most Wanted "These Walls"		48 Hours (N)		News (N)	(:35) Gourmet
5	WCVB ABC	News (N)	Chronicle	NBA (N) (Live)	NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets at Los Angeles Lakers (N) (Live)					NewsCe-nter 5 (N)	(:35) Matter
6	WLNE ABC	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	NBA (N)	Basketball Denver Nuggets at Los Angeles Lakers					ABC6Ne..	Rookie
7	WHDH	Inside Ed. (N)	Funny You	Family Feud	Family Feud	7 News at 9PM (N)		7 News at 10PM (N)		7 News at 11PM (N)	(:35) Extra (N)
9	WMUR ABC	Kids News	Vets-Pets	NBA (N)	Basketball Denver Nuggets at Los Angeles Lakers					News (N)	Chaos
10	NBC Boston	Paid Prog.	1st Look	The Wall "Turner and Shelby"		Weakest Link "Drag Extravaganza!"		Saturday Night Live		News at 11 (N)	SNL
10	WJAR NBC	News (N)	Paid Prog.	The Wall "Turner and Shelby"		Weakest Link "Drag Extravaganza!"		Saturday Night Live		News (N) (Live)	SNL
11	WENH PBS	(6:30) All Creatures Great and Small: Touring The Dales		This Land Is Your Land (My Music Presents)				Gregg Allman Live: Back to Macon, GA			Neil Diamond
12	WPRI CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	FBI: Int "He Who Speaks Dies"		FBI: Most Wanted "These Walls"		48 Hours (N)		12 News at 11 (N)	Recovery TV
25	WFXT FOX	FOX College Hoops Tip-Off (N) (Live)		College Basketball Michigan State at Purdue (N) (Live)				9-1-1 "Hero Complex"		The Floor "The BBQ Showdown"	
27	WUNI	(5:30) Fútbol Toluca vs. Tigres U.A.N.L.		(:55) Fútbol Mexicano Cruz Azul vs. Chivas de Guadalajara (N) (Live)				(:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División Atlas vs. América (N) (Live)			
36	WSBE PBS	(6:30) Gregg Allman		Joe Bonamassa & Orchestra: Live at the Hollywood Bowl		American Pop Flashback! Great Hits of the '60s & '70s				Marias	Treas-ures Insid
38	WSBK	Big Bang	Big Bang	★★ Devil in a Blue Dress ('95) Tom Sizemore, Jennifer Beals, Denzel Washington.					Friends	WOW The All American Girls (N)	
44	WGBX PBS	Member Favorites				Member Favorites					HS Quiz Show
50	WWJE	Meet		Murder		Killer Cases		Killer Cases		Killer Kids	
56	WLVI CW	(5:30) Basketball	(:45) College Basketball Clemson at Notre Dame From Purcell Pavilion in Notre Dame, Ind. (N) (Live)					7 News at 10PM on CW56 (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family
64	WNAC FOX	FOX College Hoops Tip-Off (N) (Live)		College Basketball Michigan State at Purdue (N) (Live)				12 News (N)	Seinfeld	The Floor "The BBQ Showdown"	
68	WBPX ION	Law-SVU "Chicago Crossover"		Law & Order: SVU "Spousal Privilege"		Law-SVU "Pattern Seventeen"		Law & Order: SVU "Forgiving Rollins"		Law-SVU "Agent Provocateur"	
	PREMIUM CABLE										
	Cinemax	(6:25) ★★ Poltergeist ('15)		★★★ Kingsman: The Secret Service ('14) Michael Caine, Colin Firth.				(:10) ★★ Paycheck ('03) Aaron Eckhart, Uma Thurman, Ben Affleck.			
	Flix	(6:00) ★★★ Flatliners ('90) (P)		★★★ Fatal Attraction ('87) Glenn Close, Anne Archer, Michael Douglas.				★★★★ Rosemary's Baby ('68) John Cassavetes, Ruth Gordon, Mia Farrow.			
	HBO	(5:45) ★★ Blue Beetle ('23)		★★ Iron Jawed Angels ('04) Frances O'Connor, Julia Ormond, Hilary Swank.				(:05) Real Time With Bill Maher		(:05) Enthusia..	(:40) Meg 2: Trench
	HBO 2	(:55) ★★★ Everest ('15) Josh Brolin, John Hawkes, Jason Clarke.				★★★ I, Tonya ('17) Sebastian Stan, Allison Janney, Margot Robbie.				(:05) ★ The Boy Next Door ('15)	
	Showtime	(5:45) ★★★★ Titanic ('97) Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio.				War Pony ('22) LaDainian Crazy Thunder, Jojo Bapteise Whiting. (P)				The Wrath of Becky ('23) Lulu Wilson.	
	Showtime 2	(6:00) ★★★ Collateral ('04)		★★★ Minority Report ('02) Colin Farrell, Samantha Morton, Tom Cruise.					★★★ Tropic Thunder ('08) Jack Black, Ben Stiller.		
