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# Israel debates response to Iran attack

## Aims for deterrence while avoiding all-out war

**By Ronen Bergman, Isabel Kershner, Julian E. Barnes, and Russell Goldman**
NEW YORK TIMES

TEL AVIV — Israeli leaders on Tuesday were debating how best to respond to Iran's unprecedented weekend airstrike, officials said, weighing a set of options calibrated to achieve different strategic outcomes: deterring a similar attack in the future, placating their American allies, and avoiding all-out war.

Iran's attack on Israel, an immense barrage that included hundreds of ballistic missiles and exploding drones, changed the unspoken rules in the archrivals' long-running shadow war. In that conflict, major airstrikes from one country's territory directly against the other had been avoided.

Given that change in precedent, the calculus by which Israel decides its next move has also changed, said the Israeli officials who requested anonymity to discuss Iran.

"We cannot stand still from this kind of aggression," Rear Admiral Daniel Hagari, the spokesperson for Israel's military, said Tuesday. Iran, he added, would not get off "scot-free with this aggres-

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# Skeptics wary as city shifts its planning process

**By Tiana Woodard**
GLOBE STAFF

When Mayor Michelle Wu earlier this month moved the city's planning department into City Hall, she saw it as a new chapter in Boston's history, where any changes to each of the city's neighborhoods would be informed by its own residents. But some community advocates, pointing to the damage inflicted by the Boston Planning and Development Agency over the years, are skeptical the move will fix the problems that plague city development or allow their voices to be heard.

"It's really hard to see how we can move past" the distrust people have over the agency's role in overseeing development and razing neighborhoods in the last mid-century, said Steve Hollinger, a Fort Point resident who has closely followed the city's development process. "They need people they can believe in, people that they believe will do the right thing."

Many residents agree that the city's approach

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**The first seven jurors were chosen** for Donald Trump's first criminal trial. **A2.**

**New England saw a dramatic spike in antisemitic incidents** after Oct. 7, the ADL said. **B1.**

**The median price of a home in Greater Boston shot up** to $900,000. **B5.**

**Getting rid of invasive plant species is as easy as — eating them.** But you have to be careful. **G1.**



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**Samantha Frechon hasn't attended a day of school this academic year and spends much of her time in her bedroom.**

# Getting an unwelcome education

## Mother of teen with disabilities battles cash-strapped Braintree for the right placement

**By Mandy McLaren**
GLOBE STAFF

BRAINTREE — Like most 14-year-olds, Samantha Frechon has wants: a Monstera plant for her bedroom, Japanese cheesecake, a reprieve from her mom's judgment of her baggy, black clothes.

**THE GREAT DIVIDE**

But, more than anything, the Braintree eighth-grader desires something other kids her age are typically eager to ditch: "I just want to go to school," Samantha said one recent afternoon, sitting cross-legged on her neatly made twin bed.

**Federal law requires public schools to pay for so-called out-of-district placements when they cannot meet a student's special education needs in-house**

**$90,000**

**Tuition for the private school placement for Samantha Frechon that Braintree has declined to pay this academic year**

**$9 million +**

**Cost of all out-of-district special education placements incurred by Braintree**

It's in this room, with a giant tawny teddy bear propped in the corner, that Samantha has spent the school year, sleeping the day away or numbly scrolling through her phone, waiting for her nightmare to be over. Caught in a web of adult grievances and bureaucratic dysfunction, the special education student hasn't been to school a single day this academic year.

Samantha has been in a state of academic limbo since the Braintree Public Schools unilaterally decided in Septem-

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JONATHAN WIGGS/GLOBE STAFF

**Study subjects' meals were closely monitored to track the effects of foods.**

# A taste of a future where your perfect diet is on the plate

**By Felice J. Freyer**
GLOBE STAFF

Jon Hamdorf is a free spirit who lives for adventure. His latest was a little different.

It started in mid-January when he checked into a 12th-floor room in a drab brick building in Boston's Chinatown. At age 70, Hamdorf has no permanent address and spends his days traveling or living on his boat in Maine. But for this jaunt, this intrepid soul was confined to a rigid schedule, required to eat specific meals that were handed to him, and forbidden to go outside without a chaperone — all in the service of science.

"This, to me, is like going to Nepal or going to Israel. It's like another adventure," said Hamdorf, a retired CPA.

The thrill, he said, lay in the pur-

**NUTRITION, Page A8**

# AG says competitive electricity market no bargain for most

## Sees $578m in extra payments by consumers

**By Sabrina Shankman**
GLOBE STAFF

We've all gotten the pitch — a letter, call, even a sales rep at the door — from an energy company promising big savings on electric bills by switching from our local utility.

Critics have long contended that too many of those offers are part of a pernicious bait-and-switch scheme and end up costing consumers much, much more than if they had stayed with their utility. The Massachusetts attorney general's office has been tallying that cost for years, and its latest dollar figure is a whopping $578 million in additional payments by consumers over an eight-year period from July 2015 through June 2023.

The new report from Attorney General Andrea Campbell's office also zooms in on the winter of 2022-2023 — a period when rates offered by Massachusetts utilities, Eversource and National Grid, soared, sometimes more than doubling. While that should have presented the perfect opportunity for the competitive electric supply market to deliver on its longstanding promises to provide individual residential customers with significant savings by locking in longer-term rates, the savings didn't always pan out.

The report found that while the period from July 2022 to June 2023 did result in overall savings for customers of competitive electric suppliers, low-income customers continued to experience losses of more than $750,000, collectively.

And the overall savings during that 12-month period —

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# The Nation

## First 7 jurors picked for Trump criminal trial

### Dozens are dismissed over issue of fairness

**By Ben Protess and Jonah E. Bromwich**
NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK — An Upper East Side investment banker, a high school teacher who likes to sew, a Mexico-born man who listens to podcasts about gay issues, a Harlem woman from a family of police officers and a bookseller who believes "no one is above the law."

These were just some of the hundreds of New Yorkers who on Tuesday reported to a lower Manhattan courtroom for jury duty in the first criminal prosecution of a former American president. Depending on their politics, media diets and views on Donald Trump, any one could join the group of 12 citizens who will sit in judgment of him.

Not until midafternoon Tuesday did Trump's lawyers and prosecutors select the first seven jurors for the case, which centers on allegations that the former president falsified documents to cover up a sex scandal involving an adult film actress.

Dozens were dismissed after saying they could not be fair, underscoring the towering task of trying a former president in a city where he is deeply unpopular.

The lawyers reached the heart of the selection process early in the afternoon, when they began bringing individual people from the jury pool back into the courtroom to question them alone as they debated who should be dismissed. But that process was quickly interrupted when the judge, Juan Merchan, scolded Trump for muttering and gesturing while one of the potential jurors was being interviewed.

"I won't tolerate that," the judge said, raising his voice once the potential juror had left the room. "I will not have any jurors intimidated in this courtroom."

The pool of possible jurors came from an initial group of 96, more than half of whom were dismissed immediately Monday after indicating that they could not fairly reach a decision.

Others returned Tuesday, only to change their minds after taking a night to think about it. "I don't think I can be as impartial and unbiased as I hoped I could be," one admitted.

Another claimed to have recognized an "unconscious bias" against the former president.

Trump, who faces 34 felony counts and may take the witness stand in his own defense, has denied all wrongdoing. But during the 2016 presidential campaign, prosecutors say, Trump directed his lawyer, Michael Cohen, to pay the actress, Stormy Daniels, as part of a nondisclosure agreement. And while serving as president, he had his company falsify records to hide his reimbursement of Cohen.

