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Harvard division drops diversity mandate

Move to cut DEI essay requirement in academic hiring echoes policy trend

By Mike Damiano
GLOBE STAFF

Less than five years ago, Harvard University's Faculty of Arts and Sciences followed a trend that was then sweeping across American higher education. It instituted a requirement that professors who wished to work at Harvard submit an essay explaining how they would advance "diversity, inclusion, and belonging" in their work.

On Monday, the university's largest division announced it had reversed course, eliminating the requirement after receiving "feedback from numerous faculty members" who were concerned about the mandatory statements.

A seemingly routine part of academic hiring, diversity statements have become the focus of intense scrutiny as universities grapple with the question of whether well-intentioned efforts to diversify the elite ranks of American institutions have sometimes collided with other core values of academia.

"By requiring academics to profess — and flaunt — faith in DEI, the proliferation of diversity statements poses a profound challenge to academic freedom," Randall Kennedy, a scholar of race and civil rights at Harvard Law School, wrote in an April op-ed in the Harvard Crimson, the student newspaper.

That essay was widely read in academic circles. It was also cited ap-

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'It's really about figuring out what is the challenge the person's having.'

ELIZABETH SPEAKMAN, *director of Cambridge's CARE team*



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Cambridge's new five-member Community Assistance Response and Engagement team is the city's first real try at deploying an alternative to police in emergencies. Above, Matthew Gomes, a CARE responder, embraced a Central Square inhabitant.

Cambridge 911 calls may soon bring social workers

Team could respond to nonviolent, mental health incidents instead of police

By Spencer Buell
GLOBE STAFF

CAMBRIDGE — It took less than a minute for the crew of five social workers in matching mint-green T-shirts to find people who could use some help.

Right outside the door to their Central Square headquarters last month, they found a woman sitting on the ground with a few small bags, taking a rest in the 80-plus-degree heat, and gave her water and snacks. A few steps down Massachusetts Avenue, they chatted with a homeless man who wanted assistance getting an ID.

Later, they consoled a woman who walked up to them in tears, asking if someone could pray with her. They obliged.

It was just another afternoon for Cambridge's new five-member Community Assistance Response and Engagement, or CARE, team, which has for months been meeting with some of the city's most vulnerable.

But if all goes according to plan, the team will soon have a more high-stakes task: responding to 911 calls, sent to the scenes of nonviolent, mental health-related incidents handled at present by cops with guns.

Four years after the Minneapolis police killing of George Floyd spurred nationwide

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The state's secretary of elder affairs has left the position. No reason was given for the departure of Elizabeth Chen. **B1.**

Steward Health Care was granted permission by a bankruptcy judge to offer financial sweeteners to a new lender while it prepares to sell its hospitals and doctor groups. **D1.**

By controlling the buffer zone between Gaza and Egypt, Israel risks upsetting a delicate balance with its Arab neighbor. **A3.**

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FANFARE FOR PRIDE MONTH

Andrea "Adubbs" Woelfel (center), of Roslindale, played with fellow members of the Jamaica Plain Honk Band at City Hall Plaza in Boston on Monday during the flag-raising ceremony to kick off Pride Month. Elected officials and local leaders shared plans for a range of Pride events scheduled throughout June. **B2.**

Biden set to curtail bids for asylum

Executive order would let him close US border amid high levels of crossings

By Nick Miroff and Toluse Olorunnipa
WASHINGTON POST

President Biden plans to issue an order Tuesday that would shut off access to the US asylum system when illegal border crossings exceed a daily threshold, according to four administration officials and people with knowledge of the plans.

Migrants would be returned to Mexico and ineligible for asylum consideration once the limit is surpassed, according to the officials, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the pending White House order.

The move has been under consideration by the administration since the failure of bipartisan border legislation this year that would have enacted a similar trigger to shut off asylum access at times when US authorities become overwhelmed. People with knowledge of the plans said they expected the cap to be set at an average of 2,500 to 3,000 daily crossings.

Illegal crossings along the Mexico border have averaged more than 3,500 in recent weeks, according to the latest government data, so Biden's order could have immediate effects.

During the peak of the coronavirus pandemic, US authorities under direction from then-President Trump used a public health emergency to rapidly "expel" migrants and turn away asylum seekers who arrived illegally. Officials said Biden's expected order will operate similarly, while agents at the border will continue to face limitations, including a lack of detention space, transportation capacity, and asylum officers.

The failed border legislation would have pro-

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$6.2b bond bill targets housing crisis

But real estate transfer fee championed by Wu left out of House package

By Samantha J. Gross, Matt Stout, and Andrew Brinker
GLOBE STAFF

The Massachusetts House on Monday unveiled a $6.2 billion housing bond bill pitching it as Beacon Hill's most forceful response yet to the state's intractable housing crisis, with promises of billions for affordable housing, tax credits, and plans to remake statewide zoning rules.

The sweeping package, however, leaves out a key proposal championed by both Governor Maura Healey and Boston Mayor Michelle Wu: a provision to allow cities and towns to impose a fee on the sales of high-end properties.

The exclusion of this so-called local real estate transfer fee marks a blow to Wu, and the leaders of Nantucket and other high-cost communities, who had been clamoring for years to institute a fee of up to 2 percent on real estate sales above $1 million, in hopes of using that money to build more affordable housing. The powerful real estate lobby has lobbied hard against the transfer tax in recent months, claiming that the fee could raise housing costs without providing reliable streams of revenue.

Instead, the House's version of the bill would allow the state to borrow $2 billion more than what Healey sought in her own $4 billion version of the

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In Weymouth, novel plan averts EV charging station delay

By Aaron Pressman
GLOBE STAFF

The new electric vehicle fast-charging station next to a shawarma joint in Weymouth looks pretty much like any other: a metal cabinet the size of a refrigerator with two thick black charging cables and a big screen, set in front of a couple of reserved parking spaces in a strip mall.

But off to the side, hidden away in an enclosure, is something quite different from the typical charging setup: a bank of lithium-ion batteries that take up a full parking space.

The batteries allow the station to charge electric vehicles at high speed without a high-voltage connection to the electrical grid. It's a clever hack that allowed owners Shawn Ward and Matt Kelcourse to avoid a multiyear backlog for electrical components and build the station in only six months.

Most other EV charging projects in the state, however, have been going the conventional route — and not getting very far, largely because of a vexing shortage of a basic but crucial piece of equipment: higher-voltage transformers. Wait times for the hulking gear can stretch more than two years, delaying a critical part of the state's strategy to combat climate change that relies on persuading almost 1 million drivers to switch to EVs, 10 times the current level, by 2030.

And with other parts of the climate plan also relying on electrification, the transformer shortage threatens to short-

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The Nation

Fauci rejects idea he covered up lab leak

House panel grills scientist on COVID's origins

By Benjamin Mueller and Sheryl Gay Stolberg
NEW YORK TIMES



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Dr. Anthony Fauci, former National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases director, was questioned by GOP Rep. Marjorie Taylor-Greene of Georgia Monday.

Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, the former government scientist both celebrated and despised for his work on COVID, on Monday forcefully denied Republican allegations that he sought to cover up the possibility that the pandemic originated in a laboratory, calling the accusation "absolutely false and simply preposterous."

In a tense appearance before the House Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic, Fauci read out an email from February 2020 in which he encouraged a scientist worried about the possibility of a lab leak to report his concerns to the FBI.

"It is inconceivable that anyone who reads this email could conclude that I was trying to cover up the possibility of a laboratory leak," Fauci testified.

Republicans on the panel have spent 15 months rooting through emails, Slack messages, and research proposals for evidence against Fauci. In 500,000 pages of documents and more than 100 hours of closed-door testimony, the panel has so far found nothing linking the 83-year-old immunologist to the beginnings of the COVID outbreak in China.

But the panel has turned up emails suggesting that Fauci's former aides were trying to evade public records laws at the medical research agency he ran for 38 years until his retirement in December 2022.

Some of those emails paint Fauci as being preoccupied with his public image; one April 2021 message from an aide said that while Fauci "prides himself on being like teflon," he appeared to be "getting worried about the brown stuff hitting the fan" over questions about research funded by his agency, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Over the years, the agency gave research grants to EcoHealth Alliance, an American nonprofit group that partnered with international scientists — including some at a coronavirus lab in Wuhan, China, the city where the pandemic eventually started — as part of efforts to anticipate disease outbreaks.

Fauci's appearance Monday had all the trappings of a Washington media show. He entered the room through a back door, flanked by two burly security guards, and took his seat wearing a somber expression as a horde of cameramen pointed their lenses at his face.

Monday was lawmakers' first chance to ask him about his agency's record-keeping practices. For Republicans on the committee, the hearing is also the pinnacle, so far, of a long campaign against US scientists and health officials who they have suggested helped start the COVID pandemic.

No new evidence for the pandemic emerging from a lab, with or without the help of US taxpayer funding, has emerged in a series of high-profile hearings over the past year. In a report Monday, titled "Republicans' Fauci Flop," Democratic lawmakers said that the panel's Republicans had failed to advance the case that the coronavirus, known as SARS-CoV-2, came from a lab leak.

Fauci, who spent more than 50 years in government service and advised presidents of both parties on outbreaks of infectious diseases such as AIDS, Ebola, anthrax, and the flu, was always the panel's most prized quarry. In working under former president Donald Trump and then President Biden, Fauci became the face of a COVID response that generated both veneration and frustration from Americans.

The House subcommittee is headed by two doctors: Brad Wenstrup, an Ohio Republican is the chair, and Raul Ruiz, a California Democrat, is the ranking member. Fauci faced a polite but chilly reception from Republicans, who have studiously been trying to build a case that lab work funded by the institute Fauci used to run may have contributed to the start of the COVID pandemic.

Republicans have focused in particular on funding to EcoHealth Alliance that was passed on to Chinese scientists. They have accused those scientists of cooking up the coronavirus in their Wuhan lab.

Scientists and health officials have repeatedly noted that the coronaviruses being studied at the Wuhan lab with American funding — as well as other such viruses known to be the subject of research there — bore little resemblance to the one that set off the pandemic.

In closed-door testimony before the House coronavirus panel in January, Fauci said, as he has previously, that it was possible that lab research had sparked the pandemic and that he kept "an open mind" about the origins. He reiterated that, in his view, the weight of evidence pointed toward the virus originating from animals before spilling into humans outside a lab.

A president and patriarch confronts his son's trial

Biden will have to navigate roles amid proceedings

By Toluse Olorunnipa
WASHINGTON POST

As a jury was seated Monday for United States v. Robert Hunter Biden, it marked another novel moment in a period that has seen no shortage of them: the first time the child of a president faces a felony trial.

Coming just four days after jurors in New York convicted former president Donald Trump for falsifying records to hide a hush money payment, Hunter Biden's trial for allegedly lying on a gun purchase form further entrenches the courtroom as a central player in an unorthodox and chaotic presidential election.

President Biden has lost two other children, and the legal ordeal facing his surviving son will be an emotional experience as well, longtime associates say, testing his ability to maintain a professional and political distance. Facing a situation unlike any president before him, Biden — who at 81 is the patriarch of a large and growing family — will have to navigate the trial as president, candidate, and father. The cases against Trump and Hunter Biden are markedly different, not least because one defendant is seeking the presidency and the other is a private citizen. But both could affect the 2024 election as Republicans seek to tie Biden to his son's legal troubles, and the president's handling of them will be scrutinized closely by voters considering his performance as president and as patriarch.

"We live in a time when Americans largely consider the courtroom to be politics by other means," said Russell Riley, a presidential historian at the University of Virginia's Miller Center. "This is the main argument Donald Trump is making, evidently with success, to diminish the impact of his multiple felony convictions. So ironically, this same argument helps inoculate President Biden from damage if his son's trial goes badly."

A jury of 12 panelists and four alternates was seated after prospective candidates were questioned on their thoughts about gun rights and drug addiction while the first lady watched from the front row of the courtroom. Opening statements will begin Tuesday.

In one sign of how the Trump and Biden cases could affect each other, the president on Friday chided Trump for complaining repeatedly that his case was rigged, saying, "It's reckless, it's dangerous, and it's irresponsible to say this was rigged just because they don't like the verdict." Such a comment could make it harder for Biden to criticize his son's trial if he is unhappy with the outcome.



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President Biden is known to speak to Hunter Biden daily and is expected to do so during the trial in Delaware.

Just as the defendants in the two cases are very different, so are the charges.

In Trump's case, prosecutors said he used illegal means to prevent public exposure of an affair that could have damaged his political prospects. Hunter Biden, in turn, is charged with falsely declaring that he was not using illegal drugs when he filled out a form to buy a gun in 2018 — even though he was in the throes of a deep drug addiction, as recounted in his memoir. The quick succession of two historic cases just five months before the election promises to shape the contours of what is expected to be a close presidential race in unpredictable ways. Biden faces another criminal trial in September, on tax evasion charges, while Trump faces three more, though they could come after the election.

President Biden has largely taken a hands-off approach to the courthouse machinations, seeking to show that he is not interfering with the administration of justice. And his campaign has tried to present a clear distinction between Trump's struggles with the law and Biden's work to deliver for the American people.

But those efforts could be complicated if Hunter Biden's trial resurfaces a troubled chapter in the family's history. Prosecutors have said they are prepared to call Biden's former wife, Kathleen Buhle, as well as Hallie Biden, the widow of Hunter's brother Beau with whom Hunter Biden became romantically involved.

Any tales of drugs and romance that emerge could distract the public from the tawdry facts that came out in Trump's trial, blurring the contrast the president is seeking, said Julian Zelizer, who teaches political history at Princeton University.

"In terms of the broader impact, it's relevant less for the son being in legal trouble — given that there has been no evidence of wrongdoing by his father — but for how much it distracts from Trump's legal problems and tarnishes Biden's image," Zelizer said. Republicans in Congress for months aggressively pursued Hunter Biden, focusing mostly on his foreign business dealings and trying to tie them to his father, efforts that have largely stalled.

Material from the Associated Press was used in this report.

DAILY BRIEFING

La. bill would OK surgical castration

BATON ROUGE, La. — A person found guilty of a sex crime against a child in Louisiana could soon be ordered to undergo surgical castration, in addition to prison time.

Louisiana lawmakers gave final approval to a bill Monday that would allow judges the option to sentence someone to surgical castration after the person has been convicted of certain aggravated sex crimes — including rape, incest, and molestation — against a child younger than 13. Several states, including Louisiana, currently can order such criminals to receive chemical castration, which uses medications that block testosterone production in order to decrease sex drive. However, surgical castration is a more invasive procedure.

The bill received overwhelming approval in both of the GOP-dominated chambers.

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Judge lets Jones broadcast for now

After a weekend in which conspiracy theorist Alex Jones warned that his media company faced an imminent shutdown by the federal government because of his bankruptcy cases, a judge on Monday allowed Jones to keep operating for the next two weeks while it is decided whether his assets should be liquidated.

Both Jones and his company, Free Speech Systems, filed for bankruptcy reorganization after he lost two lawsuits and was ordered to pay $1.5 billion to relatives of victims of the 2012 Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting. They sued Jones for calling the shooting that killed 20 first graders and six educators in Newtown, Conn., a hoax, claiming defamation and infliction of emotional distress.

US Bankruptcy Judge Christopher Lopez in Houston said Monday that he will address the motion on June 14.

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P.R. governor loses primary

SAN JUAN — Puerto Rico congressional representative Jenniffer González defeated Governor Pedro Pierluisi in a surprise upset during a primary election held Sunday by their pro-statehood party.

The two ran on the same ticket four years ago under the New Progressive Party, but González, a Republican, announced her plan to challenge Pierluisi, a Democrat, in early December.

Puerto Rico's main political parties are divided by the island's political status, so it's common to find both Republicans and Democrats within the same party.

González obtained 56 percent of the vote compared with Pierluisi's 44 percent, with tens of thousands of votes still uncounted. ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bribery attempt in fraud trial

WASHINGTON — A woman drove up to a Minnesota home in a Mazda on Sunday night with a bag of cash totaling $120,000, ready to hand it to one of the 12 jurors in a multimillion-dollar charitable fraud case in the Minneapolis federal courthouse.

"This is for Juror 52," Assistant US Attorney Joe Thompson quoted the woman saying, according to a story in the Sahan Journal. "Tell her there will be another bag for her if she votes to acquit."

The juror was not home at the time, so the woman left the cash and the message with a relative, Thompson said in court, according to accounts from journalists in the courtroom.

Prosecutors said the juror reported the apparent bribery attempt to local police.

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The World

In Mexico, a leader of many talents

First female president-elect is highly decorated

GLOBE NEWS SERVICES

MEXICO CITY — Claudia Sheinbaum's list of accolades is long: She has a doctorate in energy engineering, has participated in a United Nations panel of climate scientists who were awarded a Nobel Peace Prize, and governed the capital, one of the largest cities in the hemisphere.

On Sunday, she added another achievement to her résumé: becoming the first woman elected president of Mexico.

Sheinbaum, 61, captured at least 58 percent of the vote in a landmark election Sunday that featured two women competing for the nation's highest office, a groundbreaking contest in a country long known for a culture of machismo and rampant violence against women.

"For the first time in 200 years of the republic, I will become the first female president of Mexico," she said. "And as I have said on other occasions, I do not arrive alone. We all arrived, with our heroines who gave us our homeland, with our ancestors, our mothers, our daughters and our granddaughters."

Now that she has clinched the presidency, Sheinbaum's next hurdle will be stepping out of the shadow of her predecessor and longtime mentor, Andrés Manuel López Obrador, the outgoing president.

She and López Obrador are "different people," she said in an interview. He's an oilman who invested in environmentally questionable projects; she's a climate scientist. Yet Sheinbaum — the first person from a Jewish background to lead the overwhelmingly Catholic country —has appealed to voters mainly by promising to cement his legacy, backing moves like his big bet on the national oil company, and proposed constitutional changes that critics call antidemocratic.



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Claudia Sheinbaum celebrated in Zocalo Square in Mexico City Monday following the results of the general election.

With her victory in hand, Mexicans will look to see how Sheinbaum, a very different personality from López Obrador, will assert herself.

While she hewed close to López Obrador politically and shares many of his ideas about the government's role in addressing inequality, she is viewed as less combative and more data driven.

Sheinbaum's background is in science. She has a Ph.D. in energy engineering. Her brother is a physicist. In a 2023 interview with the Associated Press, Sheinbaum said, "I believe in science."

Observers say that grounding showed itself in Sheinbaum's actions as mayor during the COVID-19 pandemic, when her city of some 9 million people took a different approach from what López Obrador espoused at the national level.

While the federal government was downplaying the importance of coronavirus testing, Mexico City expanded its testing regimen. Sheinbaum set limits on businesses' hours and capacity when the virus was rapidly spreading, even though López Obrador wanted to avoid measures that would hurt the economy. And she publicly wore protective masks and urged social distancing while the president was still lunging into crowds.

Mexico's persistently high levels of violence will be one of her most immediate challenges after she takes office Oct. 1. On the campaign trail she said little more than that she would expand the quasi-military National Guard created by López Obrador and continue his strategy of targeting social ills that make so many young Mexicans easy targets for cartel recruitment.

"Let it be clear: It doesn't mean an iron fist, wars, or authoritarianism," Sheinbaum said of her approach to tackling criminal gangs, during her final campaign event. "We will promote a strategy of addressing the causes and continue moving toward zero impunity."

Sheinbaum has praised López Obrador profusely and said little that the president hasn't said himself. She blamed neoliberal economic policies for condemning millions to poverty, promised a strong welfare state, and praised Mexico's large state-owned oil company, Pemex, while also promising to emphasize clean energy.

"For me, being from the left has to do with that, with guaranteeing the minimum rights to all residents," Sheinbaum said last year.

In contrast to López Obrador, who seemed to relish his highly public battles, Sheinbaum is expected by many observers to be less combative.

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Angst over Gaza border zone

Seizure strains ties with Egypt

By Vivian Yee and Emad Mekay
NEW YORK TIMES

For weeks, talk show hosts and newspaper columnists across Egypt's government-managed media spoke with one voice: Any Israeli "occupation" of a buffer zone on the Egypt-Gaza Strip border could violate Egypt's sovereignty and national security. That would deal a further blow to a relationship that Israel's offensive had already pushed to its lowest point in decades.

But when Israel's military said last week that it had taken "tactical control" of the zone, known as the Philadelphi Corridor, the same government mouthpieces were quick to say that the area had nothing to do with Egypt. Sovereignty went unmentioned.

It was the latest indication that for all the hard feelings and security fears provoked by Israel's devastating campaign in Gaza, Cairo sees little choice but to protect its 1979 peace treaty with Israel. The accord has generated valuable military and intelligence cooperation against Egyptian insurgents and natural gas imports from Israel, as well as a close relationship with the United States and billions of dollars in US aid.

For Israel, too, the "cold peace" with Egypt has been an essential pillar of national security for 45 years. It has given Israel a path to better relations with Arab countries, some of which have normalized their ties, making Israel an increasingly integral part of a regional, anti-Iranian axis. For the same reasons, the United States also considers the treaty, which grew out of the Camp David Accords, crucial to regional stability.

Still, Israel took the risk of upsetting that delicate balance, saying it must control the narrow buffer zone between Gaza and Egypt for its own security. Israel says it needs to destroy dozens of tunnels under the border that have enabled Hamas to smuggle in arms, despite Egypt's avowals that it had stopped the smuggling years ago.

The Israeli military's push into southern Gaza and the city of Rafah raises questions about how far Israel will go in insisting on control over the Philadelphi Corridor, and how much of a continued Israeli presence there Egypt will tolerate.

Hussein Haridy, the former head of Israeli affairs at Egypt's Foreign Ministry, said Israel's occupation of the area, with troops "only meters" from the border, amounted to "a direct threat to Egyptian national security."

Egypt, he added, is deeply suspicious that Israel plans to maintain some degree of control over the border permanently.

"It becomes even more threatening since there's no withdrawal timetable or commitment to withdraw," he said.

Part of the incursion into the south, according to Israeli officials, was to free some of the hostages who were abducted in the Hamas-led Oct. 7 attacks on Israel. On Monday, however, the Israeli military said an additional four hostages were "no longer alive." It identified them as Haim Perry, Yoram Metzger, Amiram Cooper, and Nadav Popplewell.

Rear Admiral Daniel Hagari, the Israeli military spokesperson, said at a news briefing that the men were believed to have been killed together "several months ago" near Khan Younis, in the southern Gaza Strip, while Israeli forces were operating in the area.

Hagari said the decision to announce the hostages' deaths Monday was based on "additional intelligence," adding that he knew "difficult questions" would arise about the circumstances of their deaths.

Daily Briefing

Brexit champion Farage getting back in the game

LONDON — Nigel Farage, the pro-Brexit campaigner and serial disrupter of British politics, announced plans Monday to run as a candidate in Britain's general election next month, dealing a new setback to the prospects of embattled Prime Minister Rishi Sunak.

The surprise announcement from Farage, who represents an insurgent hard-right movement that campaigns to curb immigration, threatens to upend the campaign by taking votes from Britain's governing Conservative Party. In doing so, he could make it even harder for Sunak and his party to narrow a double-digit gap in the polls with the opposition Labour Party.

Divisive, charismatic, and famed for his communication skills, Farage was one of the architects of Brexit, which a majority of Britons supported in a 2016 referendum. An earlier decision by Farage not to run this year was thought by some analysts to have sapped momentum from his party, Reform UK, the successor to the Brexit Party he once led.

Farage said last month he would not seek a parliamentary seat because he wanted to prioritize supporting Donald Trump's electoral campaign in the United States. Farage is a longtime ally of the former president and campaigned for him in 2016 and 2020.

But on Monday, Farage reversed his decision, saying he would take over as leader of Reform UK for the next five years and run for a seat in Parliament.

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CULTIVATING A GRIEVANCE — French farmers blocked a highway in the Pyrenees between Spain and France on Monday. The protest was part of an effort by farmers in parts of Europe to influence upcoming elections for European parliament and to press for lower energy prices.

Pakistan's ex-leader acquitted of leaking state secrets, remains in prison

ISLAMABAD — A Pakistani appeals court on Monday acquitted former prime minister Imran Khan of leaking state secrets, his lawyer said, though the popular opposition leader will remain behind bars as he serves several prison terms and awaits a slew of cases pending against him.

Khan was convicted in January of treason and sentenced to 10 years over an incident, popularly known as the cipher case, in which he was accused of exposing state secrets by waving a confidential document at a protest rally.

The government has not made the document public, but it is believed to be diplomatic correspondence between the Pakistani ambassador to Washington and the Foreign Ministry in Islamabad.

Khan claimed the document was proof he was being threatened and that his ouster in a no-confidence vote in April 2022 was a US conspiracy, allegedly executed by the military and the government in Pakistan. American and Pakistani officials have denied the claim.

Khan, a former cricket star turned Islamist politician who served as prime minister from 2018 until his ouster, remains a popular opposition figure.

The Islamabad High Court did not elaborate on the acquittal. Its order calls for the January judgment to be set aside.

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Unions bring Nigeria to standstill

GOMBE, Nigeria — Africa's most populous country ground to a halt Monday, with electricity cut and major airports closed, as Nigeria's largest labor unions began striking to demand a salary increase amid the worst cost-of-living crisis in decades.

President Bola Tinubu's economic reforms — including ending fuel subsidies — have resulted in surging inflation that is at a 28-year record high.

In this latest strike, the fourth since Tinubu came to power a year ago, workers shut down the national electricity grid and drove away operators at a key transmission station, the Transmission Company of Nigeria said, adding that other workers sent to restore power were blocked.

Elsewhere, government workers either failed to show up or shut down entrances to offices, including at airports in the capital of Abuja and the economic hub of Lagos. Hundreds of passengers were stranded after local airlines suspended flight operations.

"We demand a living wage," the Nigerian Labour Congress said on X, describing what they currently earn as "starvation wage."

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A gateman sat outside the Federal High Court of Nigeria in Abuja Monday after unions began an indefinite strike.

In former Soviet states, a tug of war between East and West

Many pushed to choose sides amid war in Ukraine

By Andrew Higgins
NEW YORK TIMES

In Georgia, protesters waving European Union flags have rallied against what they see as their pro-Russia leaders. Moldova's government is pushing to join the Western bloc, enraging citizens hoping for closer relations with Russia. Armenia, too, has reached out to Europe, angered that Russia, a longtime ally, is courting its enemy, Azerbaijan.

Fueled in part by the Ukraine war, tensions have been mounting within some of the former lands of the Soviet Union, pitting those favoring closer relations with Russia against those orientated more toward Europe.

Many of those tensions predate the war, rooted in longstanding domestic struggles over power, money, and other issues, but they have been amplified by geopolitics, with both Russia and the West pushing countries to choose a side.

Across the former Soviet Union "the whole context is now shaped by how the Ukraine war has radicalized competition between Russia and the West," said Gerard Toal, author of "Near Abroad," a study of Russia's relations with former Soviet territories.

Fearful of losing influence, Moscow has issued blunt warnings to countries such as Georgia and Moldova: Remember what happened in Ukraine. Without threatening to invade either country, it has pointed to the tumult and bloodshed that followed Ukraine's tilt toward the West after a popular revolt in 2014 ousted its pro-Russian president.

Russia is also hoping that recent successes on the battlefield in eastern Ukraine can help reverse the many setbacks it suffered earlier in the war to its prestige and influence.

"Russian information campaigns have been fueling this idea that closer alignment with the West threatens a war that only Russia can win," said Nicu Popescu, the former foreign minister of Moldova. "Everything depends on Ukraine."

With the war's outcome looking increasingly uncertain, "Russia is enjoying the West's discomfort," said Thomas de Waal, an expert on the former Soviet Union with Carnegie Europe, a research group.

Russia has much ground to regain, and some of its losses may be irreversible.

Distracted by the war and determined to expand relations with Azerbaijan, a rising energy power, Moscow last year alienated one of its closest allies, Armenia, by ordering Russian peacekeepers to stand aside when Azeri troops took over Nagorno-Karabakh, a disputed mountain enclave. Armenia later said it was considering applying to join the European Union and leaving a Moscow-led security pact.

Moldova has ramped up its efforts to join the European Union, which in 2022 granted it candidate status. Last week, Secretary of State Antony Blinken visited Moldova to show US support for Ukraine and neighbors that could potentially be at risk.

But even in Georgia — which was invaded by Russia in 2008, lost 20 percent of its territory to Moscow-backed separatists and harbors deep anti-Russian sentiments — a substantial minority still wants to improve at least economic ties with Russia.

"This is not because they like Russia but because they are afraid of Russia," said Koba Turmanidze, director of the Caucasus Research Resource Center, a research group in Tbilisi, the Georgian capital.

The Georgian government, though officially striving to join the European Union, a goal widely supported by the population, has used fear of Russian retaliation to justify its refusal to join European sanctions against Moscow.

Maintaining influence over former Soviet lands has been a goal of Moscow since the early 1990s but was given new emphasis in a revised "foreign policy concept" signed by Russian President Vladimir Putin last year.

The document committed Russia to preventing "color revolutions," Moscow's term for popular uprisings "and other attempts to interfere in the internal affairs of Russia's allies and partners" and "preventing and countering unfriendly action of foreign states."

Casting recent street protests in Georgia as a replay of what, in Moscow's view, was a CIA-orchestrated coup in 2014 in Ukraine, the Russian Foreign Ministry warned last week that the demonstrations in Tbilisi were "just like what happened in Ukraine."

And "look how the situation is developing in Moldova," the ministry's spokesperson, Maria Zakharova, added, referring to tensions there before an October referendum on joining the European Union. Opinion is divided in Moldova between those who favor closer integration with Europe and those looking to Russia.

In reverse of the usual flow, Canada taps US energy

Hydroelectric dams strained by dry weather

By Ivan Penn
NEW YORK TIMES

RADISSON, Quebec — In February, the United States did something that it had not done in many years — the country sent more electricity to Canada than it received from its northern neighbor. Then, in March, US electricity exports to Canada climbed even more, reaching their highest level since at least 2010.

The increasing flow of power north is part of a worrying trend for North America: Demand for energy is growing robustly everywhere, but the supply of power — in Canada's case from giant hydroelectric dams — and the ability to get the energy to where it's needed are increasingly under strain.

Many energy experts say Canadian hydroelectric plants, which have had to reduce electricity production because of a recent drop in rain and snow, will eventually bounce back. But some industry executives are worried that climate change, which has already been linked to the explosive wildfires in Canada last year, could make it harder to predict when rain and snowfall will return to normal.

"We've all got to be humble in the face of more extreme weather," said Chris O'Riley, CEO of the British Columbia Hydro and Power Authority, which operates hydroelectric dams in western Canada.

The United States and Canada have long relied on each other because power use tends to peak north of the border during the winter, when Canadians use electric heaters, and south of the border in the summer, during air-conditioning season.

The abundance of Canada's hydroelectric power has been a cornerstone of the trade, providing relatively low-cost renewable energy to California, Oregon, Washington state, New York state, and New England.

But the supply-and-demand equation for energy is changing. Demand for electricity in many states has been climbing sharply in summer and winter. Some experts predict that winter electricity demand in the United States could eclipse summer demand by 2050.

At the same time, utilities are increasingly reliant on intermittent resources such as solar and wind power. Large hydroelectric plants, once considered a stable source of electricity, have struggled with low reservoirs in California, around Hoover Dam, and recently in Canada.

"We are facing real changes in the weather, and we're finding out in real time how that's going to affect hydroelectric operations, pretty much across North America," said Robert McCullough of McCullough Research, a firm based in Portland, Ore., who has been a consultant for corporate customers of Canadian utilities since the 1980s.

In addition, electricity use is expected to climb as people and businesses turn to electric heat pumps, electric cars, and industrial equipment to replace devices that burn oil, natural gas, and coal. Demand is also growing because of data centers.

One solution is to build more power lines, something the Biden administration and some states are working on. But energy experts say the United States also ought to add more such connections to Canada. That would allow, for example, solar farms in California to supply Canada when its dams don't have enough water and for Canadian utilities to send more power south when they have an abundance.

"Most models suggest that a more interconnected grid is a better grid," said Shelley Welton, a presidential distinguished professor at the University of Pennsylvania who helped write a recent report on electric grid reliability and governance. "I do think there is power in being interconnected across North America. We need scenario planning. We need long-term planning."



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The power station below the upper dam of the Bull Run watershed east of Portland, Ore., on April 22.

Set among the pine and spruce trees of northern Quebec, the Robert-Bourassa hydroelectric dam represents the promises and challenges inherent in harnessing renewable energy.

The plant's operator, Hydro-Québec, a utility owned by the Canadian province, built the power plant on a bank of La Grande River as part of a network of stations that can produce more than twice as much electricity as the largest US power plant — the Grand Coulee Dam on the Columbia River in Washington state.

The La Grande complex has helped Hydro-Québec become a leading supplier to New York state and New England. But less snow than normal has forced Hydro-Québec and other Canadian utilities to import more power from the United States in recent months.

"It looks like conditions are abnormally dry," said Gilbert Bennett, president of Water Power Canada, a nonprofit that represents the hydropower industry. "The year-to-year variations are becoming large."

Hydro-Québec executives say they expect the dry spell to end soon, citing similar stretches in 2004 and 2014.

Serge Abergel, chief operating officer for Hydro-Québec Energy Services, said Canada's greater reliance on the United States had been a temporary way for hydro plants to save their water. He added that as both countries modernized and expanded their grids with more renewable and efficient resources, they would be able to complement each other.

"The transition is also creating opportunities," Abergel said during a recent tour of the Robert-Bourassa dam. "You optimize these resources."

In general, the United States would prefer to import more power from Canada because it's much cheaper. Hydro-Québec's residential customers pay about $50 for 1,000 kilowatt-hours of energy, Abergel said, compared with $236 in New York state and $276 on average in New England.

The company's costs are low because its hydro plants were built and paid off long ago. But bringing that affordable power south is expensive — Canadian hydro energy costs homeowners in Massachusetts twice as much as it does residents of Quebec, according to an analysis by McCullough Research.

Hydro-Québec has been building more power lines.

"If you want to transition quickly, you need more transmission," Abergel said. But "we're not incentivizing someone to come up with solutions," he added. "We're doing things piecemeal."

Hong Kong artist detained on eve of Tiananmen Square massacre anniversary

Annual vigil has been curtailed by 2020 security law

By Kanis Leung
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HONG KONG — Hong Kong police briefly detained a performance artist on the eve of the 35th anniversary of China's Tiananmen Square crackdown, underlining the city's shrinking freedom of expression.

Police on Monday took away Sanmu Chen on a street of Causeway Bay, a busy Hong Kong shopping district, close to a park that for decades hosted an annual vigil to mourn the victims of the 1989 crackdown. Before officers approached Chen, he mimed the action of drinking in front of a police van. He also appeared to be drawing or writing something in the air.

Police later said that officers took Chen to a police station because they found him causing chaos at the scene. After an investigation, Chen was released unconditionally, police said.

On the same day last year, Chen was also detained by police around the same area after chanting: "Hong Kongers, do not be afraid. Don't forget tomorrow is June 4."

For decades, the vigil in Hong Kong's Victoria Park drew thousands of people each June 4 to remember the crackdown, during which government troops opened fire on student-led prodemocracy protesters, resulting in hundreds, if not thousands, dead.

But the vigil has vanished under the shadow of a national security law imposed by Beijing in 2020. Critics say its disappearance has illustrated that the freedoms promised to be kept intact in Hong Kong for 50 years when the former British colony returned to Chinese rule in 1997 have been drastically eroded.

After the enactment of the law, the group that organized the vigil disbanded. Three of its former leaders, including activist Chow Hang-tung, were charged with subversion under the sweeping law. Tiananmen-related statues were removed from universities.

Like last year, Victoria Park on Tuesday will host a carnival by pro-Beijing groups.



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Hong Kong police officers detained performance artist Sanmu Chen in the city's Causeway Bay area on the eve of the 35th anniversary of China's crackdown on prodemocracy activists.

Beijing and Hong Kong governments have insisted that the law helped bring back stability to the city following huge anti-government protests in 2019.

Earlier on Monday, police arrested an eighth person on suspicion of alleged sedition over their posting of social media content about commemorating the Tiananmen crackdown under a new, home-grown national security law. Among the suspects in the case is activist Chow, who is now being held in custody.

Several of the city's prodemocracy activists told The Associated Press that police have inquired about their plans for Tuesday. At least one activist, who spoke on the condition of anonymity due to concerns of government retribution, said they were asked not to go to "sensitive places."

On Sunday, a Christian newspaper, which typically publishes content related to the event ahead of its anniversary, left its front page mostly blank in its latest issue. It said it responded to the current situation by turning words into blank squares and white space.

Last week, Hong Kong's Roman Catholic cardinal, Stephen Chow, wrote an article that subtly referenced the anniversary of the crackdown, calling for forgiveness, which he said could make "reconciliation and healing" possible.

Chow said that the event 35 years ago still remained a sore spot and needed to be handled properly, but that his faith compelled him to forgive anyone and anything.

"Perhaps it is through forgiveness that all parties can escape the finger-pointing and the painful mindset of 'I will never forgive,'" he wrote.

Ark. redistricting case sent back to 3-judge panel

The Supreme Court on Monday sent a lawsuit challenging Arkansas' 2021 US House map back to a three-judge panel, ordering it to review the suit in light of the high court's decision against similar claims of bias in a redistricting case from South Carolina.

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The ruling is a setback for the lawsuit that challenges the way the majority-Republican Legislature redrew the lines for a Little Rock-area congressional district. A three-judge panel last year dismissed the suit, which claimed the redrawn map violated the US Constitution and the Voting Rights Act by moving thousands of predominantly Black voters out of the Second District in central Arkansas.

Residents of the district who sued over the map had appealed the panel's decision to the Supreme Court.

The high court last month preserved a Republican-held South Carolina congressional district, rejecting a lower-court ruling that said the district discriminated against Black voters.

The South Carolina ruling prompted a dissent from liberal justices that the court was insulating states from claims of unconstitutional racial gerrymandering.

"There's no question that it does present challenges," said Richard Mays, who represented district residents challenging the Arkansas map. "It's a question of whether the Legislature acted with racial intent or with the intent to fortify their position politically in Congress. It could be both."

Tim Griffin, Arkansas' Republican attorney general, called Monday's decision a procedural move that will require the lower court to apply the South Carolina decision.

"That decision won't change the result here; plaintiffs' claims still fail as a matter of law and will be thrown out yet again," Griffin said.

The lawsuit claimed the redrawn map violated the US Constitution and the Voting Rights Act by moving thousands of predominantly Black voters out of the Second District.

Those voters were split between the state's First and Fourth congressional districts.

None of the state's four congressional districts are majority Black, and the state has never elected a Black person to Congress.

About 15 percent of Arkansas' population is Black.

Another lawsuit challenging the redrawing of the district is pending in lower court and is scheduled to go to trial in March.

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BACK TO WORK — President Biden boarded Air Force One at Delaware Air National Guard Base on Monday.

Texas representative is treated for cancer

WASHINGTON — Representative Sheila Jackson Lee said Sunday she has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer but plans to continue her work in Congress as she undergoes treatment.

Jackson Lee, who at 74 has served nearly three decades in the House, said in a statement that she was undergoing a treatment plan mapped out by her team of doctors. The Texas Democrat added that "the road ahead will not be easy" and would probably lead to occasional absences.

The announcement comes as attendance in the House of Representatives has received more attention than in previous years because of the historically slim majority that Republicans hold over Democrats: They now hold 217 seats to Democrats' 213. Both parties have stressed the importance of full attendance to do their best to drive their legislative agendas.

In February, a Republican attempt to impeach Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas was defeated by a single vote when Representative Al Green, another Texas Democrat, surprised his colleagues with a dramatic arrival on the House floor in a hospital gown to cast the crucial vote. The impeachment charges later passed by a single vote when another ailing member, Representative Steve Scalise, a Louisiana Republican and the House majority leader, returned to Washington after receiving treatment for blood cancer.

Though pancreatic cancer is considered relatively rare, it has recently gained renewed attention after several high-profile people have been diagnosed and succumbed to the disease. They include Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg; Representative John Lewis, the Georgia Democrat and civil rights leader; and Apple co-founder Steve Jobs.

Treatment options for the disease can vary, and include surgical interventions, radiation therapy, or chemotherapy. Often doctors will use a combination of treatments depending on the patient's overall health and age. Jackson Lee did not disclose any information about her treatment plan but asked for supporters to keep her and her family in their prayers.

"By God's grace, I will be back at full strength soon," she wrote.

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Menendez says he will run as an independent

Senator Bob Menendez, a New Jersey Democrat who is on trial on federal bribery charges in New York, has filed to run as an independent candidate for reelection.

Menendez, 70, had said this year that he would not seek the Democratic nomination to pursue a fourth term, and on Monday he filed paperwork with the state to launch an independent bid on the ballot. He had previously said an independent run for office was possible.

Asked on his way into court Monday if he's changing political parties, Menendez said in Spanish, "no, independent doesn't mean I'm changing."

Later Monday, Menendez told reporters who asked him about his run that he'd done a lot for the state of New Jersey, particularly during the pandemic and after Superstorm Sandy.

Menendez listed his party in documents filed with the state as "Menendez for Senate."

The political stakes are high, given the Democrats' narrow control in the Senate, where New Jersey is normally safely in Democratic hands. It's unclear how much support Menendez could siphon from Representative Andy Kim, who is in a favorable position to win the Democratic primary, which ends Tuesday. The GOP hasn't won a US Senate election in the state since 1972.

Kim, a three-term congressman from the Third District, said Menendez was running for himself, not the public.

"Americans are fed up with politicians putting their own personal benefit ahead of what's right for the country," Kim said.

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Black D-Day veteran finally being posthumously honored

'Heroic' Army medic saved dozens of lives

By Rebecca Santana
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Maryland Senator Chris Van Hollen (center) during a medal ceremony for Corporal Waverly B. Woodson Jr. last fall.

WASHINGTON — Waverly Woodson Jr., a medic who was part of the only Black combat unit to take part in the D-Day invasion of France during World War II, is being posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross in recognition of the heroism and determination he showed treating troops under heavy enemy fire.

The Distinguished Service Cross is the second-highest honor that can be bestowed on a member of the Army and is awarded for extraordinary heroism.

The announcement was made Monday by Senator Chris Van Hollen of Maryland, who has been working for years with Woodson's family for more recognition of his exploits on that fateful day.

"This has been a long time coming," Van Hollen said in an interview. "Woodson's bravery on D-Day was heroic. We have numerous accounts of what he did to save his fellow soldiers even as he was wounded."

The announcement comes before the 80th anniversary of the June 6 anniversary of the assault that led to the liberation of France and the rest of Western Europe from Nazi Germany.

Members of the First Army, which included Woodson's unit, is taking a World War II-era Distinguished Service Cross with them to France. They will hold a ceremony on the Colleville-sur-Mer section of the beach, under what was a German fighting position where Woodson cared for troops, and place the medal in the sands there. Later this summer it will be given to his family in a ceremony.

Woodson was 21 when his unit, the 320th Barrage Balloon Battalion, took part in the Allied operation. His battalion was responsible for setting up balloons to deter enemy planes.

At a time when the US military was still segregated by race, about 2,000 Black troops are believed to have taken part in the D-Day invasion.

Woodson died in 2005. He spoke to the Associated Press in 1994 about how his landing craft came under intense fire from the Germans as it approached the beach.

"The tide brought us in, and that's when the 88s hit us," he said of the German 88mm guns. "They were murder. Of our 26 Navy personnel there was only one left. They raked the whole top of the ship and killed all the crew. Then they started with the mortar shells."

Captain Kevin Braafladt, the First Army historian, said Woodson's landing craft was hit by two shells, wounding Woodson. The vessel lost power and was pushed toward the shore by the tide. Woodson likely had to jump in the water to wade ashore.

For the next 30 hours, he treated 200 wounded men, all while under intense small arms and artillery fire before collapsing from his injuries and blood loss, according to accounts of his service. At the time he was awarded the Bronze Star.

Although 1.2 million Black Americans served in the military during World War II, none was among the original recipients of the Medal of Honor awarded in the conflict. The Army commissioned a study in the early 1990s to analyze whether Black troops had been unjustly overlooked during an era of widespread racism in the military. Ultimately, seven Black World War II troops were awarded the Medal of Honor in 1997.

At the time, Woodson was considered for the award and the authors interviewed him. But, they wrote, his decoration case file couldn't be found and his personnel records were destroyed in a 1973 fire at a military records facility. Woodson's supporters believe not just that he is worthy of the Medal of Honor but that there was a recommendation at the time to award it to him that has been lost.

Braafladt said that after the war, the military made a deliberate effort to reduce its massive amounts of paperwork. The fire at a military records facility in Missouri also destroyed countless documents. But Braafladt, who's been working on the Woodson case for roughly four years, said there's no doubt in his mind that Woodson was deserving of the Medal of Honor and that he was recommended for it at the time. It's a matter of finding the documentation, he said.

"For me and for the First Army, the hunt continues," he said.

Van Hollen's office became involved in Woodson's case years ago when Woodson's wife reached out to seek Van Hollen's assistance. "Waverly would have felt honored to be recognized for what he knew was his duty. But we all know it was far more than duty; it was his desire to always help people in need," said Joann Woodson in the announcement from the senator's office.

Woodson's story is being told as part of a National Geographic docuseries called "Erased: WW2's Heroes of Color." The docuseries highlights the stories of people whose contributions were deliberately overlooked.

Biden set to issue order to shut border amid increased crossings

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vided billions in additional funds for deportation capacity and asylum processing, but Republican lawmakers spurned the bill after Trump, now the presumptive Republican nominee, came out against it.

Biden last May implemented measures to penalize the asylum claims of migrants who cross into the United States illegally, but many are released into the United States because border authorities lack the capacity to detain and screen them.

"The big question for me is whether this will come with additional resources," said Kathleen Bush-Joseph, an attorney and analyst at the nonpartisan Migration Policy Institute in Washington. "Without additional dollars to implement this, the same challenges will remain that each of the past asylum restrictions have faced."

Migrants who state a fear of persecution if returned to Mexico will remain eligible under the Convention against Torture and other protections afforded by US law, according to officials with knowledge of Biden's order.

Mexico also places limits on the number of returns it accepts, and it's unclear whether Biden will announce an increased willingness by Mexican authorities to take back migrants from all over the world in significant numbers.

Mexican authorities had long opposed to the return of non-Mexicans, but the two countries have significantly increased their cooperation on immigration enforcement in recent years.