	Starz!	(:05) BMF "Detroit vs Everybody"		★★ Jurassic World Dominion ('22) Bryce Dallas Howard, Laura Dern, Chris Pratt. (P)					BMF "Detroit vs Everybody"		(:25) Hightown
	TMC	(6:00) ★★ The Yards		★★ Footloose ('11) Julianne Hough, Dennis Quaid, Kenny Wormald.				★★★ Saturday Night Fever ('77) Karen Lynn Gorney, Barry Miller, John Travolta.			
	SPORTS										
	CBSSN	(6:00) Basketball VCU at Richmond		College Basketball New Mexico at Boise State (N) (Live)				College Basketball San Jose State at UNLV (N) (Live)			
	ESPN	(6:00) Basketball Virginia at Duke (N)		College Basketball Tennessee at Alabama (N) (Live)				College Basketball Gonzaga at Saint Mary's (N) (Live)			
	ESPN2	(6:00) College Basketball		College Basketball Houston at Oklahoma (N) (Live)				College Basketball Long Beach State at UC Irvine (N) (Live)			
	Fox Sports 1	(5:00) NASCAR	College Basketball Xavier at Georgetown (N) (Live)				NRL Rugby Manly-Warringah Sea Eagles vs. South Sydney Rabbitohs (N) (Live)				NRL Rugby
	Golf	PGA Tour Golf Cognizant Classic, Third Round					LPGA Tour Golf				
	NBA	(5:00) Ba..	Postgame		Everything But			Allen Iverson		GameTi..	GameTi..
	NBC Sports	Pure Outdoor	Immor-tals	School of Golf	School of Golf	School of Golf	School of Golf	United Fight Alliance		World Chase Tag	
	NESN	(6:30) Br..	NHL Hockey Boston Bruins at New York Islanders					Bruins	Bruins	NHL Hockey	
	FAMILY										
	Cartoon	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	American	Rick	Rick
	Disney	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Hailey's on It!	Hailey's on It!	Marvel's Moon Girl	Marvel's Moon Girl	Ladybug	Ladybug
	Encore Family	(6:20) H Is for Happi...		★★ Like Mike ('02) Shad Moss.		(:40) Heart of Champions ('21)					Movie
	Nickelodeon	Movie	★★ Sing 2 ('21) Matthew McConaughey.					Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	Nick Jr.	PAW Patrol "Best Animal Rescues"				PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	Rubble	Rubble

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	BASIC CABLE										
	A&E	The First 48 "The Devil You Know"		The First 48 "End of the Road"		The First 48		The First 48 "Old Habits"		(:05) The First 48 "Crossroads"	
	AMC	(5:30) Mr. & Mrs. S...		★★★ Mission: Impossible -- Ghost Protocol ('11) (P)						Gone in 60 Seconds	
	Animal Planet	North Woods Law "Moose in the City"		North Woods Law "Backseat Bear"		North Woods Law		North Woods Law "Cat and Mouse"		North Woods Law "Trail Blazers"	
	BBC America	(:20) Planet Earth III (N)		(:45) ★★★ Hook ('91) Robin Williams, Julia Roberts, Dustin Hoffman.							
	BET	(5:00) Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Marri...		★★ Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? ('10) Sharon Leal, Janet Jackson, Tyler Perry.						★★ Boo! A Madea Halloween ('16)	
	Bravo	(5:00) Hunger ...	★★★ The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2 ('15) Josh Hutcherson, Liam Hemsworth, Jennifer Lawrence.							(:35) ★★ Con Air ('97) John Cusack, Nicolas Cage.	
	CMT	Movie	★★ Grumpier Old Men ('95) Jack Lemmon.					★ Black Sheep ('96) Chris Farley.			
	CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)		CNN Spec		CNN Spec		CNN Spec		CNN Spec	
	Comedy Central	(6:00) Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story		★★ We're the Millers ('13) Jason Sudeikis, Will Poulter, Jennifer Aniston.						★★★ Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story ('04)	
	CSPAN	(3:30) Washington This Week				Public Affairs Events					
	CSPAN2	Free to Choose		Lectures in History			Presiden..	Campaign	Speeches	(:10) Lectures	
	Dest. America	BBQ Pit "Fowl Play"		BBQ Pit "Hog Wild"		BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters	
	Discovery	Expedition X		Expedition X		Expedition X		Expedition X		Expedition X	
	Discovery Life	Skin Tight		Skin Tight		Skin Tight		Skin Tight		Skin Tight	
	E!	(6:40) ★★★ Pretty Woman ('90)				(:10) ★★★ My Cousin Vinny ('92) Joe Pesci.					Movie
	Encore	Movie	(:25) ★★ Happy Gilmore ('96)			Grind House: Planet Terror				(:45) Grindhouse: Death Proof	
	Food	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive	Diners, Drive
	Fox News	Weekend (N) (Live)		Life, Liberty (N)		One Nation (N)		Saturday Night (N)		Gutfeld!	