Prosecutors say it was part of a pattern for Trump: Faced with stories that could have doomed his campaign, he concealed them to influence the election. If the jury convicts him, he faces up to four years behind bars.



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**Former president Donald Trump spoke with the media before entering a Manhattan courtroom Tuesday.**

Tuesday's batch of potential jurors mirrored their city of 8.4 million, the most populous in the nation: They were diverse, opinionated, hard to pigeonhole. They were there involuntarily, because jury duty is an inescapable responsibility of citizenship.

It can be tedious, exhausting or even exhilarating to judge a fellow American, someone a juror has never met or thought of before a trial convenes.

But everyone knows Donald Trump, the former reality television star turned polarizing president, who is once again the presumptive Republican nominee. And in this landmark case, the first of Trump's four indictments to move to trial, the possible jurors are carrying a burden of history that appeared to agonize some of them.

Some acknowledged they could not be fair. The investment banker said he was too busy to give up the next two months of his life. Others embraced the moment, and even sought to persuade the defense and prosecution that they could be fair.

For Blanche and Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg, who brought the case against Trump, jury selection is pivotal. Legal experts say the case might well be won or lost by their choices.

And although prosecutors might have the upper hand in one of the most Democratic counties in the country, there were glimmers of hope for Trump on Tuesday.

Just one stubborn juror can torpedo a case and hang a jury, an outcome that would be a victory for Trump.

## Daily Briefing



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**BORDER TRIAL** — After two months of delays, House Republicans, including Representative Mark Green and Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene, transmitted the articles of impeachment against Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas in a ceremonial procession on Tuesday in Washington, D.C. **A6.**

### Former Army staffer pleads guilty in massive life-insurance scheme

A former Army financial counselor accused of siphoning millions of dollars from deceased soldiers' life insurance funds pleaded guilty in federal court Tuesday, accepting a deal with prosecutors that could put him in jail for years.

Federal investigators last year charged Caz Craffy, whose duties included providing basic financial guidance for Army families facing the loss of loved ones, with illegally exploiting his government job to produce clients for a brokerage firm where he moonlighted. With control over the accounts belonging to two dozen grieving families, authorities alleged, Craffy oversaw losses of $3.4 million stemming from shady trades that net him about $1.4 million in commissions.

Craffy was charged with 10 counts, including wire and securities fraud. His plea agreement calls for a prison sentence of 8 to 10 years. The judge will make that determination in August.

"Those who target and steal from the families of fallen American servicemembers will be held accountable for their crimes," Attorney General Merrick Garland said in a statement. "Nothing can undo the enormous loss that Gold Star families have suffered, but the Justice Department is committed to doing everything in our power to protect them from further harm."

WASHINGTON POST

### Biden outlines virus outbreak plan

WASHINGTON— President Biden's administration will help 50 countries identify and respond to infectious diseases, with the goal of preventing pandemics like the COVID-19 outbreak that suddenly halted normal life around the globe in 2020.

US government officials will offer support in the countries, most of them in Africa and Asia, to develop better testing, surveillance, communication, and preparedness for such outbreaks in those countries.

The strategy will help "prevent, detect and effectively respond to biological threats wherever they emerge," Biden said in a statement Tuesday.

The Global Health Security Strategy, the president said, aims to protect people worldwide and "will make the United States stronger, safer, and healthier than ever before at this critical moment."

The announcement about the strategy comes as countries have struggled to meet a worldwide accord on responses to future pandemics. Four years after the coronavirus pandemic, prospects of a pandemic treaty signed by all 194 of the World Health Organization's members are flailing.

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### W.Va. transgender girl prevails in court

CHARLESTON, W.Va. — West Virginia's transgender sports ban violates the rights of a teen athlete under Title IX, the federal civil rights law that prohibits sex-based discrimination in schools, an appeals court ruled Tuesday.

The Fourth US Circuit Court of Appeals ruled 2-1 that the law cannot be applied to a 13-year-old who has been taking puberty-blocking medication and publicly identified as a girl since third grade.

In February 2023, the court had blocked the state's bid to kick Becky Pepper Jackson off her middle school cross country and track and field teams if the law were enforced.

Judge Toby Heytens wrote that offering her a choice between not participating in sports and participating only on boys teams "is no real choice at all."

West Virginia Attorney General Patrick Morrisey said he was disappointed by the decision. His office said except for the specific case decided Tuesday, the ban remains in place.

West Virginia is one of at least 24 states with a law on the books barring transgender women and girls from competing in certain women's or girls sports competitions.

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### Labor Dept. gives new protections for coal miners

WASHINGTON — Coal miners will be better protected from poisonous silica dust that has contributed to the premature deaths of thousands of mine workers from a respiratory ailment commonly known as black lung disease, the Labor Department said Tuesday as it issued a new federal rule on miners' safety.

The final rule, announced by Acting Labor Secretary Julie Su, cuts by half the permissible exposure limit for crystalline silica for an eight-hour shift.

Mine workers, community advocates, and elected officials from Appalachian states have pushed for the stricter rule, noting that health problems have grown in recent years as miners dig through more layers of rock to gain access to coal seams when deposits closer to the surface have long been tapped.

"It is unconscionable that our nation's miners have worked without adequate protection from silica dust despite it being a known health hazard for decades," Su said Tuesday. "Today, we're making it clear that no job should be a death sentence, and every worker has the right to come home healthy and safe at the end of the day."

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**Acting Labor Secretary Julie Su said the new rule cuts by half the exposure limits for crystalline silica.**

## Johnson pushes ahead on US aid for Ukraine, allies

### House speaker rejects GOP call for him to resign

**By Lisa Mascaro**
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Defiant and determined, House Speaker Mike Johnson pushed back Tuesday against mounting Republican anger over his proposed US aid package for Ukraine, Israel, and other allies, and rejected a call to step aside or risk a vote to oust him from office.

"I am not resigning," Johnson said after a testy morning meeting of fellow House Republicans at the Capitol

Johnson referred to himself as a "wartime speaker" of the House and indicated in his strongest self-defense yet he would press forward with a US national security aid package, a situation that would force him to rely on Democrats to help pass it, over objections from his weakened majority.



**Democrats may need to help Speaker Mike Johnson.**

"We are simply here trying to do our jobs," Johnson said, calling the motion to oust him "absurd . . . not helpful."

Tuesday brought a definitive shift in tone from both the House Republicans and the speaker himself at a pivotal moment as the embattled leader tries, against the wishes of his majority, to marshal the votes needed to send the stalled national security aid for Israel, Ukraine, and other overseas allies to passage.

Johnson appeared emboldened by his meeting late last week at Donald Trump's Mar-a-Lago resort in Florida when the Republican former president threw him a political lifeline with a nod of support.

Johnson also spoke over the weekend with President Biden as well as other congressional leaders about the emerging US aid package, which the speaker plans to move in separate votes for each section — with bills for Ukraine, Israel, and the Indo-Pacific region. He spoke to Biden about it again late Monday.

After Johnson briefed the president, White House officials said they were taking a wait-and-see approach until the text of the speaker's plan is released and the procedural pathway becomes more clear.

"It does appear at first blush, that the speaker's proposal will, in fact, help us get aid to Ukraine, aid to Israel and needed resources to the Indo-Pacific for a wide range of contingencies there," John Kirby, the White House's national security spokesman, told reporters on Tuesday.

The speaker is considering a complicated approach that would break apart the Senate's $95 billion aid package for separate votes, and then either stitch it back together or send the components to the Senate for final passage, and potentially onto the White House for the president's signature.