The president has been in a political bind over the border, as the issue has become increasingly important for voters. The surge of migration during his term, which has ebbed and flowed but often surpassed record levels, remains one of his largest political liabilities, according to strategists.

Trump has continuously attacked him for what he has described as "open border" policies and "Biden migrant crime," pledging to enact a sweeping crackdown if he wins the presidency. "Our borders will be closed very soon," Trump said Friday, in remarks during which he railed against immigration and his 34 felony convictions for falsifying business documents in the New York hush money trial against him.

Trump made a similar attempt to cut off migrants' access to US asylum protections, but the measures were blocked in federal court in 2019. Biden's order is expected to be challenged on similar grounds.

"We will need to review the executive order before making litigation decisions, but any policy that effectively shuts off asylum would raise obvious legal problems, just as it did when the Trump administration tried to end asylum," said Lee Gelernt, the ACLU attorney who was lead counsel on many challenges to Trump's policies, in an interview Monday.

US authorities have tallied about 2 million illegal crossings per year along the southern border since 2021, the highest levels ever, and migrants have been arriving in record numbers from China, India, Venezuela, and dozens of other countries. Often guided to the border by criminal organizations in Mexico, the migrants typically surrender to US border agents and express a fear of persecution if returned — the first step in seeking US asylum.



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Migrants who crossed the Rio Grande and entered the United States from Mexico were lined up for processing by Customs and Border agents last September in Eagle Pass, Texas.

Current agreements allow the United States to send up to 30,000 non-Mexicans back across the border each month, but Mexico has generally sought to limit returns to Central Americans and other Spanish-speaking migrants.

Mexican voters elected Claudia Sheinbaum, the country's first female leader, by a landslide margin Sunday in a vote that was widely viewed as a referendum on current President Andrés Manuel López Obrador. Sheinbaum, who will be inaugurated Oct. 1, has vowed to continue López Obrador's cooperation with the United States on migration.

While Biden has increasingly adopted the kind of language embraced by Trump on immigration, he has struggled to find a message that can satisfy the diverse coalition of voters he is courting.

Several progressive lawmakers have criticized Biden for his increasingly tough stance on the border, and pro-immigration activists have accused him of betraying core American ideals to adopt more humane immigration policies after Trump's turbulent term.

Immigration advocates and resettlement officials around Massachusetts condemned Biden's anticipated order, arguing that closing the border could separate families and that the order fails to address the growing need to support those who have already crossed the border.

Jeff Thielman, president of the International Institute of New England, said closing the border is unlikely to make a dent in the massive backlog of immigration cases agencies like his are working through in Massachusetts. He said the anticipated order seemed mostly intended as a political tool "to show that the White House is strong on the border."

"It won't lessen the burden that we're all feeling in the immigration services community to serve the thousands of people in our state," Thielman said.

Pastor Dieufort Fleurissaint, known to Greater Boston's Haitian community as Pastor Keke, said closing the border "would definitely cause a lot more pain" for people waiting in Mexico with the hope of applying for asylum in the United States.

White House officials said Biden will continue to explore various policy options to address the migration challenge.

"While Congressional Republicans chose to stand in the way of additional border enforcement, President Biden will not stop fighting to deliver the resources that border and immigration personnel need to secure our border," said Angelo Fernández Hernández, a White House spokesman, in a statement.

The expected executive order is a signal that the plan of some Democrats to hammer Republicans over the failure of the bipartisan border deal opposed by Trump this year is unlikely to shield them from a barrage of attacks over the issue.

When the bill failed the first time in the Senate, Biden pledged to take the message across the country and blame Trump for encouraging lawmakers to kill the agreement.

While Biden initially pushed that message in campaign speeches, his focus in recent months has shifted toward figuring out how much he can accomplish without Congress.

White House officials have long said Biden cannot unilaterally provide the resources necessary to secure the border, calling on Congress to pass funding and statutory changes that would create a more orderly migration system.

Globe correspondent Daniel Kool contributed to this report.

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Racial disparities in Medicaid, study finds

By Noah Weiland
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Black and Hispanic Americans were twice as likely as white Americans to lose Medicaid last year because of an inability to complete renewal forms during a vast trimming of the program's rolls, according to a study published Monday in the journal JAMA Internal Medicine.

The findings from researchers at the Oregon Health & Science University, Harvard Medical School and Northwestern University are some of the first comprehensive data on race gathered after a pandemic-era policy that allowed Medicaid recipients to keep their coverage without regular eligibility checks ended last year.

More than 22 million low-income people have lost health care coverage at some point since April 2023, when the policy allowing continuous enrollment lapsed. The process of ending that policy was one of the most drastic ruptures in the health safety net in a generation.

Researchers have found that increases in health insurance coverage across racial and ethnic groups from 2019 to 2022 were largely driven by Medicaid.

A provision in a coronavirus relief package passed by Congress in 2020 required states to keep recipients of the joint federal-state health insurance program for the poor continuously enrolled in exchange for additional federal funding.

By early 2023, more than 90 million people were enrolled in Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program, or more than 1 in 4 Americans. That was up from about 70 million people at the start of the coronavirus pandemic. About half of Medicaid enrollees are Black or Hispanic, and around 40 percent are white. As of May, Medicaid enrollment had declined by more than 13 million, including more than 5 million children.

Many of those who lost coverage had incomes that were too high to qualify for Medicaid or had aged out of the program. But about 70 percent of those who lost coverage might have still been eligible and fell out of Medicaid because of bureaucratic reasons, such as failing to return paperwork on time.

In Weymouth, novel plan averts EV charging delay

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circuit the entire effort at a time when scientists say the warming of the planet is accelerating.

In 2021, Massachusetts started a program to subsidize construction of 226 privately owned fast chargers, but almost three years later only 16 were in operation — and 10 of those in a single parking garage in the Seaport. The state is also getting about $60 million for charger installations under the 2021 federal infrastructure law, but hasn't funded a single station yet.

The Weymouth charging station, at 850 Washington Street, uses technology from a West Coast startup called Electric Era. Founded by former SpaceX engineers in 2019, the company argues its gear can be installed in many more locations since it doesn't require high-voltage connections and avoids reliability problems that have plagued much of the EV charging industry so far.

"One of the challenges with putting in charging stations is right now they are crazy consumers of power and the cost of putting in infrastructure is quite significant," said Sam Reineman, Electric Era's chief technology officer. "Basically, we're using batteries to help solve that problem."

The Weymouth station is one of the first in operation for Electric Era and its first in New England.

The battery can be recharged by conventional (single-phase) transformers, which utility National Grid added to a pole across the street. The gray, barrel-shaped transformers, commonly seen hanging off utility poles, are not in short supply, unlike higher-voltage ones required for fast-charging stations without a battery. Stringing a wire across the two-lane state roadway to connect to the charger required installing a new pole and curb alongside the charging station. That meant getting permission from state and town authorities.

But requirements for building permits and other paperwork in Massachusetts are "not horrific compared to some of the other places we've done stuff," said Gary Lavoie, vice president of construction for Ward and Kelcourse's contractor, Inovis Energy. Approvals for building EV stations in New York, Virginia, and Texas were harder, he said.



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Construction proceeded over the winter to install the Electric Era EV charging station at a strip mall in Weymouth.

Ward and Kelcourse did not participate in either of the large government subsidy programs, but did get support from National Grid to cover the cost of electric infrastructure upgrades, and tax credits for locating the station in a low-income "environmental justice" community. The aid covered about half of the roughly $250,000 total construction cost, Ward said.

Most other EV charging-station projects in the state use traditional equipment without batteries, albeit from larger and more established manufacturers.

"The cheapest way to do it is definitely to connect right to the grid at high voltage," said Kenneth Gillingham, a professor of economics at Yale University who has studied the EV transition. "But there are a lot of locations where there are no high-voltage lines around."

The state started accepting applications for its subsidy program in March 2021 and about a year later approved plans for 226 chargers at privately owned sites such as an Applegreen convenience store in Springfield, a Shell gas station in Canton, a Burger King in Bridgewater, and a Pride convenience store in Chicopee.

Recipients got $50,000 per charger, which were supposed to be up and running within two years of signing contracts with the state, but almost none has met the deadline. Developers for about three-dozen chargers have since pulled out of the program, mostly because it turned out a site couldn't get a sufficient power connection from the grid or the sponsors lost interest.

Another 60 chargers have gotten extensions from the state, while 115 chargers are in process, according to data in January from the state Department of Environmental Protection. The agency "is committed to supporting the state's electrification of the transportation sector," spokesman Ed Coletta said in a statement to the Globe. "We are working closely with … grantees to ensure we get charging stations online as quickly as possible."

Global Partners LP, which owns more than 100 gas stations in the state, is one of the few award-winners with an EV charging station in operation. It's in the parking lot of an Xtra-Mart convenience and gas station on Providence Street in Worcester. (Global has another starting construction in Hopkinton and is completing permitting for one in Billerica.)

Global applied under the state program for just four of its locations to test the EV market, said James Cater, its senior director for innovation and sustainability.

The four sites had sufficient parking space, convenient amenities, and — most importantly — access to 480-volt power supply. The state grant program also incentivized placements in low- and moderate-income areas.

Said Cater: "480-volt power doesn't necessarily grow on trees."

Global's experience is typical of EV station developers in the state program facing delays. Drawing up contracts with the state, obtaining permits and permissions, and working with utilities all took time. But the biggest hurdle has been getting the transformers.

"We're still seeing timelines a year to two years, in some cases, for delivery," Cater said. "It's a little disheartening, especially when you're trying to build these things out."

The battery-based approach has not appealed to Global and most other large charging station developers. They're not convinced battery stations are worth the higher cost and are wary of relying on small startups; an Electric Era rival called FreeWire laid off more than 100 workers in May.

A typical DC fast charger costs about $50,000 per port but a battery-powered one can be up to double the cost, according to a 2023 study by the Institute of Transportation Studies at University of California, Davis.

"It sounds great in concept," Cater said. "My initial issue with it is: Does this pay back? And is this more of a hassle because now I have two pieces of technology instead of one?"

Electric Era said upfront costs for its systems are only 20 percent to 50 percent more than conventional systems and are cheaper to install and maintain. Battery systems can also minimize additional utility charges based on the maximum amount of electricity used during a month, known as demand charges. But Massachusetts has sharply reduced demand charges for EV stations.

Kansas-based EV station developer HiON is developing about 20 sites in Massachusetts in parking lots of Burger Kings that are backed by the state's subsidy program. Transformer shortages and utility wait times have delayed the buildout, chief executive Jim Frank said. But adding big batteries or solar panels on site would be too expensive, he said.

"If I did that at every [site] right now, we'd only be putting out a fraction of the ports and we would run through an awful lot of important build capital," Frank said. "The key is that we build out the infrastructure right now with the capability to layer on those technologies when it's time."

As for the federal infrastructure bill, the Massachusetts Department of Transportation recently finalized contracts with three firms, including Global Partners, to build stations along major highways. New stations are not likely to come online for at least a year.

The battery-powered Weymouth station charges 43 cents per kilowatt-hour of power, in line with other fast-charging stations in the area, although a ChargePoint station in Scituate charges 35 cents.

Ward said he is willing to experiment with pricing and hopes to draw more business as EVs become more popular. "I'd love to own a hundred of these," he said.

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911 calls in Cambridge may soon prompt action by social workers

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protests, the CARE team is Cambridge's first real try at an alternative to police in emergencies. As envisioned, it would be among the most ambitious such efforts in Massachusetts, because it would respond to some incidents instead of — rather than with — police. The team's launch has raised thorny questions about when people in crisis actually need the cops, and when a social worker can show up instead.

Cambridge police Commissioner Christine Elow publicly supports the CARE program and said she has met frequently with the team.

Negotiations with the largest local police union have delayed the rollout of the program, as officers say they still have concerns to address before they are ready to hand over some responsibilities to unarmed civilians.

Chris Sullivan, president of the Cambridge Police Patrol Officers Association, which represents roughly 220 sworn officers, said the CARE team "has a place in Cambridge as a supplement to the city's already excellent emergency services," but said it "must first be prepared with proper training and safety protocols, and negotiations must be settled in good faith."

Sullivan added that Cambridge police "provide compassionate assistance" to people in medical or mental health distress more than thousand times a year, and approach the work with "care, compassion, and dedication."

The union representing higher-ranking law enforcement did not respond to a request for comment.

A nonpolice response

Calls for a program like the CARE team gained steam in Cambridge in 2020 amid a push for police reforms and have had wide support in the city. Including, some officials say, from police themselves.

"Most people in the community don't want to criminalize homelessness or mental illness or substance abuse," said Marc McGovern, a Cambridge city councilor and the city's vice mayor. "When your only response is with police officers, it makes that more of a possibility."

McGovern, who is a social worker by trade, pointed to a case in July of 2020, in which a man who was distraught over the sudden death of his mother and was trying to get inside her apartment was restrained in handcuffs. The incident cast a negative light on policing, he said.

It might not have ended that way, McGovern said, if a trained clinician had been brought in to de-escalate.

"That's not something a police officer is going to do," McGovern said. "That's not their job. Their job was to protect the perimeter."

The CARE team's impending launch also comes in the wake of a 2023 incident in which an officer shot and killed college student Arif Sayed Faisal, who was armed with a foot-long knife and was in the midst of a mental health crisis during the fatal encounter with police. A judicial inquest later that year cleared the officer of wrongdoing. This year, an independent review of the department praised its crisis-intervention training for officers, and suggested the department would benefit from having social workers join police on mental health-related calls.

Right now the CARE team members all have extensive backgrounds as social workers and first responders; several have master's degrees. The team hopes to add two more responders, and one more clinician.



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Cambridge police Commissioner Christine Elow publicly supports the CARE program. Above, from left, CARE responders Dimitri Virgile, Matthew Gomes, Jeffrey Alger, and Evelyn Lueders-Booth, a CARE clinician, walked through Central Square doing outreach in May.

When the CARE program is up and running, 911 dispatchers who get calls for certain types of nonviolent incidents — including well-being checks, complaints about loitering, and concerns about people who are in mental health-related distress — will send the CARE team instead of the police.

They can't do so until negotiations between the city and its police unions conclude, said Elizabeth Speakman, the team's director. (So far, the team is only responding to requests to pick up discarded needles, a task previously handled by the Fire Department.)

Still, a tentative plan is taking shape, in which the CARE team would respond to 10 call codes, with some important exceptions.

It would handle many mental health cases, but not for someone who is armed with a weapon, for example. It would also alert family members when a loved one has died, but not if it's part of a homicide investigation. It would respond to loitering, but not trespassing.

"To have a partner that can respond to certain calls will be beneficial on so many levels, including helping us better connect with our most vulnerable," said Elow, the police commissioner, in a statement.

Members of the CARE team see their relationship with police as symbiotic.

"We're trying to get away from, like, 'us or them,'" said Jeffrey Alger, who before joining the team was an EMT in Cambridge. "It could be a cop that's calling us for the mental health portion of a call."

CARE team members will coordinate with police during responses, and carry city-issued radios with emergency buttons that can summon officers if they're in danger, Speakman said.

"The intent throughout has not been to replace the police or eliminate the police," she said. "I don't believe communities have to make a choice between police or mental health clinicians. It's really about figuring out what is the challenge the person's having, and how do you make sure you're providing the right response for them."

Novel autonomy proposed brings some doubts

Few other cities' alternative responder programs work as independently as the CARE team plans to.

"This is at the cutting edge," said June Binney, a Massachusetts advocate for better mental health practices in policing. "We've asked way too much of our first responders, and haven't asked enough of our mental health and substance use provider systems to really respond to the needs of people who are in crisis."

Some experts who work with police have shared doubts about initiatives like it, because 911 calls can be unpredictable.

"By definition it's a chaotic, very stressful, very fluid situation," said Eric Piza, a Northeastern criminology professor. "It could be really difficult for callers to communicate the information necessary for the dispatcher to accurately identify mental health calls."

Speakman, though, said research shows alternative responder programs in other cities almost never need backup. And for now, she hopes that maximizing face time with vulnerable community members will make calls safer down the line.

Limited scope of work, at least for now

Last month, at a Mass. Ave. bus stop where a small group of people were sipping from liquor bottles, a man stood up, lost his footing, and tumbled onto the sidewalk.

Alger and fellow CARE team member Dimitri Virgile, who also has a background as an EMT, rushed to his side.

He appeared dazed, and may have been injured. Virgile flagged another team member: "Call 911."

A few minutes later, he was loaded into an ambulance.

In time, the CARE team may follow up. "If I do see him again, we can chat. If he wants to talk with me, he can," Alger said.

But at that moment, there was nothing else for them to do.

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What friends of Israel and the Palestinians should be demanding now



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ABOVE: A Palestinian man mourned his relative, killed by an Israeli army strike the previous night, in the central Gaza Strip on June 3.



AMIR LEVY/GETTY IMAGES

LEFT: Protesters called for a hostages deal with Hamas and against Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel on June 1 in Tel Aviv.

Almost by the day, Israel becomes more isolated on the international stage.

In the past couple of weeks, the International Criminal Court called for the arrest of Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the top leaders of Hamas on charges of war crimes; the International Court of Justice ordered Israel to stop its assault on Rafah in southern Gaza; and three European nations recognized a Palestinian state, in defiance of Israeli wishes. For good measure, Turkey suspended trade and Colombia cut diplomatic ties with Israel.

All that happened before an Israeli bomb — apparently provided by the United States — touched off fires that killed dozens of displaced Palestinians in an encampment in Rafah, escalating condemnation of Israel and calls for a cease-fire, even by some of its allies, including President Emmanuel Macron of France. All told, more than 35,000 Palestinians, most of them noncombatants, have died since Israel invaded Gaza in the aftermath of Hamas's massacre of 1,200 Israelis and its taking of about 250 hostages on Oct. 7, 2023.

> Consider the words of a devoted supporter of Israel, Senate majority leader Chuck Schumer, the most powerful Jewish elected official in American history.

For some, it might seem easy to dismiss such condemnation as noise from predictably anti-Israeli corners of the United Nations, US college campuses, and the progressive wing of the Democratic Party. But that would be a mistake.

Polls indicate that support for Israel in the United States, its oldest and most important ally, has been declining since the Israel-Hamas war began. Yes, that decline is led by growing disillusionment among Americans under 30, a third of whom now say they sympathize more with Palestinians than Israelis. But a Gallup poll earlier this year also found a steep decline in support for Israel among independent voters. Another Gallup poll a few weeks later found that a substantial majority of Americans disapproved of Israel's military operations in Gaza. And though support for Israel's Gaza invasion has dropped the most among Democrats and independents, it has declined among Republicans as well.

On Friday, President Biden took a step in the right direction by calling for a permanent cease-fire and endorsing a three-step Israeli plan that would exchange the hostages held by Hamas for Palestinian prisoners in Israel's custody. "It's time for this war to end, for the day after to begin," Biden said in publicly outlining the Israeli plan for the first time. Though the plan does not deal with governance and reconstruction of post-war Gaza, this page believes both sides should move urgently to implement it as a vital first step.

Already, though, the pushback against it is underway. Over the weekend, Netanyahu, under pressure from archconservatives in his Cabinet, seemed to back away from his government's own proposal. At the same time, while Hamas said positive things about the plan last week, it has also rejected versions of it in the past. Welcome to the world of Middle East peace talks.

In the United States, critics of the president are likely to assert that in pushing for a permanent cease-fire before the Rafah offensive — which Israel says is essential to dismantle Hamas — is complete, Biden is caving to his party's progressive wing. But the left isn't alone in pushing for peace. Consider the words of a devoted supporter of Israel, Senate majority leader Chuck Schumer, the most powerful Jewish elected official in American history.

In a deeply personal speech in March that seems to have been largely forgotten, Schumer, a Democrat from New York, said his love of Israel could not prevent him from stating "the plain truth": that "Palestinian civilians do not deserve to suffer for the sins of Hamas, and Israel has a moral obligation to do better. The United States has an obligation to do better."

Schumer then outlined a path to long-term peace, with the ultimate goal of establishing two independent states, side-by-side: one Jewish and one Palestinian. To get there, he cited four main obstacles: Hamas, with its ruthless stranglehold over Gaza; Mahmoud Abbas, the aged and widely discredited leader of the Palestinian Authority in the West Bank; the "radical" right-wing faction leading the current Israeli government; and Netanyahu himself, whom Schumer said "has lost his way by allowing his political survival to take precedence over the best interests of Israel." Perhaps most controversially, Schumer called for new elections that he said could hopefully replace Netanyahu.

This editorial board, which has called on Netanyahu to step down, endorses the broad strokes of Schumer's speech. He is right that Israel, under the leadership of Netanyahu's right-wing government, is not just angering its traditional critics but also alienating some of its long-time supporters, turning itself into "a pariah opposed by the rest of the world," as Schumer put it.

And he is correct in calling for Palestinians to reject their most militant, violent, and corrupt leaders, starting with Hamas. Though it retains some legitimacy in Gaza, Hamas has not just terrorized Israel with its attacks on citizens; it has ruled Gaza with an iron fist as well. It has also hoarded fuel and food that might have reduced the suffering of civilians. And it has all but dared Israel to attack civilian targets by hiding bunkers, weapons, and rocket launchers near schools and hospitals.

To be sure, history has proven over and over again that there is only so much the US government can do to bring peace to the Middle East. But it can surely do more than it is doing now, as Schumer suggested. In this effort, there is also a role for Americans who care about lasting peace in the region, including Jewish and Palestinian Americans.

Both sides may understandably feel it is not their role to try to influence events in the Middle East, nor to explain or defend the actions of Jewish or Palestinian leaders there. But it may be too late for such demurrals. American campuses have been roiled for months by pro-Palestinian protests. American tax dollars are paying for weapons that Israel is using to kill Palestinians. The Democratic Party is being riven by differences over the war on the eve of a hugely consequential presidential election. And the Republican Party is doing its partisan best to drive that wedge deeper.

The conflict has indeed reached American soil.

It would be reasonable, then, for Jewish and Palestinian Americans to find common ground and take a stand for lasting peace, real peace, achieved through a cessation of military operations, the return of Israeli hostages, a meaningful plan for post-war Gaza, and the commencement of negotiations toward two states.

It would also be reasonable for Jews who care about Israel's future to call for new elections. And it would be equally reasonable for Palestinian Americans who long for an independent state to condemn Hamas, call for Hamas leaders to return all of the hostages, and push for new leadership in the West Bank and Gaza.

"It is true that the work must be done over there," said Edward Djerejian, a former US ambassador to Israel who is a senior fellow at the Harvard Kennedy School's Belfer Center. "But the diaspora have influence greater than they realize. They can push for new elections in Israel, and for a new leadership for the Palestinians. And they can push the US to play the role it has played in the past, forcefully pressing for a two-state solution."

Before his death in 2018, the Israeli writer Amos Oz was a leading proponent of creating an independent Palestinian state that could coexist peacefully alongside Israel. He criticized both sides but acknowledged the truth of their claims, too. He understood that winning peace was always hard — harder than fighting wars. But he reminded us over and over again that difficulty was not a reason to give up.

"The conflict between Israel and Palestine is, I have always insisted, a tragic collision between right and right, between two very convincing claims," Oz said in a 1992 speech collected in his book, "Israel, Palestine and Peace: Essays." "Such a tragedy can either be resolved by total destruction of one of the parties (or both of them), or else it can be resolved through a sad, painful, inconsistent compromise in which everyone gets only some of what they want, so that nobody is entirely happy but everyone stops dying and starts living."

In other words: We can allow the finger-pointing and circular debates over moral equivalence to continue endlessly or we can demand compromise so that the dying can stop and the living can begin. There is a choice.

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The no-confidence fallout from the arrests of UMass Amherst protesters

On May 7, about 134 people were arrested at the University of Massachusetts Amherst after pro-Palestinian protesters refused to take down an encampment they had set up on campus. Calling for police intervention "was the hardest thing I have ever had to decide," Chancellor Javier Reyes said in an interview.

That hard decision, which Reyes said he made out of concern for public safety, led to consequences not only for the protesters but for him, too: Faculty and librarians voted, 473 to 332, to adopt a resolution of no confidence in his leadership. And while such votes have no inherent power, as a recent article in the Chronicle of Higher Education points out, "they have in the past put presidencies on the ropes." The student government association took a similar vote of no confidence in Reyes.

UMass President Marty Meehan and UMass Board of Trustees chair Stephen Karam both issued statements of support for him. But with those no-confidence votes, Reyes — who was formally inaugurated on April 26 and is the first Hispanic to serve as chancellor of the university's flagship campus — becomes yet another casualty in the battle over the line between free speech and public safety, specifically in connection with campus protests connected to the Israel-Hamas war. It's certainly fair to ask Reyes to explain his decision-making. But how much confidence should the public have in a faculty no-confidence vote that came about during a chaotic meeting, conducted in person and on Zoom and hampered by technical difficulties, according to a report in the Massachusetts Daily Collegian?

Those in support of the vote said campus protests in the past that used similar encampment strategies did not encounter police force. Asked about that, a university spokesperson said that one encampment protesting a housing shortage on campus during the tenure of the previous chancellor voluntarily disbanded after one night. As for a statement made at the faculty meeting about encampments from decades ago, perhaps related to anti-apartheid demonstrations, "No one presently in leadership has any firsthand recollection of those," the spokesperson said.

According to UMass-issued guidelines, "the university reserves the right to limit events that pose a danger or disrupt campus activities." Blocking access to campus facilities or activities and restricting free movement of others is not allowed. According to the university's land-use policy, no structure can be erected on the campus without specific approval in advance from the administration.

University leaders say they tried unsuccessfully to engage protesters in meaningful negotiation. That, they said, was a change from an encampment that went up on April 29 and voluntarily came down the next morning as a result of what Jeff Hescock, the director of environmental health and safety and emergency management at UMass, described as "good, respectful dialogue."

According to Hescock, nothing like that happened on May 7, when protesters started unloading wooden pallets on the South Lawn around noon. They were notified twice that afternoon that they were not approved to use the space and were asked to take down a wooden barrier being constructed with the pallets. At one point, the demonstrators were told that the board of trustees had agreed to consider a petition calling for divestment from defense-related firms at its next board meeting. However, demonstrators said the 20 to 30 tents that were set up were not coming down.

At 4:30 p.m., demonstrators met with Reyes and other administrators in Draper Hall, but the meeting concluded without an agreement to dismantle the encampment. At 6:45 p.m., a final warning notice was read to demonstrators. According to a university timeline, police arrived at the encampment at 7:10 p.m. and, according to a scripted statement, said "if the structures come down … we leave and no one has to get arrested… all that we want is for the structures to go away." At 7:39 p.m. university and law enforcement partners began arresting demonstrators who refused to disperse.

Hescock said the difference in tone from the previous encampment was "like day and night." Protesters would not listen to him and their tone was hostile and vulgarities were used — which, of course, is not a reason to call the cops. The decision to do so turned on what he said were safety concerns arising from the wooden pallets, which created a "fortified encampment." He attributed the difference in attitude to the presence of many protesters with no university affiliation. Those arrested were charged with trespassing and failure to disperse a riot, with pretrial hearings scheduled for mid-July. Students are also subject to the Student Code of Conduct.



JOHN TLUMACKI/GLOBE STAFF

Two UMass Amherst students stood and turned their backs on Chancellor Javier Reyes as he spoke at commencement on May 18.

The university has put out an official account of what happened, and like any official account, it deserves scrutiny. The ACLU of Massachusetts, which expressed concern about the police intervention, has made a public records request seeking more information about the timeline and decision-making. UMass should comply. As a public institution, UMass falls under the First Amendment. While it can set reasonable time, place, and manner restrictions on speech, they must be applied in a way that doesn't discriminate based on viewpoint.

Reyes stands by his decision, which he said he made "to maintain the safety of the campus." Looking back at it, he said he could have done a better job communicating the factors that led up to it. He met with protest representatives but did not go to the encampment. Could that have made a difference? He said he's disappointed in the vote of no confidence and the polarized campus it represents and knows he has to work to reestablish trust. "I have all the confidence in the world we can join hands again," he said.

For that kind of confidence vote, both sides will have to reach out.

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Mexico elected its first female president. Here's what you need to know about her.

Here's a little historical nugget that goes ignored most of the time: Mexico elected its first Black president long before the United States did — 180 years before, to be exact.

On Sunday, Mexico again beat the United States to a major presidential milestone by electing the country's first female president. Claudia Sheinbaum, a left-wing climate scientist of Jewish heritage and a former mayor of Mexico City, won the election by a landslide margin of 30 points, according to preliminary data. The candidate of the ruling Morena party, Sheinbaum defeated her female opponent, Xóchitl Gálvez, with nearly 60 percent of the vote.

Sheinbaum's victory is a decisive shattering of the ultimate glass ceiling. Hers is a win for women's rights and equality in a country besieged by high levels of violence against women and a society dominated by a strong patriarchal culture.

At the same time, Sheinbaum's elevation is not all that it seems.

When she takes office on Oct. 1, she will do so under the full weight and shadow of her populist predecessor, President Andrés Manuel López Obrador. AMLO, as he is colloquially known, is Sheinbaum's political mentor and the founder of the left-leaning Morena, an acronym of the National Regeneration Movement party.

AMLO has led the country on what analysts have called "toxic populist politics" and "a disregard for democratic norms." AMLO, by and large, has not delivered the transformation he promised when he was elected six years ago. He has stayed incredibly popular through social programs like issuing cash transfers to the poor and elderly, and by increasing the minimum wage. But Sheinbaum is inheriting the largest fiscal deficit in more than 40 years. Public insecurity is rampant — 10 women are killed every day on average — and impunity reigns: Less than 1 percent of crimes are punished in Mexico. AMLO has also overseen a growing militarization of the country, shifting resources and assigning more jobs to the military branches.

Many political observers assume Sheinbaum will continue on the course set by AMLO, and there are already concerning signs that she will stay aligned with AMLO's policies and style of politics. For instance, during the campaign, Sheinbaum famously didn't commit to accepting the results of the election. She supports the completion of the Mayan Train, a mega project that has been severely criticized for the environmental destruction it has caused. She also supports the growing role of the Mexican military.

> Will Claudia Sheinbaum govern as an ideologue of the National Regeneration Movement party or as the pragmatist scientist people close to her say she is?

Given that context, Sheinbaum doesn't seem very progressive.

One can celebrate the first Mexican female president as a milestone while also raising questions about Sheinbaum's own progressive credentials. Sheinbaum will have a Morena supermajority in the Mexican congress. The fear among some is that the ruling party will attempt to enact constitutional amendments without meaningful opposition. On Monday, the peso lost value against the dollar, perhaps a reflection of those fears from the financial markets.

Now why should Americans care who rules our neighbor south of the border? Precisely because of that loaded word, the "border." For the past few years, Mexico has effectively acted as *the* wall by detaining migrants en route to the US-Mexico border. Thousands of Colombian, Ecuadorian, Cuban, Nicaraguan, Chinese, and Haitian migrants, among other nationalities, journey through Mexico in an effort to make it to the United States. When Donald Trump was president, he infamously wanted to go to war with Mexico over the migrant influx and to fight the drug cartels. That will probably only escalate if he's elected in November.

It remains to be seen if Sheinbaum is able to forge her own path and escape the perception that she's going to be AMLO's pawn, even if she promised to continue his populist political agenda. Which Claudia Sheinbaum will Mexico get? Will she govern as an ideologue of Morena or as the pragmatist scientist people close to her say she is?

As someone who was born and raised in Mexico, I must remain skeptical about whether this milestone will translate into meaningful progress. Mexico is full of profound contrasts and contradictions, a place where the more things change, the more they stay the same.

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INBOX

Harvard's stormy commencement reverberates

Civil disobedience entails accepting consequences

Re "Hundreds walk out of graduation over Harvard's punishment of 13" (Page A1, May 24): The walkout that took place at Harvard's commencement on May 23, in sympathy with the 13 students who did not receive their diplomas as a result of the school's disciplinary action, brought Henry David Thoreau's notion of civil disobedience into bold relief. Thoreau understood that resistance to immoral or unjust actions of those in power also came with the expectation that said resistance would beget penalties.

Not surprisingly, it seems the current generation of civil disobeyers thinks that resistance to rules and authority should come without punishment. While I applaud the passion and energy of pro-Palestinian student protesters, I also think the powers that be at Harvard were right, as they have been at other universities, in meting out punishments befitting the protests. Indeed, it is the very serving out of the terms of these punishments that amplifies the meaning of the protest.

CHARLES KANE
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Holding memories of Vietnam-era protests, she lauds today's students for standing their ground

At the beginning of last month, I was awash in memories of my experience as a graduate student at Harvard 54 years ago during the protests that erupted there over the Vietnam War. What has never faded for those of us who were there is the very real and fervent hope that we could help change the world to be a better place. We did not want to see any more news images of children running from bullets and all-engulfing flame.

Now I'm thinking more and more of our optimism and naive faith in the belief that what we were doing could make a change. After witnessing more injustices and more cries of children caught in a place where their homes are torn apart daily, we again see students nationwide standing their ground and risking arrest to protest this injustice. I praise them for their courage and the conviction that compels them to camp outside of university buildings and to walk out of commencement ceremonies, all to make their voices land loud and clear against the injustices suffered by Palestinian people.

I am sorry that our efforts of more than half a century ago couldn't have done more to make these protests unnecessary or to make them resonate as more than a sad echo of a past long gone. I wish that it wasn't these students' task to make the world — and the people who occupy seats of power — stop to see and hear the cries of children caught up in a war.

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No single solution to housing crisis. It will take a pile of building blocks.

It hurts all of us when young professionals can't live here to grow into the next generation of business and civic leaders; when there are no points of entry into a community unless a person is in the very top percentile of wage earners; when a place stagnates because no one can move in or out ("Home prices hit new high: near $1m," Page A1, May 22).

With record-high median home prices last month, despite a high-interest environment, it's more clear than ever that the very quality of life that makes Massachusetts communities so special can be sustained only with a shared commitment to increase our housing stock and improve home attainability.

If we value the continued vibrancy of our communities and our regional economy, we need to move swiftly to simultaneously implement any number of proven and innovative approaches to create more homes. We know that there is no one solution; there must instead be a stack of them, and we need to understand that it will take years to see the results of our efforts. The cost of inaction now is more than we can be willing to accept.

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It's taken too long for Mass. lawmakers to address home equity theft

Massachusetts legislators should not be patting themselves on the back now that they are finally addressing the issue of the seizing of homeowners' equity during tax foreclosure proceedings ("In tax cases, Senate would ban seizing all equity," Business, May 25). The fact that this process was allowed to persist as long as it has is a disgrace. That it took a decision by the US Supreme Court outlawing this activity should not disguise the reality that the Legislature could have, and should have, outlawed this practice years ago. It was theft by any definition of the word.

MICHAEL FULTON
Chelmsford

Bill Walton: Celtic great and — not to be forgotten — political activist

Why is it that in all of the Globe coverage of the passing of Hall of Fame center Bill Walton, there was no mention of his political activism, which included an arrest for protesting the Vietnam War? Or of his visit to the Eugene V. Debs Museum in Terre Haute, Ind. — with Larry Bird? Why not venture into his proud political background?

This omission is an affront to Walton's memory because his politics were obviously very important to him and a very big part of who he was.

SUSIE DAVIDSON
Brookline

'While I stand by the goals of inclusion and belonging . . . I agree that we have lost our way in pursuing them.'

DANIELLE ALLEN, *Harvard professor*

Harvard division drops diversity essay mandate

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provingly in a recent Washington Post editorial that criticized mandatory diversity statements and praised the recent decision by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to ban their use.

The policy change at Harvard is the latest signal that momentum is building to curtail the use of diversity statements, which became pervasive between 2018 and 2020 as universities promoted diversity as a core element of their missions. In addition to MIT, the University of North Carolina has adopted a policy that effectively bans mandatory diversity statements. Faculty groups at other universities are urging administrators to do the same.

In an announcement Monday, dean of faculty affairs Nina Zipser, said that going forward candidates for tenure-track positions would be required to provide a more broadly focused "service statement," instead of a statement focused specifically on "diversity, inclusion, and belonging." A service statement could include a candidate's efforts to promote diversity and inclusion, but is not required to focus on those topics.

The move to jettison mandatory diversity statements comes at a time when diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives are under attack by conservative politicians, and amid soul searching within the academy about how certain DEI policies may conflict with other integral university values, including free speech and academic freedom.

Debate about DEI has intensified over the last eight months, as the campus turmoil over the Israel-Hamas war has challenged notions of how universities should regulate controversial speech and protect minority groups. Some conservatives argue that some views associated with DEI, including dividing society into oppressors and oppressed, exacerbate antisemitism.

Meanwhile, some academics on the left contend universities define diversity too narrowly, saying the concept should include viewpoint diversity and socioeconomic status, in addition to race and gender considerations.



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The policy change at Harvard is the latest signal that momentum is building to curtail the use of diversity statements.

Others view the decision as the latest in a series of setbacks for diversity efforts, including the Supreme Court's decision last year banning affirmative action in college admissions.

Khalil Gibran Muhammad, a historian at the Harvard Kennedy School, criticized the FAS's decision as part of a broader capitulation to Republican politicians and "donor activists," whose critiques of the university's DEI offices, he said, have largely gone unanswered by Harvard leaders. Casting aside diversity statements, he said, "may discourage applicants who are the strongest supporters of DEI to not apply for a job at Harvard given the broader context for this change."

That context includes the backlash against Harvard's first Black president, Claudine Gay, following her controversial testimony at a congressional hearing on antisemitism last year and allegations of plagiarism in her scholarly work. Amid the controversy, some conservatives derided her as a proponent, and a beneficiary, of DEI efforts. She resigned in January.

Gay was the dean of Harvard's FAS, which encompasses the entire undergraduate program and some of the university's graduate schools, when the faculty began requiring diversity statements as part of tenure-track job applications during the 2019-2020 academic year. At the time, universities were striving to diversify their student bodies along racial and ethnic lines as they contended with their histories of exclusion. During parts of the 20th century, Harvard restricted the admissions of Black and Jewish students. Like many selective universities, it has long had a reputation as a redoubt for children of the elite.

Edward Hall, a Harvard philosophy professor and the director of undergraduate studies, argues that diversity statements, and DEI efforts more broadly, must be understood in the context of that history. Universities such as Harvard have a significant amount of work to do to make their campuses more welcoming to all, including students from underrepresented backgrounds and students with a diversity of viewpoints, he said. In his own op-ed in the Crimson, he argued that diversity statements should be reformed, not abolished.

"[B]uilding a diverse community isn't enough," he wrote. "The members of that community need to experience it as one to which they genuinely belong, as a single community in which all are included equally."

Still, he said he agreed with some of the arguments advanced by diversity statements' detractors. "I think we should direct that anger at its proper target: not diversity statements themselves, but rather the horribly distorted view that has taken hold about what they should contain," he wrote.

Ryan Enos, a Harvard political scientist and director of the Center for American Political Studies, said he generally pays little attention to diversity statements when vetting candidates. "You got the impression that they reflected more about candidates knowing the right things to say rather than an actual commitment to improving the department on diversity and other matters," he said.

Candidates tended to write about their past participation with diversity initiatives, their belief in principles associated with DEI efforts, or how their own identities would enhance diversity, he said.

Hall and Kennedy are both members of a Harvard faculty group, the Council on Academic Freedom, some of whose members sent a letter to FAS administrators during the spring semester arguing that the diversity statement requirement should be eliminated.

"There are plenty of excellent teachers, especially conservative teachers, who are also underrepresented by the way, who would bristle at the idea that they should be giving special attention to one particular group," said Eric Maskin, a professor of economics and math, who helped draft the letter. He said he personally supports diversity.

The debate over diversity statements and DEI in the academy has created strange bedfellows. At the congressional hearing on campus antisemitism last year, Representative Virginia Foxx criticized DEI and warned of "a grave danger inherent in assenting to the race-based ideology of the radical left." In a Washington Post op-ed a few days later, Danielle Allen, a Harvard professor who co-chaired Harvard's Presidential Task Force on Inclusion and Belonging in 2018, said Foxx was right — up to a point.

"While I stand by the goals of inclusion and belonging for college campuses — and consider those goals valuable for America writ large — I agree with Foxx that we have lost our way in pursuing them," wrote Allen, who is also a member of the Council on Academic Freedom.

The Council on Academic Freedom also advocated for Harvard to adopt "institutional neutrality," a type of policy that holds that university leaders should generally refrain from making public statements on contentious social or political issues.

Last week, Harvard announced a new "institutional voice" policy, which is similar. It indicates that university leaders should only speak out on issues that directly affect the university's core functions.

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Lawmakers present $6.2b bond bill to target housing crisis

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bill, making it the "largest investment in affordable housing and housing production" in state history, House Speaker Ron Mariano said. The House is expected to pass the legislation on Wednesday.

Mariano said while the bill attempts to "go big," he cautioned that it is no silver bullet to the state's housing crunch. Housing officials have said the state needs hundreds of thousands of new units through 2030, and the crisis is raging hotter than ever, with home prices soaring in Boston and beyond.

"It's ridiculous to think that you're going to solve this with one bond issue. I think it's a beginning of a process," Mariano told reporters Monday, adding that it's "really tough" to estimate exactly how many units the House proposal could help spur.

The proposal would dedicate $150 million to help municipalities convert commercial properties into multi-unit residential or mixed-use properties, and create a tax credit of up to 10 percent of the project's development costs after it's complete.

The House bill would allow for accessory dwelling units — also known as ADUs or granny flats — of up to 900 square feet to be built by-right in all neighborhoods zoned for single-family development across Massachusetts, embracing a measure Healey has pushed. Healey administration officials have said that they estimate the ADU policy alone could create more than 8,000 ADUs in five years.

The House would also boost capital funding for public housing from Healey's proposal by $500 million.

Mariano is seeking to use another $1 billion in borrowing to help expand the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority's water service area beyond the existing 60 cities and towns it currently serves. A lack of clean water supply is an obstacle for many communities to develop more housing.

Earlier this year Mariano, a Quincy Democrat, said expanding the service area could bring water to the nearby former South Weymouth Naval Air Station, for example, where redevelopment has been challenged by infrastructure issues. A clean water supply could pave the way for as many as 6,000 new homes there, he said. House leaders said their proposal would also extend the system to north of Boston, too, to communities including Beverly, Danvers, Peabody, and Salem.

Healey's version of the bond bill, which she filed in October, would allow municipalities to voluntarily impose a fee of 0.5 percent to 2 percent on property sales over $1 million, or those above the county's median home sales price in places where that exceeds $1 million. It's a concept Wu has backed for years. She testified in 2023 that if the city's home rule petition for a transfer fee had passed in 2021, the tax would have collected $100 million for the city's affordable housing fund.

"It's disappointing not to see forward momentum on the transfer fee, which is a broadly popular measure," Wu said in a statement Monday. "We need every possible solution at hand to make a difference."

Healey told reporters Monday she had yet to read the bill, and declined to comment on the House's decision to not include the option for a local transfer tax.

"We offered up a menu of options and ideas and policy initiatives to help spark production. That's what this is about," she said.



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Although Governor Maura Healey and Mayor Michelle Wu of Boston are backing an option for municipalities to impose a fee on property sales over $1 million, House leaders disagree.

The exclusion of the transfer fee language signals a shift in Mariano's message. In a speech to the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce in March, Mariano stopped short of endorsing the transfer tax, but said it was among the options the House is "considering."

"If you believe that the issue of housing affordability is genuine," he said at the time, "then we must explore all options that have the potential to make a real difference."

Mariano and other House leaders on Monday criticized the transfer tax proposal as an inequitable "patchwork" of attempts to spur more housing that would help some communities, such as Nantucket, but not others.

"Piecemealing it one by one, by city and town, it's just not effective, real housing policy, and it doesn't solve the housing crisis that we're in," said state Representative Aaron Michlewitz, a North End Democrat and the chair of the House's budget committee.

Some communities have pushed for years for a transfer fee. Provincetown submitted a request for a transfer fee as far back as 2011, and Nantucket first sent a home rule petition to Beacon Hill in 2016. In 2020, then-Boston mayor Martin J. Walsh called on the legislative leaders in the audience at his State of the City address to "let us take this step."

The House bill represents another setback for tenant advocates. The Healey administration's proposal already excluded some of their most sought-after policies, like rent control and right of first refusal, which allows renters a certain amount of time to get the money together to buy their unit if their landlord wants to sell. And the bill the House filed Monday stripped out the few tenant protection policies Healey had included, including a policy that would have sealed some renters' eviction records, and a provision that would have lowered the local voting threshold for inclusionary zoning from two-thirds to a simple majority.

"[The funding] is great," said Mark Martinez, an advocate who serves as the co-chair of the Local Option for Housing Affordability Coalition. "But we're not going to be able to just bond our way out of this problem. We have to give cities and towns the tools to help."

The bill does not represent an immediate $6.2 billion infusion into the housing finance ecosystem. It would simply authorize that much in bond spending. Where the money actually comes from is another question the Healey administration will have to answer.

The last several bond bills only saw about two-thirds of the funding that was authorized actually be spent.

"It could be a big boost," said Jesse Kanson-Benanav, executive director of Abundant Housing Massachusetts. "If the suburbs say they can't build more housing because they don't have the infrastructure to support it, then strengthening that infrastructure is the state holding up its end of the bargain to support local development."

The real estate industry has mobilized hard against the transfer fee proposal. In April, for instance, the powerful Greater Boston Real Estate Board, which represents developers and landlords, announced a "multifaceted digital and grassroots activation campaign" to urge state lawmakers to reject a proposal.

Greg Vasil, the board's chief executive, cheered the House decision to exclude the transfer tax.

"Increasing taxes on a smaller, targeted segment of individuals, as well as struggling businesses, is a misguided approach," Vasil said in a statement.

But the idea to impose a transfer fee isn't completely dead, said state Senator Lydia Edwards, the chamber's chair of the housing committee.

The Senate will vote on its own version of a housing bond bill, before Senate leaders hash out their differences with the House. Edwards hinted at the possibility of the transfer fee re-emerging in the Senate bill.

"It's too early to say that the conversation is over," said the East Boston Democrat, who signed onto Boston's home rule petition for a transfer fee. "I am not worried."

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AS I SEE IT



At Buttonwood Park Zoo in New Bedford, Emily explores a new brush made by students at Mass College of Art and Design.

SUNSET YEARS FOR RUTH AND EMILY

NEW BEDFORD — Ruth and Emily are the odd couple: two old ladies who have been living together for 38 years at the Buttonwood Park Zoo.

It's good that they have each other. Asian elephants are an endangered species.

Emily, 59, came to the zoo in 1968 as a 4-year-old. She eventually outgrew her facility and was shipped to Baton Rouge for over a year before returning, due to popular demand. Singly housed for many years, she is a loner.