	Freeform	(6:10) ★★ The Proposal ('09)		(:50) ★★ Footloose ('84) Lori Singer, Kevin Bacon.							Movie
	FUSE	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm
	FX	★★ Father Stu ('22) Mel Gibson, Mark Wahlberg. (P)						★★ Father Stu ('22) Mark Wahlberg.			
	FXM	(5:50) Day the Earth...	(:05) ★★★ Unstoppable ('10)					★★★ Unstoppable ('10)			
	Hallmark	(6:00) Wedding Cott...	Guiding Emily ('23) Sarah Drew.					Taking the Reins ('21) Nikki Deloach.			
	Hallmark M.&M.	True Justice "Family Ties"				CrimeTime "Freefall"				Murder, She Wrote	
	HGTV	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	Hunters (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters
	History	The UnXplained		The UnXplained		The UnXplained		(:05) The UnXplained		(:05) The UnXplained	
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	HSN	Rhonda Shear (N)		Nakery Beauty (N)		La-Z-Boy (N)		Mine Finds (N)		Mine Finds (N)	
	ID	Web of Lies "Cruel Intentions"		Deadly Women "A Family Tragedy"		Deadly Women "Lethal Lies"		Fatal Vows (N)	Fatal Vows	Deadly "Clean Hands, Dirty Deeds"	
	IFC	(:15) ★★ Sixteen Candles ('84)				(:15) ★★ Caddyshack ('80) Chevy Chase.					Stripes
	Lifetime	(6:00) Single Black F...	Single Black Female 2: Simone's Revenge					(:05) Single Black Female ('22)			
	LMN	(6:00) Chaos on the ...	Psycho Storm Chaser ('21) Tara Erickson.					Burning Little Lies ('21) Annika Foster.			
	MAGN	Bargain Mansions		Lakefront Barg		Lakefront Barg		Lakefront Barg		Lakefront Barg	
	MSNBC	Ayman (N) (Live)		Ayman (N) (Live)		R. Maddow		Ayman		11th Hour	
	MTV	Movie	(:25) ★★ The Heat ('13) Sandra Bullock.					(:55) ★ Baywatch ('17) (P)			
	National Geographic	Catch a Smuggler "Sneaker Stash"		Catch a Smuggler "Cocaine Cop"		Border (N)	Border (N)	Mariana van (N)		Catch a Smuggler "Cocaine Flights"	
	NatGeoWild	The Incredible		The Incredible		The Incredible (N)		Vet 9-1-1	Vet 9-1-1	The Incredible	
	NECN	Chef's	OpenHou..	1st Look	Rescue	1st Look	OpenHou..	Chef's	HUBToday	Rescue	Chef's
	NewsNation	NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation (N)		NewsNation Prime		NewsNation Prime	
	Ovation	Murdoch (N)		Crossing Lines		Crossing Lines		Crossing Lines		Crossing Lines	
	OWN	Love		Love (N)		OWN Spotlight (N)		Love		Love	
	Oxygen	Cold Justice		Cold "Silenced" (N)		Kill (N) (P)		Snapped		Kill or Be Killed	
	Paramount	★★★ Ocean's Eleven ('01) George Clooney.					★★★ Ocean's Twelve ('04) George Clooney.				
	QVC	(6:00) Shoe (N)		Belle (N) (Live)		Shawn Saves Spring (N) (Live)				Skechers (N) (Live)	
	Science	What on Earth?		What on Earth?		What on Earth?		What on Earth?		What on Earth?	
	Sundance	★★ The Magnificent Seven ('16) Chris Pratt, Ethan Hawke, Denzel Washington.						★★★ The Last Samurai ('03) Ken Watanabe, Timothy Spall, Tom Cruise.			
	SyFy	(6:30) ★★ Alien 3 ('92)				★★ Alien Resurrection ('97) Sigourney Weaver.					Movie
	TBS	(5:15) White House ...	Big Bang	Big Bang		Big Bang	Big Bang	★★★ Transformers ('07) Shia LaBeouf.			
	TCM	(5:45) East of Eden	★★★ Lincoln ('12) Sally Field, Daniel Day-Lewis. (P)					(:45) A Man for All Seasons			
	TLC	90 Day: Single Life	90 Day "S.O.S."			90 Day Diaries		90 Day Diaries		90 Day Diaries	
	TNT	(4:45) ★★★ Dune	All Elite Wrestling: Collision (N)					★★ Jason Bourne ('16) Matt Damon.			
	Travel	Files "Life in Hell"		Unexplained Files		Unexplained Files		Unexplained Files		Unexplained Files	
	TruTV	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	American	American
	TV Land	Mike	(:35) Mike	Raymond	Raymond	(:20) Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	King	King
	TV One	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single
	USA	(:15) ★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End ('07) Orlando Bloom, Keira Knightley, Johnny Depp.								(:45) ★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides	
	VH-1	(6:30) ★★★ Boyz N the Hood ('91)				★★ Red ('10) Morgan Freeman, Bruce Willis. (P)					Red 2 (P)
	WE	NCIS "Bounce"		NCIS		NCIS "Knockout"		NCIS		NCIS	

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