All told, it would require the speaker to cobble together bipartisan majorities with different factions of House Republicans and Democrats on each measure.

Additionally, Johnson is preparing a fourth measure that would include various Republican-preferred national security priorities, such as a plan to seize some Russian assets in US banks to help fund Ukraine and another to turn the economic aid for Ukraine into loans. It could also include provisions to sanction Iran over its weekend attack on Israel, among others.

The speaker's emerging plan is not an automatic dealbreaker for Democrats in the House and Senate, with leaders refraining from comment until text details are released.

House Republicans, meanwhile, were livid that Johnson would be leaving their top priority — efforts to impose more security at the US-Mexico border — on the sidelines. Some predicted Johnson will not be able to push ahead with voting on the package this week, as planned. Representative Debbie Lesko of Arizona called the meeting an "argument fest."

### For the record

■ **Correction:** A photo that accompanied a story in Sunday's Metro section about a wedding celebrated during the eclipse included an image from the wedding photographer that was a composite image. Use of such photos violates the Globe's standards. The Globe regrets the error.

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# The World



EMIL HELMS/RITZAU SCANPIX VIA ASSOCIATED PRESS

**DEVASTATING BLAZE** — Firefighters worked as smoke rose out of the Old Stock Exchange in Copenhagen, Denmark, on Tuesday. The blaze caused the iconic spire atop the 17th-century building to collapse. "A piece of Danish history is on fire," Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen wrote on Instagram. **A4.**

DAILY BRIEFING

## Australia offers resident status to French hero



BRENDON THORNE/GETTY IMAGES

**People placed flowers at the site of Saturday's fatal attack in Bondi Junction, Australia, on Tuesday. Six people were slain before the attacker was killed by police.**

When an assailant began stabbing people inside a Sydney shopping mall, one man, a French national whose visa was about to expire, attempted to stop the attacker using only a barrier post. The Frenchman has been widely hailed for his bravery, and Australian officials now say he can stay in the country for as long as he likes.

Video footage from Saturday's stabbings shows Damien Guerot confronting the attacker, who was attempting to take an escalator to a higher floor inside the mall. Guerot can be seen edging toward the attacker, raising a dark pole to deter him.

Police identified the assailant as 40-year-old Joel Cauchi, who killed six people in his stabbing attack and injured several others before he was shot dead by an officer. Among those being treated for stab wounds is a 9-month-old baby, police said.

On Tuesday, Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese thanked Guerot for his display of "extraordinary bravery."

"I say this to Damian … you are welcome to stay for as long as you like," Albanese said. "This is someone who we would welcome becoming an Australian citizen, although that would have course be a loss for France."

WASHINGTON POST

## Ukraine moves to boost conscription

KYIV — President Volodymyr Zelensky of Ukraine signed a controversial law Tuesday, days after it was passed by parliament, potentially helping Kyiv to boost conscription to replenish depleted forces to fight its war against Russia.

The mobilization law, published on Ukraine's parliamentary website, is expected to take effect in a month and make it easier to identify every draft-eligible man. Many have dodged conscription by avoiding contact with authorities.

The law also provides soldiers with incentives, such as cash bonuses or money toward buying a house or car, which according to analysts Ukraine can't afford.

Since the full-scale invasion began in February 2022, Russia has captured nearly a quarter of Ukraine, which is outnumbered and outgunned.

The signed law was watered down from its original draft. It didn't include a provision that would rotate out troops who had served 36 months of combat. Authorities said a separate bill on demobilization and rotation would be prepared in the coming months. But the delay caused public outrage among Ukrainians whose relatives have been fighting without breaks for two years.

Exhausted soldiers have no means of taking a break from front-line work because of the current scale and intensity of the war.

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## Belgian mayor blocks conservative event

BRUSSELS — A Brussels mayor on Tuesday ordered the shutdown of a gathering on national conservatism that was underway in the Belgian capital, giving Europe's hard-right elites a further opportunity to rail against cancel culture and Brussels overreach.

The event was supposed to be a two-day conference featuring Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban, former British politician Nigel Farage, and other conservative officials and thinkers. But several hours in, Belgian police arrived.

Emir Kir, the mayor of the district where the event was being held, said he had issued a shutdown order "to guarantee public safety."

"The far-right is not welcome" in the city, Kir said.

"I knew I wouldn't be welcome back to Brussels," Farage, the former Brexit Party leader, said.

The speeches continued while police stood in front of the entrance, letting people out but not in. Among those blocked was Eric Zemmour, who ran as a far-right candidate in France's 2022 presidential election. He accused the mayor of links to Turkish Islamists and of using the police like "a private militia."

Organizers said they would pursue legal action.

Orban posted on X that the Belgian police shut down the event because "they couldn't take free speech any longer."

WASHINGTON POST

## US lays out protections for Assange if he is extradited

LONDON — The possibility that Julian Assange, the WikiLeaks founder, could be extradited to the United States seemed to edge closer Tuesday, after US officials sent assurances to British authorities that he would not face the death penalty or be persecuted for his nationality and that he could seek First Amendment protections.

The assurances were the latest turn in a prolonged legal battle over the extradition of Assange, who has been indicted by the United States for violating the Espionage Act by publishing classified documents. The filing of the commitments, requested by a British court last month as part of Assange's five-year battle against extradition, suggested that US authorities may still be pursuing his removal.

Assange, 52, was the head of WikiLeaks in 2010 when it published tens of thousands of classified documents leaked by an Army intelligence analyst. He has been held in a British prison since the charges were filed in 2019. Before that, he had taken refuge for years in the Ecuadorian Embassy in London. The charges raise questions about First Amendment issues, with some seeing them as a threat to press freedom.

NEW YORK TIMES




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**Activists demonstrated for Assange in London Sunday.**

# UK lawmakers move to raise the legal age to buy cigarettes

### Critics wary of limiting personal freedoms, choices

**By William Booth**
WASHINGTON POST

LONDON — Britain is poised to launch a world-leading project to create a "smoke-free generation" by raising the age to legally buy cigarettes each year.

The legislation would ban the sale of cigarettes to anyone born after 2009 — and then every year, the legal age would rise so that the prohibition would follow the generation indefinitely. Vaping, however, would not be affected and instead would be subject to other restrictions.

Lawmakers voted 383 to 67 late Tuesday to advance the bill and give a second reading. Although the bill was widely praised by health experts and had the support of Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and the opposition Labour Party, Sunak faced rebellion from more libertarian-minded members of his party, who criticized the proposals as "unconservative," a measure of a "nanny state."

Conservative lawmakers were granted a free vote, meaning they could vote with their personal conscience rather than follow the official party line.

Opponents, such as the smokers' rights lobbying group FOREST, said the move risks creating a black market and will "treat future generations of adults like kids." Prominent voices within the Conservative Party, including two of Sunak's predecessors, Boris Johnson and Liz Truss, said the plans went against conservative values by limiting people's personal freedoms.

The bill was a "virtue-signaling piece of legislation about protecting adults from themselves in the future," Truss told Parliament during Tuesday's debate.

Other high-profile Tories, including business secretary Kemi Badenoch, a Cabinet minister, also opposed the bill.

The plans were believed to have been inspired by similar policies proposed by New Zealand under former prime minister Jacinda Ardern, but the country's new coalition government repealed the bill earlier this year.

Smoking itself would not be subject to fines. Older smokers would be allowed to continue to buy tobacco until they quit, or die.

The legislation does seek to make vaping less attractive, by changing the packaging — from today's candy-colored pastels — and by outlawing the popular disposable inhalers that can be found littering city sidewalks.