Ruth, 65, is the second-oldest elephant in a US-accredited zoo. Once part of the herd at the old Benson's Wild Animal Farm, she endured years of abuse by a private owner who rented her out at parties and parades. Known as "the hard-luck elephant," she was rescued in 1986 after she was found chained in an abandoned tractor trailer truck in a parking lot in Danvers.

She arrived in New Bedford with a partially paralyzed trunk. She has developed osteoarthritis and her foot has chronic inflammation. The staff say they treat her daily with multiple regimens, including cold laser therapy.

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Emily, 59, and Ruth, 65, play with new toys designed and built by the art and design students. Ruth (left), the second-oldest elephant in a US-accredited zoo, gets a treat: a leaf eater biscuit.

Metco student alleges bias in Melrose

Complaint says school ignored racial bullying

By James Vaznis
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Officials in Melrose Public Schools failed to investigate complaints of racial bullying, forcing a 12-year-old Black student who frequently encountered racial slurs and other bias, to leave the district for his own safety, according to a civil rights complaint filed against the district Monday with the US Department of Education.

The student, who was a seventh grader at Melrose Veterans Memorial Middle School, was called the N-word on at least three separate occasions over the past year and subject to physical attacks, the complaint said. The racial slur was directed at him in the lunchroom in April 2023 by a white classmate, outside the library in September 2023 by one white student who along with another student attacked him, and then over a group chat in January by a white student, who later attacked him near the school's entrance, the complaint said.

Each time, school administrators ignored the allegations when the student told them; instead, they punished him for being in fights, according to the complaint, which was filed on the student's behalf by Lawyers for Civil Rights with Education Department's Office of Civil Rights.

"My son was driven out of Melrose Public Schools and the Metco program by the unwillingness of the administrators to take racism seriously," Nita Holder, the student's mother, said in a statement, referring to a voluntary racial integration program that allows more than 3,000 Boston students to attend suburban schools. "An investigation can't take back the trauma [he] faced at a formative time in his life, but it can begin the process of ensuring Melrose is better for future Black students."

Of the nearly 4,000 students in Melrose schools, about 75 percent are white and 6 percent are Black, according to state data.

John Macero, Melrose's interim superintendent, said the district learned of the complaint Monday.

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Cambridge officials OK with gunshot detection tech

Say that residents are also fine with it

By Spencer Buell
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Civil liberties groups, local city councilors, and even US senators this year have been sounding the alarm about the gunshot detection system ShotSpotter, saying the surveillance technology puts the largely minority and low-income communities where it's said to be used at risk of overpolicing.

But Cambridge officials last week were sanguine on the use of the technology in their city, telling police they have yet to hear an upswell of concern from residents about the sensors.

"I'm not concerned about ShotSpotter. I've never seen it as being invasive," said Cambridge Mayor Denise Simmons, speaking at a hearing on the surveillance technology report Cambridge police submit to the council each year. "No one's called me up and said: 'Oh my God, take that ShotSpotter down.' So I think we're OK."

The hearing, which addressed several types of surveillance used in Cambridge, came as ShotSpotter has come under new scrutiny over concerns the technology is inaccurate and that its use disproportionately in communities of color and low-income neighborhoods puts residents of those areas at risk of overpolicing.

US Senator Ed Markey last month sent a letter to the Department of Homeland Security calling for a federal

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Read trial now in sixth week

As the Karen Read murder trial continues, the focus at the Norfolk Superior Court in Dedham was on physical evidence. A crime scene investigator and a forensic scientist testified about a smashed taillight on Read's SUV, a hair found at the scene, and a torn sweatshirt. **B3**

Sex workers bill

The R.I. House Judiciary Committee is poised to vote on a bill that would provide immunity for sex workers who witness certain crimes. **B3**

State's head of elder affairs, responsible for 1.7 million seniors, departs abruptly

By Jason Laughlin
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Elizabeth Chen, Massachusetts' secretary of elder affairs since 2019, left the position abruptly Friday, according to a memo obtained by the Globe.

"I would have liked more time to make the usual 'round of goodbyes' and personally thank each of you," Chen wrote in a farewell message Friday. "Instead, I take this moment to share my gratitude for our time together."

Deputy Secretary Robin Lipson will temporarily serve as acting secretary of elder affairs, according to a brief statement from the Executive Office of Health and Human Services, which oversees elder affairs. The statement did not address the reasons for Chen's departure, saying the office would not comment on personnel matters.

In a letter Friday, Kate Walsh, the health and human services secretary, emphasized that the office's services wouldn't be disrupted by the personnel change.

"EOEA is in good hands — I'm confident this will be a stable transition," Walsh wrote.

Chen declined to comment, but lawyers representing her told the Globe they were having discussions with Walsh's office about Chen's departure. They would not say whether Chen left the job of her own accord.

"Secretary Chen is the embodiment of a public servant," said Alejandra Hung, one of the lawyers representing Chen. "She's had a remarkable career."

Chen's biography on the elder affairs office's website had been removed as of Monday afternoon.

Chen was paid $146,623 last year, according to state records. She replaced Alice Bonner, a former Northeastern University associate professor and registered nurse.

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Elizabeth Chen has been Massachusetts' secretary of elder affairs since 2019.

Mayor kicks off Pride Month at City Hall celebration

By Maddie Khaw
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Brad Gregory's first time attending Boston's Pride Parade was in June 1974. Fifty years later, he said, Pride celebrations have grown in scale, and the city has made strides in LGBTQ+ advocacy.

"I'm grateful that we have come this far, grateful that we have this amazingly diverse crowd of people to support our community," said Gregory, 76, Monday afternoon at City Hall Plaza, where elected officials and local leaders kicked off Pride Month.

"There are more people here today than there was in the entire parade in 1974," Gregory said. "It was a frightening and scary time to step out into the parade and come out. Now, we have achieved so much, and we have so far more to go."

City Hall Plaza was lively late Monday morning, when Mayor Michelle Wu, city councilors, and other local leaders gathered beside a waving, vibrant Pride flag, with many in the crowd sporting rainbow clothing and bright colors to match. To the tune of live drums, saxophones, and trombones played by the Jamaica Plain Honk Band, officials took turns cranking a lever to raise the flag to the top of its pole, alongside the American and Massachusetts flags towering over the building's entrance.



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A Pride flag was raised at Boston City Hall on Monday to kick off Pride Month at City Hall Plaza.

Elected officials and local leaders shared plans for a range of Pride events scheduled throughout June. Speakers rallied around the joy and celebration of Pride Month, but also emphasized its history of social activism, acknowledging that the advancements made in LGBTQ+ rights would not be possible without pioneers who fought for policy change.

"This month is more than that celebration," Wu said. "It's an opportunity to reflect on the long and revolutionary history of Pride, and the struggle that brought us to this moment. It has been a struggle firmly rooted in love and justice, and one that has blossomed into some of Boston's most important moments."

Other speakers echoed Wu's sentiment, looking back on Boston's history as a haven for progress in LGBTQ+ acceptance.

Twenty years ago, Massachusetts became the first state to legalize marriage equality. This past year, Wu noted, Boston became the first city in Massachusetts to make marriage licenses gender inclusive, no longer requiring residents to designate sex or gender on marriage forms.

"Everything from supporting housing stability, legal name and gender changes, to mental health trainings, community building, gender-affirming health care, inclusive sports programming, and services for our queer elders," Wu said.



Daunasia Yancey, deputy director for the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ+ Advancement, wore rainbow braids .

The cheer comes at a time of heightened threats to LGBTQ+ safety nationwide. A recent report released by a state LGBTQ youth commission said that more than 500 pieces of anti-LGBTQ legislation have been filed nationally, and that similar sentiment is pervasive in Massachusetts. Last month, the federal government issued a safety advisory warning of potential terrorist targeting of LGBTQ+ communities during Pride Month.

Daunisia Yancey, deputy director of the mayor's office of LGBTQ+ advancement, said city-held Pride events are important because it shows the administration's support for residents who identify across the spectrum of gender and sexuality — not only during June, but every month.

"We like to say we are Pride 365. As much as we recognize this month, the goal of our office is to infuse pride throughout the year, throughout every community and every department throughout the city," Yancey said. "Boston is often on the cutting edge of human rights and civil rights. ... We definitely have a welcoming community. However, we still have so much work to do."

Leslie Rosenberg, a community member who attended the event, agreed.

"Pride Month should be 12 times a year," said Rosenberg, who was decked out in a frilly multicolored tutu, rainbow boots, and a T-shirt that said "love."

"Pride is love," she said. "Love for yourself, and love for each other."

Some officials who spoke at Monday's event emphasized particular areas of inequality, including stark levels of LGBTQ+ homelessness. Wu took aim at addressing this issue earlier this year when she allocated a $350,000 federal grant to support the Transgender Emergency Fund's transitional housing program, which provides housing and resources for eight unhoused transgender people for up to a year.

Other speakers included former city councilor Tito Jackson, Boston Lesbigay Urban Foundation executive director Curtis Santos, and Museum of Science president Tim Ritchie, who each shared details about Pride events throughout June.

Octavio Delgado, a retired housekeeper from Brookline, looked on with a smile as city officials raised the Pride flag at the event's conclusion. To the side, the live band played an upbeat rendition of "This Little Light of Mine," in some verses substituting the traditional lyrics with a Pride-themed version: "Raise this rainbow flag, raise it up with Pride," they sang.

Throughout the celebration, Delgado had waved his own handheld flag, and clapped and cheered along with others in the crowd.

"I wouldn't miss it for the world," Delgado, 60, said. "Especially at these times in history, we need to make our presence felt. ... I feel very proud and joyful, and it means the world to me. The sky is the limit."

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Roxbury rec site used for migrants is reopening to the public

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A Roxbury recreational complex that has served as an overflow shelter for homeless and migrant families since February will reopen to the public on June 22.

For months, hundreds of people have been sleeping on cots in the 24,000-square-foot indoor field house inside the Melnea A. Cass Recreational Complex, the Department of Conservation and Recreation's only year-round indoor facility.

At the time the Cass closed to the public, Healey pledged to clear the shelter site by May 31, in time for the state to re-open the complex, and its pool, to the public by late June.

The center came back into the Department of Conservation and Recreation's jurisdiction on May 29, in time for all DCR pool's re-opening date on June 22.

The indoor facilities at the Cass will remain closed for planned renovations, state officials said, which will be completed in time for indoor fall programming to begin Sept. 7, the Saturday after Labor Day.

Work began Monday, which will include upgrading flooring and equipment, planting new trees, repairing the roof, and adding new solar panels.

The families who were at the Cass either exited the shelter into more stable housing or were moved to other shelter sites, officials said. The state recently opened an overflow shelter site in Lexington and plans to open another site at the former Bay State Correctional Center in Norfolk later in June.

These so-called safety-net sites are meant for those waiting for a spot in the emergency shelter system, which the Healey administration in the fall capped at 7,500 families, roughly half of whom are migrants, refugees, or asylum seekers.

The crisis has shown few signs of abating. The system is nearly at capacity with 7,435 families, according to state data.

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Steamship Authority canceled high-speed ferry Sunday

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The Steamship Authority canceled its high-speed ferry between Hyannis and Nantucket on Sunday because no pilot was available to operate the vessel, officials said.

The pilot who was scheduled to operate the MV Iyanough was unable to work Sunday, and "there were no other qualified personnel available to fill-in," said Geoff Spillane, a spokesperson for the Steamship Authority.

As a result, four round-trip ferry trips between Hyannis and Nantucket were canceled.

"Passengers will be fully refunded for ticket purchases, or they can use them for passage at another time," he said.

The lack of personnel Sunday is just one of many problems facing the Steamship Authority, the agency that runs the ferry service from mainland Massachusetts to Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket.

Earlier this year, the authority had to postpone the opening of its summer vehicle reservations to the general public because of technical issues with its booking program.

Meanwhile, the launch of the authority's new website, which has been in the works for more than two years, has been delayed again to September, the Martha's Vineyard Times reported.

The Steamship Authority shrank its schedule last year because of a lack of staffing, and staffing shortages have continued to plague the agency this year as well. On May 28, the Steamship Authority announced that it was modifying its summer schedules for certain freight vessels "in response to concerns over crewing levels" from June 17 to Sept. 5.

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This day in history

Today is Tuesday, June 4, the 156th day of 2024. There are 210 days left in the year.

Birthdays: Sex therapist and media personality Dr. Ruth Westheimer is 96. Actor Bruce Dern is 88. Musician Roger Ball is 80. Singer Michelle Phillips is 80. Jazz saxophonist Anthony Braxton is 79. Actor Parker Stevenson is 72. Actor Keith David is 68. Blues singer-musician Tinsley Ellis is 67. Singer El DeBarge is 63. Actor Julie White is 63. Opera singer Cecilia Bartoli is 58. Actor Scott Wolf is 56. Comedian Horatio Sanz is 55. Actor Noah Wyle is 53. Bassist Stefan Lessard of the Dave Matthews Band is 50. Actor-comedian Russell Brand is 49. Actor Angelina Jolie is 49. Olympic gold medal figure skater Evan Lysacek is 39. Rock musician Zac Farro of Paramore is 34.

►In 1812, the US House of Representatives approved, by a vote of 79-49, a declaration of war against Britain.

►In 1919, Congress approved the 19th Amendment to the Constitution, which said that the right to vote could not be denied or abridged based on gender. The amendment was sent to the states for ratification.

►In 1939, the German ocean liner MS St. Louis, carrying more than 900 Jewish refugees from Germany, was turned away by US officials on the Florida coast.

►In 1940, during World War II, the Allied military evacuation of some 338,000 troops from Dunkirk, France, ended. British Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared: "We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight on the landing grounds, we shall fight in the fields and in the streets, we shall fight in the hills; we shall never surrender."

►In 1942, the World War II Battle of Midway began, resulting in a decisive American victory against Japan and marking the turning point of the war in the Pacific.

►In 1944, the US Fifth Army began liberating Rome.

►In 1986, Jonathan Jay Pollard, a former US Navy intelligence analyst, pleaded guilty in Washington to conspiring to deliver information related to the national defense to Israel. (Pollard, sentenced to life in prison, was released on parole on Nov. 20, 2015; he moved to Israel in 2020.)

►In 1989, a gas explosion in the Soviet Union engulfed two passing trains, killing 575.

►In 1990, Dr. Jack Kevorkian carried out his first publicly assisted suicide, helping Janet Adkins, a 54-year-old Alzheimer's patient from Portland, Ore., end her life in Oakland County, Mich.

►In 1998, a federal judge sentenced Terry Nichols to life in prison for his role in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City, which killed 168 people.

►In 2017, elite rock climber Alex Honnold became the first to climb solo to the top of the massive granite wall known as El Capitan in Yosemite National Park without ropes or safety gear.

►In 2020, in the first of a series of memorials set for three cities, celebrities, musicians, and political leaders gathered in front of George Floyd's golden casket in Minneapolis.

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EXACT ORDER

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First or last 3	$682
Any 2 digits	$58
Any 1 digit	$6

ANY ORDER

All 4 digits	$203
First 3	$114
Last 3	$114

MONDAY NIGHT 2721
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EXACT ORDER

All 4 digits	$4,045
First or last 3	$566
Any 2 digits	$49
Any 1 digit	$5

ANY ORDER

All 4 digits	$337
First 3	$189
Last 3	$94

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June 03 **08-21-23-39-40**
Lucky Ball **08**
Jackpot: $1,000 a day for life; no winners

MASS CASH
June 03 **02-04-16-27-30**
Jackpot: $100,000; no winners

PREVIOUS DRAWINGS

	Midday	Night
Sunday	8866	3872
Saturday	5568	8047
Friday	3476	4458

MONDAY NUMBERS AROUND NEW ENGLAND
Maine, N.H., Vermont
Day: 3-digit **208** 4-digit **1847**
Eve: 3-digit **745** 4-digit **3732**
Rhode Island **3626**
Connecticut
3-digit **462-3** 4-digit **0652-4**

MEGABUCKS
June 03 **01-12-16-22-31-42**
Jackpot: $500,000
No winners

POWERBALL
19-29-35-36-45
Powerball 16 Powerplay 2x
Estimated jackpot: $171 million





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Massachusetts State Police Lieutenant Kevin O'Hara and Maureen Hartnett with the law enforcement agency's crime lab, testified Monday at Karen Read's trial.

Testimony in Read trial puts focus on physical evidence

By Travis Andersen and Jeremy C. Fox
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The focus was on physical evidence Monday as Karen Read's murder trial entered its sixth week in Norfolk Superior Court in Dedham, where a crime scene investigator and a forensic scientist testified about a smashed taillight on Read's SUV, a hair found at the scene, and a torn sweatshirt.

Read, 44, of Mansfield, allegedly rammed her SUV into John O'Keefe, a Boston police officer, early on Jan. 29, 2022, after dropping him off outside a Fairview Road home in Canton following a night of bar-hopping and heavy drinking with friends. She returned to the scene hours later with two other women and found O'Keefe's snow-covered body on the front lawn, repeatedly shouting "I hit him" in the presence of first responders, witnesses have testified.

Attorneys for Read say she's being framed and that O'Keefe entered the Fairview home, owned at the time by a fellow Boston police officer whose son was celebrating his 23rd birthday, where he was fatally beaten before his body was planted on the lawn.

State Police Lieutenant Kevin O'Hara, one of the investigators at the scene, testified for much of the morning about how his unit, known as the Special Emergency Response Team, or SERT, was called to Fairview Road in Canton and initiated the investigation.

"It was a blizzard" outside when State Police Lieutenant Brian Tully contacted him shortly after 2:30 p.m. on Jan. 29, 2022, O'Hara said. "He said they were conducting a death investigation" and seeking "assistance with an evidence search."

O'Hara said seven SERT troopers came to the scene. He arrived shortly before 5 p.m.

"We didn't see anyone outside the houses," O'Hara said, adding that a resident of 34 Fairview Road "exited briefly" and asked troopers "if we were here because of what happened earlier, we said yes."

Tully had asked the troopers to search for missing taillight pieces and O'Keefe's missing sneaker, O'Hara said.

"We found multiple pieces of red and clear taillight," O'Hara said. "They were on the street in between the flagpole and the fire hydrant." He said investigators did not see any tire tracks in the area.

On cross-examination, O'Hara told defense attorney David Yannetti that he knew State Police Trooper Michael Proctor, the lead investigator on the Read case. Yannetti asked if Tully "held you up" in deploying the SERT team. O'Hara said his team needs to respond to a "formal request" under agency protocol.

He told Yannetti that Tully had indicated O'Keefe's body was found around 6:30 a.m. on the front lawn. Yannetti asked if that meant snow had been accumulating for roughly eight hours before the SERT team began its work.

"Correct, sir," O'Hara said.

Asked if he was aware no one from law enforcement was controlling the scene when Tully called him, O'Hara said he was not.

"Were you aware that the scene was left open to the public for hours before you were asked to search?" Yannetti asked.

"I was not aware of that," O'Hara said.

O'Hara told Yannetti that authorities never discussed searching inside the home at 34 Fairview Road.

After O'Hara's testimony, Maureen Hartnett, a forensic scientist in the State Police crime lab, discussed her role in the investigation, which began when she went to the Canton police station on Feb. 2, 2022, and then to the police garage where Read's SUV was being kept.

"There was a dent in the trunk door, there were scratches on the rear bumper, and there was a broken taillight," Hartnett said, reading from a report. "I observed an apparent hair" and "apparent pieces of glass" on the rear bumper.

Hartnett said she performed blood screening tests on the back of the vehicle. "Those were negative," Hartnett said.

She said she was also given a broken drinking glass and several plastic cups with frozen red and brown stains recovered from the area where O'Keefe's body was found. Witnesses have previously testified that police at the scene put blood stains found in the snow in red plastic cups.

Hartnett did not perform testing on the taillight since the SUV had been towed through a blizzard, but she took a swab from the "outer exposed areas" of the light and sent it to another lab for DNA testing, she testified. The root end of the hair was marked for further testing internally, Hartnett said, while another end of the hair was designated for DNA testing at an outside lab.

She said she was asked last year to examine a sweatshirt O'Keefe had been wearing.

"There were red brown, and brown stains on the item," Hartnett said, with damage on the sleeves.

Hartnett said she collected swabs around the areas of damage on the right sleeve, since "it was told to me" that O'Keefe may have been bitten by a dog. The defense has asserted that a family dog in the Fairview Road home may have attacked O'Keefe during a fight.

Hartnett said the swabs were sent to an outside lab in California; an employee of the lab has testified that no canine DNA was detected on the samples.

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House Judiciary to vote on bill to offer immunity to sex workers

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PROVIDENCE — The House Judiciary Committee will vote Tuesday on a bill that could provide immunity for sex workers who witness certain crimes, including prostitution, if they agree to try to cooperate with police investigations. But some say the bill could also impede criminal investigations into prostitution and sex trafficking, and are concerned it could be a step toward returning Rhode Island to a time when prostitution was legal.

The bill, H7165, was sponsored by Providence Representative Edith Ajello and lobbied for by an out-of-state nonprofit group called Decriminalize Sex Work, which was founded by Robert Kampia with the mission "to end the prohibition of consensual adult prostitution — and to improve the policies relating to other forms of sex work — in the United States."

Ajello's bill was recently amended by House Speaker K. Joseph Shekarchi's staff, who removed language that would have also given immunity to sex buyers and allowed police to face civil liability.

"What I was interested in was making it possible for sex workers to report crimes they witness without fear of being charged," Ajello said. "That's my goal. Not decriminalizing sex work. Just making it safe for people to report crimes."

House spokesman Larry Berman said that the amended bill will not decriminalize prostitution, which was legal indoors in Rhode Island until 2009. An anti-trafficking organization based in Washington, D.C., agreed.

"This immunity bill offers protection for those experiencing or witnessing certain crimes — which is critical because these folks face extreme levels of violence, but are wary of reporting for fear of being arrested," said Yasmin Vafa, executive director of Rights4Girls. "It's crucial to protect the most marginalized, while ensuring sex buyers, brothel owners, and other exploiters aren't offered these same legal shields."

But the original sponsor of the 2009 law that closed a loophole allowing indoor prostitution in Rhode Island said the new bill has "more loopholes than Swiss cheese."

"We've learned nothing," said Joanne Giannini, a former state representative from Providence. "I'm saddened to see we're going to go backwards in the fight to end the sexual exploitation of women, children, and young males."

The legislature had inadvertently decriminalized indoor prostitution in the 1980s, after a group of women sex workers filed a federal lawsuit complaining that the Providence police were arresting the women, and not the male buyers, and argued that the law making prostitution a felony was unfair for consenting adults.

So, the General Assembly reduced the crime of loitering for prostitution to a misdemeanor — and removed language prohibiting prostitution. By the 1990s, Rhode Island became known for its red-light entertainment, particularly in Providence, where massage parlors operated openly near City Hall and the State House.

Giannini's 2009 law made indoor prostitution and sex trafficking a crime while also giving victims an "affirmative defense" if they are forced into prostitution, by threats, intimidation, and abuse.

Ajello voted against the 2009 law.

"It seemed to me, and still seems to me, that what goes on behind closed doors with or without money or something else of value being tendered, it's OK," she said. "I don't know that Rhode Island had particular problems that needed to be addressed with legislation."

As vice chairwoman on a House commission that studied decriminalizing prostitution, called the "Special Legislative Commission to Study Ensuring Racial Equity and Optimizing Health and Safety Laws Affecting Marginalized Individuals," Ajello said she heard from sex workers who said they were reluctant to report crimes such as sex trafficking or abuse by sex buyers because they were afraid of being arrested for prostitution.

Several members of the House commission are from organizations that support decriminalizing sex work. In 2022, Decriminalize Sex Work spent $82,764 in Rhode Island, and its affiliate, Campaign to Decriminalize Sex Work spent $30,000 to "change a few of the state's prostitution statutes, setting the stage for a more muscular lobbying effort in 2023." Ajello's House commission released a report with its recommendations in early 2023, and since then, has used the recommendations to push for legislation.

Ajello said her bill would protect those who are sex workers and either are victims of a crime, witness a crime, or are aware of someone else as a victim, and report or attempt to cooperate with law enforcement. If the person decides not to cooperate out of concern of safety or health, they may not be charged. When asked what she thought about the amendments to water down H7165, she said, "You'll have to ask the Speaker."

While there have been cases over the last 15 years where women working in prostitution reported being victims of crimes, none were also charged. Ajello was not able to name a case where a sex worker was charged after reporting a crime.

Executive director of the Rhode Island Police Chiefs Association, Sid Wordell, said it would be more appropriate for police to offer immunity on a case-by-case basis, and that the amended bill could still impede how police conduct investigations. But Ajello dismissed the chiefs association's concerns, saying "the police always want authority to make these decisions."

Donna M. Hughes, professor emeritus at the University of Rhode Island and a founder of academic study of human trafficking, questioned the purpose of the legislation.

"Has there ever been a case in which someone stepped forward to say, 'I think I saw trafficking' and they were arrested?" Hughes said. "So, who are these witnesses they think it's so important to protect?"

The language of the bill is "very confusing, and when you see confusing language, it opens up the probability for interpretation and loopholes," Hughes said.

Attorney General Peter Neronha declined to take a position on the bill, but spokesman Brian Hodge said it "has long been clear that the Office's prosecutorial focus is squarely fixed on those perpetrating human trafficking and johns, rather than sex workers themselves."

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Cambridge officials not concerned about gunshot detection tech

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investigation into whether the devices' deployment in more than 150 cities violates Americans' civil rights.

SoundThinking, the company that makes the devices, has said its technology is reliable, does not discriminate against minority groups, and saves lives. When ShotSpotter sensors detect sounds that could be gunfire, they calculate the coordinates of where the sounds originated, then alert police departments, which can send officers rushing to the scene to investigate.

Councilors at Wednesday's hearing said that despite the ongoing national conversation about ShotSpotter, they aren't hearing much at home.

At the hearing, Councilor Marc McGovern said he personally is "agnostic" on the use of ShotSpotter technology in the city, but he said he had spoken to residents of the public housing complexes Newtowne Court and Washington Elms who told him they wanted more, not less, surveillance.

"It's hard for me to say I'm going to oppose something that people who are actually living with it are telling me they actually want," said McGovern, who is also the city's vice-mayor. "If this is something that they no longer want it in their community, that's a different conversation. But that's not what I'm hearing."

He noted that the American Civil Liberties Union has raised important concerns about the use of ShotSpotter in Cambridge and other cities.

But "this just reeks of people speaking for other people, rather than with other people," McGovern said.

Councilors on the committee noted that the city does not have to pay for the program. Its $50,000 annual cost is paid with funding from the federal Urban Areas Security Initiative, according to the report.

Councilors meanwhile pressed the police to be more specific about why it believes ShotSpotter is an effective crime-fighting tool.

The department's report as submitted to the council does not mention how many times ShotSpotter devices were triggered in the city, and how many of those alerts were false alarms or didn't lead officers to evidence of gun violence. Critics of the technology have said it often leads police to dead ends and has little impact on gun violence in cities where it is used.

The report from Cambridge police only says ShotSpotter "has effectively detected gunshot activity," allowed officers to more efficiently respond to relevant crime scenes, and that it has been used in criminal investigations into shootings, without specifying which or how many.

Cambridge Police Commissioner Christine Elow said she would "definitely talk to my team about" disclosing more data about how effective ShotSpotter has been in Cambridge.

Anecdotally, Elow said the technology had in fact been helpful over the years, and pointed to its use in some shootings to alert first responders about the locations of gunshot victims, including after a domestic violence incident in 2022 and a drive-by shooting in 2023.

"Those instances where we did not get a 911 call and we were able to respond and give medical attention swiftly and quickly to the people that were there showed the value in itself of ShotSpotter," Elow said.

She also said the devices had also been used to pinpoint the location of a gun in Donnelly Field in 2022.

Seemingly responding to the criticism that ShotSpotter technology can lead to overpolicing in neighborhoods where it is used, Elow insisted officers do not use the devices' alarms as a pretext to target innocent people.

"We're not going in there turning neighborhoods upside down, shaking kids down. That's not who we are as a police department," she said.

Elow said she was not aware of complaints from residents who believed they had been targeted unfairly for police scrutiny because of ShotSpotter.

"We have a community that is not afraid to complain against the police," she said, "and we are not seeing complaints about us overreaching, heavy-handed tactics in our communities that are most impacted by gun violence."

Meanwhile, for those who do want more surveillance, there may be some on the horizon in Cambridge soon.

Elow said her department plans to submit a request to launch a pilot program that would involve installing highly visible "overt cameras" in crime "hotspots," including in Central Square, where some neighbors have noted an increase in drug use, theft, and violence in recent years.

"We really feel that overt cameras with signage could have a really good impact. They could serve as a deterrent," Elow said.

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Elder Affairs secretary is out

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The Executive Office of Elder Affairs serves about 1.7 million seniors, and a million family caregivers, with a budget of $800 million, according to the office's most recent annual report. The agency does not provide care directly but contracts with 24 regional Aging Services Access Points, nonprofits that offer services including meal delivery and home care. The office also oversees assisted-living facilities, home care, and supports people caring for elderly relatives. The Department of Public Health is responsible for overseeing nursing facilities in Massachusetts.

Elder Affairs' services are in growing demand as Massachusetts' population ages. About 18 percent of the state's population is 65 and older, according to US Census data, compared with 14 percent a decade ago. Governor Maura Healey announced last week legislation that could change the name of the more than 50-year-old office to the Executive Office of Aging & Independence, which reflects older residents' discomfort with the word "elder" and emphasizes independent living, a press release from the governor's office stated.

The new name, "mirrors the values and goals of our older adult population and our commitment to support the vibrancy, independence and dignity of our family members, friends, and neighbors as they age," Walsh said in a statement.

Massachusetts is also just beginning a process to vastly expand resources that would allow more seniors to age in their communities. In April, Massachusetts settled a federal lawsuit by committing $1 billion to create new housing supports that would allow thousands of people to leave nursing homes for independent living arrangements. The settlement applies to all nursing home residents on Medicaid, who make up the vast majority of those in long-term residential care.

Providers are concerned, though, about cuts to elder services in Healey's belt tightening this year and proposed budget for the coming fiscal year. Providers in the field are upset that about $10.7 million out of $375 million in cuts announced by the governor in January affected senior services. Those included meal services and day programs.

In her farewell letter, Chen highlighted her efforts to prioritize accountability for the office, and to ensure services for seniors were equally available throughout the state. She also noted her role helming the office through the pandemic.

"We have been through some very tough and history-making times together through the worst of the COVID years," she said.

The office did garner criticism when Chen paused meetings with a citizens advisory council in 2019, according to a Globe report. Chen said at the time the move was done to receive feedback from a wider pool of people in the state. As COVID spread, though, some members of the advisory council felt they could have provided important perspective amid an unprecedented crisis.

Governor Charlie Baker appointed Chen to head the Elder Affairs office in 2019. Before that, she was an assistant commissioner for the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Before entering state government, Chen's positions included serving as president and trustee of the New England College of Optometry and New England Eye Institute and president and chief executive of the biotech companies Circe Biomedical and Marathon Biopharmaceuticals.

"I have had a career in private industry, in academia, and now in state government," Chen wrote in her farewell message. "By far, I have encountered the largest numbers of highly effective, selfless, and humble people during these seven years in state government."

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GREEN, BUT HE'S GOT GAME — Christian Caswell, 12, dribbled against a defender during a "Play on the Parquet" event at TD Garden on Monday where kids from Christopher's Haven, among other nonprofits, practiced shooting and running drills with the Junior Celtics Academy.

Elephant pair in their sunset years in New Bedford

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Emily uses a back scratcher to full effect in the outer yard of the Buttonwood Park Zoo. At right, she gets her nails trimmed by Kay Santos, the lead keeper for 22 years.

ship is complicated, Keith Lovett, director of Buttonwood Park Zoo acknowledges.

"They act more like roommates than companions," he says.

Ruth and Emily are among a dwindling number of elephants who live at a zoo. Activists have pushed for elephants to be kept in large sanctuaries, where they may roam freely.

An activist group sued Buttonwood in federal court, alleging that the zoo was harming and harassing Emily and Ruth, in violation of the Endangered Species Act. They had hoped to get them transferred to an elephant sanctuary in Tennessee. A judge ruled for the zoo in 2019, court records show.

Another lawsuit filed by an activist in 2021 is pending in federal court in Boston.

Buttonwood says when Ruth and Emily pass, they will not be replaced.

The zoo was given a "Hall of Shame Award" by the group In Defense of Animals in 2016 "for refusing to retire two tragically incompatible Asian elephants, Ruth and Emily to sanctuary."

Assistant zoo director and elephant manager Shara Rapoza says the zoo is in compliance with USDA regulations and accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums.

"There's never been, what some people have [said is] incompatibility. They are very different. Ruth is a thinker. She very much thinks about things a lot. She contemplates. Emily is — I hesitate to use a stereotype because it's not really politically correct — but she's a ditsy blonde. She does things impulsively."

Emily likes to toss a sheet up in the air and catch it on her head. Ruth likes to use Emily as a back scratcher. Emily likes the sounds of drums. Ruth loves cooked vegetables.

Rapoza has known them both since 1986 when she was just 16. Now she considers herself and lead keeper Kay Santos, a 22-year zoo veteran, part of their herd.

"I love them. They love me," she says.

When they see Rapoza, Emily squeaks, Ruth purrs. Sometimes they embrace her with their trunks and she rubs their tongue, which they love.

In their early days together, they used to go for walks in the park outside the zoo, swimming in a pond and knocking down trees in the woods.

"It was not unusual to see us walking along Rockdale Avenue and people walking their dogs and going, 'Hey, Em. Hey, Ruth.'"

In those days zoo staff routinely carried bull-hooks to direct them with taps.

"I would lean it up against a tree while watching the elephants graze. Emily would pick it up and scratch her back with it," says Rapoza.

"It was not ever a thing that instilled fear in them,"

But occupational safety rules ended their outdoor field trips.

Today, the elephant exhibit is confined to an almost half-acre habitat. The barn has sand piled on the floors to provide cushioning. Ruth sleeps on a hill of sand to ease the stress on her joints. Emily snores.

"Emily is very stubborn. If she doesn't want to do something, she is not going to do it. Ruth is very emotional in the sense that the worst thing you can do to Ruth is take your attention away from her."

The barn is left open in good weather. Emily likes to swim in the elephant pool at night by herself. Ruth is given choices on how she spends her days. These days, she spends more time napping.

> 'They are very different. Ruth is a thinker. . . . [Emily] does things impulsively.'
>
> SHARA RAPOZA, *assistant zoo director and elephant manager*

In early May, a group of students from Mass College of Art, brought elephant toys they designed and constructed to keep Emily and Ruth active.

Freshman Chai Turner and her classmates built the elephant screw, a big rolling grassy log with alfalfa cubes stuffed inside.

Both elephants were interested, came over, investigated it, and quickly found the treats.

"Today is one of the most incredible days of my life," says Turner. "To go and watch elephants interact with it over there was such a relief."

The zoo says it has brought in nationwide experts to evaluate their treatment of the elephants. Dr. Susan Mikota, cofounder and executive director of Elephant Care International said she has visited Buttonwood several times.

"Great staff and they take very good care of their elephants," she said in an email.

Rapoza says she worries that the aging Ruth wouldn't survive a trip to an elephant sanctuary in Tennessee, if she were to have to leave Buttonwood. And if she did, she wouldn't get the individual attention needed for her special diet.

The average life expectancy of Asian elephants is about 45 years in captivity.

"They're thriving," says Rapoza. "They're two of the oldest in the country. That, to me, speaks volumes."

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Metco student alleges racial bias at Melrose school

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"We look forward to cooperating with the Office of Civil Rights to provide more information about the steps that the district took to address these incidents described in this complaint," he said in a statement. "We take any allegations of individual or systemic discrimination very seriously in Melrose Public Schools, and we are committed to fostering a safe and equitable educational environment for all."

The complaint comes amid long persisting concerns among many Metco parents about racial discrimination in suburban schools and follows other high-profile racial discrimination incidents in Massachusetts public schools in recent months.

Last week, a Southborough teacher was placed on leave after holding "an impromptu mock slave auction" with students during a history lesson and using a racial slur while discussing a book. Earlier this year, six eighth-graders at Southwick Regional School in Western Massachusetts were criminally charged for participating in a Snapchat conversation that included "hateful, racist" language and a mock slave auction for two fellow students.

Melrose is now facing its second racial discrimination complaint with the Education Department in the past 10 years. The department previously found Melrose broke civil rights laws after it investigated a racially hostile environment claim in 2015, putting the district under federal oversight for a year to remedy the problems.

"Melrose did not learn its lesson ... and it continues to let racial bullying run rampant in their schools," Erika Richmond Walton, of Lawyers for Civil Rights, said in a statement.

In last April's incident, when the student was called the N-word in the cafeteria, the assistant principal told his mother that night about it. However, the school declined the mother's request to provide the offending student with mediation, the complaint said.

The discrimination worsened. In September, as the student ate lunch outside the library, two white students approached him and one of them called him the N-word and the two attacked the student, according to the complaint. When teachers saw the altercation, they treated the Black student as the perpetrator and restrained him, according to the complaint.

The student was given a one-day suspension, the complaint said, even after he told them about the racial slur. The complaint said the school's inaction created the impression that Black students "could be insulted and violently attacked without any consequences for the racist perpetrators."

The student was treated as the perpetrator again after being attacked in January by the student who called him the N-word on the group chat, the complaint said. The school subjected the student to an "emergency removal," which, according to state law, temporarily bars a student from school for up to two days.

During a suspension hearing, the student's mother later provided an unobstructed video, shared by her son's classmate, showing he was attacked first, the complaint said.

After the student transferred to Boston Public Schools this winter, Melrose began investigating his allegations, the complaint said, but the mother declined to participate, concerned the process would be biased.

The complaint is seeking wide-ranging actions, including finding the district and the middle school violated federal civil rights laws, requiring unconscious bias and cultural sensitivity training; providing mental health, social services, and other support to victims of racial bullying and harassment; and implementing a zero-tolerance policy against identity-based and racial bullying.

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TV CRITIC'S CORNER

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Musical guest Chris Stapleton, host Ryan Gosling, and Sarah Sherman in a promotion for "Saturday Night Live." Their episode on April 13 was the top-rated "SNL" telecast of the season in total viewers with 8.9 million.

The 'Saturday Night Live' bottom line: It's still a ratings winner for NBC.

One final note about "Saturday Night Live," a show that takes all kinds of abuse, some justified, some merely aging generational sniping. "It's not as good as it used to be" is the common complaint, usually made by people who haven't watched it in decades, who romanticize the era of the show that happened to coincide with their teen years.

During the run of our bracket competition last month for best "SNL" cast member (Kate McKinnon won), I heard from many readers who dismissed the show and asked why we even bothered. "SNL" is so a.) boring, b.) leftie, c.) frivolous, d.) all of the above.

As if to answer the skeptics, Deadline recently profiled the ratings position of the most recent full season of "SNL." Here are the relevant facts: The show, now approaching its 50th year, was the No. 1 entertainment series across all ad-supported broadcast and cable TV in the all-important 18-49 demo — for the fifth season in a row. In short, "SNL" continues to be big with young (and young-adjacent) viewers.

In live viewing, plus viewing during the following week, the show averaged 7.2 million in total viewers per episode. The top-rated telecast of the season in total viewers was the Ryan Gosling/Chris Stapleton episode on April 13 with 8.9 million. And none of these numbers represent the many millions of views the show gets on YouTube, where people watch the sketches in the days and weeks after the live show.

So dismiss away, but remember that the numbers very much support the existence of "SNL." It remains a comedy institution.

LOVE LETTERS

BY MEREDITH GOLDSTEIN

Three dates with a Trump supporter

A note from Meredith: This letter was sent — and answered — before the verdict. But ... what timing!

Q. I'm hoping to get your advice on a tricky situation in today's climate. I've gone on three dates with a man. We had one of the best first dates I've been on in a really long time — and I've been dating for a while. I've tried it all — apps, blind dates, speed dating, friend setups, co-workers. So I don't want to throw away potential chemistry, given how hard it is to find someone these days.

However, it recently came to my attention that this man is a Trump supporter. As a Democrat, and to be honest, more importantly as a citizen of the world, I can't understand, with all we know now, how you can still support this man. I won't get into all of my views, but I'm truly curious if a dating relationship could work if your underlying political beliefs are so diabolically opposed.

Can you actually have healthy conversations around that, can you respect the other person's opinions even if they are not reflected in your own, and can you have a fulfilling relationship with someone? Is all fair in love and politics?

HILLARY'S
FAN CLUB PRESIDENT

A. "*Can you actually have healthy conversations around that, can you respect the other person's opinions even if they are not reflected in your own, and can you have a fulfilling relationship with someone?*"

Sure?

In theory.

But ... four and eight years ago, I read a lot of letters from people in long marriages who were trying to make it work, even though they'd lost respect for their partners. Even though they felt *unseen* by their partners.

Those letters were usually from people who had a decade or more of love and good memories to lean on. Still, they were struggling.

In your case, it's so new — and we're heading into an election. Do you want to have these conversations ... *frequently*? Do you want to be in a relationship with someone who wants a certain kind of world? One you don't like?

My advice is to ask him what you asked me: "How can you still support this man?" If you're satisfied with his answer, great. If he asks you why *you* don't support Trump and really wants to listen and hear you out, wonderful.

If you don't like the answer, move on.

I suspect you won't like it!

Honestly, this whole letter is more about *dating fatigue* than anything else. You're not feeling chemistry with most people. Maybe that means you need to give people a Date 4 instead of just three.

I'd rather have a slow burn with someone than great energy but no shared values.

You don't have to lower your bar for company just because dating is difficult. *Making do* with what you've found isn't a great way to add something wonderful to your life.

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:

Gone are the days when being a Democrat or Republican was merely a case of different economic and social policies. This current era is one in which the differences are more fundamental. If you can handle the fact that this potential boyfriend supports beliefs that you find offensive, that's a lot to take on. Plus, how does he feel about YOUR political stance? The early days of dating are supposed to be almost perfect, but you're only three dates in and you're questioning something really elemental. Cut your losses and run.

HIKERGALNH128

Someone has a different view on religion, will you demean them? Someone has a different view than you regarding a war, will you write a biased letter to publicly shame them? I'd warn any man, Trump supporter or not, to stay far far away from you.

LUPELOVE

Many people have been able to have successful relationships with political differences. Values are a better test than politics — and only you can decide if racism, misogyny, antisemitism, conspiracy theories, anti-science, or any other particular beliefs he might have are a deal breaker for you. I'm sure there must be some Trump supporters who don't espouse these qualities.

WIZEN

This is less about values than it is about agreements and boundaries. If you two can agree on how to talk about politics, and when to stop, then of course it can work.

TERMINATER5

Having chemistry and having conversation all well and good, but you can't turn a blind eye to what their support builds and the effects that has on you and other people.