Sunak is spearheading the campaign, arguing that smoking kills tens of thousands of people each year, with most smokers starting in their teens.

As in much of the world, smoking rates have declined in Britain (as vaping has increased). About 1 out of every 8 people in Britain smoked last year — some 6.4 million people. Smoking rates among teens remain high, with more than 12 percent of 16- and 17-year-olds smoking in England.

Sunak, who does not drink alcohol or smoke, and who is reported to fast one day a week, argues that saving lives is the conservative thing to do.

Leading figures in his party have expressed their opposition, arguing that if people want to smoke, it's not the government's job to stop them.

Truss told the BBC: "We're a free country. We shouldn't be telling people not to smoke, and I worry about where it will lead."

Johnson, another former prime minister from the Conservative Party, told a gathering in Canada last week that the proposed ban was "absolutely nuts."

"We're banning cigars. What is the point of banning — the party of Winston Churchill wants to ban cigars! Donnez-moi un break, as they say in Quebec. It's just mad," he said, using one of his trademark quasi-French phrases.

Chris Whitty, chief medical officer for England, who served under Johnson during the pandemic, says his old boss has got it wrong.

"Those people who say it's all about choice completely misunderstand smoking," he told ITV Tuesday, stressing that nicotine is highly addictive and that smokers find it difficult to quit.

# Fire destroys 17th-century building in Denmark

## Passersby help rescue art at Old Stock Exchange

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COPENHAGEN — A fire raged through one of Copenhagen's oldest buildings Tuesday, destroying about half of the 17th-century Old Stock Exchange and collapsing its iconic dragon-tail spire, as passersby rushed to help emergency services save priceless paintings and other valuables.

The blaze broke out on the building's roof during renovations, but police said it was too early to pinpoint the cause. The red-brick building, with its green copper roof and distinctive 184-foot spire in the shape of four intertwined dragon tails, is a major tourist attraction next to Denmark's parliament, Christiansborg Palace, in the heart of the capital.

Bells tolled and sirens sounded as fire engulfed the spire and sent it crashing onto the building, which was shrouded by scaffolding. Huge billows of smoke rose over downtown Copenhagen and could be seen from southern Sweden, which is separated from the Danish capital by a narrow waterway.

"A piece of Danish history is on fire," Prime Minister Mette Frederiksen wrote on Instagram, saying that it hurt to see the loss of such "irreplaceable cultural heritage."

Ambulances were at the scene but there were no reports of casualties.

Firefighters, who reportedly pumped water from a nearby canal, sprayed water through the doorway of the Old Stock Exchange's gilded hall that is used for gala dinners, conferences and other events and where many paintings were on display.

Danish Culture Minister Jakob Engel-Schmidt said it was "touching" to see how many people lent their hand "to save art treasures and iconic images from the burning building." One man jumped off his bicycle to help soon after the fire broke out, and members of the public helped first responders to carry huge works of art to safety.



PHOTOS BY IDA MARIE ODGAARD/RITZAU SCANPIX/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES



**People reacted to the fire Tuesday (left), while some passersby helped "save art treasures . . . from the burning building." The Old Stock Exchange's hall was used for events.**

Among the pieces that had been on display in the building was a huge painting completed in 1895 by Danish artist P.S. Krøyer called, "From Copenhagen Stock Exchange." No information has been released about which works of art were saved from the blaze, although video footage appeared to show the Krøyer painting being removed.

Brian Mikkelsen, chief of the Danish Chamber of Commerce, which is headquartered in the Old Stock Exchange and owns the building, was seen with his staff scrolling through a binder of photos of paintings to be saved. Works were carried to the nearby parliament and national archive building. Rescuers used crowbars and other tools to remove valuables and save them from the fire, Mikkelsen said.

"We have been able to rescue a lot," a visibly moved Mikkelsen told reporters. "It is a national disaster."

Jakob Vedsted Andersen, a Greater Copenhagen Fire Department spokesman, said the fire began on the roof Tuesday morning and quickly spread, collapsing parts of the roof and destroying about half of the building. He said no other buildings were at risk but that it could take firefighters 24 hours to secure the scene.

Tim Ole Simonsen, another fire department spokesman, said "the fire started in the part of the building where work has been going on, but that's all I can say about it."

René Hansen of the coppersmith company that was renovating the roof told broadcaster TV2 it had 10 people on the roof when the fire alarm went off.

"After five minutes, smoke began to rise from the floor to the ceiling," Hansen said.

Tommy Laursen of the Copenhagen police said it was too early to say what caused the fire and that officers would be able to enter the building in "a few days."

Up to 90 members of an army unit were deployed to cordon off the area and "secure valuables," Denmark's armed forces said.

King Frederik wrote on Instagram that "an important part of our architectural heritage" was being destroyed. "This morning we woke up to a sad sight," he wrote.

The exchange was built in 1615 and is considered a leading example of Dutch Renaissance style in Denmark. The Chamber of Commerce moved into the building after Copenhagen's stock exchange left in 1974.

The roof, masonry, sandstone and spire were being renovated, and Mikkelsen said there had been plans for the royal family, government officials and other dignitaries review the work later this year.

"That won't happen now," he said.

The future of the structure was unclear, but Engel-Schmidt, the culture minister, wrote on the social platform X that he would do everything he could "so that the dragon spire will once again tower over Copenhagen," describing it as "a symbol of Denmark's strong history as a trading nation."

The adjacent Christiansborg Palace has burned down several times, and in 1990 a fire broke out in an annex of the Danish parliament, known as Proviantgaarden but the Old Stock Exchange was unscathed.

Police closed a main road in Copenhagen and warned on X that the public should expect the area to be cordoned off for some time. Several bus lines were rerouted and Danish media reported huge traffic jams.

# Israel debates response to Iran attack that would avoid all-out war

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As Israel's war cabinet met to consider a military response, other countries were applying diplomatic pressure to both Israel and Iran in the hopes of deescalating the conflict.

Almost all of the missiles and drones fired in Iran's attack early Sunday were intercepted by Israel and its allies, including the United States and Britain.

The attack, Iran said, was a response to an Israeli airstrike this month, in which several armed forces commanders were killed in an attack in Syria. That attack on an Iranian embassy building in Damascus was so different from previous targeted assassinations of individuals in the shadow war that it provided Iran with an opportunity to recalibrate its own red lines.

The strike also destroyed a building that was part of the Iranian embassy complex, normally considered off-limits to attack. Israeli officials said the building was diplomatic in name only, and used as an Iranian military and intelligence base, making it a legitimate target.

Iran, which signaled that it saw the attack as an Israeli break in the norms of the shadow war, felt compelled to retaliate strongly, analysts said, in order to establish deterrence and maintain credibility with its proxies and hard-line supporters.

Israel does not want Iran to conclude that it can now attack Israeli territory in response to an Israeli strike on Iranian interests in a third country, some of the officials said, summarizing the internal Israeli debate. But, they added, Israel also does not want and cannot afford a major conflict with Iran while still fighting a war in Gaza and skirmishing with Iranian proxies along its borders.

The members of Israel's small but fractious war Cabinet, officials said, are considering options big enough to send a clear message to Iran that such attacks will not go unanswered, but not so big as to spark a major escalation.

The officials described the following options, and their downsides, from which the Israeli leaders are choosing a response:

■ Conduct an aggressive strike on an Iranian target, such as a Revolutionary Guard base, in a country other than Iran like Syria. (The drawback is that it lacks the symmetry of responding to a direct attack on Israel with a direct attack on Iran.)

■ Strike a mostly symbolic target inside Iran. (Such a move would likely require US consultation and would risk angering the Americans who have advised against such a strike.)

■ Conduct a cyberattack on Iran's infrastructure. (Doing so could expose Israel's cyber capabilities prematurely and would not be an in-kind response to a major airstrike.)

■ Accelerate small attacks inside Iran, including targeted assassinations, carried out by the Mossad. (Israel does not claim responsibility for such attacks, so they fail to match the public nature of Iran's strike.)

Other Israeli options include doing nothing, or adopting a more diplomatic approach, including a boycott of Iran by the United Nations Security Council, other officials said.

At least two members of the Cabinet argued at the time of the Iranian attack that Israel should respond immediately, two Israeli officials said, arguing that a rapid response in self-defense would give such a counterstrike obvious legitimacy.

Yet after three days of meetings, the Cabinet has yet to decide on a response. On Tuesday, the five-member Cabinet met with security officials for two hours of consultations, according to one official, and they were expected to convene again Wednesday.

The war Cabinet discussions are shrouded in secrecy and riven by old rivalries and distrust. Its members share histories of fierce competition as well as personal and political betrayal, which can sometimes color the details that leak out.

According to two officials' account, the main proponents of immediate retaliation over the weekend were Benny Gantz and Gadi Eisenkot, two former military chiefs and now centrist political allies who crossed parliamentary lines to join the government in the interests of national unity after the Oct. 7 Hamas-led attack on Israel.

But for reasons that remain unclear, no strike took place Sunday following the Iranian attack.

US officials have publicly and privately tried to persuade Israel that it does not need to retaliate for the Iranian strike. Netanyahu, they have argued, can "take the win" earned by a successful defense against the Iranian onslaught, which caused minimal damage and injured just one person, a young Bedouin girl.

But US officials have also said they understand that persuading Israel not to retaliate may be impossible. American officials have said they understand Israeli officials believe they must respond to a direct strike from Iran on Israel in a way that the world can see. A covert attack by Israel against Iran, US officials said, would most likely not be enough to satisfy Netanyahu's coalition partners or the current Israeli government.

Should that counterattack prompt another round of Iranian missiles and drones, US officials said, American warplanes and naval vessels would once again come to the defense of their ally against their chief adversary in the Middle East.

The United States is also backing diplomatic efforts to pressure and punish Iran, including by imposing tougher sanctions on the country in the coming days, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen said at a news conference in Washington on Tuesday.

As Israel faces pressure from its allies to avert a broader conflict with Iran, several countries, including Russia, China, and Japan, have also been urging Iran to avoid further escalation.

And the European Union is considering expanding economic sanctions against Iran's weapons program to punish it for last weekend's attack on Israel and try to prevent any escalation of violence across the Middle East, the EU's top diplomat said Tuesday.

"I'm not trying to exaggerate when I say that, in the Middle East, we are at the edge of a very deep precipice," Josep Borrell Fontelles, the EU foreign policy chief, said after a hastily called meeting of European diplomats to discuss the crisis.



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**Palestinians mourned loved ones Tuesday following an Israeli bombardment in Maghazi.**

## Israel conducts assaults in northern Gaza

The Israeli military carried out assaults in several towns in the northern Gaza Strip on Monday night, according to accounts from residents and Palestinian news media, which described heavy bombardment and ground fighting that drove many families to evacuate the area.

Wafa, the Palestinian Authority's official news agency, reported Tuesday that Israeli forces were continuing for a second straight day to demand that all families leave the northern town of Beit Hanoun, and had made several arrests in the area.

The news agency said Monday night that Israeli military vehicles had surrounded a school housing displaced families in Beit Hanoun and opened fire, and that several Palestinians had been killed or wounded after an airstrike on a mosque in the nearby Jabalia area. In central Gaza City, Israeli bombardment early Tuesday left several people killed or injured, the agency said.

The reports could not be independently verified. The Israeli military did not immediately respond to questions about the fighting.

The objective of Israel's attacks in northern Gaza — from which its forces had withdrawn earlier this year before returning in recent weeks — was not immediately clear.

The United Nations human rights office also said Tuesday that there had been intense attacks in northern and central Gaza in recent days, pointing to reports that Israeli troops had opened fire on Palestinians attempting to return to the north over the weekend, killing at least one Palestinian and injuring at least 11 others.

Emad Zaqout, a freelance journalist who lives in Jabalia, said that Israeli ground forces and tanks were in Beit Hanoun and parts of Jabalia, where heavy strikes were heard Monday night and early Tuesday as Israeli forces clashed with gunmen.

"It was a very heated night until the early hours of the morning," Zaquot said in a phone call Tuesday.

Zaqout said that before entering the area, the Israeli military had used recorded voice messages to order residents to move south, but he said that some had refused and had moved to other parts of northern Gaza instead.

The bombardment seemed to subside by Tuesday morning.

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# USC cancels valedictorian's speech

## Groups criticize her support for Palestinians

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**The university declined Tuesday to give details of where the communications were coming from or whether they were under criminal investigation**

The University of Southern California said it has canceled plans for a graduation speech by this year's valedictorian, Asna Tabassum, who is Muslim. The school said the decision stemmed from security concerns based on emails and other electronic communications warning of a plan to disrupt the commencement, including at least one that targeted Tabassum.

"Over the past several days, discussion related to the selection of our valedictorian has taken on an alarming tenor," said Andrew Guzman, the provost, who added that he had made the final decision to choose Tabassum. "The intensity of feelings, fueled by both social media and the ongoing conflict in the Middle East, has grown to include many voices outside of USC and has escalated to the point of creating substantial risks relating to security and disruption at the commencement."

But the university declined Tuesday to give details of where the communications were coming from or whether they were under criminal investigation. And its decision followed complaints about Tabassum's selection by two campus pro-Israeli groups that cited her social media support for Palestinians.

Tabassum, a biomedical engineering major who identified herself as a first-generation American of South Asian descent, could not be reached for comment. But in a statement, she criticized the decision.

"I am both shocked by this decision and profoundly disappointed that the university is succumbing to a campaign of hate meant to silence my voice," Tabassum wrote, adding, "There remain serious doubts about whether USC's decision to revoke my invitation to speak is made solely on the basis of safety."

The Council on American-Islamic Relations, a Muslim civil rights organization, also condemned the decision to cancel the speech as "cowardly" and demanded that USC reverse it.

Graduation speeches could be the next point of contention for the free-speech debate, which has overwhelmed many universities since the Israel-Hamas war began. University officials have had to handle vociferous debates over pro-Palestinian student protests, which many Jewish students and alumni say often veer into antisemitism. Protesters say that the pushback is an attempt to censor their political beliefs.

But Guzman, while acknowledging that the decision to cancel the speech broke from university tradition, said, "To be clear: this decision has nothing to do with freedom of speech. There is no free-speech entitlement to speak at a commencement."

Erroll Southers, who oversees security for USC, said in an interview that the decision followed a barrage of communications threatening the upcoming graduation ceremonies.

"No one could ever remember these kinds of grievances coming to us," said Southers, associate senior vice president for safety and risk assurance. "They had identified our valedictorian. They were significant in terms of the specificity of the person, the event, meaning our commencement, and their intent to disrupt our commencement."

Southers said it had not been decided whether Tabassum would be permitted to sit on the stage during the ceremonies.

USC announced April 5 that Tabassum, who is from Chino Hills, Calif., would be the 2024 valedictorian. She was selected from among more than 200 students who met the academic qualification — a grade-point average of at least 3.98. From that group, a selection committee of faculty members evaluated more than 100 applicants.