BKLYNMOM

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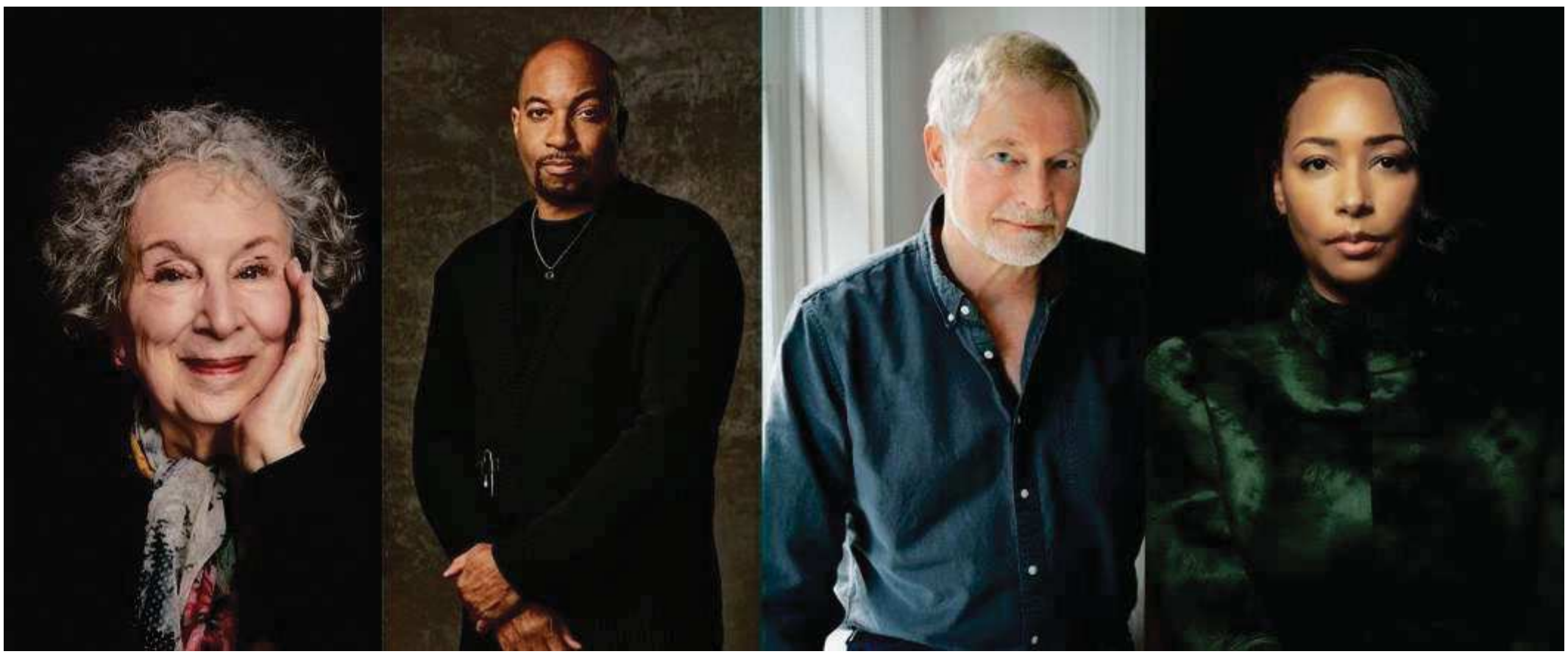
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5	WCVB ABC	News (N)	Chronicle	Celebrity Wheel of Fortune		Celebrity Jeopardy!		Pyramid Taran Killam		NewsCe-nter 5 (N)	(:35) J. Kimmel
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25	WFXT FOX	ET (N)	TMZ (N)	Beat Shazam "School's Out!" (N)		The Quiz With Balls (N)		Boston 25 News at 10PM (N) (Live)		News (N) (Live)	(:35) News (N)
27	WUNI	Rosa "Detrás de una sonrisa"		Golpe de suerte (N)		El gallo de oro		El amor no tiene receta (N)		Noticias Univisión	SaborDe/ (:35) Noti..
36	WSBE PBS	Last/-Wine	Served?	Upstart Crow	Waiting for God	All Creatures Great and Small: Touring The Dales				PBS NewsHour	
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	PREMIUM CABLE										
	Cinemax	(6:20) ★★ Keanu ('16)		Altitude ('17) Dolph Lundgren, Denise Richards.		★ Whiteout ('09) Gabriel Macht, Kate Beckinsale.				(:10) ★★ The Visit ('15) Olivia DeJonge.	
	Flix	(5:35) ★★★ We Were Soldiers (P)		★★★ The Talented Mr. Ripley ('99) Gwyneth Paltrow, Jude Law, Matt Damon.					(:25) ★★★★ Dog Day Afternoon ('75) Al Pacino. (P)		
	HBO	Real Time With Bill Maher		★★★ Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon Michelle Yeoh, Chow Yun-Fat. (P)				(:05) Ren Faire		(:05) ★★★ Avatar: The Way of Water	
	HBO 2	(5:50) ★★★ Hereditary ('18)		Last Week (N)	(:40) We're Here "Oklahoma, Part 3"	(:40) Nikki Glaser: Someday You'll Die		(:45) ★★★ Wonka ('23) Calah Lane, Timothée Chalamet.			
	Paramount-Sho	(5:50) Mission: Impossible II (P)		Fellow Travelers "You're Wonderful"		(:05) ★★★ The Inspection ('22) Jeremy Pope.			(:40) The Chi "City of Gold"		Black Lotus
	Showtime 2	(6:15) Mournin...	★★★★ Forrest Gump ('94) Robin Wright, Gary Sinise, Tom Hanks.					★★★ Tropic Thunder ('08) Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr., Ben Stiller.			
	Starz!	(:15) ★ Expend4bles ('23) Sylvester Stallone, Andy Garcia, Jason Statham.				Power II: Ghost "Human Capital"		Power Book II: Ghost		Hunger Games: Ballad of Songbirds & Snak...	
	TMC	(5:35) 13 Hours: Secret Soldiers of B...		★★★ The Fighter ('10) Christian Bale, Amy Adams, Mark Wahlberg. (P)				Warrior Strong ('23) Andrew "Dice" Clay.		(:40) At Any Price	
	SPORTS										
	CBSSN	PWBA Bowling				Inside College Football (N)					
	ESPN	SportCtr (N) (Live)	ESPN Original Documentaries (N)			E60 (N)		The Ultimate Fighter (N)		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	
	ESPN2	Around (N)	Pardon (N)	NFL Live Marcus Spears		The Ultimate Fighter		ESPN Original Documentaries		E60 (N)	
	Fox Sports 1	Men's International Soccer Friendlies Portugal vs. Finland				NASCAR Cup Series Enjoy Illinois 300 From World Wide Technology Raceway at Gateway in Madison, Ill.					
	Golf	Lessons	Lessons	PGA TOUR	PGA TOUR	GOLF Films		GOLF Films		GOLF Films	
	NBA	NBA Play.		WNBA Basketball				NBA Play.		NBA Play.	
	NBC Sports	WNBA Basketball Washington Mystics at Connecticut Sun (N) (Live)				Celtics Post Up	Celtics Post Up	Boston Sports (N) (Live)		Boston Sports	
	NESN	MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves at Boston Red Sox (N) (Live)						Extra (N)	Red Sox	To Be Announced	
	FAMILY										
	Cartoon	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	American	Rick
	Disney	(6:10) ★★★ Zootopia ('16)		Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Raven's Home	Raven's Home
	Encore Family	(6:35) Monster Zone		An Elephant's Journey ('17)			Pegasus: Pony With a Broken W...			My Best Friend ('16)	
	Nickelodeon	LoudHou..	LoudHou..	SpongeB..	SpongeB..	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	Nick Jr.	PAWPatr..	Rubble	Rubble	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	PAWPatr..	Rubble	Rubble

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	AMC	(4:00) Green Mile		★★★ Tombstone ('93) Val Kilmer, Michael Biehn, Kurt Russell.						★★ The Book of Eli	
	Animal Planet	Lone Star Law		Wardens "Hunting Season Hustle"		Wardens "The Tough Call"		Yellowstone Wardens		Wardens "Treasure State Secrets"	
	BBC America	Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones	
	BET	Celebrity Family Feud Paula Deen		Celebrity Fam Joely Fisher, Tony Hawk		Celebrity Joshua Bassett, Sofia Wylie		Election Roun. (N)		★★ Tyler Perry's Madea Goes to Jail	
	Bravo	The Valley		The Valley "Darkside Danny"		The Valley (N)		(:15) Housewives of Dubai "The V.V.I.P."		(:15) The Valley	
	CMT	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mama's	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
	CNN	OutFront (N) (Live)		Cooper 360 (N)		The Source With (N)		CNN (N) (Live)		Laura (N) (Live)	
	Comedy Central	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Daily Show (N)	(:35) South Pa..
	CSPAN	(3:30) U.S. House (N) (Live)				Public Affairs Events					
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	Dest. America	BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters		BBQ Pitmasters	
	Discovery	Deadliest Catch		Deadliest Catch (N)		(:05) Catch		(:05) Catch		(:05) Catch	
	Discovery Life	(6:00) 600-Lb. Life		600-Lb. Life "Joe W. & Pauline"				600-Lb. Life "Laura and Chay"			
	E!	(5:30) ★★ Fast Five ('11)				★★ The Fast and the Furious ('01) Vin Diesel.				E! News	The Kard
	Encore	(6:30) House Next D...		(:10) ★★ Fall ('22) Grace Fulton.				Power II: Ghost (N)		(:05) Power Bk II (N)	
	Food	Chopped		Chopped (N)		Supermarket Stakeout (N)		Supermarket Stakeout		Chopped "More Cheese, Please!"	
	Fox News	Ingraham (N) (Live)		Jesse (N) (Live)		Hannity (N) (Live)		Gutfeld! (N)		Fox News (N) (Live)	
	Freeform	(6:30) ★★★ Toy Story 3 ('10) Tom Hanks.				★★★ Toy Story 4 ('19) Tom Hanks.				The 700 Club	
	FUSE	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	Bollywed	Bollywed	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm
	FX	★★★ Black Widow ('21) Florence Pugh, Scarlett Johansson.						The Bear	(:35) Bear	Spider-Man: No Wa...	
	FXM	Movie	(:25) ★★ Super Troopers ('01)			(:20) ★★ Super Troopers ('01)				(:15) ★★ Volcano	
	Hallmark	Field Day ('23) Rachel Boston.				Two Tickets to Paradise ('22)				Gold Girls	Gold Girls
	Hallmark Myst.	Crossword "Proposing Murder"				Crossword Mysteries "Abracadaver"				Murder, She Wrote	
	HGTV	Afraid "Harmonious Old House" (N)		Farmhouse Fixer "Sight Unseen"		Farmhouse Fixer "Episode 5" (N)		Hunters Int'l (N)	Hunters Int'l (N)	House Hunters	House Hunters
	History	Skinwalker Ranch "Bad Taste"		Skinwalker Ranch "The Flash"		Skinwalker Ranch "Beaming Up" (N)		(:05) Beyond Skinwalker (N)		(:05) Skinwalker Ranch "Bad Taste"	
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	HSN	Comfort Code (N)		tarte Cosmetics (N)		Summer (N)		Summer (N)		Summer (N)	
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	IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
	Lifetime	Castle "Knockout"		Castle "Rise"		Castle		(:05) Castle		(:05) Castle	
	LMN	(6:00) Big Lies in a S...		Her Deadly Night in Paris ('23)				The Venice Murders ('23)			
	MAGN	Beachfront Reno		Galveston (N)		Restoring Galveston		Restoring Galveston		Restoring Galveston	
	MSNBC	ReidOut (N) (Live)		All In (N) (Live)		Wagner (N) (Live)		Last Word (N) (Live)		11th Hour (N) (Live)	
	MTV	Catfish		Catfish (N)		Help! I'm In (N)		Help! I'm In		Help! I'm In	
	National Geographic	Life Below Zero "Turning Point"		Life Below Zero: Next Generation		Life Below.. "Buried in Snow" (N)		Fiennes "River Deep Mountain High" (N)		Life Below Zero "Passing the Torch"	
	NatGeoWild	The Incredible		Dr. Pol "Jingle Pols"		The Incredible		The Incredible		The Incredible	
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	NewsNation	On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N) (Live)		Dan Abrams (N)		Banfield (N) (Live)		Cuomo	
	Ovation	Doc Martin		Doc Martin		Doc Martin		Doc Martin		Doc Martin	
	OWN	Dr. Phil		Deadline: Crime		Deadline "Fit to Kill"		Deadline: Crime		Deadline: Crime	
	Oxygen	Snapped		Snapped		Snapped		Snapped		Snapped	
	Paramount	Two Men	Two Men	★★★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12) Anne Hathaway, Tom Hardy, Christian Bale.							
	QVC	(6:00) Makeup (N)		Shoe (N) (Live)		PRAI Pro (N) (Live)		Girls' Night in (N) (Live)			
	Science	Strange Evidence		Strange Evidence		Strange Evidence		Strange Evidence		Strange Evidence	
	Sundance	NCIS "Judgment Day"		NCIS "Last Man Standing"		NCIS "Agent Afloat"		NCIS "Capitol Offense"		NCIS "Heartland"	
	SyFy	Movie	Escape Room: Tournament of Champions					★★ The Core ('03) Hilary Swank, Aaron Eckhart.			
	TBS	Baseball Minnesota Twins at New York Yankees (N) (Live)						MLB Close	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam
	TCM	(6:00) Velvet Touch		★★ Bright Eyes ('34)				(:45) ★★★ Moon Over Miami ('41)			Movie
	TLC	Doubling Down		Doubling Down (N)		OutDaughtered (N)		7 Little (N)		Unexpected	
	TNT	Movie	Pregame	Women's International Soccer Friendlies				Postgame	The Lazarus Project		The Meg
	Travel	Par. Nightmare		Par. Nightmare		Par. Nightmare		Par. Nightmare		Nightmare "Cursed"	
	TruTV	TNTSports	Pregame	Women's International Soccer Friendlies				Postgame	★★ Without a Paddle ('04)		
	TV Land	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
	TV One	CosbySh..	CosbySh..	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single
	USA	Law & Order: SVU "Victims"		WWE NXT (N) (Live)				(:10) ★★ Tag ('18) Jon Hamm, Jeremy Renner, Ed Helms. (P)			
	VH-1	Martin	★★ Juice ('92) Tupac Shakur, Omar Epps.					Election Roun. (N)		★★ All Eyez on Me	
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From left: Margaret Atwood, Kwame Alexander, Eric Larson, and Safiya Sinclair are among the authors appearing at this year's Nantucket Book Festival.

Nantucket Book Festival returns this month with Margaret Atwood, Kwame Alexander, Erik Larson, and more

By Maria Jose Gutierrez Chavez
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Engaging conversations are set to happen under the Nantucket sun during the island's 13th annual book festival. From June 13-16, the Nantucket Book Festival will host panel discussions, social events, and author readings at various local venues. Featuring 23 authors, including Margaret Atwood, Kwame Alexander, Safiya Sinclair, and Erik Larson, the program invites readers to connect with stories and the writers behind them.

"If you have all of our books from the lineup of the festival this year stacked up, you'd be transported to so many different places," said Tim Ehrenberg, president of the Nantucket Book Foundation. "You'd go to the Civil War times with Erik Larson's 'The Demon of Unrest.' You'd go to the Golden Age of piracy with Katherine Howe. You'd go to a contemporary jail cell in [Lara Love Hardin's] 'The Many Lives of Mama Love.' You'd go to Jamaica in [Safiya Sinclair's] 'How to Say Babylon.' Through all these stories, you've lived these lives and stepped into someone else's shoes for a second... you're changed a little bit for the better."

The majority of events are free and require no preregistration. Discussions are set to flow organically, allowing speakers to guide their direction. "We think that the most authentic and interesting conversations come out of what the author and their interviewers/interlocutors want to speak about," said Kaley Kokomoor, executive director of the Nantucket Book Foundation.

The programming kicks off on Thursday at 1 p.m. at the Nantucket Atheneum, the island's public library. Conversations will delve into true crime writing with author Casey Sherman and event co-chair and presenting author Sara DiVello; a chat on pirates, witches, and the experience of being a writer with best-selling author Katherine Howe and Ehrenberg; and more.

Friday events begin at 9 a.m. with a conversation between best-selling author Larson and Boston Globe Media CEO Linda Henry. Larson will discuss his newest book, released in April, "The Demon of Unrest: A Saga of Hubris, Heartbreak, and Heroism at the Dawn of the Civil War," about the five consequential months after Abraham Lincoln was elected president. Henry will also join New York Times best-selling author Ben Mezrich at 4 p.m., discussing his latest book, "Breaking Twitter: Elon Musk and the Most Controversial Corporate Takeover in History."

Expected to be one of the festival's most popular events this year, a conversation between Atwood; Heather Reisman, founder and CEO of Canadian bookstore chain Indigo; and Louise Dennys, Atwood's publisher and editor at Penguin Random House Canada, will take place at 7:30 p.m. at First Congressional Church. Atwood has written more than 50 books, including the 1985 classic "The Handmaid's Tale" and two Booker Prize-winning novels, 2000's "The Blind Assassin" and 2019's "The Testaments," a sequel to "The Handmaid's Tale." Her most recent book, the short story collection "Old Babes in the Woods," came out in March 2023.

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Friday programming will end at 7:30 p.m. with a ticketed event — a buffet dinner at the White Elephant Hotel ballroom, allowing guests to talk with visiting authors. The $350 ticket helps fund the week's free programming, as well as support the foundation's year-round initiatives, including author visits to local schools, a bookmobile, a new children's book festival, and an annual award for young writers.

Saturday's sessions include an 11 a.m. panel at the Methodist Church, with Alexander, who is also an Emmy-winning producer, discussing his 2023 memoir "Why Fathers Cry at Night." Alexander serves as a visiting author at local schools for the foundation. At 2 p.m., Boston-based historian and award-winning author Kerri Greenidge discusses her 2022 book, "The Grimkes, A Legacy of Slavery in an American Family." At the Dreamland Main Theatre Saturday night, Alexander and Sinclair will present the foundation's Young Writer Award, honoring high school students who participated in an essay competition.

Closing out the weekend, Sunday panels at the Atheneum Great Hall and Dreamland include Sinclair in conversation with Nantucket Book Foundation co-founder and festival co-chair Mary Haft, discussing Sinclair's book about her upbringing in Jamaica with her Rastafarian father. That night, Cisco Brewers will host a gathering for readers and writers to enjoy food, drinks, and music.

"There are few to almost no free events on Nantucket in the summertime, and so to have such a swath of cultural, intellectual brilliance to the island that's accessible to anyone who wants to walk in off the street is, I think, really unique and important," Kokomoor said. "We add something to the Nantucket cultural scene that was missing before this festival."

Find the full schedule of events at nantucketbookfestival.org.

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Author Ann Leary's people-pleasing days are over

By Adri Pray
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

BOOKS

Author Ann Leary is known for the works of fiction that followed her 2005 memoir "An Innocent, a Broad." But, for her latest title, "I've Tried Being Nice," she's turned inward again, chronicling decades of her life as a self-identified people pleaser.

The book of essays, which comes out Tuesday, offers humorous anecdotes about bat infestations, knitting, red carpet events, and tennis. As with her first memoir, "I've Tried Being Nice" provides an intimate glimpse into her life and her marriage to actor and Worcester native Denis Leary, who's featured heavily throughout the book.

In like fashion, he joined Ann in this interview with the Globe, which took place ahead of the pair's appearance at Cambridge Public Library on Wednesday. At the event, presented by Harvard Bookstore, the Learys, who reside in New York, will discuss Ann's collection of essays, with Globe writer Beth Teitell.



SCOTT M. LACY

Ann Leary's latest book is "I've Tried Being Nice," a collection of essays.

What inspired you to pursue the essays for "I've Tried Being Nice" — it's a departure from your more recent fiction work.

I actually prefer writing novels, but I have written essays for various publications. So after my last book ("The Foundling"), I looked at a few essays that I written and I thought to do a collection.

The title essay, "I've Tried Being Nice," I thought, might be the perfect essay to start with because most of the essays touch on this theme of reaching a certain age and coming to terms with being a lifelong people pleaser and trying to change that a little bit. A few of [the included essays] have been previously published, but most are original to this book.

The essays walk a fine line between divulging personal details while keeping the reader at arm's length. How do you find that balance?

Since I usually write fiction, I've never had the legal department of a publisher contact me, but Simon & Schuster sent me multiple emails and I had to change a lot of defining details. As a writer, I've met people who are convinced that characters I've written were based on them. Then people I've worried would recognize themselves have no idea, because people don't see themselves usually the way they are.

A few chapters are about your relationship with your husband. Denis, how do you feel about how you were portrayed?

(*Leary*) Ann is a great writer, so in this case, the first time she gave it to me to read, [I spent most of the time] laughing. Even with things that may have been emotionally part of our past, she has the right to create pieces that involve her personal history. I'm glad she shows it to me in advance, but she's such a great writer. And, in this case, the book was so [expletive] funny.

What life lessons, if any, do you hope readers take away from this anthology?

Publishers want you to write life lessons, but I don't feel qualified to give lessons in life. I love to read memoir and personal essays and I don't like to feel that the [writer] is trying to influence me or teach me something. But I will certainly learn something by reading about their experiences.

I do give one bit of advice, and early readers have commented to me that it really helped them. Denis and I hate to check luggage. We can go to Europe for three weeks with carry-ons and we'd do it with children; we're just too impatient. I include a bulletpoint list of tips on how to not pack too much, and you can carry-on luggage wherever you go.

Ann and Denis Leary will be in conversation with the Globe's Beth Teitell at the Cambridge Public Library on Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. Registration is required at eventbrite.com.

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Cyndi Lauper's "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun Farewell Tour" will be at MGM Music Hall at Fenway on Oct. 26.

Lauper's farewell tour includes a stop in Boston in the fall

MUSIC

For one last time, Boston will be singing the hits of Cyndi Lauper all through the night.

The "True Colors" singer and Tony Award winner just announced her farewell tour, which passes through MGM Music Hall at Fenway on Oct. 26. The "Girls Just Wanna Have Fun Farewell Tour" hits 23 stops in total, beginning Oct. 18 in Montreal and ending Dec. 5 in Chicago.

The poster for Lauper's tour teases appearances by special guests, although they have not yet been officially announced.

The 70-year-old Lauper, whose seminal record "She's So Unusual" turned 40 this past October, is primed for a busy 2024.

Along with her new tour, Paramount+ recently announced the acquisition of her documentary titled "Let the Canary Sing." The film, which documents her rise as an artist and the impact of her music, is available for streaming in the United States and Canada starting Tuesday.

Lauper is also set to appear on "Jimmy Kimmel Live!" Wednesday night to promote both the farewell tour as well as the documentary's debut.

Presale for Lauper's tour starts Tuesday at 10 a.m. and lasts through Thursday, with general on-sale beginning Friday at 10 a.m. For more information, including tickets for other tour dates, visit cyndilauper.com.

HENRY BOVA

Plenty of room for PWHL to grow

Boston, new league will continue to build

By Matt Porter
GLOBE STAFF

LOWELL — As the champagne and confetti fell on the Minnesota team following the presentation of the Walter Cup last Wednesday, it was easy to be bullish on the future of the PWHL.

An on-the-fly debut season produced some of the highest-quality women's hockey ever seen outside of a United States-Canada Olympic gold medal game. The playoffs were entertaining, with top-seeded Toronto choosing to play Minnesota and losing in a reverse sweep, and in the Finals, Boston's Alina Müller overcoming a would-be clinching goal by Minnesota by scoring in double overtime to force a deciding Game 5.

Speaking to the Globe on Thursday, Boston general manager Danielle Marmer said she didn't realize until the series ended how tense she had been over the last few weeks. Late Wednesday night, her resting heart rate dropped from 90 beats per minute to something more normal.

"This stings right now. It's OK for it to sting," Marmer told players in Boston's locker room after the 3-0 series-ending loss. "Know that we're so proud of what this group accomplished. It's two-part: what the league accomplished, the historic season, they're all a part of that. Also as a hockey team, this group went on a run that couldn't have been predicted. They battled for each other. It's a group that cares about each other."

Change is coming in Year 2 — in Boston, and across the PWHL, which will have a strengthened player pool, an expanded schedule, and, yes, team nicknames and logos.

Where things stand as the offseason begins:

■ The June 10 draft in St. Paul is the first chance for Boston to improve. Picking fourth, Marmer surely will add an impact offensive player. Boston won four overtime games in the postseason, but managed just 1.6 goals per game

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BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

PWHL Boston had the league's second-worst average attendance, but the fans were rewarded by captain Hilary Knight and her finalist teammates.



FILE/LEFTERIS PITARAKIS/ASSOCIATED PRESS

As an 18-year-old in 2017, Luka Doncic came off the bench to help Slovenia capture the EuroBasket championship with a win over Serbia.

'That is Luka Magic'

Mavericks star's rise to fame no illusion

By Amin Touri
GLOBE STAFF

Long before he was in MVP conversations and All-NBA debates, before he was on video-game covers and breaking records, Luka Doncic was mentioned mostly in hushed tones in the far reaches of the online basketball community. He seemed like a myth — a 6-foot-8-inch Slovenian teenager who was dominating European basketball.

Even by the time he was 19, leading Real Madrid to the EuroLeague title in 2018 and being named MVP of the second-best league in the world, a majority of the American basketball-watching public knew little about Doncic. They had to hear it from those who came face-to-face with the boy in a man's body, players who learned very quickly what was coming.

"I don't know any other European kid that plays at such a high level," Celtics center Kristaps Porzingis said back then, after an 18-year-old Doncic racked up 27 points and 9 rebounds against Porzingis and Latvia at EuroBasket in 2017. "There's no other college kid that's able to put up those numbers in a EuroLeague game."

"He's a born winner," said teammate Goran Dragic after Slovenia won gold at that tournament for the first time, turning serious when a reporter laughed. "I'm not kidding. Mark my words: He's going to be one of the best in the whole world."

Scouts in Europe raved about a basketball prodigy with transcendent vision and passing, advanced ballhandling skills and surgical precision in the pick-and-roll, and huge upside as an off-the-dribble scorer. It looked as though you had placed a mirror in front of James Harden and had him figure out the game much earlier.

Some teams weren't convinced, perhaps thinking Doncic might be more Darko Milicic than Harden 2.0. He slipped to No. 3 in the 2018 NBA Draft behind Arizona's Deandre Ayton (Suns) and Duke's Marvin Bagley Jr. (Kings), then was immediately traded to Dallas by the Hawks for Trae Young.

Six years after that draft, the Suns had to do everything they could to get rid of Ayton's contract in 2023. It took the Kings years to recover from wasting their choice on Bagley; the Hawks made out OK with an All-Star in Young — but Doncic hung 73 points on Atlanta back in January, lest Atlanta forget what could've been.

It's safe to say they're convinced now.

After becoming the first European to lead the NBA in scoring this season, Doncic earned his fifth straight All-NBA first-team selection — joining Kevin Durant and Tim Duncan as the only players to achieve that feat before turning 26. He's been sensation-

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Red Sox at head of the class

Young squad gets taught 'aggressively' in-season

By Alex Speier
GLOBE STAFF

Dominic Smith isn't old.

"I'm only 28!" he exclaimed.

Still, among Red Sox teammates who are near the start of their big league careers, the first baseman sometimes feels ancient.

"[Coaches] have to remind me sometimes that I'm still young," chuckled Smith.

Smith can be forgiven his confusion. After all, he's among the oldest players on one of the youngest teams in the majors.

Already, the Sox have had nine games in which every member of the starting lineup was under the age of 30 — tied for most in the big leagues with the A's. In 25 additional contests, the Sox have had eight lineup members who have been that young.

The Sox are young and inexperienced. Their fortunes are thus tied to how quickly their talented but unpolished players can learn on the fly at the highest level.

For decades, teams operated on the assumption that "player development" occurred chiefly in the minor leagues, and players arrived in the majors in a nearly fully formed state. In recent years, however, the game has skewed younger and the amateur baseball landscape had changed dramatically, with a shift away from game feel and toward the development of raw tools.

With those trends has come a glaring need for ongoing education in the big leagues — particularly on a young team like the Sox.

"Obviously you've got to keep talking to them and teaching the game," manager Alex Cora said. "That's what we're trying to accomplish here with players at the big league level and winning games at the same time."

The Sox aren't simply paying lip service to developing players in the big leagues. They've created a formal structure for assessing and addressing players' developmental needs.

Every week, members of the front office and coaching staff meet to discuss three to four

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Demand jacks up get-in price to pay for tickets

By Michael Silverman
GLOBE STAFF

Finally, a solution is in sight for those suffering from thousands of dollars burning holes in their pockets.

The NBA Finals are coming to Boston.

Pent-up demand from antsy sports fans who have endured a five-year wait since their last duck boat parade is jacking up the price of an average ticket to the NBA Finals games the Celtics and Mavericks will play at TD Garden, beginning with Games 1 and 2 this Thursday and Sunday.

Depending on the game, seat location, and who's doing the math, the average fan will be paying as much as $4,000 a ticket to walk into the Garden.

"There's incredible interest for these games," said Jim Holzman, CEO of Ace Tickets. "There's still a lot of people that haven't bought yet who are trying to figure out what to do, trying to decide to go to Game 1, Game 2, Game 7, that sort of thing.

"What I also think is looming is the Kyrie [Irving] factor — no doubt about it, that's going to be something that people are going to latch on to."

According to TicketIQ, a resale and primary ticket aggregator, the average for the Celtics games at TD Garden was $4,003. The average prices ranged from $2,875 for Game 1 with a get-in ticket priced at $900 to $5,503 for a potential Game 7, with a get-in price at $1,987.

The average ticket price on the secondary market as of Friday for any of the Celtics-Mavericks games, according to TicketIQ, was $4,150 — the highest price ever since the com-

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NBA FINALS
MAVERICKS VS. CELTICS
Game 1: Thursday, 8:30 p.m. (ABC)

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Titans in Pembroke
Jack Conway (above) celebrated a 13-8 lacrosse victory, the first in school history. **C6**

Highest non-QB contract
WR Jefferson, Vikings reach four-year, $140 million deal, $110 million guaranteed. **C4**

Djokovic ailing at French
He captures record 370th victory in Grand Slam match but knee injury a concern. **C7**

Panthers, Oilers have Cup star power

Tkachuk, again; McDavid in first

By Tim Reynolds
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SUNRISE, Fla. — Matthew Tkachuk is about to renew some acquaintances. Connor McDavid is going back to where his NHL career started.

The Stanley Cup Final matchup is set: The Florida Panthers, back in the title round for the second consecutive year and seeking their first championship, will take on the Edmonton Oilers — a team looking to return to hockey's mountaintop for the first time since 1990.

Edmonton wrapped up the Western Conference on Sunday night, eliminating the Dallas Stars with a 2-1 victory to end that series in six games. Florida won the Eastern Conference on Saturday night, topping the New York Rangers, 2-1, to also finish off a six-game series.

Game 1 of the Cup final is Saturday night in Florida. The Panthers are in the title series for the third time; the Oilers are seeking their sixth Cup in what will be their eighth trip to finals.

Edmonton hasn't played for the Cup since losing a seven-game series to Carolina in 2006. And the Oilers have a chance to end a bizarre streak, given hockey's meaning and deep ties to Canada — no team from a Canadian city has won the Stanley Cup since Montreal in 1993.

"Unbelievable," Oilers forward Ryan Nugent-Hopkins said in a televised on-ice interview Sunday night, as fans in Edmonton celebrated the clincher over Dallas. "Best fans in the league. It's incredible to do it, to get to the next level in front of these fans. Obviously, we've got a ton of work to do. We're playing a good team."

There is serious star power on both sides. Florida has Tkachuk, Aleksander Barkov, Sam Reinhart and Sergei Bobrovsky among its leaders; Edmonton has McDavid, Leon Draisaitl, Zach Hyman and Nugent-Hopkins among its top draws.

Tkachuk came to Florida in a trade from Calgary in 2022 and famously got into the ties that bind — or don't bind — hockey in Alberta at his introductory news conference with the Panthers, saying "I hate Edmonton, but I hate Tampa more now."

This season's playoff run for Tkachuk and Florida started with Tampa Bay, a five-game win. It'll end with Edmonton, and Tkachuk surely will be welcomed back to Alberta less than warmly.

"Nothing better than playing hockey in June," Tkachuk said.

McDavid's first Stanley Cup Final game will be in the building where he officially pulled on an NHL sweater for the first time. He was the No. 1 pick in the 2015 draft, one held in the building that the Panthers call home.

Commissioner Gary Bettman was there to greet him with a handshake and a few words of congratulations when he took the stage that night — "this is awesome," Bettman told him. In a couple of weeks, Bettman will hand either McDavid or Barkov the Stanley Cup for the first time, the moment that captains in the NHL want to enjoy most.

"Feels like a dream, honestly," McDavid said.

There's going to be a slew of names that get etched onto the Cup for the first time when this series is over, since hardly anyone on either side has previously been part of a championship.

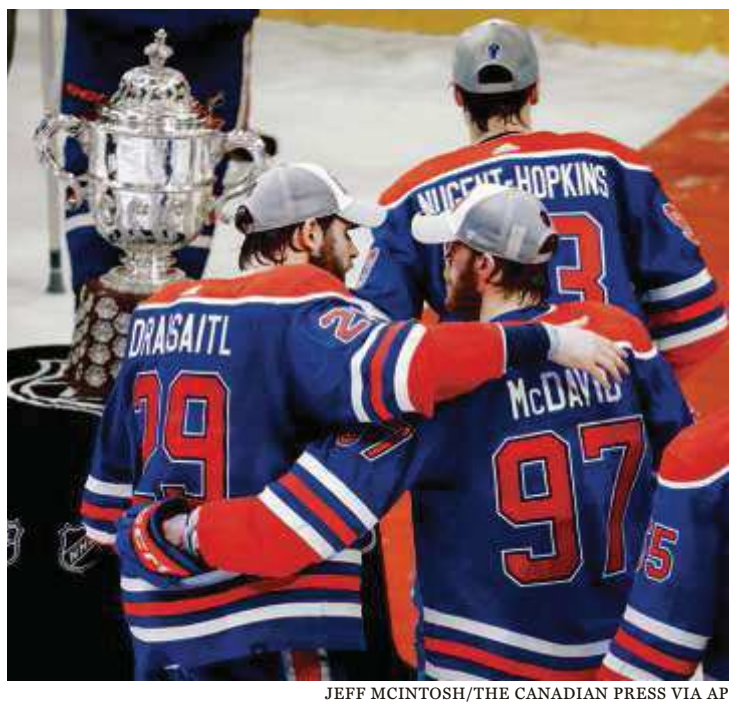
For Florida, Vladimir Tarasenko won it with St. Louis in 2019 and Carter Verhaeghe won it with Tampa Bay in 2020. For Edmonton, Corey Perry won it with Anaheim in 2007 — and is now back in the title round for the fourth time in five years, with a fourth different franchise. He lost with Dallas in 2020, Montreal in 2021, and Tampa Bay in 2022.

"It's unbelievable, being back in the finals," Tarasenko said.

Neither head coach has won the Cup either. Florida's Paul Maurice has coached 1,978 games in the NHL, third-most in league history; Edmonton's Kris Knoblauch has officially coached 87 games, tied for 275th-most in league history. He filled in as coach for the Rangers in six other games in 2021, called up from the team's American Hockey League affiliate because then-Rangers coach David Quinn and his staff were sidelined by COVID-19 protocols.

The Panthers won both games against the Oilers this season — 5-3 at home on Nov. 20; and 5-1 at Edmonton on Dec. 16. Knoblauch took over as coach after 13 games this season when Edmonton fired Jay Woodcroft following a 3-9-1 start; the only opposing coaches Knoblauch didn't beat this season were Maurice and Tampa Bay's Jon Cooper, going 0-2-0 against both.

"Last year, after we finished the Carolina series, trying to find the right word . . . pandemonium is not the right word, but the energy level postgame was through the roof," Maurice said. "Slightly subdued this year relative to that. It was lots of happy people, but maybe we've got a little more experience now . . . When the buzzer went, it was excitement, and rightfully so."



JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS VIA AP

The Oilers' dynamic duo of Leon Draisaitl (left) and Connor McDavid will play for a bigger trophy against the Panthers.

NHL playoffs

Eastern Conference finals

NY RANGERS VS. FLORIDA

Panthers win series, 4-2
Wednesday, May 22
Florida 3.....at NY Rangers 0
Friday, May 24
At NY Rangers 2.....Florida 1 (OT)
Sunday, May 26
NY Rangers 5.....at Florida 4 (OT)
Tuesday, May 28
At Florida 3.....NY Rangers 2 (OT)
Thursday, May 30
Florida 3.....at NY Rangers 2
Saturday, June 1
At Florida 2.....NY Rangers 1

Western Conference finals

DALLAS VS. EDMONTON

Oilers win series, 4-2
Thursday, May 23
Edmonton 3.....at Dallas 2 (2OT)
Saturday, May 25
At Dallas 3.....Edmonton 1
Monday, May 27
Dallas 5.....at Edmonton 3
Wednesday, May 29
At Edmonton 5.....Dallas 2
Friday, May 31
Edmonton 3.....at Dallas 1
Sunday, June 2
At Edmonton 2.....Dallas 1

STANLEY CUP FINAL

FLORIDA VS. EDMONTON

Schedule
Saturday at Florida.....8
Monday at Florida.....8
Thu., June 13 at Edmonton.....8
Sat., June 15 at Edmonton.....8
*Tue., June 18 at Florida.....8
*Fri., June 21 at Edmonton.....8
*Mon., June 24 at Florida.....8

* If necessary

Plenty of room for PWHL, Boston to grow

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(after a league-low 2.08 in the regular season). Its power play was 0 for 23 in the playoffs, after going in with a league-worst 7.5 percent success rate.

According to the Ice Garden, a web platform dedicated to women's hockey, no team had more shot attempts, shots on net, and attacking-zone time on the power play than Boston — but no team had fewer high-danger shot attempts.

"I think we have goal scorers," Marmer said. "Do we have playmakers, players who can carry the puck and be creative and open up opportunities for our goal scorers? Also, adding some D who are really confident with their skating, so they're willing to play with a tight gap, make stops in the neutral zone and make plays in transition . . . I'm not necessarily convinced that our lack of production is because of our forwards."

Boston may not be in position to draft Princeton star Sarah Fillier, the projected top pick, but fellow Canadian Danielle Serdachny (Colgate) and Americans Cayla Barnes and Hannah Bilka (both Ohio State) and Izzy Daniel (Cornell) could be in range. All but Barnes are forwards, and all of those players would blend well with Müller, Hilary Knight, and the rest of Boston's returning attackers.

Not all of the 167 players who declared for the draft are college players. One name of interest: Amanda Kessel. The longtime Team USA forward, who took last year off to focus on her role as a special assistant to Pittsburgh Penguins GM Kyle Dubas, has plenty of game left at age 32. She is also the sister-in-law of Boston coach Courtney Kessel, Hannah Brandt's running mate in college at Minnesota, and former Bruin Phil Kessel's sister.

In her last competition, the 2023 Worlds, Amanda Kessel had 9 points in seven games. A Knight-Kessel-Brandt line would add some juice to Boston's game. Which team will take a swing, and how early?

■ Boston, as Courtney Kessel said, "ran out of gas." They were also banged up.

Marmer said star defenseman Megan Keller played through a separated shoulder, stemming from the second period of Game 2 against Montreal. She played 40:49 in that triple-overtime win. For the rest of the run, she remained her minute-munching, physical self while compromised.

"She has so much courage and compete and heart," Marmer said.

Brandt, whose dramatic winner April 27 in Minnesota kept Boston's playoff hopes alive, struggled to hold her stick in the playoffs. She broke her hand during the Montreal series, and broke a finger on her other hand against Minnesota.

Marmer said a handful of players are due for surgeries.

■ Players can re-sign Saturday. Free agency opens June 21. Every team has a chance to reshape its roster.

The top players leaguewide signed three-year contracts last summer. Boston's Knight, Müller, Keller, Jamie Lee Rattray, and playoff hero Aerin Frankel (.953 save percentage) have two years remaining.

Also likely to return: forwards Susanna Tapani, Loren Gabel, Theresa Schafzahl, and Taylor Girard; defender Jessica Digirolamo, and goalie Emma Söderberg, who have one year remaining.

But the bulk of Boston's players — and those on other teams — are on expiring one-year deals. Boston's pending free agents include forwards Brandt, Sophie Shirley, Amanda Pelkey, Lexie Adzija, Gigi Marvin, Taylor Wenczkowski, Kelly Babstock, and Nicole Kosta; defenders Emily Brown, Sidney Morin, Kaleigh Fratkin, Jess Healey, and Abby Cook; and goalie Cami Kronish.

Marmer, of course, wouldn't reveal her blueprint. Given the roles they filled this season, Brandt (two-way center), Shirley (speedy top-six winger), and Brown (top-four defender) appear most likely to be extended. But competition for roster spots will be fierce across the league, with 42 new draftees and European free agents arriving. Good players will find themselves hunting for opportunity.

At least one blue line spot is open: Healey has taken a coaching job in her native Edmonton and will step away from the league.

■ The PWHL Boston era unofficially ended Wednesday. Those diagonally lettered "BOSTON" jerseys are soon to become throwbacks.

PWHL senior vice president Amy Scheer said last week that team nicknames and logos are coming in August, along with lots of merchandise. Bauer signed on as the league's jersey-maker and chief merchandise supplier.

Boston Wicked, a name trademarked by the league? Boston Green Monsters, as a nod to Frankel's playoff heroics? We'll soon find out.

■ Boston had the league's second-lowest attendance, but fans showed up when it counted. Game 5 sold out by 7 a.m. the morning after a thrilling Game 4, Tsongas Center general manager Keith Vaske said. Most of the fans stayed, chanted for Boston, and saluted Minnesota for winning the Walter Cup.

Now, the arena question looms in a few markets, including this one.

Sure, Tsongas Center wasn't easy to get to for those coming from the south, especially on weekdays. However, Vaske noted that fans from New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine were appreciative of the shorter drive.

It's in "continued discussions" with the PWHL, he said, about next year's contract. Speculation persists on other venues, such as Boston University's Agganis Arena (optics could be a problem, since the BU women's team does not play there) and TD Garden (which has a handful of open dates per month; however, tickets could be expensive).

A long-term home could be the Fenway, where Northeastern last week submitted a letter of intent to tear down and replace Matthews Arena with a new multipurpose building.

The timeline for that is unknown.

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BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Northeastern legend Kendall Coyne Schofield and Minnesota celebrated winning the Walter Cup on Boston's home ice.



BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Ceddanne Rafael's defense in center field impresses, to include opposing managers like the Tigers' A.J. Hinch.

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Rafaela turns heads in CF

Rookie's glove getting noticed

By Julian McWilliams
GLOBE STAFF

The Red Sox knew they needed **Ceddanne Rafaela** on the Opening Day roster.

Despite some of his offensive flaws, his defense in center field was something the Sox haven't seen since **Jackie Bradley Jr.** patrolled there for close to a decade.

Rafaela glides as he pursues the ball at full speed. Even though he's generously listed at just 5 feet 9 inches, he harnesses long strides like a lanky track star. His head remains steady, too, during his chase.

And when it's time to actually make the play, Rafaela flashes equal skill and wizardry.

Even though some of the advanced metrics don't reflect his prowess — Rafaela is in the 43rd percentile in outs above average, per Baseball Savant — if you watch the game, you'll understand just how special he is in center.

Just ask Tigers manager **A.J. Hinch**.

"He's incredible," said Hinch over the weekend at Fenway Park. "I mean watching him for just one series we saw him in spring, I think he might have played infield in one of the games and outfield in the other.

"But seeing him in this ballpark, in a very difficult place to play center where there's a lot of risk and reward, those are as good a jumps in center as you'll see in the big leagues across the board."

One jump in particular caught Hinch's attention. In the top of the sixth inning Saturday with one out, a runner on second, and **Brennan Bernardino** on to pitch, **Wenceel Pérez** laced a line drive toward the gap in right-center. The ball began its descent quickly, and what should have been an easy RBI double ended in a diving grab by Rafaela, who then doubled off the runner at second.

The ball had a 5 percent catch probability. That's the wizardry.

The skill also shows off Rafaela's footwork. Take the Sox' most recent series against the Orioles, for instance. On May 29 in the second inning, Baltimore's **Jorge Mateo** tagged a sharply hit ball to left-center off **Kutter Crawford**. Rafaela closed on the ball quickly and made the play.

That Rafaela caught it with runners on first and second wasn't what caught the eye. You knew, somehow, he would get to it.

What stood out was how Rafaela used speed to his advantage.

While most would have caught the ball on the run, likely meaning the runners could tag up, Rafaela, knowing he was at the spot already, got behind the ball (footwork), giving him the chance to come in on the catch and deliver a strong throw back into the infield — keeping both runners in place.

"You name your favorite center fielder, and in a short look at him, he looks as defensively impressive as any of them," said Hinch.

Honors for Teel

Red Sox top catching prospect **Kyle Teel** was named the Eastern League Player of the Week after hitting .417 with a .517 on-base percentage, three homers, and 11 RBI for Double A Portland.

Teel's homers included a three-run game-tying homer in the ninth Friday, and a go-ahead grand slam in the ninth Saturday.

O'Neill stays course

Tyler O'Neill (knee) received a cortisone shot over the weekend and is on track to be reinstated from the injured list Wednesday.

No start for Sale

Chris Sale will make his return to Fenway for the two-game set against the Braves, but will not make a start since he pitched against the Athletics Saturday. Sale was recently named National League Pitcher of the Month for May. He made five starts, allowing just two runs across 32 innings (0.56 ERA), striking out 45, and walking just two . . . The probable starters for the series against Atlanta: **Max Fried** vs. Crawford Tuesday, and **Spencer Schwellenbach** against **Nick Pivetta** Wednesday . . . The Braves are 33-24. The 30-30 Sox are 7-18 against teams over .500 this season.

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Braves-Red Sox series thumbnails

at Fenway Park
Tuesday, 7:10 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM 93.7

	W-L	ERA
LHP Max Fried	5-2	2.97
RHP Kutter Crawford	2-4	3.29

Wednesday, 1:35 p.m.
NESN, WEEI-FM 93.7

	W-L	ERA
RHP Spencer Schwellenbach	0-1	5.40
RHP Nick Pivetta	2-4	4.08

Head to head: This is the second of two series. The Red Sox lost two to the Braves in early May. **Miscellany:** The Braves are 13-6 in interleague play this season . . . RF Ronald Acuna Jr., last year's NL MVP, is out for the season after tearing an ACL . . . DH Marcell Ozuna has a 26-game on-base streak and leads the NL in slugging (.611) and OPS (1.001).

Baseball

NOTEBOOK

Betting probe eyes Padres INF

Marcano is subject to a possible lifetime ban

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Padres infielder **Tucupita Marcano** is under MLB investigation for allegedly betting on baseball and could be subject to a possible lifetime ban, according to a person familiar with the probe.

MLB is looking into allegations Marcano bet on games involving the Pirates while on the team's injured list last season, according to the person who spoke to the Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the investigation is ongoing.

Marcano, 24, has not played since tearing his right ACL last July. He was claimed by the Padres off waivers on Nov. 2 and put on the 10-day injured list March 19.

MLB's investigation was first reported Monday by The Wall Street Journal, which also reported four other players were under investigation for betting on baseball while in the minor leagues.

"We are aware of the matter that's under investigation and are fully cooperating," Pirates senior vice president of communications **Brian Warecki** said in a statement. "We will refrain from further comment."

Major League Rule 21, posted in every clubhouse, states betting on any baseball game in which a player, umpire, league official or team employee has no duty to perform results in a one-year suspension.

Betting on a game in which the person has a duty to perform results in a lifetime ban. In addition, betting on other sports with an illegal bookmaker is subject to discipline by the commissioner.

Marcano made his major league debut on April 1, 2021, and has a .217 average with 5 homers and 34 RBIs in 149 games.

Orioles own AL East rivals

Austin Hays hit two home runs and **Grayson Rodriguez** pitched two-run ball into the seventh, helping visiting Baltimore beat Toronto, 8-2. **Anthony Santander** and **Ramón Urías** also went deep as Baltimore won for the ninth time in 11 games, and improved to 12-4 vs. AL East foes.

Orioles infielder **Connor Norby** made his major league debut at second base after he was promoted from Triple A Norfolk. He batted ninth and went 0 for 3.

Hoskins HRs in Philly return

Rhys Hoskins homered for the Brewers in his return to Citizens Bank Park, but **David Dahl** went deep in his Philadelphia debut to back **Zack Wheeler** and the Phillies in a 3-1 win. In the opener of a three-game series between NL division leaders, **Edmundo Sosa** and **Johan Rojas** hit consecutive RBI singles in the second, Wheeler tossed seven strong to get his seventh win. Before the game, the Phillies put OF **Brandon Marsh** (hamstring) and IF **Kody Clemens** (back spasms) on the 10-day injured list.

Giants' Snell hurting again

San Francisco lefthander **Blake Snell** was placed on the 15-day IL, one day after departing with a left groin strain. Snell, who already missed a month to injury, is 0-3 with a 9.51 ERA in six starts since signing a $62 million, two-year contract . . . The Astros still aren't ready to say starter **José Urquidy** is done for the year amid reports a second Tommy John surgery is needed.



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Newcomer Dominic Smith took note of the level of information and instruction delivered by the Red Sox to the players.

Sox focus hard on teaching young crew

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pitchers and an equal number of position players. Every player is discussed at least once a month.

The participants include chief baseball officer Craig Breslow and other front office members (assistant general managers and assistant director of analytics Dave Miller); Cora and members of the coaching staff (depending on whether a pitcher or position player is being discussed); and members of the medical, strength and conditioning, and nutrition departments.

"It's kind of seeing the whole thing, the whole picture, breaking it down," said Cora, "and if we have to make adjustments, we attack it right away."