The announcement of Tabassum's selection cited her volunteer work with nonprofit organizations in the Los Angeles area, including a mobile blood pressure clinic that visits homeless shelters and a group she cofounded that distributes medical supplies to areas in need around the world.

Shortly after the announcement, a campus group known as Trojans for Israel issued a statement saying that Tabassum "openly traffics antisemitic and anti-Zionist rhetoric." It cited her social media bio, which included a link to a page that calls Zionism a "racist settler-colonial ideology." A similar complaint came from the campus chapter of Chabad. The organizations urged the university to reconsider the selection of Tabassum.

Anuj Desai, a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School, suggested that Tabassum could have legal grounds to sue, particularly in light of California law that supports students' First Amendment rights.

# Foxx cites life story as she pursues bias probes of colleges

## Officials from Columbia are due to testify next

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Virginia Foxx, a Republican member of Congress from North Carolina, has spent the past few months giving elite schools a hard time.

As the chair of the House committee on education, she oversaw a tense hearing in December that spurred the resignations of the presidents of University of Pennsylvania and Harvard University. She has led an investigation of a half-dozen institutions for their handling of antisemitism claims. She has subpoenaed internal documents and called Jewish students to testify.

On Wednesday, she will preside over another hearing, this time with officials at Columbia University.

The drubbing is part of a campaign by Republicans against what they view as double standards within elite education establishments — practices that they say favor some groups over others and equity over meritocracy. Others see it as a partisan attack.

Foxx, 80, does not like the term "elite" and questions whether these schools even deserve the title.

"I call them the most expensive universities in the country," she said the other day while traveling around her district, which winds through small working-class towns in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

She is known for her conservative views and blunt manner. But her current work, she said, is rooted in personal experience. Over her years in office, she has repeatedly told her life story of growing up in a sparsely populated rural area, in a house without running water or electricity. She and her brother, Butch, carried drinking water from a spring. There was no outhouse, so "we went to the woods," she recalled.

She went on to junior college, state college, and graduate school, eventually earning a doctorate from the University of North Carolina, leveraging her way into intertwined careers in politics and education, becoming president of a community college.

But it is her religious beliefs and identification with the underdog, she said, that inform how she is dealing with the bitter campus protests over the Israel-Hamas war.

"The people here believe that the Jews are God's chosen people, and I grew up in the Baptist Church believing that," she said.

After reading news accounts last fall of rising antisemitism on prominent campuses, she said that she resolved to investigate these institutions that most of her constituents cannot imagine ever attending.

"It was unconscionable what was happening," she said. "Students were unsafe, and the administration was doing nothing to help them."

"As chair of the committee," she said, "how do I ignore that?"

Others see a not-so-hidden agenda.

"Both sides are using higher education as proxies in a culture war," said Jon Fansmith, head of government relations for the American Council on Education, a trade association. "And to a real degree, we've seen that reflected in this Congress in the Education and Workforce Committee, in a way we haven't before. She sets the agenda."

# Americans are more vulnerable to foreign propaganda, senator says

## Adversaries seen better at spread of disinformation

**By Julian E. Barnes**
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**Senator Mark Warner, a Virginia Democrat, said artificial intelligence is also helping foreign powers.**

WASHINGTON — The threat against elections by Russia and other foreign powers is far greater today than it was in 2020, the chair of the Senate Intelligence Committee said Tuesday.

Senator Mark Warner, a Virginia Democrat who leads the committee, said the danger had grown for multiple reasons: Adversarial countries have become more adept at spreading disinformation, Americans are more vulnerable to propaganda, communication between the government and social media companies has become more difficult, and artificial intelligence is giving foreign powers new abilities.

The Intelligence Committee was set to hold a hearing on election threats Wednesday, but it was postponed Tuesday to allow the Senate to consider the articles of impeachment against Alejandro Mayorkas, the homeland security secretary. Warner said he hoped to reschedule the hearing quickly.

A bipartisan report by the Senate Intelligence Committee, the final volume of which was released in 2020, chronicled extensive efforts by Russians to influence US politics in 2016.

Since then, Russia has only honed its ability to shape debates in Europe and the United States, while people everywhere have become more vulnerable, Warner said.

For a time, Americans and Europeans were becoming more aware of disinformation or influence operations by Russia or other foreign powers. But today, conspiracy theories seem to be gaining more traction.

"With polarization in this country, and the lack of faith in institutions, people will believe anything or not believe things that come from what used to be viewed as trusted sources of information," Warner said. "So there's a much greater willingness to accept conspiracy theories."

Vulnerability to influence operations, Warner said, is not confined to the United States. In Slovakia, for example, Russian information operations influenced views of Russia's war in Ukraine.

"Slovakia was 80 percent pro-Ukraine," he said. "Two years later, with massive amounts of Russian misinformation and disinformation, you have a pro-Russian government and 55 percent of Slovaks think America started the war in Ukraine."

After 2016, US intelligence agencies intensified their efforts to go after foreign governments influencing the election.

During the 2018 midterm elections, US Cyber Command issued warnings to Russians conducting influence operations and shut down a troll farm trying to spread disinformation.

In 2020, senior intelligence officials repeatedly warned the public about Russian efforts to spread false stories about Joe Biden as he campaigned against President Trump.

But Warner said he believed some of the focus may have waned.

In 2018 and 2020, the National Security Agency, the FBI and US tech companies regularly shared information.

But court rulings in July and September put all coordination between the US government and social media companies on hold for several months, blocking the sharing of threat information. Although the Supreme Court allowed the communications to resume in late October, the smooth information sharing that had taken place in previous elections was interrupted, Warner said.

Warner filed an amicus brief in the Supreme Court case arguing that voluntary information exchanges are necessary given the threat that malign foreign influence campaigns pose.

At the same time, artificial intelligence tools have revolutionized the kind of deceptive information that can be spread by foreign governments.

Deepfake videos remain, for now, imperfect. And such manipulated imagery is often detected quickly.

Experts on artificial intelligence say, however, that faked voice recordings are a more effective vehicle for disinformation campaigns.