So, for instance, if a player is struggling with range to his left, what do the numbers say about the severity of the problem? What's at the root of the struggles? Is it a strength issue creating a lack of first-step explosiveness? Is it a pre-pitch routine or initial movement on the first step?

Based on the conclusions, members of the coaching and training staffs will tweak a player's routine — whether it's on-field work or, in some cases, off-field training.

"The need for development to continue at the major league level is critical to our success," said Breslow. "Yes, we have a lot of young players with development opportunities. But even with a team of veterans, we must always seek to improve.

"This is an extension of the process starting in the offseason where we built individual plans for each player with specific, measurable goals that would drive on-field performance."

Catcher Connor Wong said he has encountered a different level of detail in his conversations about one area in which he's trying to improve: framing pitches at the bottom of the strike zone.

Wong is having almost daily conversations about how he performed behind the plate the previous night, identifying instances where he could have done something to improve his chances of earning a called strike.

"You always go into the offseason with all these plans and you hammer some of those things, then you get to spring training and you continue that," said Wong. "But taking it into the season and continuing to work is something we've done a really good job of this year. The focus on the work, I think, has just been intensified."

There's also a more generalized commitment to provide young players with instruction, identifying elements within a given game or sometimes from a game elsewhere in the majors. Bench coach Ramón Vázquez has conversations during and outside of games on a near-daily basis.

Recently, for instance, when Wilyer Abreu was thrown out at second after not sliding on a steal, Vázquez addressed the matter not just with Abreu but with the entire positional group: You have to slide.

"There's going to be a lot of teaching moments as the season goes on, and you just can't let it go by and assume, 'Oh, he's got it,' " said Vázquez. "I'm putting that in my head: Don't assume they know."

To Smith, who spent parts of his previous seven seasons with the Mets and Nationals, the specificity of information and instruction provided by the Sox has been eye-opening.

"They're trying to help us understand, and help the young guys to understand, what it takes to be a successful big leaguer," he said. "Sometimes when you are a young guy, you don't know where you fit. You don't know what they're thinking about you. You're kind of in the dark. But here, they don't leave guys in the dark. They let them know what they expect of them, where they can improve, how they feel about them."

That's not a guarantee of success. Still, for a team whose fortunes are tied to accelerating the development of a young group as quickly as possible, there's a clear process in place for pursuing that mission.

"It's going to take a while and it's going to be a lot of work," said Vázquez, "but I think we're heading in the right direction right now. So far, so good."

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AL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
New York	42	19	.689	—	8-8	8-2	W 5
Baltimore	38	20	.655	2½	12-4	8-2	W 1
Boston	30	30	.500	11½	5-8	4-6	L 1
Tampa Bay	29	31	.483	12½	10-13	4-6	W 1
Toronto	28	31	.475	13	7-9	5-5	L 1
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Cleveland	39	20	.661	—	10-5	7-3	L 1
Kansas City	36	25	.590	4	12-8	4-6	W 1
Minnesota	33	26	.559	6	15-11	7-3	W 1
Detroit	30	30	.500	9½	10-9	7-3	W 2
Chicago	15	45	.250	24½	5-19	0-10	L 11
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Seattle	34	27	.557	—	12-4	7-3	W 3
Texas	29	31	.483	4½	9-11	5-5	L 1
Houston	27	34	.443	7	13-11	4-6	W 1
Oakland	24	37	.393	10	5-12	4-6	L 1
Los Angeles	22	38	.367	11½	4-5	2-8	W 1

NL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Philadelphia	42	19	.689	—	11-5	5-5	W 1
Atlanta	33	24	.579	7	11-8	4-6	W 1
Washington	27	32	.458	14	8-7	5-5	L 1
New York	25	35	.417	16½	6-8	4-6	W 1
Miami	21	39	.350	20½	4-12	5-5	L 2
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Milwaukee	36	24	.600	—	16-8	7-3	L 1
Chicago	29	31	.483	7	7-12	2-8	L 1
St. Louis	28	30	.483	7	5-7	6-4	L 1
Pittsburgh	27	32	.458	8½	7-7	4-6	L 1
Cincinnati	27	33	.450	9	4-5	7-3	W 2
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Los Angeles	38	23	.623	—	13-10	5-5	W 2
San Diego	32	31	.508	7	12-13	5-5	L 2
San Francisco	29	32	.475	9	12-12	4-6	L 5
Arizona	28	32	.467	9½	12-9	4-6	W 3
Colorado	21	38	.356	16	9-14	5-5	L 3

RESULTS

MONDAY

At Philadelphia 3	Milwaukee 1	At Houston 7	St. Louis 4
NY Mets 8	at Washington 7	Cincinnati 13	at Colorado 3
Baltimore 7	at Toronto 2	At LA Angels 2	San Diego 1
Detroit 2	at Texas 1	At Arizona 4	San Francisco 2

SUNDAY

Detroit 8 (10 inn.)	at Boston 4	At Milwaukee 6	Chi. White Sox 3
Minnesota 4	at Houston 3	At Kansas City 4	San Diego 3
At Atlanta 3	Oakland 1	Cincinnati 5	at Chi. Cubs 2
Tampa Bay 4	at Baltimore 3	NY Yankees 7	at San Francisco 5
At Toronto 5	Pittsburgh 4	At LA Dodgers 4	Colorado 0
Arizona 5	at NY Mets 4	At Seattle 5	LA Angels 1
Texas 6	at Miami 0	St. Louis 5 (10 inn.)	at Philadelphia 4
Washington 5	at Cleveland 2		

TUESDAY'S GAMES

	Odds	2024 W-L	2024 ERA	Team rec.	2024 vs. opp W-L	2024 vs. opp IP	2024 vs. opp ERA	Last 3 starts W-L	Last 3 starts IP	Last 3 starts ERA
ATLANTA AT BOSTON, 7:10 p.m.										
Fried (L)	-170	5-2	2.97	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	21.1	1.69
Crawford (R)	+145	2-4	3.29	3-9	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	16.0	6.75
KANSAS CITY AT CLEVELAND, 6:40 p.m.										
Lugo (R)	-105	9-1	1.72	9-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	18.2	1.93
McKenzie (R)	-115	2-3	3.77	8-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	16.2	4.32
LA DODGERS AT PITTSBURGH, 6:40 p.m.										
Glasnow (R)	-190	6-3	3.04	8-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	17.0	4.76
Jones (R)	+160	3-5	3.55	4-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	16.1	6.06
MILWAUKEE AT PHILADELPHIA, 6:40 p.m.										
Rea (R)	Off	4-2	3.77	7-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	15.2	5.17
Sánchez (L)	Off	3-3	2.83	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	18.1	1.47
TAMPA BAY AT MIAMI, 6:40 p.m.										
Pepiot (R)	-120	3-2	3.88	5-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	11.2	6.17
Luzardo (L)	+100	2-4	4.18	3-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	20.0	1.35
NY METS AT WASHINGTON, 6:45 p.m.										
Peterson (L)	-115	0-0	3.60	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	5.0	3.60
Williams (R)	-105	5-0	2.22	9-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	15.0	3.00
MINNESOTA AT NY YANKEES, 7:05 p.m.										
Ober (R)	+140	5-3	4.89	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	14.0	8.36
Gil (R)	-165	7-1	1.99	9-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	20.1	0.89
BALTIMORE AT TORONTO, 7:07 p.m.										
Burnes (R)	Off	5-2	2.35	8-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	19.0	1.42
TBA	Off	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	—
CHI. WHITE SOX AT CHI. CUBS, 8:05 p.m.										
Flexen (R)	Off	2-5	5.50	2-8	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	13.2	8.56
Imanaga (L)	Off	5-1	1.86	8-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	16.1	3.86
DETROIT AT TEXAS, 8:05 p.m.										
Flaherty (R)	Off	2-4	3.46	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	19.0	2.37
Dunning (R)	Off	4-3	3.94	6-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	13.0	3.46
ST. LOUIS AT HOUSTON, 8:10 p.m.										
Pallante (R)	+125	1-1	3.94	1-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	6.0	0.00
Arrighetti (R)	-145	3-5	5.98	4-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	17.1	3.63
CINCINNATI AT COLORADO, 8:40 p.m.										
Montas (R)	-135	2-4	4.60	3-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	17.0	5.29
Blach (L)	+115	2-2	4.15	3-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	16.2	5.40
SAN DIEGO AT LA ANGELS, 9:38 p.m.										
Mazur (R)	Off	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	0.0	—
Sandoval (L)	Off	2-8	5.34	3-9	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	15.2	6.32
SAN FRANCISCO AT ARIZONA, 9:40 p.m.										
Harrison (L)	+100	4-2	4.15	9-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	15.0	6.60
Walston (L)	-120	0-0	2.16	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	4.2	0.00
SEATTLE AT OAKLAND, 9:40 p.m.										
Kirby (R)	-160	4-5	4.08	5-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	18.0	5.50
Spence (R)	+135	4-2	3.52	1-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	13.0	2.08

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season

ORIOLES 7, BLUE JAYS 2

BALTIMORE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Henderson ss	5	0	1	0	0	0	.267
Rutschman c	5	0	1	0	0	0	.301
Mountcastle 1b	5	0	0	0	0	1	.284
O'Hearn dh	3	1	1	0	1	0	.270
Santander rf	4	2	2	2	0	1	.223
Westburg 3b-2b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.292
Cowser cf	4	1	1	1	0	0	.236
Hays lf	4	2	2	3	0	1	.205
Norby 2b	3	0	0	0	0	2	.000
Urías 3b	1	1	1	1	0	0	.239
Totals	**38**	**7**	**10**	**7**	**1**	**6**	

TORONTO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Schneider 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.245
Jansen c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.284
Guerrero Jr. 1b	4	1	2	1	0	0	.295
Vogelbach dh	4	0	0	0	0	1	.213
Bichette ss	4	0	1	0	0	0	.236
Springer rf	4	1	2	0	0	1	.211
Varsho lf	3	0	1	1	0	0	.215
Clement ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.235
Kiner-Falefa 3b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.267
Kiermaier cf	3	0	0	0	0	2	.206
Totals	**35**	**2**	**8**	**2**	**0**	**5**	

Baltimore 020 300 101 — 7 10 1
Toronto 010 100 000 — 2 8 1

E—Henderson (7), Bichette (6). **LOB**—Baltimore 5, Toronto 6. **2B**—Henderson (7), Cowser (12), Bichette (10). **3B**—Varsho (3). **HR**—Santander (11), off Gausman, Hays 2 (2), off Gausman, off Gausman, Urías (3), off Burr, Guerrero Jr. (6), off Rodriguez. **SB**—O'Hearn (1), Westburg (6). **DP**—Baltimore 1.

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Rodriguez W 6-2	6⅔	7	2	1	0	4	3.28
Cano	1⅓	0	0	0	0	0	2.67
Akin	1	1	0	0	0	1	4.28
Toronto	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Gausman L 4-4	6⅓	6	6	6	1	3	4.60
Little	1	2	0	0	0	1	10.13
Burr	1⅔	2	1	1	0	2	2.70

Inherited runners-scored—Cano 2-0, Burr 1-0. **NP**—Rodriguez 86, Cano 13, Akin 14, Gausman 97, Little 18, Burr 32. **Umpires**—Home, Phil Cuzzi; First, Tony Randazzo; Second, Alex Tosi; Third, Alex MacKay. **T**—2:30. **A**—23,842 (49,286).

PHILLIES 3, BREWERS 1

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Turang 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.298
Contreras c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.311
Yelich lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.313
Adames ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.255
Frelick rf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.253
GarSánchez ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.226
Hoskins dh	2	1	1	1	0	0	.243
Bauers 1b	2	0	1	0	1	1	.213
JoOrtiz 3b	2	0	0	0	1	0	.289
Perkins cf	3	0	2	0	0	1	.247
Totals	**29**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**3**	**8**	

PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Schwarber dh	4	0	0	0	0	0	.234
Realmuto c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.267
Harper 1b	3	0	1	0	1	0	.271
Bohm 3b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.298
Stott 2b	3	0	1	0	0	0	.240
Castellanos rf	3	1	0	0	0	0	.212
Dahl lf	3	2	2	1	0	0	.667
Pache lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.216
Sosa ss	3	0	1	1	0	0	.305
Rojas cf	3	0	2	1	0	0	.233
Totals	**30**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**1**	**1**	

Milwaukee 000 000 100 — 1 5 0
Philadelphia 020 100 00x — 3 7 0

LOB—Milwaukee 4, Philadelphia 4. **HR**—Hoskins (10), off Wheeler, Dahl (1), off BrysWilson. **SB**—Hoskins (2). **DP**—Philadelphia 2.

Milwaukee	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Koenig	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.05
BrysWilson L 3-2	5⅔	6	3	3	1	1	3.35
Milner	1⅓	1	0	0	0	0	2.97
Philadelphia	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Wheeler W 7-3	7	5	1	1	3	6	2.23
Hoffman	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.01
Alvarado S 10	1	0	0	0	0	1	3.08

Inherited runners-scored—Milner 1-0. **NP**—Koenig 5, BrysWilson 91, Milner 15, Wheeler 114, Hoffman 8, Alvarado 10. **Umpires**—Home, Sean Barber; First, Alan Porter; Second, Ryan Blakney; Third, Jim Wolf. **T**—2:10. **A**—43,553 (42,792).

METS 8, NATIONALS 7

NY METS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Lindor ss	3	0	1	1	1	0	.228
Alonso 1b	5	0	0	0	0	2	.234
Nimmo lf	5	0	2	0	0	0	.216
Martinez dh	4	2	1	0	1	1	.278
Marte rf	5	2	3	0	0	0	.275
Vientos 3b	3	2	2	1	2	0	.339
Bader cf	3	0	0	2	0	0	.265
Iglesias 2b	5	2	3	1	0	0	.455
Torrens c	4	0	1	2	0	3	.167
Totals	**37**	**8**	**13**	**7**	**4**	**6**	

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Thomas cf	5	0	2	0	0	0	.218
Rosario rf	4	1	2	0	1	1	.184
García Jr. 2b	4	1	0	0	1	1	.267
Ruiz dh	4	1	1	0	0	2	.204
Senzel 3b	4	2	1	0	1	0	.244
Winker lf	4	0	3	3	1	0	.241
Nuñez pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Vargas ss	5	1	1	1	0	0	.284
Gallo 1b	3	1	1	2	1	1	.156
Meneses ph	0	0	0	1	0	0	.240
Millas c	4	0	0	0	1	1	.100
Totals	**37**	**7**	**11**	**7**	**6**	**6**	

NY Mets 010 241 000 — 8 13 2
Washington 010 310 002 — 7 11 1

E—Bader (2), Iglesias (2), JBarnes (1). **LOB**—NY Mets 9, Washington 11. **2B**—Nimmo (10), Torrens (1). **HR**—Vientos (5), off Gore, Gallo (5), off Megill. **SB**—Lindor (9), Marte (10), Iglesias (1). **CS**—Winker (2). **SF**—Bader 2, Meneses. **DP**—NY Mets 1; Washington 1.

NY Mets	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Megill W 1-2	5	7	5	4	3	4	3.00
Houser	2⅓	2	0	0	2	0	6.65
Smith	⅔	0	0	0	0	1	2.53
Ottavino	⅓	2	2	2	1	0	5.96
Diekman S 2	⅔	0	0	0	0	1	4.12
Washington	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Gore L 4-5	4⅓	7	6	6	4	2	3.57
Floro	⅔	2	1	1	0	0	1.23
JBarnes	1	2	1	0	0	1	5.09
Weems	2	1	0	0	0	3	5.24
Rainey	1	1	0	0	0	0	9.00

Inherited runners-scored—Smith 2-0, Diekman 3-1, Floro 3-3. **HBP**—by Ottavino (Ruiz), by Gore (Lindor). **WP**—Smith, Gore 2. **NP**—Megill 87, Houser 49, Smith 10, Ottavino 13, Diekman 9, Gore 92, Floro 14, JBarnes 25, Weems 24, Rainey 21. **Umpires**—Home, Carlos Torres; First, Ryan Wills; Second, Chad Fairchild; Third, Paul Clemons. **T**—3:18. **A**—20,575 (41,380).

TIGERS 2, RANGERS 1

DETROIT	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Pérez rf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.261
Greene cf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.249
Canha 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.242
Urshela 3b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.274
Keith 2b	3	0	0	0	0	0	.223
Malloy dh	3	0	0	0	0	2	.000
Baddoo lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.176
Báez ss	3	0	0	0	0	2	.188
Rogers c	3	2	2	2	0	0	.230
Totals	**31**	**2**	**4**	**2**	**0**	**10**	

TEXAS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Semien 2b	3	1	2	1	1	1	.263
Seager ss	4	0	2	0	0	1	.272
Grossman dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	.198
Lowe ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.256
García rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.231
Heim c	3	0	0	0	1	1	.241
Langford lf	4	0	2	0	0	1	.230
Smith 3b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.281
Duran 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.270
Taveras cf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.241
Totals	**34**	**1**	**8**	**1**	**2**	**10**	

Detroit 001 000 010 — 2 4 0
Texas 100 000 000 — 1 8 0

LOB—Detroit 2, Texas 8. **2B**—Greene (12), Duran (4). **3B**—Langford (2). **HR**—Rogers 2 (4), off Eovaldi, off Leclerc, Semien (10), off Skubal. **DP**—Detroit 1.

Detroit	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Skubal	6	7	1	1	2	6	1.97
Brieske W 1-0	3	1	0	0	0	4	1.59
Texas	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Eovaldi	5⅔	3	1	1	0	7	2.70
Leclerc L 3-4	2⅓	1	1	1	0	3	4.88
Hernández	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.50

Inherited runners-scored—Leclerc 1-0. **NP**—Skubal 96, Brieske 53, Eovaldi 71, Leclerc 25, Hernández 5. **Umpires**—Home, Tom Hanahan; First, Jansen Visconti; Second, Andy Fletcher; Third, Adam Beck. **T**—2:13. **A**—28,620 (40,518).

AL LEADERS

Through Sunday's games

BATTING

	AB	R	H	Avg.
Soto, NYY	233	46	75	.322
Perez, KC	216	24	68	.315
Witt Jr., KC	243	52	76	.313
Rutschman, Bal	224	30	68	.304
Peña, Hou	230	33	68	.296
Vierling, Det	177	26	52	.294
Westburg, Bal	198	30	58	.293
Guerrero Jr., Tor	223	26	65	.291
Paredes, TB	206	24	60	.291
Mountcastle, Bal	203	31	59	.291
Altuve, Hou	241	34	70	.290
Judge, NYY	219	43	63	.288
Smith, Tex	181	28	52	.287
Volpe, NYY	243	42	69	.284
Devers, Bos	184	30	52	.283

HOME RUNS

Judge, NYY	21
Henderson, Bal	19
Tucker, Hou	19
Soto, NYY	17
Ramírez, Cle	16
Naylor, Cle	15
Stanton, NYY	14
Seager, Tex	13
Garcia, Tex	13

RUNS BATTED IN

Ramírez, Cle	57
Soto, NYY	53
Judge, NYY	47
Henderson, Bal	42
Witt Jr., KC	42
Naylor, Cle	42
Perez, KC	41

SLUGGING PERCENTAGE

Judge, NYY	.658
Soto, NYY	.614
Henderson, Bal	.591
Tucker, Hou	.582
Rooker, Oak	.554
Devers, Bos	.549
Ramírez, Cle	.543
Witt Jr., KC	.539

OPS

Judge, NYY	1.075
Soto, NYY	1.031
Tucker, Hou	.974
Henderson, Bal	.959
Devers, Bos	.924
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Tatis Jr. rf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.261
Machado 3b	2	1	1	1	2	0	.242
Solano 1b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.373
Cronenworth 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.258
Kim ss	4	0	2	0	0	1	.227
Merrill cf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.273
Azocar lf	2	0	0	0	1	0	.234
Wade ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.260
Higashioka c	2	0	0	0	0	0	.151
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Schanuel 1b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.219
Rengifo 3b	3	1	1	0	0	0	.323
Ward lf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.261
Calhoun dh	3	0	2	1	0	0	.286
ColTucker pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	0	.195
O'Hoppe c	3	0	0	0	0	0	.246
Moniak cf	2	0	0	0	0	0	.164
Pillar ph-cf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.327
Adell rf	3	1	1	0	0	0	.204
Neto ss	3	0	0	0	0	0	.246
Paris 2b	2	0	0	0	0	1	.130
Guillorme ph-2b	0	0	0	1	0	0	.308
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Breen has all the answers ahead of Finals call

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When the Celtics and Mavericks (finally) tip off the 2024 NBA Finals Thursday night, ESPN/ABC play-by-play voice Mike Breen will be on the call, along with analysts Doris Burke and J.J. Redick.

We caught up with Breen Monday to talk about calling more than 100 Finals games, the evolution of the Celtics, his famous catchphrase, and more.

Q. This is your 19th straight NBA Finals, the most any play-by-play voice has called consecutively, and Thursday's opener will be your 101st Finals game. Do you ever take a moment to appreciate the magnitude of those achievements?

A. It's still kind of impossible for me to believe. I grew up watching the NBA. Watching the Knicks as a kid and watching the Lakers and the Celtics in the '80s when I was in my 20s, then watching Michael Jordan and the Bulls and so many great announcers across those eras.

Dick Stockton to me is one of the most underrated of all time. Brent Musburger for so long. Bob Costas, Al Michaels. Sometimes I can't believe that not only do I get to do it, but to be able to do it this long is beyond my wildest dreams.

And then of course, Marv [Albert], who's the best who's ever done it. Marv was my guy, and I'm far from alone there. In New York, if you had any interest in the profession, that was the guy that you took so much from. The one that inspired you.

In my opinion, he's the greatest basketball play-by-play voice of all time. Now, my mom might think differently, but I'm not positive.

Q. You were thrown a curveball in February when Doc Rivers left to take the Bucks coaching job, and J.J. was elevated to join you and Doris on the No. 1 team. There must have been some challenges with that, especially since this was your first year with any of them after working with Jeff Van Gundy and Mark Jackson (who were let go after last season) for so long.

A. It is a challenge. I had Jeff and Mark for so long, we could finish each other's sentences. So anytime you work with somebody new in the booth, but especially when it's a three-person booth, it's much more challenging. I don't want to use the word difficult. We're broadcasting basketball games.

But the challenge is to get everybody on the same page and to get everybody in rhythm with each other. When Doris and Doc started after a few games, we were so encouraged because we're thinking, 'OK, this is going to be really good,' and then Doc, of course, gets this great opportunity to coach the Bucks, and off he goes. I've had more changes in one year than I've had in the past 18 years.

Q. How would you say it has gone since J.J. joined the booth?

A. I don't mean this to sound condescending in any way, but I'm so proud of the two of them, how hard they worked. J.J. didn't do his first game with us until I think it was the last Saturday in February. So to be able to get a rhythm and a chemistry in such a short time, it's a lot to ask of anyone. It takes a long time to get there.

Doris and J.J. have two really important things in common. They have a great respect for each other. And they both have this love affair with basketball. It's a lifelong love affair. You can just tell when they talk about the game, whether they're on the air or whether we're driving to the arena or to the airport.

Q. You've seen a lot of the Celtics over the last few years, with their six Eastern Conference finals appearances in eight years and their trip to the Finals in 2022. Have you noticed a change in them — a growth, or evolution — over that time, particularly since their Finals loss to the Warriors two years ago?

A. This year is absolutely different than two years ago, because there's no longer — and especially with Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown — there's no longer any desire to prove how good they are individually. Their lone goal is to prove that they can win a title.

It's been really cool to watch. They are reminiscent, I think, of the 2008 Celtics from the standpoint of nobody really cares who goes for 30, they're just looking to make the right play.

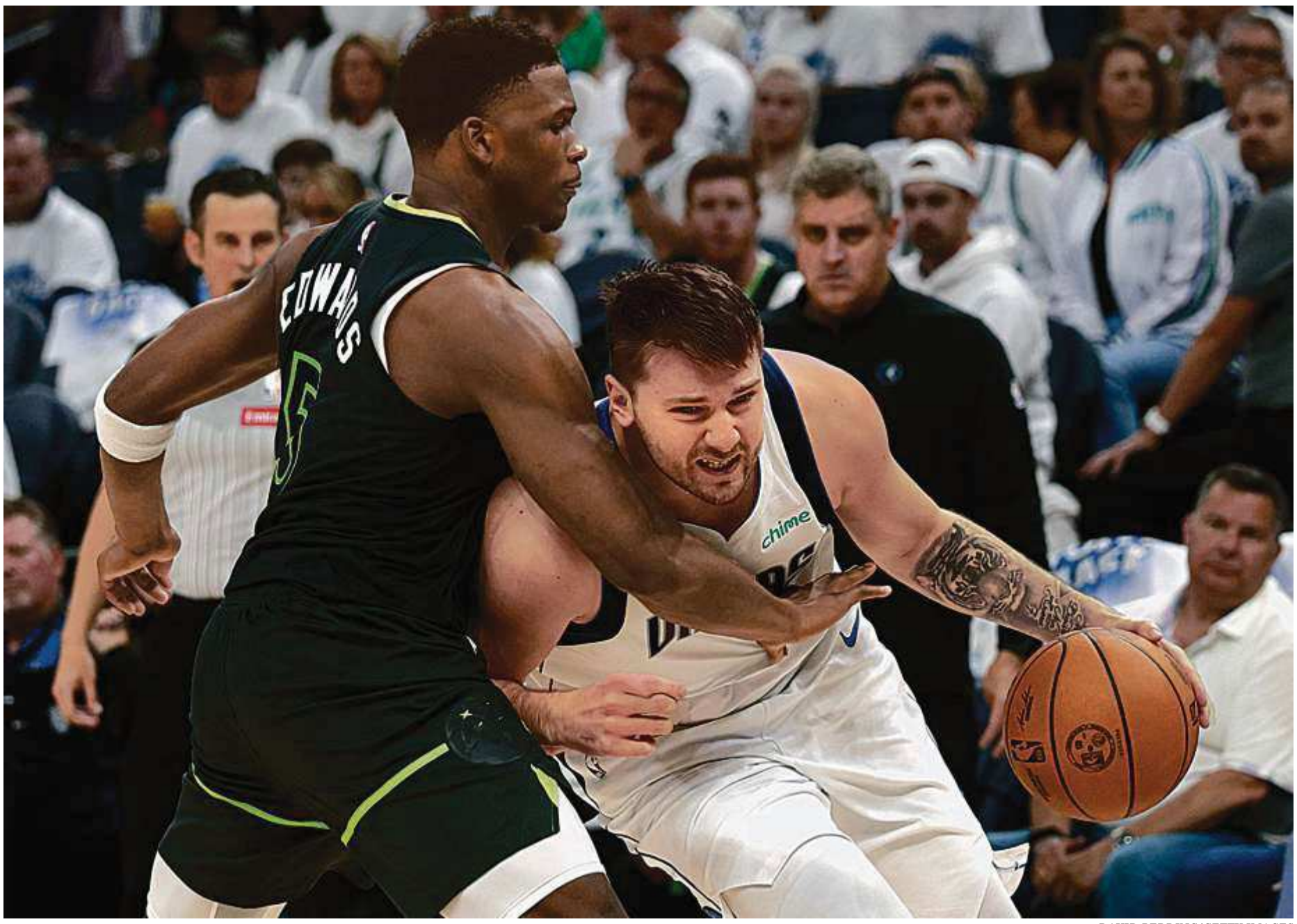
I remember one of my first years in the league, the Hall of Famer Isiah Thomas told me that young players define their games by how many points they score. But then after you play, and you see what winning does and what winning means and you learn from the veterans, then you realize that's not what it's all about.

Q. We have data for everything in basketball now, including how many times you've taken your signature "bang!" call of a big shot to a higher level with not one but two "bangs." You broke it out for Jaylen Brown's tying 3-point in Game 1 against the Pacers, only the seventh time you've gone with the "Bang! . . . bang!" call. Does that just come instinctively? How do you know when to use it?

A. What it is really is a spontaneous reaction to a spectacular play. And it's usually one that's a quick turn of events or a game-winner that I'm just so excited about that I get caught up into it

I'm 63 now, but in a lot of ways, I feel like my love of the sport and the fan in me is as strong as ever because I get to be up close to watch these amazing players do these amazing things. So when something happens that might win a huge game that might completely turn around a series, or set a tone for a series, especially in the playoffs, it's spontaneous. When that starts to diminish, then I'll know it's time to leave. But I've been in love with this sport ever since I was a little kid, and that is still how I feel. I can't wait for Thursday.

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Luka Doncic (right) and the Mavericks worked their way around Anthony Edwards's Timberwolves to close out the Western Conference finals in five games.

Doncic: 'That is Luka Magic' not an illusion

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al throughout the playoffs, leading the Mavericks to the NBA Finals.

"He was definitely Luka Magic mode," Dallas coach Jason Kidd said after 36 points from Doncic helped dispatch the Timberwolves in Game 5 of the Western Conference finals. "He set the tone and made it easier for everybody else. And everybody else stepped up."

"Luka Magic" dates back to Doncic's 2018-19 Rookie of the Year season, and it is equal parts nickname and phenomenon.

The first glimpse of it might have been in a December game against the Trail Blazers, when the nascent superstar hit an absurd corner triple to tie the game with just six-tenths of a second to get a shot off, leading Mavericks play-by-play voice Mark Followill to exclaim, "That is Luka Magic!"

The term refers not only to his incredible consistency and production but to his ability to author singular moments that seem impossible.

It's when Doncic split a double team and hit a one-legged 3-pointer to beat the buzzer (and the Grizzlies) in 2021. It's the stepback, buzzer-beating triple over three defenders to take down the Celtics early the following season. It's a similar stepback buzzer-beater to cap off a 43-point, 17-rebound, 13-assist triple-double against the Clippers — in his fourth career playoff game.

LeBron James called Doncic his favorite player back in 2022, and explained what makes him so special on an episode of James's TV show, "The Shop."

"His size," James said last year. "He's gigantic. He's a 6-8 point guard, he's 225 pounds, he has the ball on a string, and more importantly, his vision. That's why I love him. His vision.

"He can control a game; he doesn't even have to shoot."

Much of Doncic's career in Dallas has been characterized by immense individual success followed by team disappointment. The Mavericks have had a player voted among the five best players in basketball for five straight years, and all they had to show through the first four years was one Western Conference finals appearance in 2022, bookended by two first-round exits in 2020 and 2021 and a failure to make the playoffs at all in 2023.

Then came this playoff run, with Doncic ascending to new levels — despite battling some injuries — and forming a potent duo with Kyrie Irving to bring Dallas to its first Finals since 2011.

A poor shooting series for Doncic mattered little as he and the Mavericks vanquished the Clippers in the first round. They took care of the top-seeded Thunder with a dramatic Game 6 win, then came face-to-face with Minnesota, a team riding high on the shoulders of Anthony Edwards after taking out the defending champion Nuggets.

The Timberwolves, owners of the best defense in the NBA during the regular season, had no answer for Doncic. He averaged 32.4 points, 9.6 rebounds, and 8.2 assists in the Western Conference finals. He hit a beautiful step-back jumper over the Defensive Player of the Year, Rudy Gobert, to win Game 2, then poured in 20 first-quarter points in the clinching Game 5.

Celtics coach Joe Mazzulla acknowledged last week that "there's no stopping" Doncic and Irving, and these NBA Finals are a much more complicated proposition than containing the star power in the backcourt.

But the reality is that the Mavericks have the best player in this series and, depending on whom you ask, perhaps the best player in the world.

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Big price to pay for tickets

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pany began tracking in 2011.

The Celtics-Warriors series two years ago was the third-highest ever, at $3,657.

The Mavericks' home games in Dallas (Games 3, 4, and potentially 6) were averaging $4,346, second-highest all-time.

Also factoring into the high prices is increased demand due to disappointment that the Celtics played the Pacers rather than the Knicks in the Eastern Conference finals, said Holzman.

Also pushing the sales is the sweep of the Pacers. Those who had tickets to potential Games 5 and 7 have dry gunpowder, so to speak, to use on Finals tickets. Or some knew this was going to happen with the Celtics and some Western Conference team.

"It seems like a lot of people kind of wait, you know — they thought this team was going to go to the Finals and they saved their money for that," said Holzman.

At Ace Saturday, Holzman said, the average ticket price for a Game 1 or Game 2 balcony seat was $775-$850. That jumps to $1,179 for Game 5 and $1,700 for Game 7. Down in the loge sections, prices for the first two games averaged $1,250-$1,400, while Game 5 was at $1,877 and Game 7 at $2,740.

And those are averages.

On StubHub, the highest-priced ticket in the balcony for Game 1 recently was more than $6,000, with club seats double that and a pair of VIP seats available for $14,689 each.

For a potential Game 7, those top-range numbers balloon: more than $28,000 for a balcony ticket, $18,350 for club seats, with loge seats up to $30,704 and VIPs at $59,638.

Celtics vs. Mavericks

Schedule
(All games on ABC)

Thursday at Boston	8:30 p.m.
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*Mon., June 17, at Boston	8:30 p.m.
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*Sun., June 23, at Boston	8 p.m.

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WR Jefferson and Vikings agree on highest non-QB contract

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NFL NOTEBOOK

Justin Jefferson became the latest player to cash in on the league-wide push for elite pass catchers.

Matching the historic start to his career, Jefferson will be paid — for now — like no one else at his position.

The Vikings and their superstar wide receiver agreed Monday to a four-year extension, the richest contract in NFL history for a non-quarterback.

Jefferson will get $110 million guaranteed in the deal that's worth as much as $140 million, with more than $88 million due at signing.

"We ain't stopping here," Jefferson posted on Instagram along with a video package of highlights and shout-outs in honor of the contract. "There's more to be done."

Jefferson, who has the most receiving yards in league history through a player's first four seasons, had entered the final year of his rookie deal. The sides came "unbelievably close" to an extension last summer, general manager **Kwesi Adofo-Mensah** said earlier this spring.

Jefferson missed seven games last season with a hamstring injury and still reached 1,074 receiving yards. The 2022 AP NFL Offensive Player of the year was the 22nd overall pick in the 2020 draft out of LSU.

Jefferson's annual average of $35 million per year passes that of San Francisco defensive end **Nick Bosa** ($34 million), whose contract extension before last season was negotiated by the same agency, William Morris Endeavor, that represents Jefferson.

Jefferson became the eighth receiver to get a new deal this offseason with an annual average value of at least $23 million, following **A.J. Brown** (Philadelphia), **Amon-Ra St. Brown** (Detroit), **Jaylen Waddle** (Miami), **DeVonta Smith** (Philadelphia), **Nico Collins** (Houston), **Michael Pittman Jr.** (Indianapolis), and **Calvin Ridley** (Tennessee).

Patriots sign WR Wallis

The Patriots waived offensive lineman **Andrew Stueber** and signed wide receiver **David Wallis**.

The 22-year-old Wallis, who received an invite to rookie minicamp, caught 53 passes for 957 yards and 12 touchdowns last season for Division 3 Randolph-Macon. The 6-foot, 184-pounder played in 42 games as a collegian and finished with 146 receptions for 3,144 yards and 34 touchdowns.

Stueber, a seventh-round pick out of Michigan in 2022, spent his rookie season on the NFI List and last year on the practice squad. The 24-year-old Connecticut native was activated for two games but did not play.

Cowboys star Allen dead

Larry Allen, one of the most dominant offensive linemen in the NFL during a 12-year career spent mostly with the Cowboys, has died. He was 52.

Allen died suddenly on Sunday while on vacation with his family in Mexico, the Cowboys said. Obituary, C9.

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GIRLS' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Brozena blowout

North Reading senior dominates at Ledges

By Matt Doherty
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

SOUTH HADLEY — Standing in the clubhouse at Ledges Golf Club with a gold medal dangling around her neck, Isabel Brozena was overcome with happiness and relief.

After finishing runner-up at last year's state championship, and again at last week's North/West/Central sectional final, the North Reading senior broke through Monday in runaway fashion. Brozena fired a sparkling 6-under-par 66 to win her second MIAA individual girls' golf title by six shots.

Brozena also captured the 2022 crown at Eastward Ho! Country Club in Chatham.

"I was motivated to win," said Brozena. "I was so close last year. I wanted it even more this year. I'm so happy because this was my last state championship and I was committed to winning this."

Brozena was the only player to finish under par on the challenging 5,539-yard course, carding eight birdies and two bogeys to separate from Westwood's Lillian Guleserian (72) and Sturgis West's Mya Murphy (72), the two sectional winners last Tuesday.

Brozena, who will play at Xavier, was locked in from the opening tee shot. She began with a birdie on the par-5 18th and rattled off birdies on holes No. 2 and No. 4. The powerful hitter took control on the back nine with five more birdies, including a beautiful tee shot on the par-3 14th that landed feet away from the pin.

But Brozena's best work came with her putter, rolling in a clutch 25-foot par save on the 15th hole before draining birdie putts on 16 and 17.

"I've been coaching golf and hockey for 14 years and it's probably the best sports experience I've witnessed," said North Reading coach Brian McAuliffe. "From Day 1, she's wowed me. She has poise, leadership, and positive energy, but all in a quiet way."

A short hitter earlier in her career, Brozena added core strength to increase distance. She now routinely drives the ball 280 yards, giving her an advantage on longer courses, such as Ledges.

Last week, she drove the green on a 300-yard par 4 and made eagle. On Monday, Brozena bombed the ball with ease, reaching all three par 5s in two and leaving herself with short clubs into par 4s.

"The strength and conditioning has helped my distance," said Brozena. "It gives me a really big advantage. But today I was just so focused. Regardless of how hot it was or if I made a bogey, I was so committed."

On the team side, Wachusett (380) claimed the title over Wellesley (383), which finished runner-up for the second straight year.

Lily Staiti led the Mountaineers with an 11-over 83, with Somer Staiti (93), Emma Quinn (96), and Lily Sprister (96) rounded out the scoring.

But on a day filled with high scores, Brozena's 66 stole the show. As the officials read her score inside the clubhouse, a collective amount of "oohs" and "aahs" serenaded the room while Brozena walked up to receive her medal.

"I'm just happy right now," said Brozena. "I'm feeling very relieved I got it done."



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Pembroke senior Brandon Perry leaped into playoff mode, netting five goals and two assists in a 13-8 first-round win over Essex Tech in the MIAA Division 3 tournament.

HIGH SCHOOL LACROSSE TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

Wilmington boys emerge

By Nate Weitzer
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Underclassmen stepped up for 20th-seeded Wilmington in a dramatic 13-12 overtime road win over 13th-seeded Bishop Stang in Dartmouth in the MIAA Division 3 Round of 32 on Monday.

Sophomore Colin Allard netted a hat trick, sophomore Cam Gray was ferocious on the ride, freshman Ryan Archer scored a key goal in the fourth quarter, and sophomore goalie Luke DeProfio (20 saves) came up huge in the final minute of regulation and in the opening minutes of overtime, setting up the winning transition goal by senior captain Charlie Rooney (2 goals) off an assist from Mike Lawler (3 goals, 2 assist).

Division 1 State

Natick 14, Bishop Feehan 10 — Juniors Ray Gilkes (5 goals) and Alex Peck (3 goals, 2 assists), and sophomore Levi Gagnon (4 goals, 2 assists) powered the offense for the 16th-seeded Redhawks (11-8).

Division 2 State

Billerica 14, Milford 10 — Adam Priest netted four goals, Torin Levy added two goals, and Jackson Gearin and Danny Venezia scored two apiece for the No. 6 Indians (13-6).

Mansfield 12, Tantasqua 6 — Cole Hogencamp scored five times, Nico Smith added two goals and two assists, and Andrew DeGirolamo piled up six helpers for the No. 7 Hornets (18-2).

Plymouth South 8, Algonquin 4 —Caleb McKeown, Mason McNulty, and Holden Lassige each netted two goals, with McNulty adding three assists for the No. 14 Lions (11-8).

Westwood 10, Grafton 8 — Brendan Varnerin played the role of facilitator with four assists, allowing Jack Roycroft (3 goals), Max O'Brien (2 goals), and Liam Williams (2 goals) to light up the scoreboard for the 10th-seeded Wolverines (14-6).

Division 3 State

Apponequet 13, Shawsheen 11 — Kevin O'Connor earned 16 faceoff wins while also tallying five goals and an assist, Kenny Wisniewski added four goals and an assist, and Jake Cusson enjoyed a four-point game (2 goals, 2 assists) to lift the No. 10 Lakers (14-3).

Foxborough 14, Wakefield 5 — Senior Lincoln Moore (4 goals, assist), senior Ryan Cotter (3 goals, assist), and junior Jon Sacchetti (3 goals, assist) paced the offense, and freshman Brayden MacKay went 14-for-18 at the faceoff-X to lead the No. 9 Warriors (11-8).

Holliston 8, Ashland 5 — Senior captain David Villa led a stellar defensive effort and five players scored for the 16th-seeded Panthers (9-10) in a narrow win over the No. 17 seed Clockers (9-9).

Pembroke 13, Essex Tech 8 — The 14th-seeded Titans won their first tournament game in program history behind senior Brandon Perry, who netted a hat trick in the first quarter and finished with five goals and two assists in the first-round win over No. 19 Essex Tech.

Division 4 State

Ipswich 14, Oakmont 8 — Luke Wile and Will Harrington netted four goals apiece for the 12th-seeded Tigers (13-4).

Manchester Essex 17, Bourne 6 — Mac Edgerton, Hudson Wood, Stephen Martin, Quinn Brady, and Charlie Thurlow all netted hat tricks for the No. 8 Hornets (15-4).

Norwell 18, Belchertown 3 — Nolan Petrucelli netted five goals, Jake McGuirk scored four times, Oliver Rice tallied 4 points (2 goals, 2 assists), and Tyler Mikus handed out three assists for the No. 2-seed Clippers (13-6).

Sandwich 17, Lenox 3 — The No. 3-seed Blue Knights (16-3) had Cole Rodgers (3 goals, 4 assists), Dan Oman (3 goals, 3 assists), and Avery Richardson (3 goals, 2 assists) lead the offense.

Swampscott 13, Medway 4 — Jason Rothwell netted a career-high six goals, John Von Barta added a goal and three assists, and Liam Keaney posted two goals and four assists for the No. 13 Big Blue (18-1).

Girls' lacrosse

Division 1 State

Lincoln-Sudbury 9, Barnstable 4 — Senior Harper Friedholm had a hand in all nine goals for the third-seeded Warriors (15-2), scoring seven herself and assisting on two more.

Division 2 State

Billerica 12, Marshfield 8 — Junior Sara MacLeod (3 goals, 2 assists) had a team-best five points, classmate Grace Leyne scored a team-high four goals, and sophomore Kendra Marino issued a team-leading three assists for the No. 15 Indians (5-14).

Scituate 12, Woburn 7 — Junior Katie Tarsala topped 200 career goals for the 12th-seeded Sailors (12-7) in a first-round win over the 21st-seeded Tanners (10-9).

Division 3 State

Holliston 8, Dedham 3 — Sophomore Amelia Laingen stood tall with 10 saves in goal for the 15th-seeded Panthers (8-10) in a first-round win over the 18th-seeded Marauders (12-8).

Division 4 State

Norwell 16, Tahanto 6 — Juniors Charlise Cox and Holly Panttila scored four goals apiece for the No. 7 Clippers (11-10).

Swampscott 13, Oakmont 3 — Victoria Pierro (3 goals, 2 assists) and Coco Clopton (2 goals, 3 assists) paced the 12th-seeded Big Blue (16-3).

Globe correspondents Trevor Hass and Jake Levin contributed to this report.

TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

A grand finish for Tarantinos, L-S

By Mike Puzzanghera
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

It's a story sure to be told in the Tarantino household for years to come.

With Lincoln-Sudbury trailing by one run in the bottom of the seventh Monday night, and brothers Cooper and Mason Tarantino potentially playing their final inning together, they decided that simply wouldn't be the case.

After Mason Tarantino pulled his first varsity homer down the line to tie the game, Cooper Tarantino swatted a walkoff grand slam to right-center, powering the 14th-seeded Warriors (17-6) to a thrilling 7-3 win over No. 19 Chelmsford in the first round of the MIAA Division 1 tournament.

"It's the coolest thing in the world," Cooper said. "For us to be able to do that together, it's pretty sweet. We were on the same team together in T-ball, and now we're able to do it for our high school."

Division 1 State

St. John's Prep 8, Needham 3 — Braeden Hurley tossed 6⅔ innings to earn the win, and Anthony Romano got the final out for the seventh-seeded Eagles (14-7) in a first-round victory over the No. 26 Rockets (7-13). The Eagles won their ninth game in a row to set up a second-round date with No. 10 Catholic Memorial.

Division 2 State

Plymouth North 12, Burlington 1 — DC Brown struck out nine in five innings, allowing just two hits and a run in a first-round victory for the second-seeded Eagles (18-3) over the No. 31 Red Devils (11-11).

Walpole 12, Marshfield 0 — Alex Hee (5 innings, 9 strikeouts), Will Hendricks (1 inning), and Brandon Kirby (1 inning, 2 strikeouts) combined for a one-hit shutout in a first-round victory for the top-seeded Timberwolves (17-4) over the No. 33 Rams (11-11).

Softball

Division 1 State

Central Catholic 11, Natick 3 — Caitlin Milner (3 RBIs), Olivia Moeckel (2 RBIs), Katie Fox (2 RBIs), and Olivia Boucher (2 RBIs) paced the No. 2 Raiders (17-2) to a first round win over the No. 31 Redhawks (9-11).

Chelmsford 9, Plymouth North 8 — Zoey Moscato provided the heroics, blasting a walkoff single to cap a seven-run seventh-inning rally for the No. 9 Lions (14-7) in the first-round win.

Lincoln-Sudbury 6, Shrewsbury 4 — Natalie Gaeta finished 2 for 3 with a double, accounting for three RBIs in a first-round victory for the fourth-seeded Warriors (20-1) over the No. 31 Colonials (6-14).

Marshfield 2, Whitter 1 — Sophomore Sofia Blanco scored the winning run in the bottom of sixth and closed out the program's first postseason win in four years with her eighth strikeout for the No. 16 Rams (14-7) in the first-round win.

Taunton 18, Lexington 0 — Sam Lincoln did not allow a hit or a walk for the No. 3 Tigers (21-0) in a first round win over the No. 30 Minutemen (11-11).

Division 2 State

Hingham 12, Westwood 2 — Junior Sienna Sullivan supplied three RBIs as the 17th-seeded Harbormen (12-9) cruised to a first-round win.

Milton 3, Milford 1 — Abby Hunt and MK Maloney combined to strike out eight, allowing three hits as the No. 5 Wildcats (18-3) took the first-round win over the No. 28 Scarlet Hawks (10-12).

Division 3 State

Apponequet 4, Medfield 1 — Lauren Bernaiche struck out 15, yielding four hits and no earned runs, leading the second-seeded Lakers (18-4) to a first round victory.

Archbishop Williams 12, Hanover 0 — Alyssa Burke (4 for 4) homered and doubled, knocking in three runs, and scoring four, powering the No. 13 Bishops (14-7) to a first-round win.

Arlington Catholic 8, Dedham 3 — Senior Kathleen Simmons shined, going 2 for 4 with four RBIs in a first round win for the No. 9 Cougars (17-5) over the No. 24 Marauders (13-8).

Boys' tennis

Division 2 State

Duxbury 5, North Quincy 0 — Teddy Collins and Tucker Catalano took first doubles 6-0, 6-0, for the third-seeded Green Dragons (18-1) in their second-round sweep over the visiting No. 14 Raiders (17-5).

Hopkinton 3, Marblehead 2 — Kais Guessab and Chavdar Kamenorav won at first doubles, 6-3, 6-4, to help the No. 12 Hillers (17-2) upset the No. 5 Magicians (13-5) in the second round.

Division 3 State

Gloucester 3, Wakefield 2 — For the first time in 20 years, the No. 6 Fishermen (15-5) will play in the quarterfinals, thanks to a narrow win over the No. 11 Warriors (11-8). In third singles, Shane Widtfeldt won, 6-4, 6-4, in what Gloucester head coach Derek Geary described as the "match of the game."

Medway 3, Medfield 2 — The visiting No. 25 Mustangs pulled off the surprising upset over No. 9 Medfield after Colin Grimes and Danny Ramos took a third-set tiebreaker, 7-4, in second doubles.

Division 4 State

Cohasset 5, Sturgis West 0 — Eamon Maxwell took third singles, 6-0, 6-0, as the visiting ninth-seeded Skippers (14-4) dropped the No. 8 Navigators (10-2) to reach the quarterfinals.

Girls' tennis

Division 4 State

Hamilton-Wenham 5, Millis 0 — The top-seeded Generals (16-2) swept their singles matches in a second-round victory over the visiting No. 16 Mohawks (11-8). Emma Jani took first, Naomi Provost won second, and Ellie Holbrook was victorious in third singles.

Gil has bought in, and Revolution might be following his lead

FRANK DELL'APA
ON SOCCER

In case anyone needed reminding, the Revolution are basically Carles Gil's team, for better or worse. They have been for the last six up-and-down years.

Gil's influence was on display as the Revolution took a 2-1 victory at Nashville Saturday night. After he opened the scoring, Esmir Bajraktarevic's first MLS goal upped the advantage, and the Revolution stayed on the offensive — rather than laying back and absorbing pressure — during a 56-minute second half. Gil kept the team moving forward with a level of skill unmatched in its 29-year history.

There is still a ways to go for the Revolution (3-10-1, 10 points), but this result showed their potential.

"Carles has high standards. I have high standards," coach Caleb Porter said. "He talks about the reality of where we're at, right? It's important that you know the reality of where you're at, and you don't accept it, but you realize it, and then you do something to change it. I think what he did today to change it was be the best player on the field.

"He's running, too, defensively at the end of the game. But he was special today. He showed his quality and it was great to see his smile in the locker room after the game, to see him celebrating with the guys."

The match began like many for Gil: He was felled while making his first touch. Nashville midfielder Aníbal "El Samurai" Godoy basically crushed Gil from behind with a knee to the back of the leg, charley horse style, in the fourth minute. Message delivered, but no complaints from Gil, though he was clearly in pain and limping.

For once, the Revolution found a rhythm. In the 18th minute, Matt Polster pinpointed DeJuan Jones on the left wing. Then, Dylan Borrero changed fields, finding Gil on the right wing and spreading the defense. Gil zipped across the middle and finished from the top of the penalty arc into the left side of the net for his fifth goal.

Bajraktarevic made it 2-0 in the 51st minute, after Gil released Giacomo Vrioni on the left wing. Bajraktarevic took Vrioni's pass on the right side of the penalty area, froze two defenders, and sent a right-footer inside the near post. It was the type of goal Gil might convert, and showed Bajraktarevic's promise.

Turned out that would be enough of an advantage, but the Revolution needed to stave off a Nashville rally via two Hani Mukhtar penalty kicks — Aljaz Ivacic saved one — along with a three-central-defender alignment for the final 20 minutes.

"It's another game where we played extremely well," Porter said. "I thought we deserved this result. Obviously at the end, it was batten down the hatches and grind out the win, but I thought in the first half, we came out with a good mentality.

"We were aggressive. We got on the ball. We dictated portions of the game. We played direct when we needed to. We played football and controlled the game when we needed to. We pressed high when we needed to. We dropped off when we needed to. I thought the decision making really came together."

Gil bought in to Porter's coaching from the start, and the Revolution are following his lead. Like Bruce Arena before him, Porter gives Gil free rein on the field, but he also is trying to bring balance to a squad Arena designed as high-octane and attack first, ask questions later. There were signs of the Revolution adapting to Porter's style in Nashville.

"Can't say enough about the performances," Porter said. "We're going to enjoy this for a couple days and then we're going to get back to work. We've got another full week and, I've been saying it, we're improving."

Gil joined the Revolution in 2019, taking on a leadership role during preseason training in Marbella, Spain, down the coast from his Valencia hometown. Gil scored in the season opener, but the situation deteriorated as the Revolution got off to a 2-8-2 start. He might have envisioned them going in the direction of his 2015-16 squad at Aston Villa, which finished in last place and was relegated from the Premier League.

Gil met with coach Brad Friedel, who named him captain for what turned out to be Friedel's final game before being fired. Gil's captaincy was confirmed by interim coach Mike Lapper, Arena took over and brought in more complementary attackers, and the Revolution were off and running.

In 2021, Gil was named league MVP and the Revolution set an MLS points record. Things have been inconsistent since, and the dismal start to this season might have raised questions about the Revolution retaining him. But the 31-year-old re-signed in March, forgoing a chance at free agency.

"I signed a new contract because I am very happy here," Gil said. "I want to give my best to everyone here."

MLS does not present the threat of relegation, but the Revolution remain in the Eastern Conference cellar, among 13 teams leaguewide with four or fewer victories. The idea is to peak at playoff time, but the Revolution must yet prove they can get that far. The Nashville game showed that, maybe, there is hope for the offense, though adding another forward wouldn't hurt.

Something doesn't add up when the team with one of the best playmakers in league history is its lowest-scoring, with 11 goals in 14 matches.

"Some frustration starting, but we are on time, we are on time to change everything," said Gil. "Last year, we started very good and then the last part of the season was very difficult for us. And, yeah, we are on time to win games."



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Novak Djokovic overcame a slip, a worsening knee injury that required treatment, and Francisco Cerundolo in the fourth round.

FRENCH OPEN

Djokovic unsure if knee playable

Andreeva, 17, into first Slam quarters

ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — Novak Djokovic was laying on his back on a French Open sideline early in the second set Monday, wincing while his injured right knee was manipulated by a trainer — and worrying that he might need to quit playing the match.

After stumbling and limping around, then finding himself down by a set and a break against a younger, eager opponent, Djokovic regained his verve with the help of what he said a tournament doctor told him was the maximum dose of pills allowed to dull the pain and reduce any inflammation.

So, yes, Djokovic kept at it and came back to win in five sets across about 4½ hours for the second consecutive time, surging past No. 23 Francisco Cerundolo, 6-1, 5-7, 3-6, 7-5, 6-3, in the fourth round at Roland Garros for his record 370th win in a Grand Slam match. But here's the catch: Djokovic said he could not be certain whether he would be healthy enough to play in the quarterfinals on Wednesday.

"I don't know what will happen tomorrow — or after tomorrow, if I'll be able to step out on the court and play," the 37-year-old Djokovic said. "You know, I hope so. Let's see what happens."

Djokovic said the knee has bothered him for a couple of weeks, chalking it up to wear and tear, and it got worse after he tweaked it against Cerundolo.

"I didn't know, to be honest," Djokovic said, "whether I should continue or not."

Eventually, he felt better and could move without restrictions, and his level of play soared.

This was the second consecutive five-set comeback victory that lasted about 4½ hours for Djokovic, who is ranked No. 1 and the defending champion in Paris. He said that accumulation of time was not a problem; his knee was, however.

Djokovic is supposed to meet No. 7 seed Casper Ruud on Wednesday. Ruud, who eliminated No. 12 Taylor Fritz, 7-6 (6), 3-6, 6-4, 6-2, on Monday, lost to Djokovic in the French Open final last year and to Rafael Nadal in the 2022 title match.

"The effect of the medications will not last for too long, so I'll see," Djokovic said. "I guess we'll do some more screening and tests and checkups [Tuesday]."

In the final match of the night, fourth-seeded Germany's Alexander Zverev fought off Denmark's Holger Rune, 4-6, 6-1, 5-7, 7-6 (7-2), 6-2 in another 4-plus hour match on Court Philippe-Chatrier that went past 1 a.m. local time.

Varvara Gracheva was the last French woman or man standing in singles. So Mirra Andreeva knew she wasn't going to get any support in the second biggest arena at Court Suzanne Lenglen.

Sure enough, she heard the occasional boos from a crowd hostile to her but cheering for Gracheva as much as they could.

She won the fourth-round encounter, 7-5, 6-2, and reached her first quarterfinal at a Grand Slam tournament, where she began her Grand Slam journey only a year ago. When Andreeva, who turned 17 a month ago, hit the winning forehand, she threw her racket over he head and let her emotions go.

"My coaches, before the match, they talk about the plan, about the tactics," Andreeva said. "I listen, but honestly, once I step onto the court, I don't remember anything. That's how I always play."

Andreeva became the third woman in the last 18 years to reach the quarterfinals at Roland Garros before turning 18, following Amanda Anisimova in 2019 and Coco Gauff in 2021.

In the quarterfinals, Andreeva faces world No. 2 Aryna Sabalenka, who has yet to drop a set. The two-time Australian Open champion powered past No. 22-seeded American Emma Navarro, 6-2, 6-3.

Also, No. 12 Jasmine Paolini of Italy rallied past Elina Avanesyan, 4-6, 6-0, 6-1, and 2022 Wimbledon champion Elena Rybakina defeating 15th-seeded Elina Svitolina, 6-4, 6-3. The No. 4-seeded Rybakina and Paolini meet next.

The women's quarterfinals are set, with US Open champion Gauff facing Ons Jabeur, and two-time defending champion Iga Swiatek taking on Wimbledon champ Marketa Vondrousova.

SportsLog

Seize the Grey gets No. 1 post

Preakness Stakes winner Seize the Grey drew post position No. 1, and Kentucky Derby champion Mystik Dan will start in post No. 3 for the 156th Belmont Stakes that takes place Saturday at Saratoga Race Course. **Kenny McPeek**-trained Mystik Dan, who finished second in the Preakness, is the only horse in the field for all three Triple Crown races. At 5-1 and being ridden again by **Brian Hernandez Jr.**, he is the third choice behind favorite Sierra Leone, who opened at 9-5, and Mindframe at 7-2. Hall of Fame trainer **D. Wayne Lukas's** Seize the Grey comes in right behind Mystik Dan with 8-1 odds after a wire-to-wire win in the second leg of the Triple Crown.

GOLF

Scott loses in playoff

Adam Scott ended his longest day in golf with a playoff loss against **Cam Davis** in a US Open qualifier at Columbus, Ohio, and now Scott has to wait a week to see if his alternate status will allow him to extend the longest active streak of playing the majors. Scott, who has played in every major starting with the 2001 British Open, can still get to Pinehurst No. 2 for the US Open on June 13-16. The USGA has held back six spots in case there are late qualifiers through the world ranking.

SOCCER

Mbappé, Madrid agree

Kylian Mbappé is finally a Real Madrid player. Madrid reached a deal with the France star for the next five seasons, bringing together one of soccer's top talents and its most successful club. Madrid did not release financial details. Mbappé, 25, is with France preparing for the European Championship.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Saban on Hall ballot

Nick Saban and **Urban Meyer** are up for election to the College Football Hall of Fame for the first time. The ballot for the class to be announced in January was released by the National Football Foundation. It includes 77 players and nine coaches from the Football Bowl Subdivision and 101 players and 34 coaches from the divisional ranks, which include the Championship Subdivision and Divisions 2 and 3.

Scoreboard

Schools

BASEBALL

MIAA tourney

DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — First round
Leominster 3.....St. Paul 2
Lincoln-Sudbury 7.....Chelmsford 3
St. John's Prep 8.....Needham 3
Taunton 19.....Whittier 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Franklin at St. John's (Shrewsbury), 4; Wellesley at BC High, 4; Weymouth at Braintree, 6.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Lincoln-Sudbury at Xaverian, 4; Westford at Leominster, 6:30.
Thu., June 6 — Second round
N. Andover at Springfield Central, 6.
TBA — Second round
Catholic Memorial at St. John's Prep; Durfee at Taunton.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — First round
Dartmouth 6.....Mansfield 2
Milford 4.....Hingham 1
Plymouth North 12.....Burlington 1
Walpole 12.....Marshfield 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Westwood at Algonquin, 4; Woburn at Milton, 4; Norwood at Som. Berk., 4:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Billerica at Milford, 6:30.
TBA — Second round
Dartmouth at Hopkinton; Masconomet at Plymouth North; Nashoba at Westfield; North Attleborough at Walpole.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — First round
Apponequet 4.....Gloucester 0
Belchertown 2.....Blackstone Valley 1
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Tewksbury at Bishop Stang, 3; Lowell Catholic at Hanover, 4; Norwell at St. Mary's, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Dighton-Rehoboth at Tantasqua, 4; Nauset at Oakmont, 4; Shawsheen at North Middlesex, 4:30.
TBA — Second round
Dover-Sherborn at Apponequet; Sandwich at Belchertown.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — First round
Clinton 1.....Ipswich 0
Joseph Case 5.....Wahconah 2
Littleton 3.....Stoneham 1
Lynnfield 10.....S. Hadley 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Dennis-Yarmouth at Uxbridge, 4; Abington at Pittsfield, 4:30; East Bridgewater at Millbury, 6.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Littleton at Northbridge, 3; Tyngsborough at Seekonk, 4.
TBA — Second round
Joseph Case at Clinton; Monument Mtn. at Salem; Oxford at Lynnfield.
DIVISION 5
Mon., June 3 — First round
Ayer Shirley 6.....Monson 1
Bourne 6.....Westport 3
Georgetown 11.....Cape Cod Tech 0
Mt. Everett 4.....Carver 1
Tue., June 4 — First round
Mt. Greylock at Tahanto, 4.
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Westfield Tech at Greenfield, 4.
TBA — Second round
Bartlett at English High; Bourne at TBA; Bromfield at Pioneer Valley Regional; Hopkins at Drury; Maynard at Georgetown; Mt. Everett at Douglas; Ware at Ayer Shirley.

GOLF

GIRLS
MIAA Championship
at Ledges Golf Course
Team
1. Wachusett, 368; 2. Wellesley, 371; 3. Walpole, 389; 3. Notre Dame (Hingham), 389; 5. Barnstable, 401; 6. Notre Dame (Worcester), 403.
Individual
66 — Isabel Brozena, North Reading (Par 72).
72 — Mya Murphy, Sturgis West; Lillian Guleserian, Westwood.
75 — Champa Visetsin, Lincoln-Sudbury.
76 — Sabrina Wu, Lexington; Maddie Smith, Westford; Julia Imai, Brookline.
78 — Erika Redmond, Concord-Carlisle; Kylie Heffernan, Nashoba; Cecily Henshon, Longmeadow.
80 — Rebecca Kriegsman, Ashland; Hanley Correia, Bp Feehan; Sadie Cumming, Medfield; Jillian Johnson, Notre Dame (H); Callie Crean, Hingham.

RUGBY

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Wed., June 5 — Semifinals
St. John's Prep at BC High, 5:30; Xaverian at Milton, 6.
DIVISION 2
Wed., June 5 — Semifinals
Catholic Memorial at Weymouth, 5.
Thu., June 6 — Semifinals
Brookline at Hanover, 6.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Wed., June 5 — Semifinals
Lincoln-Sudbury at Belmont, 6:30.
Fri., June 7 — Semifinals
Weymouth at Algonquin, 6.

TENNIS

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — Second round
BC High 3.....Winchester 2
Wellesley 4.....Acton-Boxboro 1
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Belmont at St. John's Prep, 4; Shrewsbury at Brookline, 4; Cambridge at Lexington, 4:15; Arlington at Newton North, 4:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
St. John's (Shrewsbury) at Westford, 3:30; Andover at Conc.-Carlisle, 4:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
Acton-Box. at TBA; BC High at TBA.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Burlington 5.....Walpole 0
Duxbury 5.....N. Quincy 0
Hopkinton 3.....Marblehead 2
Wayland 5.....Scituate 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Northampton at Mansfield, 4; Dartmouth at Westborough, 4:30; Hingham at Longmeadow, 4:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Somerset Berkley at Sharon, 3:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
Burlington at Duxbury; Hopkinton at Wayland.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Gloucester 3.....Wakefield 2
Martha's Vnyd. 5.....Latin Acad. 0
Medway 3.....Medfield 2
Swampscott 3.....Wilmington 2
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Newburyport at Dover-Sherborn, 3:30; North Reading at Bedford, 3:30; Old Rochester at Weston, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Foxborough at Apponequet, 3:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
Gloucester at Swampscott; Martha's Vineyard at TBA; Medway at TBA.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Bromfield 3.....Sutton 0
Cohasset 5.....Sturgis West 0
Ham.-Wenham 5.....Monomoy 0
Pioneer Valley Chinese 4..Nantucket 1
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Lee at Fairhaven, 2; Leicester at Lynnfield, 3; Ipswich vs. Manchester Essex at Endicott College, Beverly, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Mystic Valley at Lenox, 4.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at PVCI; Bromfield at Hamilton-Wenham; Cohasset at TBA.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Lexington 5.....Needham 0
Lincoln-Sudbury 4....Concord-Carlisle 1
Wellesley 5.....Plymouth North 0
Westford 4.....Brookline 1
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Belmont at Winchester, 4; Bishop Feehan at Acton-Boxborough, 4; Newton North vs. Boston Latin at Carter Field, Northeastern, Boston, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Andover at Newton South, 4:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at Wellesley; TBA at Westford; TBA at Lexington; Linc.-Sud. at TBA.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Sharon 3.....Masconomet 2
Westboro 3.....Ursuline 2
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Minnechaug at Wayland, 2; Bishop Stang at Notre Dame (Hingham), 4; Marblehead at Longmeadow, 4; North Attleborough at Hingham, 4; Scituate at Duxbury, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Holliston at Milton, 3:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at Westborough; Sharon at TBA.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Weston 5.....Fairhaven 0
Wilmington 4.....Hanover 1
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Norwell at Dover-Sherborn, 3:30; Danvers at Old Rochester, 4; North Reading at Newburyport, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Belchertown at Watertown, 3; Apponequet at Pembroke, 4.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at Wilmington; St. John Paul II at Weston.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Ham.-Wenham 5.....Millis 0
Manchester 5.....Quabbin 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Nantucket at Ipswich, 2; Monomoy at Lenox, 3:30; Mt. Greylock at Hopedale, 4; Quaboag at Bromfield, 4; Leicester at Lynnfield, 4:30; Sutton at Cohasset, 4:30.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at Hamilton-Wenham; TBA at Manchester Essex.

LACROSSE

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — First round
Franklin 18.....Barnstable 7
Natick 14.....Bp. Feehan 10
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Westford at Acton-Boxborough, 4; Winchester at Needham, 5; Central Catholic at Lincoln-Sudbury, 6; Concord-Carlisle at BC High, 7.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Natick at St. John's Prep, 2:30; Wellesley at Xaverian, 4:30; Franklin at Catholic Memorial, 5; St. John's (Shrewsbury) at Andover, 7.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — First round
Billerica 14.....Milford 10
Duxbury 21.....Masconomet 4
Hingham 20.....Dartmouth 3
Longmeadow 22.....Silver Lake 3
Mansfield 12.....Tantasqua 6
Marshfield 15.....Melrose 3
Plymouth South 8.....Algonquin 4
Reading 16.....W. Springfield 6
Walpole 19.....Whit.-Hanson 5
Westfield 18.....N. Andover 10
Westwood 10.....Grafton 8
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Plymouth S at Longmeadow, TBA; Sharon at Walpole, 4; Bridgewater-Raynham at Marshfield, 5; Hopkinton at Hingham, 6:15; Milton at Duxbury, 6:30; Westwood vs. Mansfield at Norton High, 6:30; King Philip at Billerica, 7.
TBA — Second round
Westfield at Reading, TBA.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — First round
Apponequet 13.....Shawsheen 11
E. Longmeadow 16.....N. Middlesex 9
Falmouth 22.....Lowell Cath. 2
Foxboro 14.....Wakefield 5
Holliston 8.....Ashland 5
Newburyport 19.....Abp. Williams 2
Pembroke 13.....Essex Tech 8
Wilmington 13.....Bp. Stang 12 (OT)
Tue., June 4 — First round
Tewksbury at Medfield, 5.
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Dracut at Burlington, 5:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Wilmington at Newburyport, 4; East Longmeadow at Nauset, 4:30; Pembroke at Falmouth, 5; Foxborough at Dover-Sherborn, 6; Hanover at Scituate, 6; Apponequet at Nashoba, 6:30.
TBA — Second round
Holliston at TBA, TBA.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — First round
Adv. Math & Sci. 14.....South Shore 5
Ipswich 14.....Oakmont 8
Lynnfield 20.....Triton 8
Manchester 17.....Bourne 6
Nantucket 19.....Littleton 3
Nipmuc 17.....Old Colony 3
Norwell 18.....Belchertown 3
Sandwich 17.....Lenox 3
Swampscott 13.....Medway 4
Winthrop 16.....Tyngsboro 9
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Abington at Pentucket, 4:30; Wahconah at Weston, 6.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Nipmuc at Manchester Essex, 4:30; Swampscott at Lynnfield, 4:30; Winthrop at Nantucket, 4:30; Fairhaven at Norwell, 5; AMSA at Sandwich, 6; Ipswich at Cohasset, 6:30.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — First round
Central Cath. 20.....Bridge.-Raynham 4
Lincoln-Sudbury 19.....Barnstable 4
Westford 8.....Franklin 7 (OT)
Tue., June 4 — Second round
King Philip at Wellesley, 4; Peabody at Concord-Carlisle, 5; Needham at North Andover, 6; Acton-Boxborough at Andover, 7; Braintree at Weymouth, 7; Newton North at Chelmsford, 7:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Lexington at Lincoln-Sudbury, 6.
TBA — Second round
Westford at Central Catholic, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — First round
Billerica 12.....Marshfield 8
Duxbury 17.....Milton 5
Grafton 12.....Dartmouth 5
Hingham 18.....Westfield 1
Leominster 12.....Minnechaug 11
Longmeadow 18.....Masconomet 3
Reading 17.....Silver Lake 2
Scituate 12.....Woburn 7
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Westborough at Westwood, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Burlington at Duxbury, 4; Grafton at Notre Dame (Hingham), 4; West Springfield at Hingham, 4.
TBA — Second round
Billerica at Walpole; Leominster at Reading; Melrose at East Longmeadow; Scituate at Longmeadow.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — First round
Bedford 22.....Digh.-Rehoboth 5
Foxboro 17.....Martha's Vnyd. 6
Groton-Dunst. 10.....Wakefield 9 (OT)
Hanover 17.....Upper Cape 5
Holliston 8.....Dedham 3
Medfield 21.....Danvers 2
Newburyport 17.....Medway 3
Wayland 18.....Notre Dame (W) 0
Tue., June 4 — First round
Tewksbury at Ursuline, 3:30.
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Nauset at Ashland, 3:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Dover-Sherborn at Wayland, 4; Falmouth at Bedford, 4:30; Apponequet at Hanover, 6; Old Rochester at Foxborough, 6.
TBA — Second round
TBA at Cape Cod Academy; Groton-Dunstable at Medfield; Holliston at Newburyport.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — First round
Cohasset 20.....Abington 0
Ipswich 17.....Adv. Math & Sci. 0
Manchester 16.....Lunenburg 4
Nantucket 16.....Hampshire 0
Swampscott 13.....Oakmont 3
Weston 18.....Northbridge 5
Mon., June 3 — Second round
Norwell 16.....Tahanto 6
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Hamilton-Wenham at Pentucket, 4; Monomoy at Cohasset, 4; Lynnfield at Ipswich, 5; Mt. Greylock at Weston, 6; Nipmuc at Manchester Essex, 6:30.
TBA — Second round
Fairhaven at Nantucket; Swampscott at Sandwich.
TBA — Quarterfinals
Norwell at TBA, TBA.

SOFTBALL

MIAA tourney

DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — First round
Central Cath. 11.....Natick 3
Chelmsford 9.....Plymouth North 8
Lincoln-Sudbury 6.....Shrewsbury 4
Marshfield 2.....Whittier 1
Taunton 18.....Lexington 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
King Philip at Peabody, 4; Methuen at N. Andover, 4; Needham at St. Paul, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Arlington at C. Catholic, 3:45; Chelmsford at Bp. Feehan, 4; Marshfield at Wachusett, 4; Bridge.-Rayn. at Linc-Sud., 4:30; Newton N. at Taunton, 7.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — First round
Hingham 12.....Westwood 2
Milton 3.....Milford 1
Westfield 12.....Agawam 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Dartmouth at Tewksbury, 4; Hingham at Silver Lake, 4; Marblehead at Nashoba, 4; Plymouth South at Bedford, 4; Reading at Somerset Berkley, 4:15; Shepherd Hill at Walpole, 5.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Notre Dame (Hingham) at Milton, 4; Leominster at Westfield, 4:15.
DIVISION 3
Mon., June 3 — First round
Apponequet 4.....Medfield 1
Abp. Williams 12.....Hanover 0
Arlington Cath. 8.....Dedham 3
Gloucester 7.....Wilmington 2
Gr. New Bedford 11.....Seekonk 9
Hudson 4.....Norwell 2
Nipmuc 6.....Medway 2
Norton 5.....Blackstone Valley 0
Pembroke 13.....Gr. Lowell 1
Triton 10.....Oakmont 0
Tue., June 4 — First round
Cardinal Spellman at N. Reading, 4:30.
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Foxborough at Dighton-Rehoboth, 3:45.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Archbishop Williams at Norton, 4; Gloucester at Apponequet, 4; Greater New Bedford at Triton, 4; Lowell Catholic at Arlington Catholic, 4; Nipmuc at St. Mary's, 4; Pembroke at Hudson, 6.
TBA — Second round
Essex Tech at TBA.
DIVISION 4
Mon., June 3 — First round
Adv. Math & Sci. 12.....Rockland 0
Clinton 9.....Ayer Shirley 8
Northbridge 9.....Littleton 8
S. Hadley 3.....Cohasset 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Lunenburg at Abington, 4; Millbury at Tyngsborough, 4; Northbridge at Case, 4; Easthampton at Pittsfield, 4:30; East Bridgewater at Uxbridge, 6:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
South Hadley at Amesbury, 4; Clinton at Hampshire, 5; Frontier at AMSA, 5.
DIVISION 5
Mon., June 3 — First round
Georgetown 8.....Gateway 6
Greenfield 13.....Murdock 0
Lee 7.....Springfield International 1
Narragansett 8.....Westfield Tech 0
Tahanto 8.....Mystic Valley 1
Turners Falls 11.....Notre Dame (T) 0
W. Boylston 6.....Westport 5
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Millis at Hopedale, 4.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Maynard at Tahanto, 2:30; Drury at Narragansett, 4; Lee at W. Boylston, 4; Wareham at G'town, 4; Norfolk Aggie at Turners Falls, 4:30; Lenox at Franklin Tech, 5; Monson at Greenfield, 6.

	TUE 6/4	WED 6/5	THU 6/6	FRI 6/7	SAT 6/8	SUN 6/9	MON 6/10
Red Sox	ATL 7:10 NESN	ATL 1:35 NESN	CWS 8:10 NESN	CWS 8:10 NESN	CWS 4:10 NESN	CWS 2:10 NESN	
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7:10 p.m.	Atlanta at Boston	NESN
9:40 p.m.	San Francisco at Arizona	MLB

PRO BASKETBALL

7 p.m.	WNBA: Washington at Connecticut	NBCSB
8 p.m.	WNBA: New York at Chicago	NBA
10 p.m.	WNBA: Phoenix at Seattle	CBSSN

MEN'S SOCCER

11:50 a.m.	Friendly: Slovenia vs. Armenia	FS2
2:30 p.m.	Friendly: Portugal vs. Finland	FS2

WOMEN'S SOCCER

3 p.m.	European qualifier: France vs. England	CBSSN
7:30 p.m.	Friendly: Canada vs. Mexico	FS2
8 p.m.	Friendly: US vs. South Korea	TNT

TENNIS

6 a.m.	French Open	Tennis

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Schools

VOLLEYBALL

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Mon., June 3 — First round
Natick 3.....Springfield Central 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Chelmsford at Methuen, 5; Lexington at Winchester, 5; Lincoln-Sudbury at Milford, 6; Lowell at Brookline, 6.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Acton-Box. at Newton North, 4:30; Andover at Needham, 5; New Bedford at BC High, 5; Cambridge at Natick, 6.
DIVISION 2
Mon., June 3 — First round
Westfield 3.....Randolph 0
Tue., June 4 — First round
Burlington at Marlborough, 5.
Mon., June 3 — Second round
N. Middlesex 3.....Minnechaug 0
Wayland 3.....Lynn Classical 0
Tue., June 4 — Second round
Chelsea at Agawam, 6:30.
Wed., June 5 — Second round
Chicopee Comprehensive at Latin Academy, 4:30; Keefe Tech at Medfield, 5; Doherty at West Springfield, 5:30; Ludlow at Westfield, 5:30.
TBA — Second round
TBA at Longmeadow, TBA.
TBA — Quarterfinals
TBA at N. Middlesex; TBA at Wayland.

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WNBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Connecticut	8	0	1.000	—
New York	7	2	.778	1½
Atlanta	4	3	.571	3½
Chicago	3	4	.429	4½
Indiana	2	9	.182	7½
Washington	0	8	.000	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	6	2	.750	2
Las Vegas	4	2	.667	3
Seattle	5	3	.625	3
Phoenix	4	5	.444	4½
Dallas	3	4	.429	4½
Los Angeles	2	6	.250	6

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Washington at Connecticut.....7
New York at Chicago.....7
Phoenix at Seattle.....7
SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Connecticut 69.....at Atlanta 50
At Phoenix 87.....Los Angeles 68
At New York 104.....Indiana 68
At Minnesota 87.....Dallas 76

LEADERS

Not including yesterday's games
SCORING

	FG	FT	Pts.	PPG
Ogunbowale, DW	59	47	186	26.6
Wilson, LVA	62	33	159	26.5
Copper, PHO	71	41	206	22.9
Collier, MIN	65	34	171	21.4
Hamby, LAS	63	33	167	20.9
Young, LVA	42	27	124	20.7
Loyd, SEA	50	46	158	19.8
Bonner, CON	56	30	152	19.0
Ogwumike, SEA	48	13	112	18.7
Plum, LVA	38	15	112	18.7

NASCAR Cup

STANDINGS

Standings are for 15 races through Enjoy Illinois 300, with points, wins, and top 10 finishes.

	Pts.	W	T10
Denny Hamlin	534	3	8
Kyle Larson	513	2	7
Chase Elliott	507	1	7
Martin Truex Jr.	490	0	7
William Byron	488	3	9
Tyler Reddick	473	1	9
Ty Gibbs	465	0	8
Christopher Bell	437	2	8
Brad Keselowski	437	1	8
Alex Bowman	417	0	9
Ross Chastain	417	0	5
Ryan Blaney	405	0	5
Bubba Wallace	371	0	5
Chris Buescher	368	0	6
Chase Briscoe	358	0	5
Joey Logano	354	0	4
Kyle Busch	348	0	5
Austin Cindric	305	1	2
Daniel Suarez	290	1	2
Josh Berry	264	0	2

SCHEDULE

June 9 — Toyota / Save Mart 350, Sonoma, Calif.
June 16 — Iowa Corn 350 Powered by Ethanol, Newton, Iowa
June 23 — NASCAR Cup Series Race at New Hampshire, Loudon, N.H.
June 30 — Ally 400, Lebanon, Tenn.

Formula 1

STANDINGS

Standings are for 8 races through Monaco Grand Prix, with points, wins, and podiums.

	Pts.	W	T3
Max Verstappen	169	5	6
Charles Leclerc	138	1	5
Lando Norris	113	1	4
Carlos Sainz	108	1	4
Sergio Perez	107	0	4
Oscar Piastri	71	0	1
George Russell	54	0	0
Lewis Hamilton	42	0	0
Fernando Alonso	33	0	0
Yuki Tsunoda	19	0	0
Lance Stroll	11	0	0
Ollie Bearman	6	0	0
Nico Hulkenberg	6	0	0
Daniel Ricciardo	5	0	0
Alex Albon	2	0	0
Esteban Ocon	1	0	0
Kevin Magnussen	1	0	0
Pierre Gasly	1	0	0
Guanyu Zhou	0	0	0
Valtteri Bottas	0	0	0
Logan Sargeant	0	0	0

SCHEDULE

June 9 — Canadian GP, Montreal.
June 23 — Spanish GP, Barcelona.
June 30 — Austrian GP, Spielberg.

Colleges

BASEBALL

DIVISION 1 REGIONALS
MONDAY'S RESULTS
Oregon State 11.....UC Irvine 6
Evansville 6.....East Carolina 5
Florida 4.....Oklahoma State 2
North Carolina 4.....LSU 3 (10 inn.)
UConn 7.....Oklahoma 1
DIVISION 2 DOUBLE ELIMINATION
MONDAY'S RESULTS
Indiana (Penn.) 4.....Central Missouri 3
Angelo State 13.....Point Loma 6
DIVISION 3 DOUBLE ELIMINATION
MONDAY'S RESULTS
Misericordia 3.....Lynchburg 2
Wisc.-Whitewater 7.....Salve Regina 4
Misericordia 5.....Lynchburg 1
Wisc.-Whitewater 5.....Salve Regina 2
NAT'L. CHAMPIONSHIP (BEST OF 3)
June 5: Misericordia vs. Wisc.-W.....12
June 6: Misericordia vs. Wisc.-W....11a
June 6: Misericordia vs. Wisc.-W...2:15

SOFTBALL

DIVISION 1 SEMIFINALS
MONDAY'S RESULTS
Florida 9.....Oklahoma 3
Texas 1.....Stanford 0
DIVISION 3 SEMIFINALS
MONDAY'S RESULTS
Belhaven 4.....Linfield 3
E. Tex. Baptist 5.....Rowan 2
Belhaven 6.....Linfield 0
NAT'L. CHAMPIONSHIP (BEST OF 3)
June 4: Belhaven vs. E. Tex. Bap.....12
June 5: Belhaven vs. E. Tex. Bap.....12
June 5: Belhaven vs. E. Tex. Bap....2:30

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Miami	18	10	5	3	35
Cincinnati	16	10	3	3	33
NYCFC	16	9	2	5	29
NY Red Bulls	16	8	5	3	29
Charlotte	17	7	4	6	25
Toronto	17	7	3	7	24
Columbus	14	6	6	2	24
Philadelphia	16	4	8	4	20
Nashville	16	4	7	5	19
D.C. United	17	4	7	6	19
Orlando	16	4	5	7	17
Montreal	16	4	5	7	17
Atlanta	16	4	4	8	16
Chicago	17	3	6	8	15
New England	14	3	1	10	10

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Real Salt Lake	17	9	6	2	33
LAFC	16	9	3	4	30
Minnesota	15	8	4	3	28
LA Galaxy	17	7	7	3	28
Vancouver	16	7	4	5	25
Austin	17	6	5	6	23
Houston	16	6	4	6	22
Colorado	17	6	4	7	22
Portland	17	5	5	7	20
Seattle	16	4	6	6	18
St. Louis	15	3	8	4	17
Dallas	15	3	4	8	13
San Jose	16	3	2	11	11
Sporting KC	16	2	5	9	11

SATURDAY'S GAMES
NY Red Bulls at New England.....7:30
Dallas at Minnesota.....8:30
Seattle at Kansas City.....8:30
Portland at St. Louis.....8:30
SUNDAY'S RESULT
Charlotte 3.....at Atlanta 2

NWSL

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Orlando	8	0	3	27	20	10
Kansas City	7	0	4	25	26	15
Washington	8	3	0	24	25	16
Portland	6	4	1	19	24	16
Gotham FC	5	2	3	18	10	7
Chicago	5	5	1	16	15	15
N. Carolina	5	6	0	15	13	14
Louisville	2	2	6	12	15	12
San Diego	3	4	3	12	9	9

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Of Brighton, passed away on June 2, 2024. Beloved wife of the late William "Bud" Butler. Devoted mother of Julianne "Julie" Butler of Dorchester, Robert "Bobby" (B.P.D. D-14) and his wife, Tracie of Woburn, Karen Long and her husband, Brian and the late Deborah A. Gentilucci and her surviving husband, Gerry, all of Brighton. Loving grandmother to Casey Horan and her husband, Sean, Micaela Ratcliffe, Eric, Thomas and Jessica Butler, Caragh Gentilucci, Jamie Long and Kaitlynn Butler. Gigi of Finn Thomas Horan. Chosen grandmother to Seth. Sister of Robert Leary, Roberta Leary, Ed O'Leary and the late Gertrude Neenan, Francis, Arthur, Jr, John Leary. Funeral from the Lehman & Reen Funeral Home, 63 Chestnut Hill Ave.(nr Brighton Court House), BRIGHTON, Thursday, June 6, at 9:30am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Columbkille Church, 321 Market St., Brighton, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Interment in St Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. Visiting Hours on Wednesday, June 5, from 4 to 8pm, in the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Mrs. Butler may be made to the Boston Police Relief Fund, 1249 Hyde Park Ave., Hyde Park, MA 02136. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.lehmanreen.com

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D'ANGELI, Richard "Richie"

Richie, 77, of Framingham, MA passed away peacefully on Thursday, May 30, 2024, surrounded by his children and loving wife of 56 years after a short, but hard-fought battle with an aggressive form of cancer. Richard was born in Boston, MA on June 30, 1946 and was the oldest son of Roy P. D'Angeli and Marie (Lazzaro) D'Angeli. Richie has fond memories at his grandparents' home in Somerville, MA with his family and cousins. He attended Saint Stephen's Junior High School in Framingham and was part of the first graduating class of Framingham North High School in 1964. As kismet would have it Richard met his soon-to-be beautiful wife, Brenda Ellis, just before graduation and this is where their love story began. Richie was drafted to the United States Air Force in January 1966 and was discharged as a Seargent in January 1969. Bren and Rich eloped in September 1967, where they first called Newburyport, MA home, while Rich was stationed at Pease Air Force base in New Hampshire. After his honorable discharge, they returned to Framingham, where he worked for a brief time as a draftsman at Sylvania. His career path led him to sales, where he worked at AAMCO, Hoover, Rush Hampton, Shuman & Gold and Car-Freshener. He began his own company, Richards Sales Associates, and branched off solo as RSA. He was a consultant and businessman, always helping others. Throughout his career, he gained numerous colleagues and friends, becoming a mentor to many. Richie was a smart entrepreneur, a true wealth of both knowledge and advice, one of the funniest people around and above all else, a family man through and through. Richie is survived by his beloved wife, Brenda (Ellis) D'Angeli; his children, Racquel (D'Angeli) Tersoni and her husband, Blaise, Domenic D'Angeli and Deven (D'Angeli) Heroux and her husband, James; his adoring grandchildren, Isabella, Sabrina and Sophia Tersoni, Seth Henry and Ellis "EJ" Heroux; and his adorable puppy, Pippa, all of Framingham, MA. Family and friends are kindly invited to attend a Visitation on Friday, June 7, from 4:00PM to 7:00PM, at the Norton Funeral Home, at 53 Beech Street (Corner of Union Avenue), FRAMINGHAM, MA 01702. A Funeral Mass will be held on Saturday, June 8, at 11:00AM, at Saint Bridget's Parish, at 830 Worcester Road, Framingham, MA 01702 with Burial to follow at the Edgell Grove Cemetery. The D'Angeli Family invites you to make donations in Richie's honor to the Framingham Heart Study, American Diabetes Association or the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation. Arrangements are entrusted to the care of Norton Funeral Home, Framingham. To leave a message of condolence, please visit www.nortonfuneralhome.com

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DALY, James M. Jr.



1942-2024

Loving husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

James M. Daly, Jr, of Stuart, FL, formerly from Dennis, MA and Norwell, MA, passed away peacefully on May 24, 2024, at the age of 82, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Allston, MA on March 26, 1942 to the late James and Anna (Connell) Daly, Jim spent most of his childhood growing up in Allston and Brighton, MA. He graduated from St. Sebastian High School and then received a degree from Boston College. Jim served for four years in the U.S. Military, stationed for a time in Germany. Following his military service, Jim spent 37 years in various roles at New England Telephone, where he met the love of his life and wife of 48 years, Ursula (Griffin) Daly. They raised their family in Norwell, MA, where Jim also dedicated time serving on the Advisory Board for the town of Norwell, as well as volunteering for over 25 years within Norwell Youth Athletics. In January 2000, Jim received an honorary recognition plaque from the Massachusetts House of Representatives, for his dedicated service to the youth of Norwell and his leadership to the athletes of Old Colony Youth Football, creating a positive framework to develop their core values and sportsmanship.

Jim was a devoted father to his five children, Deborah Daly of Rockland, MA, James M. Daly, III and his wife, Erica of Hanson, MA, Christopher Daly and his wife, Dail of Plymouth, MA, Matthew Daly and his wife, Colleen of Norwell, MA and Adam Daly and his fiancée, Darcy of Pembroke, MA. Close friend and former spouse to Christine Daly, Norwell, MA

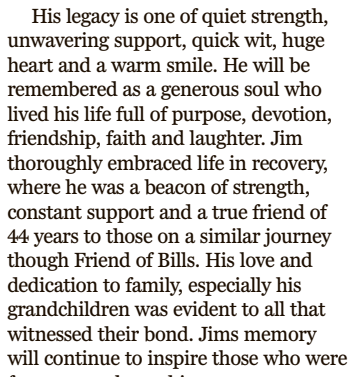
Loving grampa of eight, Kimberly, Sean, Alyssa, Tyler, Madison, Jocelyn, Kyle and Jake; and great-grampa to Emilia and Wilder.

His legacy is one of quiet strength, unwavering support, quick wit, huge heart and a warm smile. He will be remembered as a generous soul who lived his life full of purpose, devotion, friendship, faith and laughter. Jim thoroughly embraced life in recovery, where he was a beacon of strength, constant support and a true friend of 44 years to those on a similar journey though Friend of Bills. His love and dedication to family, especially his grandchildren was evident to all that witnessed their bond. Jims memory will continue to inspire those who were fortunate to know him.

Visiting Hours will be 8:30 to 10:30 am, on Friday, June 7, at Doane, Beal and Ames Funeral Home, located at 729 Rte. 134, SOUTH DENNIS, MA 02660. A Funeral Mass will follow at 11:00 am, at Our Lady of the Cape Parish, 468 Stony Brook Road, Brewster, MA. Interment will be at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please considering donating to NE Society for Abandoned Animals, 89 South Main St., Barnstable, MA

To share a memory or leave a condolence, please visit www.doanebealamesdennis.com

GENTILUCCI, Deborah A. (Butler)



Of Brighton, passed away on May 30, 2024. Beloved wife of Gerald "Gerry" Gentilucci. Devoted mother of Caragh Gentilucci. Loving daughter of the late Matilda "Teddi" (Leary) Butler and William "Bud" Butler. Cherished sister of Julianne "Julie" Butler, Robert "Bobby" Butler and Karen Long. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Lehman Reen & McNamara Funeral Home, 63 Chestnut Hill Ave. (near Brighton Courthouse), BRIGHTON, on Thursday, June 6, at 9:30am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Columbkille Church, 321 Market Street, Brighton, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Visiting Hours on Wednesday, June 5, from 4 to 8pm, in the funeral home. The Gentilucci family would like to thank the staff at Dana Farber, especially Jen McKenna and Jackie Stephens, for their care and support during her illness. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.lehmanreen.com

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KINSBOURNE, Dr. Marcel



Dr. Kinsbourne, a distinguished pediatric neurologist and cognitive neuroscientist, passed away on April 21, 2024. He was born in Vienna, Austria on November 3, 1931, the only child of David Hersch Kinsbrunner and Mathilde Kinsbrunner. At eight years old, he and his parents escaped Nazi persecution four days before the borders closed and they moved to England.

At Christ Church, Oxford University, he earned a B.A. in 1952, a B.M.B.Ch. in 1955 and an M.A. in 1956. He earned his D.M. in 1963 at Oxford Medical School and then at Duke University Hospital, became a licensed physician in the USA. He then worked at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto and University of Toronto. In 1980, he moved to Massachusetts and was Director of the Behavioral Neurology Research Division at the Eunice Kennedy Shriver Center.

He held research and teaching positions at Harvard Medical School, Boston University, Brandeis University and Tufts University, among others, as well as many clinical appointments. He was a past President of the International Neuropsychological Society and the Society for Philosophy and Psychology.

Marcel co-authored and edited numerous books and hundreds of scientific and scholarly articles and served on the Editorial Board of numerous scientific journals. He discovered two diseases, Kinsbourne Disease and Sandifer Disease. He was frequently awarded for his teaching and work in neuropsychology and neurology. He worked full-time until he passed and his contributions will inspire future generations.

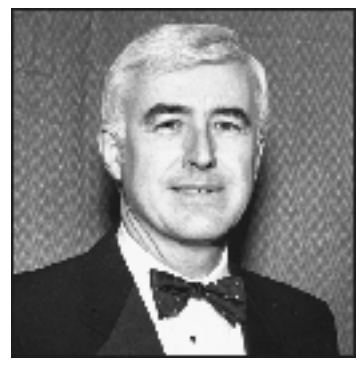
Marcel was a deeply kind, generous, loving and brilliant man, with a wonderfully clever sense of humor. He was known for his grace and his calm and patient nature. Students, patients, colleagues and friends consistently said that his heart was even larger than his intellect. He was a devoted husband to his wife, Caroline; and a loving and proud father to his seven children, David, Daniel, Jeremy, Emily, Isabelle, Madeleine and Charlotte. He also took pride and boundless joy in his 11 grandchildren.

Dr. Kinsbourne will forever be deeply missed, but his legacy will endure because of the innumerable lives he touched so profoundly.

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O'CONNELL, Dr. John J.



Passed away after a long illness, on May 30, 2024, in Plymouth. He was a longtime resident of Newton. He was the beloved husband of Barbara (Cuneo) O'Connell for 64 years. He is survived by his loving children, Barbara McTigue, John J. O'Connell, III, Kathleen M. O'Connell-Salisbury and Mary T. O'Connell. He was adored by his grandchildren, Kathleen Reilly and Thomas McTigue, IV; and his great-grandchildren, Keira and Jack Reilly and Thomas McTigue, V, with whom he enjoyed frolicking as much they did, if not more. John was the son of John J. O'Connell and Anne O'Connell (Cain). He was the eldest of 11 children and grew up in Cambridge, Massachusetts. John is survived by his siblings, Harold, Robert, Roberta, Catherine, Dennis, James and Stephen and predeceased by brothers, Daniel, Arthur and Gerald. John is also survived by his brother-in-law, John Cuneo; in addition to many nieces and nephews. John was a graduate of Boston College ('55), where he met his wife, Barbara, a graduate of Boston College School of Nursing. After Boston College, he graduated from St. Louis University School of Dentistry ('60) in St. Louis, Missouri. Shortly after graduation, John and Barbara were married and stationed in Germany by the U.S. Army Dental Corps. This was the beginning of their life's journey together, filled with adventure and travel. After Germany, John set up a dental practice in Brighton, where he practiced for 50 years. This was not only the start of a successful career, but the beginning of a life filled with achievement and service. John was an Officer of the Catholic Dental Society and a Director of the Greater Boston Bank. John spent many long hours fostering the motto of Boston College, "Ever to Excel", by being involved in major fundraising and also greatly involved in the Boston College Alumni Association, where he served as President. His community service was a reflection of his kind and giving nature. Visiting Hours will be held at Lehman, Reen & McNamara Funeral Home, 63 Chestnut Hill Ave., in BRIGHTON, from 3 to 7pm, on Thursday, June 6. A Celebration of John's Life will be held at 11am, on Friday, June 7, at St. Ignatius of Loyola, 28 Commonwealth Avenue, in Chestnut Hill. The Burial will follow the Liturgy at St. Joseph's Cemetery in West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, donations in Memory of John can be made to Greater Boston Food Bank and Boston Catholic Television. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.lehmanreen.com John's family would like to thank all those at Life Care Center of Plymouth who gave him the utmost care. John's legacy of love, kindness and his gentle spirit will be cherished by the all those who had the pleasure of knowing him.

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O'LEARY, Cecilia Ellen (Joyce)



Of South Boston, passed away on May 29, 2024. Beloved wife of the late Paul P. O'Leary. Devoted mother of Kenneth O'Leary and his wife, Kristine of East Taunton, Craig O'Leary and his wife, Kyle of Canton, Kim O'Leary Tuttle and her husband, Mark of Charlestown, Keith O'Leary and his wife, Rebecca of Killington, VT. Loving grandmother of Christopher and his wife, Sarah, Makenzie, Cameron, Patrick, Brogan, Emma, Maeve, Liam; and great-grandmother of Mia. Sister of Kathleen Cleary and Michael Joyce. Also survived by many extended family members. Visitation in the O'Brien Funeral Home, 146 Dorchester St., SOUTH BOSTON, on Thursday, June 6, from 4 to 8pm. Funeral Mass in St. Brigid Church, 841 East Broadway, South Boston, on Friday, June 7, at 10am. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. For directions and guestbook, visit www.obrienfunerals.com

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PETRANIC, Theodore "Ted" Daniel



Of Reading, May 30, 2024, at age 87. For complete obituary, www.barilefuneral.com

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SCHWARTZ, Lawrence Paul "Larry"



Age 73, of Newton passed away on June 1, 2024 surrounded by his family.

Survived by wife, Eileen (Siegel), brother Warren (wife Debra Sosin), twin sons David and Adam (wife Olya), grandsons Shane, Oliver, Steven.

Graveside Services at Lindwood Memorial Park, 497 North St., Randolph on Tuesday, June 4 at 12:00pm.

Full obit www.levinechapels.com

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SCOTT, Malcolm R. "Scotty"



Age 84, of Lexington, MA, passed away on June 1, 2024. Scotty was born October 31, 1939. He is survived by his wife, Mary (Teresa) King; and his children, Bob and wife, Tammy of Burlington, MA, Susan and husband, Tim of Alexandria, NH, and Doug of Stow, MA. He is also survived by sister, Hope Weiss and husband, Robert; six granddaughters, nieces and nephews. Visiting Hours will be held at the Douglass Funeral Home, 51 Worthen Rd., LEXINGTON, MA, on Thursday, June 6, from 4pm to 7pm. Funeral Service on Friday, June 7, at 10am, at the funeral home. Relatives and friends are kindly invited.

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SOLOMBRINO, Adelva (Fernandes)



Age 93, of Hamilton, passed away, surrounded by her family, on Friday, May 31. Born in Boston, she was the loving wife of 73 years to Alfred "Slushie" Solombrino; and was the daughter to Ayers and Ermilinda (Santos) Fernandes.

Family was the cornerstone of Adelva's existence and she cherished every moment spent with loved ones. She is known for her lifelong work at Dav El Chauffeured Transportation and time as a professional entertainer. Adelva entertained the United Service Organization (USO), the Archdiocese of Boston and more specifically, for Cardinal Cushing of the Archdiocese of Boston.

Adelva is survived by her husband, Alfred "Slushie" Solombrino; two sons, Scott Solombrino and his wife, Maryann Brazzo of Essex, Stephen Solombrino and his wife, Cheryl of Wilmington; three grandchildren, Anthony Solombrino and his wife, Jenna of Ipswich, Zachary Solombrino and his fiancée, Jannina of South Hamilton and Siobhan O'Sullivan of South Philadelphia, PA; and many great-grandchildren. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by one brother, Ayers Fernandes.

Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Saint Paul's Church, 50 Union Street, South Hamilton, on Friday, June 7, at 10:30am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours at the Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, BEVERLY, on Thursday, June 6, from 4pm to 8pm. Burial will be at Hamilton Cemetery. The Solombrino family requests only white flowers to be contributed. Arrangements by the Campbell Funeral Home, 525 Cabot Street, Beverly. Information, directions and condolences, at

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SULLIVAN, Mark R.



Age 67, of Wilmington, May 31, 2024. Cherished father of the late Brendan Sullivan. Dear brother of Maureen Zonghetti and her late husband, Frank of Andover, Barbara O'Hearn and her husband, John, Claire Mattson and her late husband, Carl, all of Tewksbury, Thomas Sullivan and his wife, Denise of Saratoga Springs, NY. Funeral Procession from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home, 855 Broadway (Powder House Sq.), SOMERVILLE, on Thursday, at 9AM, followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Raphael Church, Medford, at 10AM. Relatives and friends invited to attend. Calling Hours on Wednesday, 4 to 7pm. Burial at Wildwood Cemetery, Wilmington. In lieu of flowers, donations in Mark's memory can be made to Samaritan's of Hope Boston, www.samaritanshope.org For full obituary, please visit

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David Levy, 86, ex-laborer became a top Israeli leader

By Clyde Haberman
NEW YORK TIMES



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David Levy (right) with Benjamin Netanyahu, then-prime minister-elect, at a Likud party gathering held at the Knesset, June 17, 1996, in Jerusalem.

David Levy, a Moroccan-born Israeli who rose from ditch digger to Israel's political heights, often embodying the resentments of Jews of North African and Middle Eastern origin who felt ill-treated by Europe-rooted elites, died Sunday at a hospital in Jerusalem. He was 86.

The cause was not disclosed, but he had recently been treated for heart and kidney ailments. His death was announced by the Israeli government.

Mr. Levy was Israel's foreign minister three times in the 1990s and its deputy prime minister even more often across two decades.

As prestigious as those positions were, neither afforded him an opportunity to fully shine. The deputy post was largely ceremonial. And on vital foreign policy matters, including negotiations with the Palestinians and Arab states or managing relations with the United States, he was shunted aside by prime ministers who reserved those responsibilities for themselves.

The premiership, Mr. Levy's true brass ring, eluded his grasp, notwithstanding his political dexterity.

He arguably left more of a mark earlier in his career when he led ministries that were responsible for housing and construction and for absorbing waves of immigrants. They were people not unlike how he was in 1957, when he was 19 and had left Morocco with his family to start life anew in Israel.

As housing minister, he helped make apartments more affordable for poorer Israelis. He also presided over Jewish settlement expansion in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Politically, Mr. Levy was for years a major figure in the rightist Likud party. But he was less hawkish than many in the party — more open, for example, to offering concessions to Palestinians in return for what might reasonably pass for peace in a fractious land. He also felt that Israel's military invasion of Lebanon in 1982 was a mistake, setting himself apart from the Likud mainstream with that view.

In a sense, his principal contribution may have been as an early exemplar of political muscle for Mizrahim, Israelis of Eastern origin, whose families migrated en masse from North Africa and elsewhere in the Middle East soon after the Israeli state came into being in 1948.

Those early immigrants, often referred to imprecisely as Sephardim, felt shabbily treated by the Ashkenazim, Jews of European background, who had dominated government and politics.

Their bitterness endured across generations. Mr. Levy, not graced with layers of thick skin, was a leading voice of their discontent — and of his own. In 1992, during one of his many feuds with other Likud officials, he complained to supporters that "in the mouths of some I was a monkey that just came down from the trees."

A member of parliament from 1969 to 2006, he was an essential element in Likud's ascension in 1977, when it toppled the long-governing Labor Party thanks in large measure to its populist pitch to disaffected Mizrahim. Even so, he remained eternally something of an outsider. Partly, this was a result of his tendency to claim anti-Mizrahi bigotry whenever he did not get his way. Sometimes he was right.

With scant formal education — he progressed no further than eighth grade — Mr. Levy was routinely cast by some journalists and politicians as a bumpkin. Though he spoke Hebrew, French, and Arabic, his lack of English proved to be a handicap in a country where relations with the United States are paramount.

Mocked for his carefully groomed crown of white hair and for a speaking style that veered toward pompous, he became the butt of crude jokes, like one about his saluting a refrigerator because it was General Electric.

The barbs stung, but he said, "I can understand them. I was a nobody, someone people never heard of, and suddenly there I was on Olympus. The natural thing in a case like this is to undress you."

Israel has always been governed by coalitions, ever shifting and often unstable. In his various ministries, Mr. Levy had a habit, when he was unhappy, of threatening to quit, which, had he followed through, could have brought about the government's collapse.

He had a notably antagonistic relationship with Benjamin Netanyahu, especially after Netanyahu became Likud's leader and then Israel's prime minister in the mid-1990s. Mr. Levy left Likud to form a new party called Gesher. Meaning "bridge," it won a few parliamentary seats by casting itself as a social-issues bloc focused on Mizrahi immigrants.

Their mutual hostility notwithstanding, Mr. Levy attached himself to Netanyahu's government for a while. But as the 21st century approached, he aligned Gesher with a centrist government led by Ehud Barak.

It was another political marriage of convenience that did not last long. Gesher faded away, and in 2003 Mr. Levy rejoined Likud. By then, he was a man of diminished influence, placed so low on the party's list of candidates that he failed to qualify for parliament in 2006 elections. He then left politics for good.

Still, his importance as a Mizrahi trailblazer endured. That importance was recognized in 2018 when he was awarded the Israel Prize, the country's highest cultural honor, for having been a "leader of social and political programs and in struggles for the poor."

David Levy was born Dec. 21, 1937, in Rabat, Morocco, the second of eight children of Moshe and Sima Levy. His father was a carpenter who, like many immigrants then, had trouble finding work after moving the family to Israel in 1957.

The Levys first lived in a tent. They were then moved to an apartment in Beit She'an, in the Israeli north, one of many so-called development towns that sprung up in Galilee and the Negev to absorb an influx of Holocaust survivors and immigrants from Arab countries.

In his youth, David Levy dug ditches. (His parliamentary biography listed "construction worker" as his occupation.) Because of eye trouble, he never served in the military, unlike most young Israelis.

In Beit She'an, where he settled for life, he met and soon married Rachel Edri, a cook and a cleaning woman at a local school. They had 12 children, including a daughter, Orly, who became a member of parliament, and a son, Jackie, who was elected mayor of Beit She'an.

Among Levy's survivors are his wife, his children and what was said to be at least 40 grandchildren.

On construction sites, Mr. Levy discovered that he could be a skillful labor organizer, albeit a hotheaded one at times. During one stretch of unemployment, he was sentenced to 12 days in jail after leading rioters who trashed a government office.

"Those were terrible days," he told a biographer, Aryeh Avneri. "I would look at myself in the mirror, and tears would stream down my face. I realized I had to do something to change my situation, and that turning over desks in the employment office was no way to go about it."

So he entered politics, starting in the Israeli labor federation, Histadrut. He swiftly learned how to play the political game.

As he told his biographer, "I had to find a road that would lead to the corridors of power."

Larry Allen, 52; Hall of Fame offensive lineman for the Dallas Cowboys

By Schuyler Dixon
ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Mr. Allen, a six-time All-Pro, took a knee during NFL training camp in 2005 in Oxnard, Calif.

DALLAS — Larry Allen, one of the most dominant offensive linemen in the NFL during a 12-year career spent mostly with the Dallas Cowboys, has died. He was 52.

Mr. Allen died suddenly Sunday while on vacation with his family in Mexico, the Cowboys said.

A six-time All-Pro who was inducted into the Pro Football of Hall of Fame in 2013, Mr. Allen said few words but let his blocking do the talking.

"Larry, known for his great athleticism and incredible strength, was one of the most respected, accomplished offensive linemen to ever play in the NFL," the Cowboys said. "His versatility and dependability were also signature parts of his career. Through that, he continued to serve as inspiration for many other players, defining what it meant to be a great teammate, competitor and winner."

The former Sonoma State lineman drafted in the second round by the Cowboys in 1994 — the year before the last of the franchise's five Super Bowl titles — Mr. Allen once bench-pressed 700 pounds while dumbfounded teammates watched, then mobbed him.

Mr. Allen was feared enough among his peers that notorious trash-talker John Randle of the Minnesota Vikings decided to keep to himself when he faced the Cowboys, so as to avoid making Mr. Allen angry.

"He never said nothing," Nate Newton, one of Mr. Allen's mentors on Dallas's offensive line, told the Associated Press for its Hall of Fame story on Mr. Allen 11 years ago. "Every now and then you'd hear him utter a cuss word or hear him laugh that old funny laugh he had."

Mr. Allen entered the Hall of Fame about a year after his mother died, knowing her presence would have helped him get through a speech after a career spent trying to avoid the spotlight.

"I miss her," Mr. Allen said before going into the hall. "Whenever I'd get nervous or had a big game and got nervous, I'd give her a call, and she'd start making me laugh."

The Cowboys were coming off consecutive Super Bowl wins when they drafted Mr. Allen. He was surrounded by Pro Bowl offensive linemen but didn't take long to get noticed, eventually making 11 Pro Bowls himself.

Late in his rookie season, Mr. Allen saved a touchdown by running down Darion Conner when it looked like the New Orleans linebacker had only Troy Aikman to beat down the sideline. Most of the rest of his career was defined by power — first as a tackle, where the Cowboys figured he would be a mainstay, and ultimately as a guard.

"The National Football League is filled with gifted athletes, but only a rare few have combined the size, brute strength, speed and agility of Larry Allen," the Hall of Fame said in a statement. "What he could do as an offensive lineman often defied logic and comprehension."

Mr. Allen spent his final two seasons closer to home with the San Francisco 49ers. Then, true to his personality as a player, he retired to a quiet life in Northern California with his wife and three kids.

"He was deeply loved and cared for by his wife, Janelle — whom he referred to as his heart and soul — his daughters Jayla and Loriana and son, Larry III," the Cowboys said.

Mr. Allen was playing at Butte College when his coach at Sonoma State, Frank Scalercio, discovered him at the junior college where the lineman landed after attending four high schools in the Los Angeles area in part because his mother moved him around to keep him away from gangs.

Then an assistant for Sonoma, Scalercio was recruiting another player when he saw Mr. Allen throw an opponent to the ground for the first time.

"I kind of forgot about the guy I was actually recruiting," Scalercio said.

Mr. Allen ended up at tiny Sonoma, a Division 2 school, because his academic progress wasn't fast enough to get him to Division 1, where he probably belonged.

"He could literally beat the will out of his opponents, with many quitting midgame or not dressing at all rather than face him, but that was only on the field," the Hall of Fame said. "Off it, he was a quiet, gentle giant."

In retirement, Mr. Allen showed up at Sonoma basketball games — the football program was dropped a couple of years after Mr. Allen left — and happily signed autographs and posed for pictures.

"He's even bigger now than he ever was on campus," Tim Burrell, a friend of Mr. Allen's, said in 2013. "Everybody loves him."

Frank Weil, 93; investment banker and Smithsonian board chairman

WASHINGTON POST

Frank A. Weil, a former New York lawyer and investment bank executive who became an assistant secretary of commerce during the Carter administration and chaired the national board of the Smithsonian Institution, died May 29 at his home in Washington. He was 93.

The cause was complications from dementia, his son William S. Weil said.

Mr. Weil was president and chief executive of the New York-based Abacus Fund when the investment company merged in the early 1970s with the larger firm Paine Webber. He was chairman of Paine Webber's finance committee as well as chief financial officer when he, a longtime Democratic donor, joined the Commerce Department in 1977.

After two years as assistant secretary of commerce for domestic and international business, he worked on international trade issues at Washington law firms and then became chairman of Abacus & Associates, an asset management and venture capital firm in New York. He retired at age 90.

Frank Alan Weil was born in Bedford, N.Y., on Feb. 14, 1931. His father was a stockbroker, and his mother was a chemist. His maternal grandfather was an early investor and executive with what became the retail giant Sears, Roebuck & Co. and started a family foundation philanthropy in which Mr. Weil was long involved.

Mr. Weil graduated from the private Phillips Exeter Academy in New Hampshire, then from Harvard University in 1953 and Harvard Law School in 1956.

He was a partner at the investment firm Loeb, Rhoades & Co. before being named head of Abacus Fund in 1967.

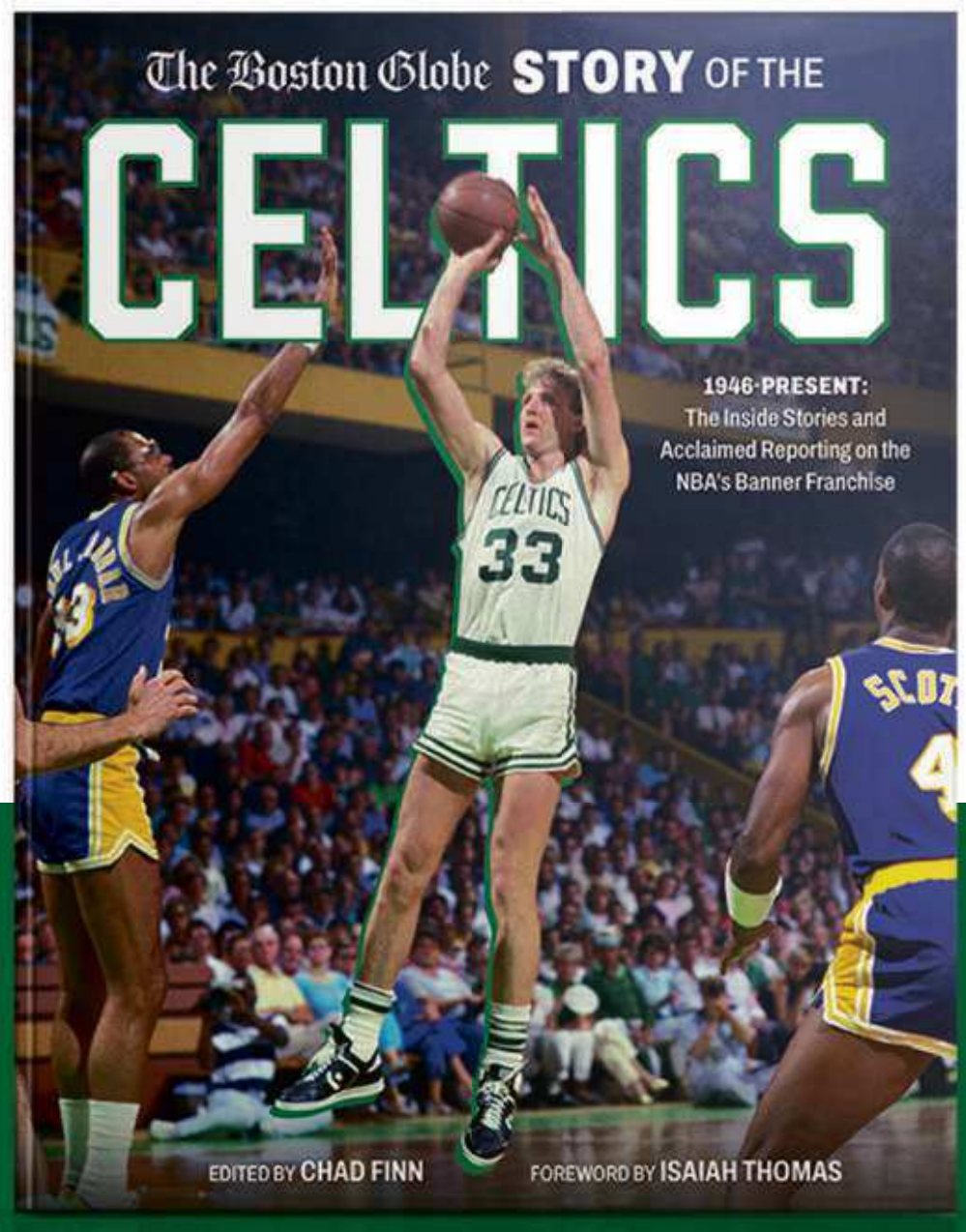
He served on many corporate and not-for-profit boards and advisory bodies, and chaired the board of the Council for Excellence in Government, which was a nonprofit group in Washington. He was involved in voter-registration efforts as well as public-private partnerships to address social and civic concerns. He also was a prolific blogger.

His wife of 72 years, Denie Sandison, died in 2023. In addition to his son William of Washington, he leaves three other children, Debbie Weil of Stonington, Maine, Amanda Weil of Manhattan, and Sandison Weil of Port Chester, N.Y.; nine grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

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Steward sweetens offer to lenders as it runs low on cash

Judge approves plan, timetable to auction the system's assets

By Robert Weisman
GLOBE STAFF

With cash-depleted Steward Health Care set to run out of money by June 14, a bankruptcy judge Monday granted it permission to offer financial sweeteners to a new lender that would fund Steward's operations while it prepares to sell its hospitals and doctors group.

Steward, which filed for bankruptcy on May 6, is scrambling to line up at least $225 million in new financing by early next week after its initial bankruptcy lender, Medical Properties Trust, said it wasn't prepared to provide more than the $75 million it ponied up last month.

The company's lawyers and financial advisers said more than three potential lenders have expressed interest. But they said they would need the sweeteners to complete the financing in the coming week.

"This is a liquidity crisis," Tyler Cowan, managing director of financial services firm Lazard, who is negotiating with would-be lenders, told Judge Christopher Lopez. He conceded the proposed incentives to the lenders were rare, but said, "[Steward] could run out of money by next week. We need a long-term solution, not another Band-Aid."

Lopez, at a contentious hearing Monday at US Bankruptcy Court in Houston, granted a motion allowing Steward to provide the incentives — among them, a "commitment fee" of at least $6.75 million — to a financier that can help stabilize the distressed health care system as it fields bids for its nationwide physicians network and its 31 hospitals across the country, including eight in Massachusetts.

The judge also approved a timetable for auctioning off Steward's assets that extended by a week the final sales hearings proposed last month.

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The emergency entrance at Good Samaritan Hospital in Brockton..

JOHN TLUMACKI/ GLOBE STAFF



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Meet the man driving a 'meme stock' rally — again

Keith Gill's online posts helped GameStop shares surge on Wall Street

By Dana Gerber
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He is Keith Gill, hear him roar.

The newly resurfaced 'meme stock' magnate, better known by the names "Roaring Kitty" or "Deep[expletive]Value" on social media, continued to make Wall Street waves on Monday after he posted a screenshot on his long-dormant Reddit account that appeared to show investments in GameStop worth more than $115 million, as well as over $65 million in call options.

In turn, shares of GameStop jumped 21 percent Monday, with the video game retailer carrying a valuation of over $7 billion.

Gill's original $53,000 bet in GameStop set into motion the extraordinary short squeeze involving the company in 2021. It was cast as a David and Goliath saga — one that gripped the nation, enriched Gill and many of his online followers, and sent seasoned Wall Street investors reeling.

But as quickly as he came on the scene, Gill, a Brockton native, disappeared, with his social media accounts going radio silent just months after the short squeeze. He re-emerged in mid-May, posting a photo on his X account of a man sitting forward in his chair. That missive alone caused GameStop stock to surge, along with other popular meme stocks — sentimental stocks that hedge funds have bet will flounder — such as theater chain AMC and phone maker BlackBerry.

As Gill continues his comeback, here are four things to know about the enigmatic market mover.

He grew up in Brockton, but made waves in Wilmington

Before his notoriety for running circles around Wall Street investors, Gill excelled at a different kind of running: track, at Brockton High School, and then Stonehill College in Easton, where he graduated with a major in accounting.

But he lived in Wilmington by the time he was drawing hordes of retail trader enthusiasts to his Roaring Kitty YouTube account, where he would conducts hourslong, live-streamed commentary about his investments. According to an interview with the Wall Street Journal, he conducted these live-streams from his basement of the home he rented and shared with his

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Fed up

Rising housing costs, not overall inflation, are the problem. Cheaper borrowing costs are the answer.

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TRENDLINES

Federal Reserve officials won't say it, but it appears that they've beaten back inflation about as far as they can, at least without risking a recession.

With rising housing costs blocking further progress, the Fed should start cutting interest rates ASAP.

There's no guarantee, but cheaper borrowing costs could spur construction of new homes and apartments. The much-needed increase in supply would put downward pressure on home prices and rents.

The news: The central bank's preferred price gauge was flat in April, the Commerce Department said on Friday. After a sharp slowdown last year, the inflation rate has been stuck.

The numbers: The Personal Consumption Expenditures Index rose 2.7 percent from April of last year, matching the March increase. Excluding volatile food and energy costs, so-called core PCE was 2.8 percent, down just a few hundredths of a percentage point from the rate in March.

The Fed believes PCE, especially excluding food and energy, offers a clearer picture of underlying inflation trends than the better-known Consumer Price Index.

Why it matters: Core PCE has cooled from a post-pandemic peak of 5.6 percent in February 2022. But with the index all but stalled this year, the Fed has put cutting rates on hold.

Meanwhile consumers and businesses are grappling with the highest borrowing costs in more than two decades.

Central bank policy makers have said they won't reduce interest rates until they're confident inflation is once again moving consistently toward their 2 percent target.

The culprit: Rising shelter costs are making it hard to get inflation to the Fed's bogey. Shelter expenses generated more than 30 percent of the increase in PCE inflation in April, according to an analysis by Eric Pachman, chief analytics officer at Bancreek Capital Advisors, a money management firm in Santa Monica, Calif.

PCE shelter costs are derived from monthly rents and an arcane calculation called imputed rent for owner-occupied housing. The latter is the government's attempt to estimate what homeowners would have to pay if they rented their homes instead of owning them.

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SharkNinja CEO has cooked up big sales

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

There aren't many chief executives who worry about soggy sandwiches.

For about a year, the Soggy Sandwich Problem was top of mind for **Mark Barrocas** and his team of engineers at **SharkNinja** in Needham. The question: how to make a cooler in which melting ice doesn't turn sandwiches to mush? The answer, unveiled earlier this year: the $250 Ninja FrostVault, which has a pull-out drawer to protect those sandwiches.

Products like the FrostVault are drawing customers and, in turn, investors. SharkNinja's shares have risen more than 50 percent since Jan. 1, to $77, vastly outperforming most consumer product stocks as well as the broader market. How strong are sales? SharkNinja recently raised its 2024 outlook to predict revenue will grow up to 14 percent from its $4 billion-plus figure last year.

SharkNinja's stock has been on a tear since its spinout from **JS Global** last summer. (The Chinese company's chief executive, **Xuning Wang**, remains SharkNinja's chairman and largest shareholder.) Formerly Euro-Pro, SharkNinja in 2015 adopted the name of its primary brands — Shark vacuums and Ninja kitchen appliances.

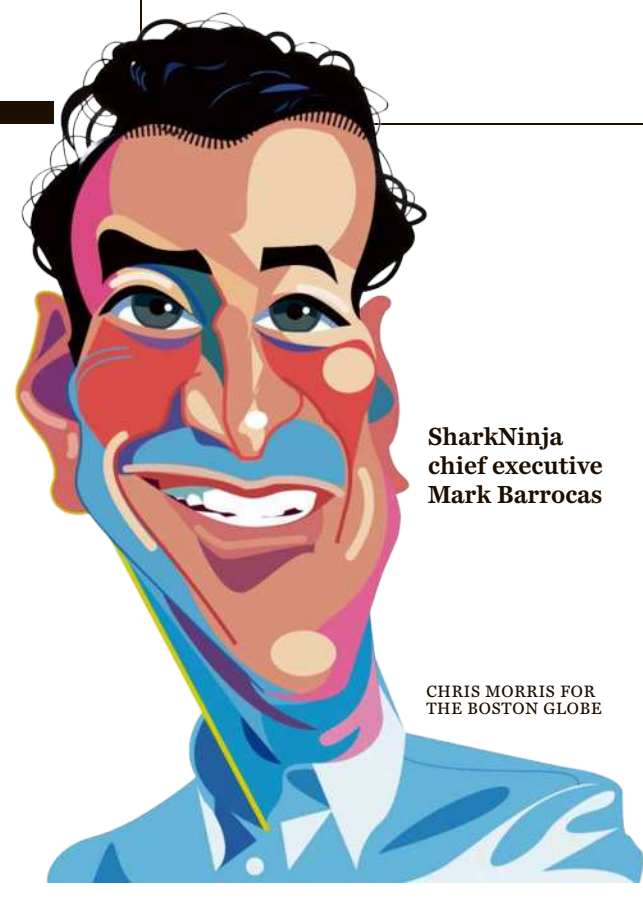
As revenue has grown, so has research and development spending on new products. The company's R&D budget has increased to $70 million in the most recent quarter from $59 million in the same period a year ago.

"I love solving consumer problems," Barrocas said. "I love the mousetrap of how do you communicate it to a consumer in a way that is compelling and resonates with them."

Much of that work happens in Needham. The headquarters opened in 2017, putting 400 people under one roof after SharkNinja relocated from three buildings in Newton. Today, at least 1,000 people work at the headquarters, out of a global workforce of about 3,300. This beehive of activity features prototyping machines and kitchens in which to test products (all manufactured by outside suppliers in Asia). There's space for up to 300 more employees, and the company is hiring aggressively.

Barrocas said Greater Boston, from its universities to its cluster

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SharkNinja chief executive Mark Barrocas

CHRIS MORRIS FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Toyota admits to cheating safety tests

Chair apologizes, halts productions of three models

By Yuri Kageyama
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TOKYO — Toyota chairman Akio Toyoda apologized Monday for massive cheating on certification tests for seven vehicle models as the automaker suspended production of three of them.

The wide-ranging fraudulent testing at Japan's top automaker involved the use of inadequate or outdated data in collision tests, and incorrect testing of airbag inflation and rear-seat damage in crashes. Engine power tests were also found to have been falsified.

Toyota Motor Corp., based in Toyota city, central Japan, suspended production in the country of the Corolla Fielder, Corolla Axio, and Yaris Cross. The deceptive tests were also found on discontinued models.

The company said the wrongdoing does not affect the safety of the vehicles already on roads, which include the Corolla subcompact and Lexus luxury vehicles.

"We sincerely apologize," Toyoda told reporters, bowing deeply and holding the position for several seconds, as is customary in Japan at news conferences where companies apologize for misbehavior.

A Japanese government investigation into Toyota began in January. The issue does not affect Toyota's overseas production.

Also Monday, Toyota's Japanese rival Mazda Motor Corp. reported similar irregular certification testing, and halted production of two models, the Roadster and Mazda 2. It said incorrect engine control software was used in the tests.



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Toyota Motor Corp. chairman Akio Toyoda apologized Monday for the certification cheating. Rivals Mazda and Honda also admitted to irregular safety tests.

Mazda, based in the southwestern city of Hiroshima, also acknowledged violations on crash tests on three discontinued models. None of the violations affect the vehicles' safety.

Tokyo-based Honda Motor Co. also apologized Monday for improper tests, such as those on noise levels and torque, on a range of models. Honda said affected older models — the Accord, Odyssey, and Fit — are no longer in production. The safety of the vehicles is not affected, it said.

Certification problems started surfacing two years ago at Toyota group companies, truck maker Hino Motors and Daihatsu Motor Co. — specializing in small models — and Toyota Industries Corp., which makes machinery and auto parts.

Shinji Miyamoto, a Toyota executive overseeing customer satisfaction, said Toyota began looking into its own tests following the problems at the group companies.

The apparent unraveling of the testing systems at Toyota and its group companies is an embarrassment for an automaker that's prided itself for decades on production finesse and a corporate culture based on empowering workers to make "ever-better cars."

CEOs got hefty pay raises in 2023

13% jump found to dwarf gains by most workers

By Mae Anderson, Paul Harloff, and Barbara Ortutay
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — The typical compensation package for chief executives who run companies in the Standard & Poor's 500 jumped nearly 13 percent last year, easily surpassing the gains for workers at a time when inflation was putting considerable pressure on Americans' budgets.

The median pay package for chief executives rose to $16.3 million, up 12.6 percent, according to data analyzed for The Associated Press by Equilar.

Meanwhile, wages and benefits netted by private sector workers rose 4.1 percent through 2023. At half the companies in AP's annual pay survey, it would take the worker at the middle of the company's pay scale almost 200 years to make what their chief executive did.

"In this postpandemic market, the desire is for boards to reward and retain CEOs when they feel like they have a good leader in place," said Kelly Malafis, founding partner of Compensation Advisory Partners in New York.

The AP's chief executive compensation survey included pay data for 341 executives at S&P 500 companies who have served at least two full consecutive fiscal years at their companies, which filed proxy statements between Jan. 1 and April 30.

Hock Tan, the chief executive of Broadcom, topped the AP survey with a pay package valued at about $162 million.

Broadcom granted Tan stock awards valued at $160.5 million on Oct. 31, 2022, for the company's 2023 fiscal year. Tan was given the opportunity to earn up to 1 million shares starting in fiscal 2025, according to a securities filing, provided that Broadcom's stock meets certain targets — and he remains in charge for five years.

At the time of the award, Broadcom's stock was trading at $470. The stock has skyrocketed since, and reached a record high of $1,436.17 on May 15. Tan will receive the full award if the average closing price is at or above $1,125 for 20 consecutive days between October 2025 and October 2027.

Broadcom noted that under Tan its market value has increased from $3.8 billion in 2009 to $645 billion (as of May 23) and that its total shareholder return during that time easily surpassed that of the S&P 500.



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The chief executive compensation study included pay data for the top earners, who include (from left) Hock Tan, of Broadcom Inc., Tim Cook, of Apple Inc., Hamid Moghadam of Prologis Inc., and Ted Sarandos of Netflix.

Other chief executives at the top of AP's survey are William Lansing of Fair Isaac Corp, ($66.3 million); Tim Cook of Apple Inc. ($63.2 million); Hamid Moghadam of Prologis Inc. ($50.9 million); and Ted Sarandos, cochief executive of Netflix ($49.8 million).

Lisa Su, chief of chipmaker Advanced Micro Devices, was the highest paid female executive in the AP survey for the fifth year in a row in fiscal 2023, bringing in compensation valued at $30.3 million — flat with her compensation package in 2022. Her overall rank rose to 21 from 25.

Workers across the country have been winning higher pay since the pandemic, with wages and benefits for private sector employees rising 4.1 percent in 2023 after a 5.1 percent increase in 2022, according to the Labor Department.

Even with those gains, the gap between the person in the corner office and everyone else keeps getting wider.

Half the chief executives in this year's pay survey made at least 196 times what their median employee earned. That's up from 185 times in last year's survey.

The disparity between what the chief executive makes and the workers earn wasn't always so wide.

After World War II and up until the 1980s, the chiefs of large publicly traded companies made about 40 to 50 times the average worker's pay, said Brandon Rees, deputy director of corporations and capital markets for the AFL-CIO, which runs an Executive Paywatch website that tracks chief executive pay.

"The (current) pay ratio signals a sort of a winner take all culture, that companies are treating their CEOs as, you know, as superstars as opposed to, team players," Rees said.

Despite the criticism, shareholders tend to give overwhelming support to pay packages for company leaders.

From 2019 to 2023, companies typically received just under 90 percent of the vote for their executive compensation plans, according to data from Equilar.

Shareholders do, however, occasionally reject a compensation plan, although the votes are nonbinding.

In 2023, shareholders at 13 companies in the S&P 500 gave the pay package less than 50 percent support.

Steward Health sweetens offer to lenders as cash runs low

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Bids will be due June 24 for the Massachusetts hospitals, most of its other hospitals, and the doctors network, with a sales hearing now scheduled for July 11. Bids will be due Aug. 12 for some of the Steward hospitals in Florida and Texas, with a sales hearing set for Aug. 22.

A group of previous Steward lenders objected to the sweeteners, which also included up to $250,000 each to reimburse expenses for up to three potential lenders that prepared financing proposals.

The previous lenders said they had offered Steward a new bridge loan of $25 million Sunday night, on the eve of Monday's court hearing, but the Dallas-based company rejected the offer without telling its representatives it would seek sweeteners for other lenders.

"This kind of conduct shouldn't be countenanced and shouldn't be rewarded," contended Samir Vora, an attorney for the law firm Millbank, who represents the previous Steward lenders.

Lopez, however, said it was important for Steward to secure enough financing to tide it over until it could complete the sale of its assets. "Everyone needs to put their cards on the table," the judge said. "If this is going to create a robust competitive process, I'm all for it."

> 'We need a long-term solution, not another Band-Aid.'
>
> TYLER COWAN, *managing director, Lazard*

Steward owes scores of lenders and creditors about $9 billion, according to bankruptcy court filings. Among the largest creditors is MPT, which purchased the land and buildings on which most of Steward's hospitals sit, including the Massachusetts hospitals. Steward owes MPT nearly $1 billion, and still has lease obligations to MPT running through 2041.

It will be up to the bankruptcy court to decide who gets paid, and how much, from Steward's asset sales. Much of the jockeying over financing terms Monday was driven by worries that whoever provides financing will be first in line to receive proceeds, elbowing out others owed money.

Steward's lawyers insisted there's substantial buyer interest in its hospitals and especially its doctors network. "This physicians group is very sought after," said Ray Schrock, an attorney for the law firm Weil, Gotshal & Manges, who represents Steward. "It's very valuable."

But he said it was important to move quickly with a sale, citing the Justice Department's ongoing antitrust review of a proposal to sell the network, called Stewardship, to the Optum division of UnitedHealth. "Keeping physicians motivated is of paramount importance," Schrock said, warning that "competitors are circling" to poach doctors.

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Anchor abruptly leaves WBZ-TV

Merrill quits after more than 20 years at the station

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Kate Merrill, a popular anchor on WBZ-TV's morning show, has quit after more than 20 years at the station.

"Kate has decided to move on from WBZ," the company said Monday in a statement provided to the Globe. "Thanks for the inquiry. We value our loyal viewers."

No explanation was given for Merrill's departure. Her biography has been removed from WBZ's list of reporters.

According to her LinkedIn page, Merrill has been a reporter and anchor at WBZ for more than 20 years, starting her tenure in March 2004.

Merrill did not return a phone call to her home Monday.

Merrill's public Facebook page, which has 12,000 followers, was last updated on June 1 and as of Monday morning made no reference to her departure. But in comments, people expressed their support.

"I'm hoping you left on your own accord and not CBS going again in a new direction yet again!" one person wrote. "I think we need to switch networks! I do hope you keep us posted on if you go anywhere else or what you decide to do!"

Another supporter was more direct.

"If Kate is gone, then I'm officially done with WBZ," she wrote. "A year ago WBZ had the BEST morning team and now ... goodbye WBZ."

In March, anchor Liam Martin left what he called his "dream job" at WBZ, writing an essay for Boston Magazine about the challenges of the early morning shift and the mental health difficulties he had faced.

Last September, meteorologist Zack Green departed the morning news show. While there was no official mention of Merrill's leaving, Green's exit was reported by the station and his colleagues posted on social media about his leaving the station.

Merrill was last on air in mid-May and apparently her final story was one that was broadcast on May 14 about the arrival of migrant children in the state's public school system.

According to a stored copy of her WBZ-TV profile, Merrill is a native of Carlisle who "has won several Emmys for her reporting at WBZ."

"She has covered every big story in Boston, from the 2013 Marathon bombings, and the 2004 Democratic National Convention, to the 2004 Red Sox World Series win and several Patriots Super Bowls, live from the field," the profile stated.

She got her start in television news as an intern on WCVB-TV Channel 5 in Boston. She subsequently worked in upstate New York and Nashville, Tenn., where she received an Emmy for her coverage of a tornado that hit the region in 1999, according to her profile. She was also honored for investigative reporting in Tennessee.

She moved to WNBC-TV in New York before joining WBZ, according to the profile.

Her off-screen work includes volunteering with her daughters through the National Charity League. Her husband, Mike Dunham, is a goalie development coach with the Boston Bruins organization, according to the profile.

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No explanation was given for the departure of Kate Merrill, a popular anchor.

TALKING POINTS

TAXES

DC ATTORNEY GENERAL REACHES $40M SETTLEMENT WITH FOUNDER OF MICROSTRATEGY



The attorney general for the District of Columbia reached a $40 million settlement with Michael Saylor (left) and the software company he founded, MicroStrategy, in what the attorney general's office said was the largest income tax fraud recovery in Washington history. The settlement, which was announced Monday, stems from lawsuits filed in 2021 and 2022 accusing Saylor of evading more than $25 million in income taxes in Washington. Saylor enlisted MicroStrategy's help to file fraudulent forms from 2005 through 2020 that claimed he lived in either Virginia or Florida, states with significantly lower income tax rates, the attorney general's office said; he did not pay income taxes to the district during that period. MicroStrategy and Saylor deny any wrongdoing. They agreed to the $40 million settlement, which included interest and penalties, to avoid the expense and time of legal action, according to the settlement. Saylor, who is the executive chair of MicroStrategy, stepped down as chief executive in 2022. As part of a separate agreement between Saylor and MicroStrategy, he has agreed to pay the full settlement amount, MicroStrategy said in a regulatory filing Monday. — NEW YORK TIMES

AIRLINES

AMERICAN APPEALS SCUTTLING OF PARTNERSHIP WITH JETBLUE

American Airlines pushed a federal appeals court to overturn a decision invalidating its partnership with JetBlue, saying the ruling would prevent the airline from entering into future joint ventures. Gregory G. Garre, a lawyer for American, said the trial judge's decision to invalidate the Northeast Alliance rested on a legal misunderstanding of how the antitrust laws operate. Eliminating JetBlue as a competitor "in itself is not anti-competitive," Garre told a three-judge panel on the US Court of Appeals for the 1st Circuit in Boston. "You have to link it to actual consumer harm in the marketplace in the form of increase in price or output reduction." Following a trial, US District Judge Leo Sorokin found that the Northeast operating alliance between the two airlines violated antitrust laws. American and JetBlue said they created the agreement to compete more effectively in the New York City and Boston areas with Delta and United. After the ruling, JetBlue ended its fight for the partnership but American appealed. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

SOCIAL MEDIA

X TO ALLOW CONSENSUAL ADULT CONTENT

The social media platform X says it will now formally allow people to show consensual adult content, as long as it is clearly labeled as such. The move makes official a policy already in place when the platform was known as Twitter, before billionaire Elon Musk purchased it in 2022. In a recent update on its website, the San Francisco-based company said users "should be able to create, distribute, and consume material related to sexual themes as long as it is consensually produced and distributed. Sexual expression, whether visual or written, can be a legitimate form of artistic expression." Adult material was allowed under the pre-Musk Twitter as well, although there was no official policy in place. X said it is restricting adult content for children and for adult users who choose not to see it. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

TRAVEL

FLIGHTS LIKELY TO BECOME MORE EXPENSIVE



The cost of your next flight is likely to go up. That's the word from the International Air Transport Association, which held its annual meeting Monday in Dubai, home to the long-haul carrier Emirates. While carriers recover from the groundings worldwide from the coronavirus pandemic, industry leaders told journalists that there are several costs likely to push those ticket prices ever higher. Part of that comes from worldwide inflation, an ongoing problem since the pandemic started. Jet fuel costs, roughly one-third of all airline expenses, remain high. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHARMACEUTICALS

GSK STOCK FALLS AFTER COURT SAYS IT FACES TRIALS IN ZANTAC CASES

GSK shares plunged in the wake of a court ruling that the UK drugmaker, alongside others including Sanofi, must face trials over whether the former heartburn treatment Zantac causes cancer. The stock fell as much as 10 percent in London trading, wiping about 7 billion pounds ($8.9 billion) from GSK's market value. The drop is the worst since another Zantac-related rout in August 2022. The selloff erased roughly half of the stock's gains this year, just as the company was finally showing signs of improvement. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

COMPUTERS

QUALCOMM SAYS ITS NEW CHIPS WILL MAKE DEAD BATTERIES A THING OF THE PAST

Qualcomm said owners of laptops built on its new chips will be able to use the computers as much as they want without having to worry about the battery dying. San Diego-based Qualcomm is providing the semiconductors underpinning Microsoft's new breed of Copilot+ PCs that feature the software maker's latest and best artificial intelligence enhancements. Both Microsoft and Qualcomm have said the chipmaker's hardware is essential for making those AI additions possible — and to process them efficiently enough to keep a device running for a long time without a recharge. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

MANUFACTURING

FACTORY OUTPUT IN MAY SHRINKS

US factory activity shrank in May at a faster pace as output came close to stagnating and a measure of orders fell by the most in nearly two years. The Institute for Supply Management's manufacturing gauge fell 0.5 point to 48.7, the weakest in three months, data out Monday showed. Readings less than 50 indicate contraction. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

MUSIC STREAMING

SPOTIFY TO RAISE PRICES AGAIN

Spotify shares jumped on Monday after the world's biggest music streaming platform said it would increase prices in the United States for the second time in a year. The Spotify Premium Individual Plan will increase by $1 to $11.99 a month from $10.99 a month, the Swedish company said in a statement on Monday. The Premium Family plan, which provides access for as many as six members in one household, is increasing by $3 to $19.99 a month from $16.99. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

WASTE DISPOSAL

WASTE MANAGEMENT TO BUY MEDICAL-WASTE COMPANY



Waste Management Inc., North America's largest waste recycling firm, has agreed to buy medical-waste disposal company Stericycle Inc. for about $7.2 billion. The deal marks one of the biggest acquisitions in the waste management sector and will strengthen Waste Management's position as the largest trash hauler in the United States. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

WAREHOUSE SHOPPING

SAM'S CLUB TO OFFER MORE LOCAL PRODUCTS

Sam's Club is adding some local flair to its store shelves. Walmart's club chain plans to sell more region-specific products such as ghee and hot sauce starting this fall — a bid to attract new members and better compete with Costco. Sam's Club recently hosted its first-ever open call with local suppliers in Texas as it searches for region-specific products to sell in stores across the state. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

AUCTION HOUSES

HACKERS BACK DOWN ON THREAT TO CHRISTIE'S

After a week of public threats, hackers didn't release a large trove of client data belonging to Christie's auction house on their dark web site. On May 27, a group known as RansomHub claimed responsibility for a cyberattack that hit the auction house earlier that month. They posted a countdown clock on the dark web along with a message suggesting they'd release client data, including names and passport details, on Monday morning. Three days later, RansomHub appeared to change tactics, offering the data for auction on an update on its dark web site. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

ROCKLAND TRUST BANK

SharkNinja chief has cooked up big sales, hot stock

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of veteran product engineers, provides an important pipeline of talent.

"I wouldn't want to compete against SharkNinja and the folks that are here," Barrocas said. "We're fortunate to be here. If you look at our type of business, I can't think of a better place to be in the country than in Boston."

Climate activists target Hooley at Exxon Mobil

After retiring nearly six years ago, former **State Street Corp.** chief executive **Jay Hooley** is back in the spotlight thanks to a coalition of activist investors.

Hooley was targeted by an activist campaign this spring because he leads the governance committee of the board of directors at **Exxon Mobil**.

The campaign followed Exxon's litigation against North Shore investment firm **Arjuna Capital** and another shareholder for proposing a nonbinding proxy resolution calling for accelerating a shift away from carbon emissions. Exxon continued with the suit even after Arjuna dropped its proposal.

The **Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility** recently took up the cause, along with at least two center members, calling for Exxon shareholders to vote against the re-election of Hooley, who is Exxon's lead independent director, and chief executive **Darren Woods**, the board chair.

The center gained several allies, including public pension fund managers such as **CalSTERS** and **Norges Bank**, and influential proxy adviser **Glass Lewis**. Last week, the votes were tallied: 87 percent in support of Hooley and 92 percent for Woods.

Exxon's response: "Our investors sent a powerful message that rules and value-creation matter. Their vote signals a belief that we are on the right track [toward] . . . growing supplies of affordable energy and products and reducing greenhouse gas emissions."

Despite the margins, interfaith center chief executive **Josh Zinner** noted that Woods and Hooley scored lower than what is usual in these typically pro forma elections.

"The intent here was to express concern about Exxon's bullying tactics against their own shareholders," Zinner said. "We think that message was sent pretty clearly."

Bancels back Camp Harbor View's income experiment

As the folks at **Camp Harbor View** prepare for their annual Beach Ball fund-raiser this Saturday, they've got one more reason to celebrate.

Moderna chief executive **Stéphane Bancel** and his wife **Brenda Bancel** agreed to donate $2.5 million over five years through their foundation **Bancel Philanthropies** to support CHV's "guaranteed basic income" program.

Camp Harbor View has long since expanded beyond its original role as a summer camp for city middle-schoolers on Long Island, launched in 2007 by philanthropist **Jack Connors** at the suggestion of then-mayor **Thomas M. Menino**. It has become a broad antipoverty nonprofit that offers services throughout the year.

Camp Harbor View did a two-year test run of a guaranteed income program in which certain eligible families received nearly $600 a month to help with bills.

Now the camp is trying to make the program permanent, with a group of 40 families participating in the latest iteration. This time, the monthly checks will be $650. The Bancels' gift covers about half of the cost, camp chief executive **Sharon McNally** said, and they hope it inspires matching donations from others.

In the long run, McNally said she hopes the promising results can inspire similar federal- and state-funded endeavors. "It evens the playing field a little bit," McNally said. "You can do all you want for the kids, but without a sound family structure it's hard to have the same kind of impact."

Spofford has J.Jill on the rebound

Claire Spofford has proven to be a good fit for Quincy-based apparel chain **J.Jill**.

When she was named chief executive in late 2020, the company proclaimed that **Spofford** would drive the "next chapter of growth." It was a tough time, still early in the pandemic, for any new chief executive — let alone someone in the retail business.

Now, with J.Jill's finances stabilized and much of the debt paid off, that next chapter is about to begin.

The company just announced its first-ever quarterly dividend for shareholders, and also plans to add up to 25 new stores in the next three years after many years of being in, per Spofford's words, "net closure mode."

Consumers will reap the benefits: On June 11, J.Jill launches its "You Choose" program, in which registered shoppers can get a $100 gift card in return for trading in one gently worn piece of clothing, to be donated to the **Bottomless Closet** foundation. The temporary promotion is part of J.Jill's broader "One Wardrobe, No Limits" campaign.

"The campaign . . . is going to do a great job of introducing J.Jill to new potential customers and getting some energy out there," Spofford said. "[Our] underlying business story is what's going to enable us to do this."

Ryan retiring at PwC

Tim Ryan can finally put away that calculator.

From humble beginnings at the Boston office of Price Waterhouse in 1988, to taking over the top US job at the accounting giant, now **PwC**, Ryan enjoyed a career that he hadn't envisioned while growing up in Dedham. Last week, Ryan retired as US senior partner; he had already handed over the US chair role. He posted a goodbye message on LinkedIn, saying "nothing has made me prouder than the exceptional work our people provide to our clients, how they give back to the communities and, above all, how much they care."

Ryan went to college at **Babson**, with the goal of opening a sub shop. A professor suggested accounting instead.

Most notably, Ryan confronted a potential race-related crisis head on during his first summer as US chair, in 2016, prompting emotional discussions among colleagues.

He then encouraged other chief executives to host similar discussions, with a goal of reducing unconscious biases and building empathy. That inspiration led to the creation of the **CEO Action for Diversity & Inclusion** initiative, which today includes 2,500-plus employers.

Ryan knew his time as US chair would be finite. Soon after he started, he said "you can be average or you can really try to have an impact." Ryan can take it easy now knowing he lived up to that maxim.

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Mass. man drives meme stock rally

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wife, Caroline, and their young daughter.

It is unclear whether Gill still lives in Massachusetts.

He worked at MassMutual

Prior to his ascension to retail trader folk hero, Gill had a day job: director of financial wellness education at MassMutual, a Springfield-based insurer and financial services giant. He resigned around the time shares of GameStop took off.

Much of Gill's legal troubles following the rally involved his employment at MassMutual — namely, whether he was permitted to promote the GameStop stock on social media while he worked at the company as a registered broker-dealer agent. State regulators subpoenaed both him and his former supervisors, ultimately levying a $4 million fine on the subsidiary of MassMutual that employed Gill.

"MassMutual was not as diligent as it should have been in supervising its employees," said the office of Secretary of the Commonwealth William Galvin at the time.



YOUTUBE

Keith Gill's original GameStop bet in 2021 was cast as a David and Goliath saga that left Wall Street investors reeling.

A lawsuit involving a jilted investor was recently dismissed

After Gill's social media activity landed him in hot water with regulators, it also embroiled him in a lawsuit in the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts that was only recently resolved.

Douglas Rosenberg, an investor living in Washington, claimed in a lawsuit filed in February 2023 that he lost $1.2 million on option contracts and shorted shares of GameStop as a result of "Gill's conspiracy to raise the price of GME Stock."

It wasn't until April 22, 2024, that Rosenberg, who was representing himself in the matter, opted to voluntarily dismiss the case.

Less than a month later, Gill resurfaced on social media.

Gill is depicted in a book and movie

It didn't take long for Gill's escapades to get the Hollywood treatment.

Just a week after the 2021 rally, it was announced that Boston author Ben Mezrich would pen a behind-the-scenes account of the frenzy; at the same time, MGM snapped up the rights to the book proposal.

The resulting book, "The Antisocial Network: The GameStop Short Squeeze and the Ragtag Group of Amateur Traders That Brought Wall Street to Its Knees," was published in September 2021. The accompanying star-studded film, "Dumb Money," came out last September, with Paul Dano ("Little Miss Sunshine," "The Batman") appearing as Gill, bedecked in the trader's signature red headband and graphic tees.

The movie grossed about $20.7 million worldwide — less than half of the worth of Gill's GameStop investment around the height of the rally.

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MORTGAGEES NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
325 Columbus Avenue, Unit 2, Boston, Massachusetts

By virtue, and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Mortgage given by Stephen J. Abarbanel, to Hingham Institution for Savings dated December 22, 2010 and recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 47378, Page 166, (the "Mortgage") of which Mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said Mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing same will be sold **at Public Auction, at 10:00 AM., on the 9th day of July 2024** (the "Sale") it will be held at the premises located at **325 Columbus Avenue, Unit 2, Boston, MA** (the "Premises") all and singular the Premises described in said Mortgage, to wit:

EXHIBIT A

The unit (the "Unit") known as UNIT 2 in the 325 COLUMBUS AVENUE CONDOMINIUM (the "Condominium") located in the buildings known and numbered as 325 Columbus Avenue (the "Buildings") in Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, a condominium established by the Grantor pursuant to Chapter 183A of the Massachusetts General Laes ("Chapter 183A") by Master Deed (the "Master Deed") dated January 3, 1984, recorded on January 3, 1984, with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10718, Page 302 as amended by an Amendment to Master Deeds, dated January 30, 1984 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 10757, Page 58 (collectively referred to hereinafter as the "Master Deed". The Unit is shown on the floor plans (the "Floor Plans") of the Building attached to the Master Deed and on the copy of a portion of the Floor Plans attached hereto and made a part hereof, to which is affixed the verified statement of a registered architect in the form required by SECA-tion 9 of Chapter 183A . The Declaration of Trust of 325 Columbus Avenue Condominium Trust dated January 3, 1984 (the "Declaration of Trust") and the rules and Regulations adopted pursuant thereto (the "Rules and Regulations") and recorded with the Master Deed.

The Unit is to be used only for residential purposes.

1. The Unit is conveyed together with:(a) An undivided eleven and six tenths percent (11.6%) interest in the common areas and facilities of the Condominium described in the Master Deed, attributable to the Unit:
(b) The special right and easement to use the Limited Common Area, if any, for the benefit of the Unit as described in Section 6 and 7 of the Master Deed and as shown on the floor Plans;
(c) Rights, easements, restriction, and agreeA-ments described in Sections 6,7,8, 10 and 11 of the Master Deed, as any of the same may be, amended from time to time pursuant the provisions thereof;
(d) All other rights, easements, restrictions, agreements, interests and provisions contained in the Master Declaration of Trust and Rules and Regulations, as any of the same may be amended from time to time pursuant to the provisions thereof;
(e) The provisions of Chapter 183A, as the same say be amended from time to time; and
(f) The matters, if any, affecting title to the Condominium as described in Exhibit A to the Master Deed.

2. The Unit is conveyed subject to:

(a) The rights, easements, restrictions and agreements described in Sections 6,7,8, 10 and 11 of the Master Deed, as any of the same may be, amended from time to time pursuant theprovisions thereof;
(b) All other rights, easements, restrictions, agreements interests and provisions contained in
the Master Declaration of Trust end Rules and Regulations, as any of the same may be amended pursuant to the provisions thereof;
(c) The provisions of Chapter 183A, as the same say be amended from time to time;
(d) The matters, if any, affecting title to the Condominium as described in Exhibit A to the Master Deed;
(e) Real estate taxes assessed against the Condominium which are not yet due and payable ; and
(f) The Right of First Refusal executed by the Grantor and the Grantee and recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10876, Page 89.

Except and otherwise specifically provided herein all rights, easements, agreements, restriction, provisions and interests recited above shall constitute covenants running with the Land and shall inure to the benefit of or bind, as the case maybe, any person having at any time any interest or estate in the Unit, his agents, employees, licensees, visitors and lessees, an through the same were fully set forth herein.

For my title deed dated April 12, 1984, recorded with Suffolk Registry of Deeds in Book 10876, Page 93.

TERMS OF SALE:

In the event of any discrepancy between the description in said Mortgage and the above description, the description in said Mortgage shall control.

Said Premises are to be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, unpaid taxes, tax titles, water or sewer bills, municipal liens and assessments, federal and state tax liens including the right of redemption of the United States of America, condominium fees and obligations, all other claims in the nature of liens and existing encumbrances of record created prior to the Mortgage, covenants, rights, reservations, to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession, and to rights or claims in personal property installed by tenants and former tenants, or others now located upon the Premises, and to right or claims of others now located upon the Premises, if any of the aforesaid there be.

Said Premises will also be sold subject to all laws and ordinances, including but not limited to zoning, applicable Massachusetts, or local building and/or sanitary codes, and statutory requirements with respect to smoke detectors, lead paint, and rent control, as the same may be applicable. No representations, express or implied, are made with respect to any matter concerning the mortgaged Premises which shall be sold "as is", "where-is", and "with all faults". Successful Bidder shall be responsible for any Transfer Fees.

A deposit of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00 CENTS ($ 20,000.00) shall be required to be paid to the mortgagee/ holder in cash, by certified or banks cashier check at the time and place of sale. The balance of the purchase price is to be paid in cash, by certified check or by banks cashier check in or within thirty (30) days from the date of the sale.

TIME WILL BE OF THE ESSENCE.
Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

Hingham Institution for Savings
Present Holder of said Mortgage,
By Its Attorneys,
Gaughen, Gaughen, Lane & Hernando, LLP
Robert A. Lane, Esquire

528 Broad Street, P.O. Box 890116
East Weymouth, MA 02189
781-335-0374

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CASE 24-013 • 112 LYNDE STREET
The Board of Appeals of the City of Melrose will hold a remote public hearing on Wednesday, June 12, 2024 at 7:30 p.m. for the appeal of Tana Qoqi for Variances from §235-5, -18 -19 of the Zoning Ordinance for dormer length, lot size, and front and rear yards, to convert the nonconforming single-family dwelling to a two-family, and construct a 1 ½ story addition and staircase at 112 Lynde St., Melrose, MA on a 4,672 sf lot, Assessor's Map D6 0 67. For information and comments, contact the Planning Office at 781-979-4196 or appeals@cityofmelrose.org.

LEGAL NOTICES

**1-800-Pack-Rat (MA-Methuen-5517)
12 Forge Parkway
Franklin, MA 02038
877-774-1537
Notice of Sale**
Tenant: Unit #
Brown, Karen D03293
Camara, Latige 702612
Dekon, Dekon 706194
England, Paul D55024
Fuguet, Monique 703438
Leonard, Victoria 708058
Lindley & Ferrer, Peter & Angelica 700660
Perrone, Crystal D68355
Tsardounis, Adamandia D69149
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Walkboard D00004
1-800-Pack-Rat (MA-Methuen-5517), 12 Forge Parkway, Franklin, MA 02038, has possessory lien on all of the goods stored in the units above. All these items of personal property are being sold pursuant to the assertion of the lien on 6/19/2024 at 10:00 AM in order to collect the amounts due from you. The sale will take place on www.storagetreasures.com from 6/19/2024 to 6/26/2024 at 12:00 PM

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 10 Goff Street, Hyde Park (Boston), MA 02136

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Debra Conner to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan, and now held by **U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT**, said mortgage dated February 15, 2007 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 41331, Page 34, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Fremont Investment & Loan to Washington Mutual Bank by assignment dated March 17, 2008 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 43298, Page 336; said mortgage was assigned from JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor in interest by purchase from FDIC as Receiver of Washington Mutual to PennyMac Holding, LLC F/K/A PennyMac Mortgage Investment Trust Holdings I LLC Formerly DBA PennyMac Mortgage Investment Holdings I, LLC by assignment dated February 20, 2014 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 52701, Page 332; said mortgage was assigned from PennyMac Holdings, LLC F/K/A PennyMac Mortgage Investment Trust Holdings I LLC to JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association by assignment dated January 29, 2019 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 60942, Page 290; said mortgage was assigned from JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, successor in interest by purchase from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation as Receiver of Washington Mutual Bank to U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT by assignment dated February 25, 2020 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 62630, Page 93; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction on** July 12, 2024 at 03:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

Property Address: 10 Goff Street, Hyde Park, Massachusetts

The land in the Hyde Park District of Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 773 on a plan entitled "Part One, Grew Park, Hyde Park and West Roxbury, Mass ., Developed by Bonelli-Adams Co." by Ernest W. Branch, C.E. dated November 6, 1925, recorded with Suffolk Deeds, at the end of Book 4730, being further bounded and described, according to the said plan, as follows:

*NORTHEASTERLY: by Goff Street, fifty (50) feet;
SOUTHEASTERLY: by lot 772, one hundred thirty and 69/100 (130.69) feet;
SOUTHWESTERLY: by lots 806 and 805, fifty six and 61/100 (56.61) feet;
NORTHWESTERLY: by lot 774, one hundred nineteen and 77/100 (119.77) feet.
Containing 6,596 square feet according to the said plan.*

The foregoing premises are conveyed subject to restrictions of record if any, so far as now in force and applicable and have the right to use the streets and ways shown on said plan so far as necessary to reach the nearest public way in common with others, entitled for all purposes for which streets or ways are now or hereafter may be commonly used in the town or city where said land is located.

Being the same premises conveyed to the herein named mortgagor (s) by deed recorded with Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 35426, Page 332.

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated August 31, 2004 and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 35426, Page 332.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND ($5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Brock & Scott, PLLC
23 Messenger Street
2nd Floor
Plainville, MA 02762
Attorney for U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as trustee for the RMAC Trust, Series 2016-CTT
Present Holder of the Mortgage
(401) 217-8701

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

Premises: 430 Grove Street, Needham, MA 02492

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Jane E. O'Brien to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Mortgagee, as nominee for America's Wholesale Lender, and now held by **Wilmington Trust, National Association, as Successor Trustee to Citibank, N.A., as Trustee for Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6**, said mortgage dated July 17, 2006 and recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 23897, Page 191, said mortgage was assigned from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. to Citibank, N.A. as trustee for the Holders of Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust 2006-6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6 by assignment dated October 28, 2011 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 29294, Page 65; said mortgage was assigned from Citibank, N.A. as trustee for the Holders of Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust 2006-6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6 to Wilmington Trust National Association, as successor trustee to Citibank, N.A. as trustee for the holders of Bear Stearns ALT-A Trust 2006-6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6 by assignment dated July 30, 2015 and recorded with said Registry of Deeds in Book 33546, Page 99; for breach of the conditions in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at **Public Auction on** July 16, 2024 at 03:00 PM Local Time upon the premises, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land with the buildings and improvements thereon known as and numbered 430 Grove Street in the Town of Needham, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

The land with the buildings thereon in the Town of Needham, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, and shown as Lot 4 on a plan (the "Plan") entitled "Plan of Land in Needham, Mass." dated Feb. 7, 1980, prepared by George N. Giunta, R.L.S ., recorded with Norfolk Country Registry of Deeds as Plan No. 223 of 1980 in Book 5719, Page 73, and more particularly bounded and described according to said Plan as follows:

*WESTERLY by Grove Street by two lines, one hundred twenty-eight and 19/100 (128.19) feet, and forty-three and 75/100 (43.75) feet;
SOUTHERLY by Lot 3 as shown on the Plan, three hundred ten and 00/100 (310.00) feet;
EASTERLY by said Lot 3 along three curved lines as shown on the Plan forty-three and 63/100 (43.63) feet, eighteen and 33/100 (18.33) feet, and forty-seven and 12/100 (47.12) feet;
NORTHERLY by said Lot 3, seventy-one and 52/100 (71.52) feet;
EASTERLY again by said Lot 3, twenty-six and 82/100 (26.82) feet; and
NORTHERLY again by said Lot 3, two hundred sixty and 00/100 (260.00) feet.*

Containing according to the Plan, 47,046 square feet of land.

Title Reference 11940-602

The description of the property contained in the mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title see deed dated August 11, 1997 and recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 11940, Page 602.

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all liens, encumbrances, unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described.

FIVE THOUSAND ($5,000.00) Dollars of the purchase price must be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser. The balance of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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It's time to lower interest rates

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No one actually pays the owner-occupied rent amount, yet the estimate accounts for about 12 percent of the PCE index. Along with rents, shelter made up about 15.5 percent of the overall PCE index in April, the second largest component after health care at 16.6 percent, Pachman's data show. But shelter costs jumped by 5.6 percent over the past year, double the rate of health care, which explains its big impact on PCE.

Excluding shelter, overall PCE would have increased by 1.8 percent in April, below the Fed's target, according to Pachman's numbers. What's more, PCE excluding shelter has been running at 2 percent or less since October.

What is the Fed waiting for? Policy makers say they need to see price gains cool for services other than housing that are running hot, including motor vehicle insurance and repairs, and investment services. They are also closely watching wage growth and whether the labor market continues to loosen up.

"Progress on inflation will very likely require lower growth in demand" from consumers and businesses, said Susan M. Collins, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, in a speech at MIT last month. "In this context, the role of monetary policy is to restrain demand" with high interest rates, she said.

In other words, choke the economy until spending dries up enough to return inflation to its pre-pandemic norms.

OK, but: The Fed is being ultra-cautious. Its reputation as an inflation fighter is on the line.

The European Central Bank has already started to roll back its rate hike. Using a measure called the Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices, inflation rates in Europe and the United States are about the same.

Balancing act: The Fed is in a tough spot. Reduce rates too soon and inflation might reignite. Wait too long, and the so-called soft landing could turn into a recession.

But while the Fed waits for further improvement, the housing shortage only gets worse. There isn't enough inventory of apartments and homes to meet even reduced demand. Developers say new projects that would increase supply are untenable at current borrowing rates.

Final thought: The data show that shelter costs specifically, not the rate of overall inflation, are the big problem.

It's time to start cutting rates.

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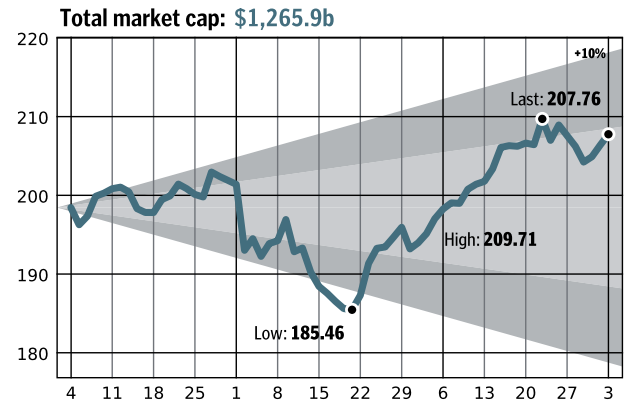
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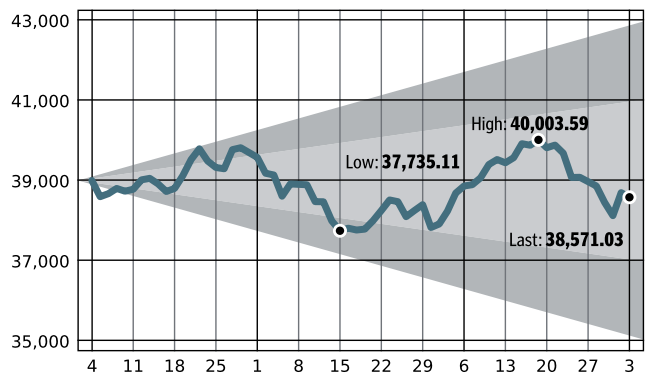
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Wall Street drifts to mixed finish

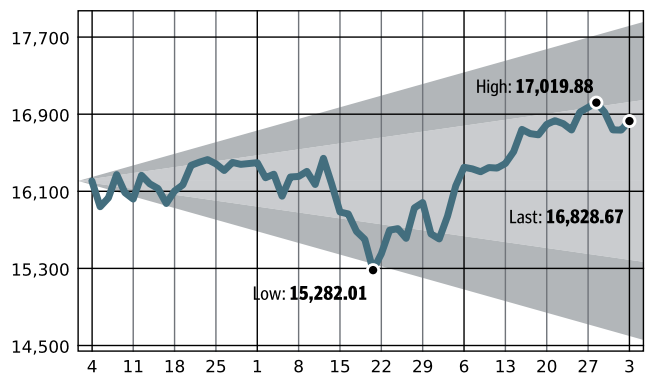
US stocks drifted to a mixed finish Monday following the latest signal showing the US economy is slowing. Treasury yields also slid in the bond market after a report showed US manufacturing shrank in May for the 18th time in 19 months, according to the Institute for Supply Management. Manufacturing has been hit particularly hard by high interest rates meant to get high inflation under control. "Demand remains elusive as companies demonstrate an unwillingness to invest due to current monetary policy and other conditions," said Timothy Fiore, chair of the Institute for Supply Management's manufacturing business survey committee. Stocks of companies whose profits are most closely tied to the strength of the economy dropped to the market's worst losses. That included the oil and gas industry, as the price of crude tumbled on worries about weaker demand growth for fuel. Halliburton dropped 5.3 percent, and Exxon Mobil fell 2.4 percent. They sank as the price of a barrel of US oil dropped 3.5 percent. Brent crude lost a similar amount despite moves over the weekend by Saudi Arabia and other oil-producing countries meant to prop up its price.

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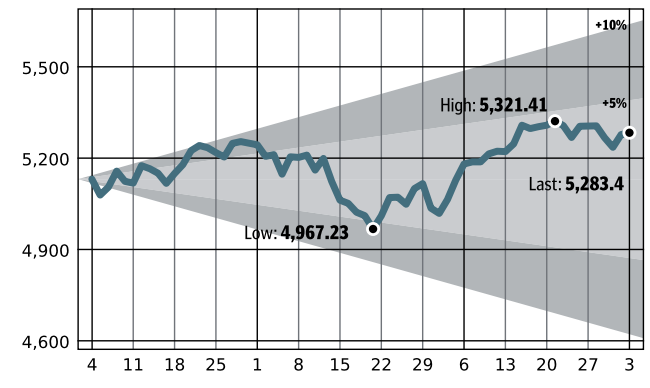
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NASDAQ Composite index



Yesterday 16,828.67 ▲ 93.65 ▲ 0.6% ▲ YTD 12.1%

S&P 500 index



Yesterday 5,283.40 ▲ 5.89 ▲ 0.1% ▲ YTD 10.8%

SOURCE: Bloomberg News

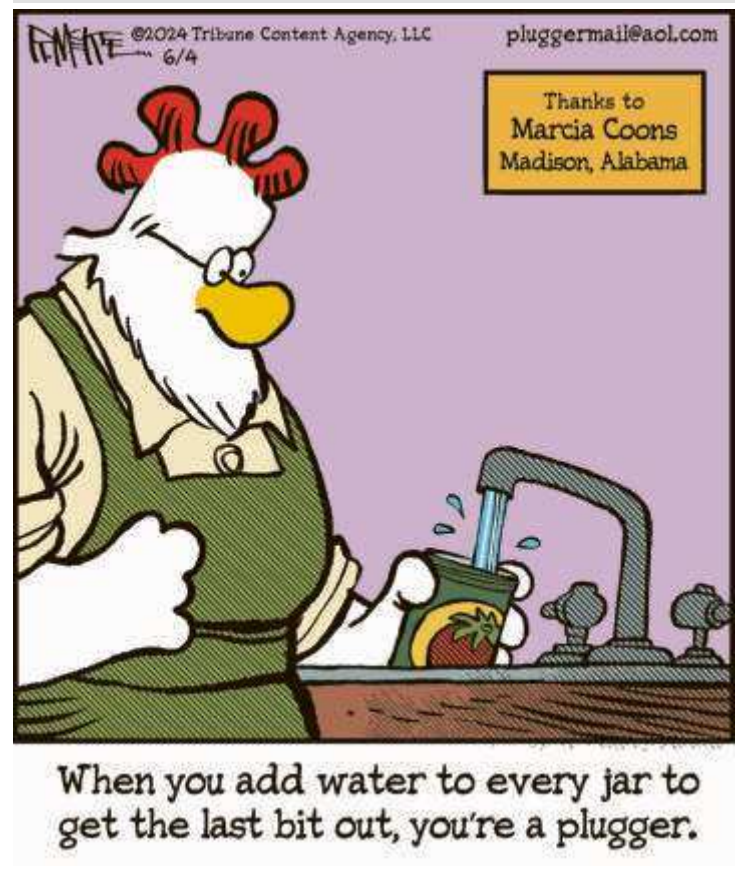
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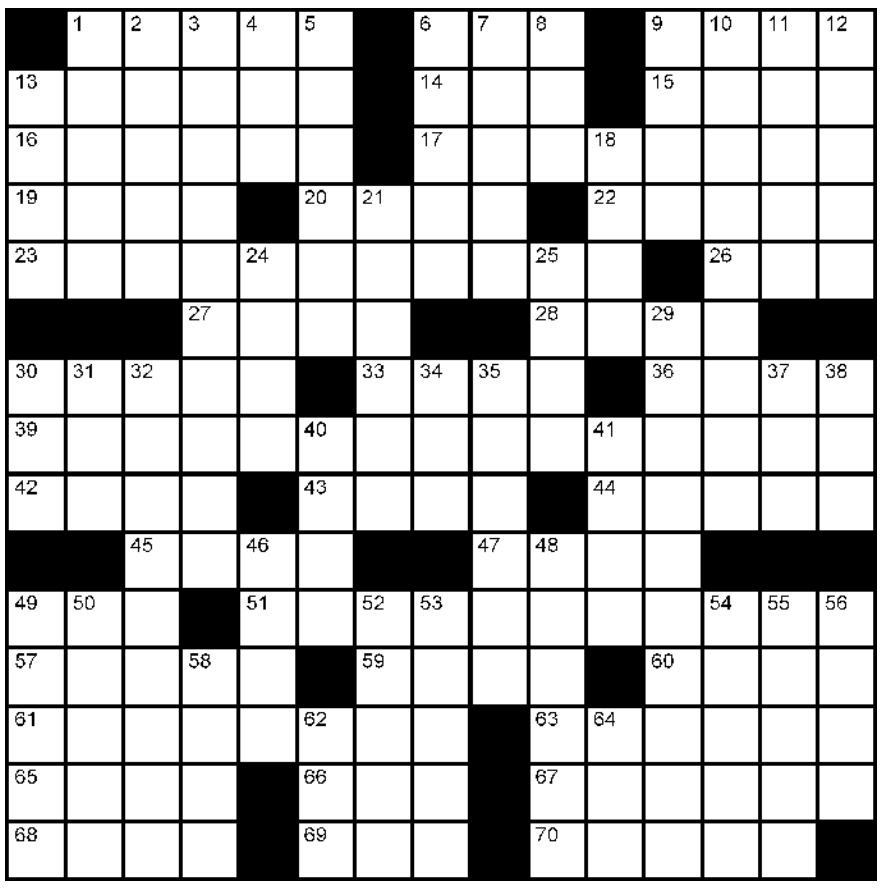
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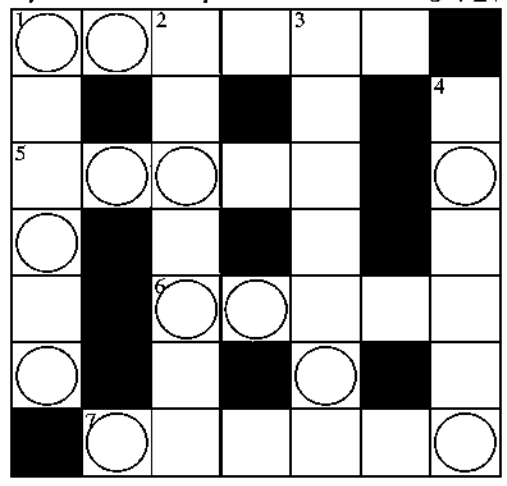
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49 Groups of actors
50 Dried poblano pepper
52 "Burn" singer Goulding
53 San ___ (American city near Tijuana)
54 "Get ___ here!"
55 Fishing line holders
56 Swirling current
58 Shades from the sun?
62 "Doctor Who" network
64 "Well, obviously!"



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ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Cold season	ETRNIW
5. Large work boat	EBGRA
6. Modify	DEANM
7. Capital ____	ELTRTE

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Shaky	BYBWOL
2. Describe, detail	RRTNAAE
3. Essential feature	EETENML
4. Andean ____	DNROOC

CLUE: He has sold more than 85 million records worldwide as a solo artist.

BONUS

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-Winter 5A-Barge 6A-Amend 7A-Letter 1D-Wobbly 2D-Narrate 3D-Element 4D-Condor B-Barry Manilow

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Boston's forecast

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TODAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **65-70** | Sunny to partly cloudy. Winds E 7-14 mph.
LOW **56-61** | Mainly clear tonight. Winds S 6-12 mph.

WEDNESDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **78-83** | Warmer with times of clouds and sunshine. Winds SSW 8-16 mph. Low clouds at night. Winds S 7-14 mph.
LOW **61-66**

THURSDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **69-74** | A couple of showers and a heavy thunderstorm. Winds ESE 8-16 mph. Low clouds at night. Winds ENE 6-12 mph.
LOW **61-66**

FRIDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

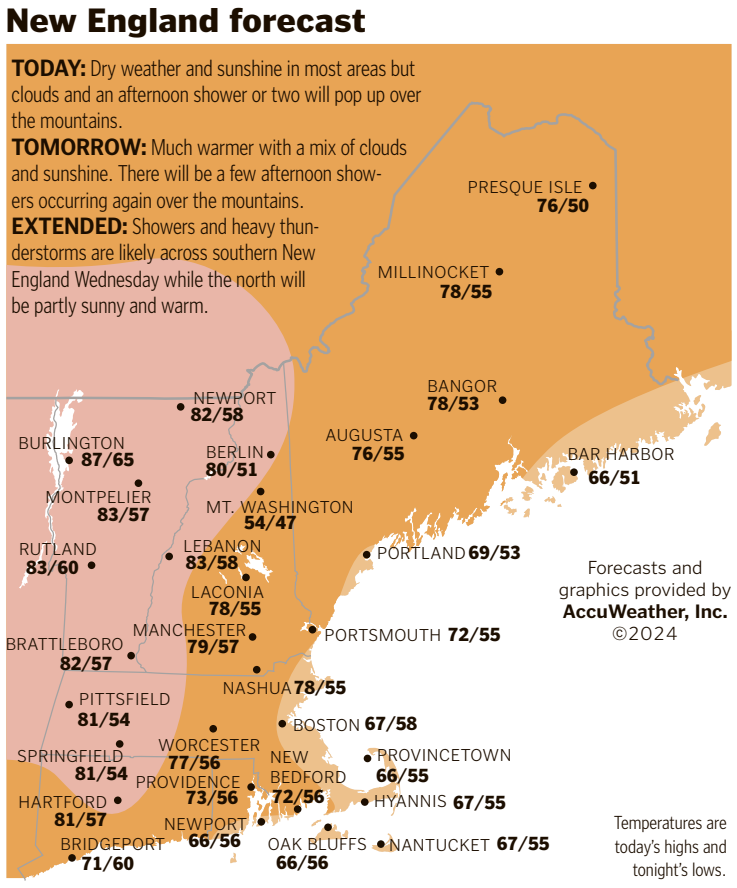
HIGH **69-74** | Mainly cloudy with a couple of showers. Winds ENE 10-20 mph. Cloudy at night with a shower in spots. Winds E 8-16 mph.
LOW **56-61**

SATURDAY 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.

HIGH **70-75** | Mostly cloudy with showers; outdoor plans may be impacted. Winds E 10-20 mph. Partly cloudy at night. Winds SSW 7-14 mph.
LOW **58-63**

New England forecast

TODAY: Dry weather and sunshine in most areas but clouds and an afternoon shower or two will pop up over the mountains.
TOMORROW: Much warmer with a mix of clouds and sunshine. There will be a few afternoon showers occurring again over the mountains.
EXTENDED: Showers and heavy thunderstorms are likely across southern New England Wednesday while the north will be partly sunny and warm.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	76°/64°
Sunrise	5:08 a.m.
Sunset	8:17 p.m.
Moonrise	3:27 a.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Mostly cloudy
Visibility	50 miles
Wind	north-northeast at 7 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	58/45
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	0.0"

Allergies Source: Asthma & Allergy Affiliates, Inc.

Trees	Weeds	Grass	Mold
High	Low	N.A.	N.A.

Yesterday's mold and spore rating.

Eastern Massachusetts air quality

GOOD | MOD. | UNHEALTHY | HAZARDOUS
50 | 73 | 100 | 150 | 200 | 300

For more information on today's conditions, call the state hotline at (800) 882-1497 or Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection web site www.state.ma.us/DEP

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.00"	Month to date	0.00"	Year to date	25.01"
Precip days in June	0	Norm. month to date	0.40"	Norm. year to date	18.18"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	10:04	10:18
Height	9.8	11.3
Boston low	3:51	4:03
Height	-0.4	0.3
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	9:56	10:09
Hampton Beach NH	10:10	10:23
Plum Island	10:20	10:37
Ipswich	9:56	10:11

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	10:09	10:24
Marblehead	10:04	10:18
Lynn	10:06	10:21
Scituate	10:11	10:26
Plymouth	10:15	10:33
Cape Cod Canal East	10:00	10:15
Cape Cod Canal West	8:58	
Falmouth	9:48	10:02

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	11:06	11:12
Chatham	11:09	11:15
Wellfleet	10:18	10:32
Provincetown	10:04	10:20
Nantucket Harbor	11:13	11:21
Oak Bluffs	10:35	11:02
New Bedford	6:41	7:06
Newport RI	6:36	7:03

New England marine forecast

Small craft advisory
Gale warning Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	SE 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	67/58
East Cape Cod Canal	E 6-12 kts.	1-2 ft.	67/56
Buzzards Bay	SE 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	68/57

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Martha's Vineyard	E 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	68/53
Nantucket	NE 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	67/55
Provincetown	E 6-12 kts.	1-2 ft.	66/55

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	84/69	T	87/72	T
Atlantic City	80/61	Pc	77/68	C
● Charlotte	82/68	T	83/69	T
● Chicago	87/68	T	81/63	T
● Dallas	93/75	Pc	90/77	T
● Denver	83/58	Pc	90/56	S
Detroit	88/66	Pc	80/61	T
● Fort Myers	94/76	T	93/76	T

	Today		Tomorrow	
Los Angeles	78/61	Pc	77/61	Pc
● Miami	89/78	T	92/78	S
● New Orleans	90/77	T	91/77	Pc
New York City	76/64	S	76/66	Pc
Philadelphia	86/66	S	80/69	T
Phoenix	104/79	Pc	110/83	S
Salt Lake City	78/59	Pc	90/67	S
● San Francisco	79/59	S	77/54	S

	Today		Tomorrow	
● Seattle	62/47	R	65/49	Pc
Washington	87/68	Pc	78/70	T
Beijing	90/66	Pc	79/63	Pc
Cancun	93/79	S	93/79	T
Mexico City	87/61	S	87/59	C
Montreal	87/65	S	85/67	Sh
Toronto	78/61	Pc	80/63	T
● Vancouver	65/48	R	63/48	S

	Today		Tomorrow	
Jerusalem	92/68	S	91/67	S
● London	68/48	C	63/45	Pc
Moscow	74/60	Sh	79/63	Pc
Paris	74/56	Pc	68/51	C
Rome	76/56	Pc	78/58	S
San Juan	90/81	T	92/79	T
Stockholm	73/55	S	68/45	Pc
Tokyo	79/63	Sh	79/66	Sh

SUDOKU

			7		5		6	
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8	3	7			1	9		
3							2	7
		4	5		8	1		
1	9							4
		6	2			4	7	5
	2	5						
	8		6		4			

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
♠ A 5
♡ A 3 2
♢ K J 10 9 4
♣ 8 3 2

West
♠ Q 10 6 2
♡ Q 10 4
♢ 8 6 5
♣ A Q 7

East
♠ K 8 7 4
♡ 7 6
♢ 7 3 2
♣ J 10 9 4

South
♠ J 9 3
♡ K J 9 8 5
♢ A Q
♣ K 6 5

South	West	North	East
1 ♡	Pass	2 ♢	Pass
2 ♡	Pass	4 ♡	All Pass

Opening lead — ♠ 2

Like many of us, Cy the Cynic thinks he deserves a perfect partner.

"Some days," Cy told me, "I'm convinced that my partners don't have a clue. On other days, I'm convinced that it's not just some days."

Cy was today's North. When South opened and rebid in hearts, Cy raised to game — and then had to watch his partner try to make it. West led a spade, and declarer took dummy's ace, cashed the ace of trumps and led a trump to his jack. West took the queen and led another spade, and when East won and led the jack of clubs, the result was down two.

"Thank you, partner," the Cynic growled.

"So two key honors were in the wrong place," South growled back.

There are no perfect partners, but South's play wasn't best. After South wins the first trick, he should take the A-K of trumps.

No queen falls, but South is still alive. He runs the diamonds and pitches two clubs as West ruffs. Then the defense can take one spade and one club, but South wins the rest.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ K 8 7 4 ♡ 7 6 ♢ 7 3 2 ♣ J 10 9 4. The dealer, at your left, opens one diamond. Your partner doubles, you bid one spade and he raises to three spades. What do you say?

ANSWER: You must remember that your hand could have been worse, yet your partner is willing to undertake a nine-trick contract. Since you have a king and good intermediates in clubs that may produce tricks, bid four spades. Partner's hand may be A Q 10 3, A Q 8 2, 4, A Q 7 6.

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, June 4, 2024:
You're constantly curious. You want to learn and perfect yourself. You want to improve the lives of others. This year is the final year of a nine-year cycle for you. It's time to take inventory and let go of people places and things that have held you back.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
Today you're upbeat and enthusiastic! It's a wonderful day to schmooze with relatives, siblings and neighbors. You will also enjoy short trips, plus appointments and errands, because you're in such a positive frame of mind. You'll be talkative; you have something to say! Tonight: Money surprises.
TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
This is an excellent day for money-making ideas and financial negotiations. You're thinking like a winner! You can expect a positive outcome because your ideas will be ambitious and expansive. However, if spending money, you could go overboard. Tonight: You're impulsive.
GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
Today your ruler Mercury is lined up with lucky Jupiter in your sign, which is an extremely useful influence. This will broaden your comprehension of issues and make you more tolerant. In addition, it will favor business and will help you get better organized. It's a great day to wrap up stuff. Tonight: You're restless.
CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
Your ability to do research is excellent today because you're happy to dig for facts and look for information. However, some of you might be involved in a secret love affair or some kind of secret diversion. Nevertheless, this can be a productive day for you. Get busy! Tonight: Unusual friends.
LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
It's a popular day for you! This is the perfect day to hang out with groups, clubs and organizations, because you have something to say. You're enthusiastic about achieving future goals. You also might help a creative organization or an artistic individual. It's a solid day to define future goals. Tonight: Respect authority.
VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
It's easy to think big today, which is why your discussions with parents, bosses, teachers and VIPs will be ambitious. You're enthusiastic about your ideas, and your enthusiasm will be contagious. People will be ready to endorse you and jump on your bandwagon. Tonight: Travel changes.
LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
This is the perfect day to study anything that will broaden your comprehension of issues, especially politics, religion or controversial matters. You'll find it easy today to take a larger view of things. This is also an excellent day to finish papers, manuscripts and important writing projects. Tonight: Check your finances.
SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
Discussions about how to divide or share something will go well today, because it's a good day to discuss inheritances and shared property, plus issues related to taxes and debt. Whatever transpires will likely favor you. Almost all commercial activity will lead to a benefit for you today. Tonight: Unusual conversations.
SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
You'll enjoy warm relations with partners, spouses and close friends today. Your conversations will be upbeat and friendly. However, avoid going overboard and being self-righteous. Nevertheless, because you're in such a positive frame of mind, conversations will sizzle! Tonight: A surprise.
CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
You will be productive today. This is an excellent day to work and get better organized. It's also a great day to finish projects. Work-related travel is likely. Discussions with co-workers will be positive, and joint efforts will be successful. People will work well together. Tonight: Social plans change.
AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
This is a playful, lighthearted day! People are in a good mood. This can also be a productive day, especially for business related to the hospitality industry or anything to do with the entertainment world or show business. Your creative vibes are hot and you're enthusiastic! Tonight: Stock the fridge.
PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
Family discussions will go well today. In fact, this is an excellent day to explore real estate opportunities or to discuss how to improve or expand your home. Discussions also might include expanding the family. It's the perfect day to redecorate and entertain.

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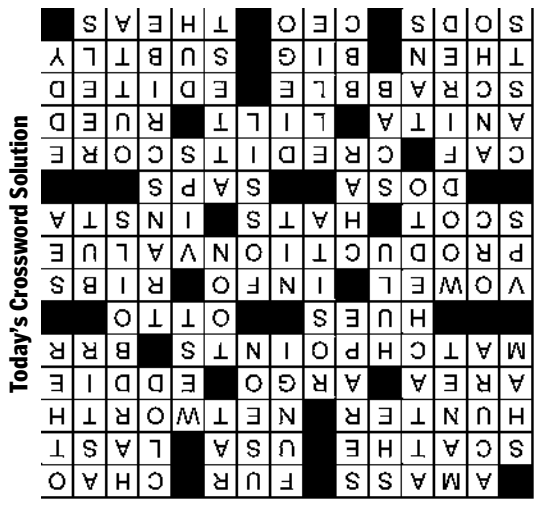
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Today's Crossword Solution



Today's Sudoku Solution

9	1	2	4	5	6	3	8	7
6	3	8	7	1	9	5	2	4
5	7	4	3	8	2	6	1	9
4	8	5	6	7	3	2	9	1
3	9	1	8	2	5	4	7	6
7	2	6	9	4	1	7	5	3
2	5	9	1	6	4	7	3	8
1	4	7	2	3	8	9	6	5
8	6	3	5	9	7	1	4	2