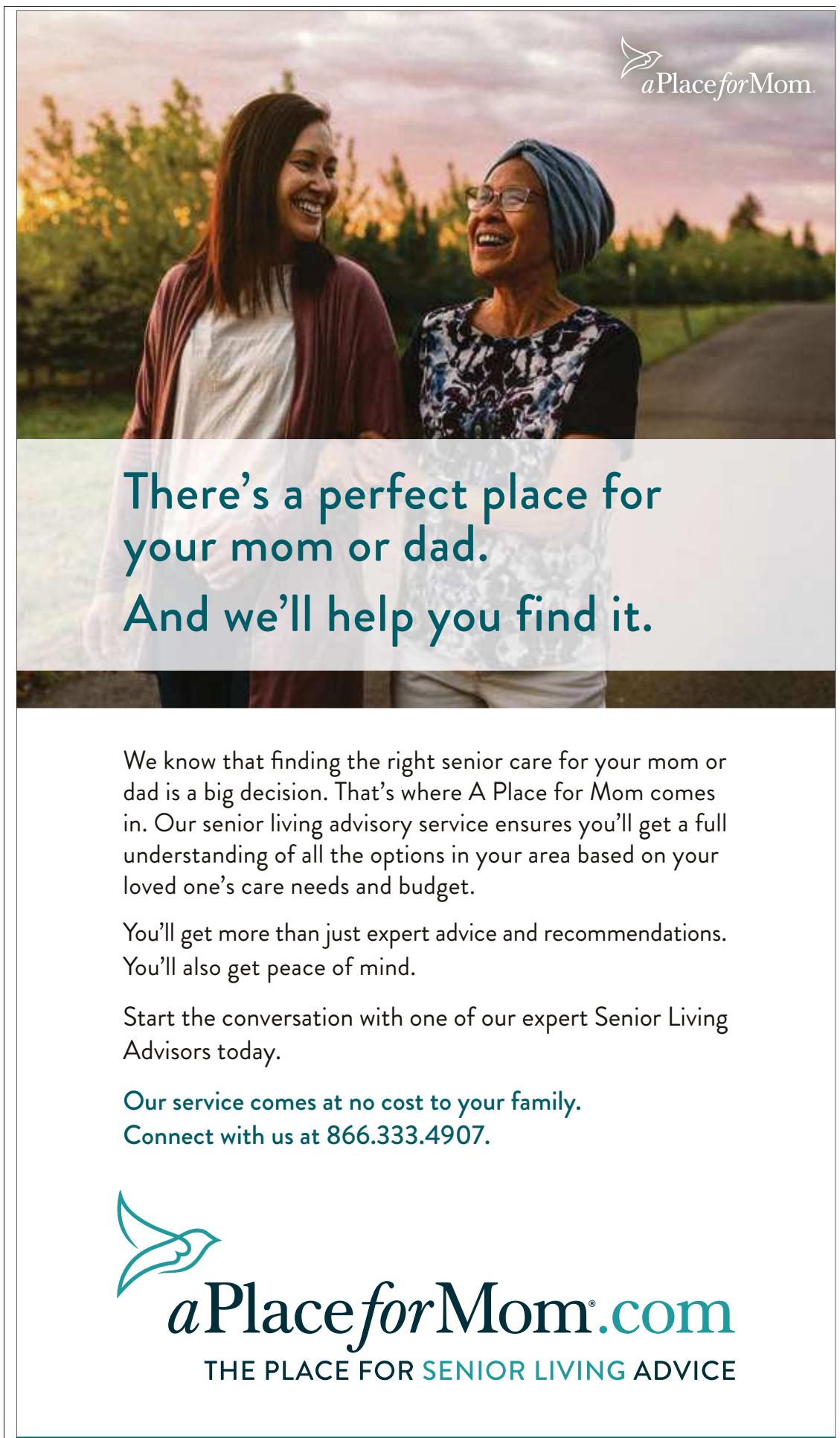
Warner said faked video could still influence the public, especially if an adversary mimicked a less-known local politician.

Artificial intelligence, he said, is advancing very quickly, and it would be foolish to discount any aspect of the threat against elections. "Even in the last six months, the quality of the video produced by AI has improved so much," Warner said.

Russia remains the largest threat to elections this year, according to intelligence officials. Warner said that Moscow represented the varsity team of influence operations, but that it was wrong to disregard the capacity of China to conduct influence operations, even if it has not been as active as Russia.

"Our adversaries, China, Russia, Iran, and other nation-states, know that disinformation works, and it's remarkably cheap," Warner said.

He said it was important that intelligence officials convey a renewed sense of urgency about the threat of foreign influence.



# In Pa., Biden calls for more taxes on wealthy

SCRANTON, Pa. — President Biden returned to his working-class childhood hometown of Scranton on Tuesday to call for higher taxes on the rich and cast Donald Trump as an out-of-touch elitist, part of an attempt to blunt the populist appeal of his predecessor's comeback attempt.

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Biden's stop opened three straight days of campaigning in the critical battleground state of Pennsylvania while his opponent spends much of the week in a New York City courtroom for his first criminal trial.

Biden used Scranton, a city of roughly 75,000 people, as the backdrop to argue that getting rich in America is fine, but should come with heftier tax bills. He dismissed Trump, the presumptive Republican nominee and a billionaire, as a tool of wealthy interests.

It's all aimed at reframing the conversation around the economy, which has left many Americans feeling sour about their financial situations at a time of stubborn inflation and elevated interest rates despite low unemployment.

"When I look at the economy, I don't look at it through the eyes of Mar-a-Lago. I look at it through the eyes of Scranton," the president said, contrasting his modest upbringing with the Florida estate where the former president now lives.

Biden has proposed a 25 percent minimum tax rate for billionaires, which he said would swell federal coffers by hundreds of billions of dollars. He added that such levies are "how we invest in the country."

"Scranton values or Mar-a-Lago values," Biden said. "These are the competing visions for our economy that raise questions of fundamental fairness at the heart of this campaign."

He spoke at a community center from a stage flanked by a banner reading "Tax Fairness for All Americans."

Biden was taking part in a training session for grassroots organizers at a union hall before swinging by his old house, which has served as a touchstone for him through the years, according to a person familiar with the plans who declined to be identified ahead of Biden's arrival.

By the time the week is over, Biden or Vice President Kamala Harris will have visited the state eight times this year, reflecting its importance to Biden's hopes for a second term.

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**President Biden arrived on Air Force One at Wilkes-Barre Scranton International Airport on Tuesday. By the time the week is over, Biden or Vice President Kamala Harris will have visited Pennsylvania eight times this year.**

### Mayorkas impeachment articles delivered to Senate

WASHINGTON — After two months of delay, House Republicans on Tuesday delivered articles of impeachment against Alejandro Mayorkas, the homeland security secretary, to the Senate, as they demanded a full trial.

Constitutional scholars have called the case against Mayorkas groundless, and the Democrats who control the Senate have made it clear that they want to curtail a lengthy trial in favor of a quick vote to dismiss the charges against him. But Republicans have pushed ahead with the articles, which accuse the secretary of willfully refusing to enforce border laws and breaching the public trust.

"For the last nearly four years, we've seen Secretary Mayorkas willfully cede operational control of our border to drug cartels," Speaker Mike Johnson said on Tuesday, describing the chaos at the country's southern border as he urged the Senate to take up the case.

He accused Mayorkas and President Biden of intentionally failing in their responsibilities to secure the border.

"He and Joe Biden engineered this catastrophe," Johnson said. "They allowed it. They apparently desired it."

On Tuesday afternoon, the 11 House Republicans named to prosecute the case against Mayorkas made the ceremonial walk across the Capitol to present the charges, which they read aloud on the floor.

The Republican case against Mayorkas does not accuse him of any specific criminal conduct, but rather amounts to an attempt to fire an administration official who is enforcing policies they oppose, and who they argue is failing at his job. That is a far cry from the "high crimes and misdemeanors" laid out in the Constitution as the basis for an impeachment.

A two-thirds majority would be needed to convict him in the Senate, an unachievable threshold given that Democrats are solidly opposed.

For his part, Mayorkas has spent months essentially ignoring the case and continuing to work. He negotiated a border security deal with both Senate Republicans and Democrats that fell apart after former president Trump opposed it.

"Our immigration system, however, is fundamentally broken," he said. "Only Congress can fix it. Congress has not updated our immigration enforcement laws since 1996 — 28 years ago."

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### Lindell loses bid to challenge FBI seizure of cellphone

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The US Supreme Court has denied a petition by MyPillow founder and election denier Mike Lindell to consider his challenge to the legality of the FBI's seizure of his cellphone at a restaurant drive-through.

The high court, without comment Monday, declined to reconsider three lower court rulings that went against Lindell, a prominent promoter of false claims that voting machines were manipulated to steal the 2020 presidential election from President Donald Trump.

FBI agents seized the cellphone from him at a Hardee's fast-food restaurant in the southern Minnesota city of Mankato in 2022 as part of an investigation into an alleged scheme to breach voting system technology in Mesa County, Colo. Lindell alleged the confiscation violated his constitutional rights against unlawful search and seizure and was an attempt by the government to chill his freedom of speech.

The Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals disagreed.

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### Cotton urges physical force be used against protesters

WASHINGTON — Senator Tom Cotton, Republican of Arkansas, on Monday urged people whose routes were blocked by pro-Palestinian protesters to "take matters into your own hands" and confront the offenders, endorsing the use of physical force against peaceful demonstrators.

In a series of social media posts after protesters shut down traffic in cities across the country including major roads in Oakland, Calif., the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, and near O'Hare International Airport in Chicago, Cotton called those responsible "pro-Hamas" and "criminals."

He also shared a clip of himself during a recent interview in which he said that if protesters had disrupted public roads in his home state of Arkansas, they would have been met with force from citizens.

"Let's just say I think there would be a lot of very wet criminals that would have been tossed overboard — not by law enforcement, but by the people whose road they are blocking," he told Fox News in the interview. "If they glued their hands to their car or pavement, it'd probably be pretty painful to have their skin ripped off."

On Tuesday morning, Cotton posted a video showing a group of men forcibly removing protesters in orange vests from a roadway that appeared to be outside the United States. In the clip, one man is shown roughly dragging a protester off the road by his feet.

"How it should be done," Cotton wrote.

His comments came as protesters angry over US support for Israel's offensive in the Gaza Strip have stepped up their civil disobedience in recent days.

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### Michigan Republican charged with misusing funds

LANSING, Mich. — Prosecutors charged the former leader of the Michigan House and his wife with financial crimes Tuesday, alleging they milked political accounts for personal travel, housing, and other benefits while the Republican lawmaker was raising millions of dollars from his powerful post.

Lee Chatfield misused various political funds, including his multimillion-dollar Peninsula Fund, which was not required to report the names of donors and served as an "unregulated slush fund," Attorney General Dana Nessel said.

The operation was a family affair, as his wife, Stephanie Chatfield, monitored her husband's credit card balance and paid it off with cash from the Peninsula Fund, including $132,000 over a 14-month period, Nessel said.

In another example, Nessel said Lee Chatfield's brother cashed a $5,000 check from a political fund in 2020 and returned $3,500 to the lawmaker ahead of a vacation, Nessel said.

Lee Chatfield's various political funds took in more than $5 million over six years, including more than $2 million in 2020, which was his last year as speaker, the attorney general said.

"To call him, as many have, a prodigious fund-raiser would not be an exaggeration," Nessel said.

Lee Chatfield faces 13 charges, including conducting a criminal enterprise, which carries a maximum prison sentence of 20 years, and embezzlement.

Chatfield's attorney, Mary Chartier, said she'll fight the charges "each and every step of the way."

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# Justices divided over charge against Jan. 6 rioters, Trump

## Law prohibits impeding official proceedings

**By Ann E. Marimow**
WASHINGTON POST

The Supreme Court seemed deeply divided Tuesday over a challenge to a federal law that prosecutors used to charge more than 350 people who were part of the pro-Donald Trump mob that attacked the US Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021.

After nearly two hours of argument, it was not immediately clear whether the court would allow the Justice Department to apply to the Jan. 6 rioters a statute that makes it a crime to obstruct or impede an official proceeding — in this case the joint session of Congress that convened to formally certify Joe Biden's 2020 presidential victory.

Several conservatives, including Justices Neil M. Gorsuch and Samuel A. Alito Jr., expressed concern about giving prosecutors broad power that they suggested would allow the government to target peaceful protesters or hecklers who disrupt a court proceeding.

Other justices, including Amy Coney Barrett and Ketanji Brown Jackson, seemed interested in finding a way to limit the government's discretion to apply the statute in a way that might still allow the Jan. 6 cases to proceed.

Two liberal justices — Elena Kagan and Sonia Sotomayor — seemed to embrace the Justice Department's position that the law clearly applies to the Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol.

Defense lawyers say prosecutors improperly stretched the law, which was enacted after the exposure of massive fraud and the shredding of documents during the collapse of the energy giant Enron. More that 100 rioters have already been convicted and sentenced under the charge, and two of the four charges Trump faces in DC are related to the statute.

The case could directly affect Trump's federal trial in DC for allegedly trying to remain in power after his 2020 defeat; if the justices rule broadly against the government, he could move to have those charges dropped.

The court's ruling, likely to land in late June, has the potential to undo the convictions and sentences of those who have gone to trial or pleaded guilty, and upend the charges still pending for many more.

Three Jan. 6 defendants have had their sentences reduced ahead of a decision in this case by the Supreme Court.

Conservatives on the Supreme Court challenged Solicitor General Elizabeth B. Prelogar with a host of questions that echo conservative media who argue that the Jan. 6 prosecutions are partisan. Among the cases raised: pro-Palestinian protesters blocking roads across the country, Representative Jamaal Bowman, Democrat of New York, pulling a fire alarm in the Capitol just before a vote, and protests against Supreme Court Justice Brett M. Kavanaugh's confirmation.



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**Supporters of Jan. 6 gathered outside of the Supreme Court on Tuesday as the justices heard arguments challenging a federal law used to charge the Jan. 6 participants.**

Those examples were brought up in amicus briefs from conservative lawmakers and advocacy groups who argue that the obstruction law is being used unfairly against the right but not the left.

In all those cases, Prelogar said, it would be a challenge to prove the required intent to block a specific proceeding from happening, or to prove that the disruption was extensive enough to count as obstruction. In the Jan. 6 cases, the government has relied on social media posts and text messages in which rioters described their goal of stopping the vote count from taking place. They have also emphasized that Congress was forced to evacuate the building, which has not occurred during other protests inside the building.

Justice Alito is a strict textualist, but like Justices Clarence Thomas and Gorsuch, he sounded deeply skeptical of the government's interpretation of the statute when he questioned Prelogar.

What if five people in today's audience stood up, interrupted, and shouted either that the Jan. 6 defendants were insurrectionists who should go to jail, he asked. Or that the Jan. 6 defendants are patriots and should be set free, delaying the proceeding for five minutes? Would that be a violation of the law?

Prelogar said it would be difficult for the government to prove corrupt intent in such a circumstance. Prosecutors would not, she said, pursue an obstruction charge for "minimal, de minimus, minor interference."

> The ruling has the potential to undo the convictions and sentences of those who have gone to trial or pleaded guilty.

She elaborated, "I can imagine defendants' saying they had some protected free speech rights," or were not aware they were not allowed to make brief statements in court.

More forcefully, Prelogar told Alito that his hypothetical was fundamentally different than what happened at the Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021. The more similar scenario, she said, would be if protesters "stormed into the courtroom, overwhelmed Supreme Court Police, and forced justices and other participants to flee for their safety."

Alito answered: "Absolutely. What happened January 6 was very, very, serious. I'm not equating this with that. But we need to find what are the outer reaches of this statute under your interpretation."

"The plain meaning of impeding is interfering with or getting in the way of progress, to hold up," Alito told Prelogar. "You can say you're not going to prosecute that. ... But why isn't it a violation" of the law under the Justice Department's interpretation?

# Skeptics wary as city makes changes to planning process

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to planning and development is flawed and has wounded communities more than it has lifted them up. But city officials and neighborhood residents are divided on what is the best path forward. How can the city create a planning process that meets residents where they are? How can it guide development that is in each neighborhood's best interest?

The recent realignment, which helps push forward Wu's campaign promise to overhaul the BPDA, moves the staff, property, and power of the agency under the city's control. While the quasi-governmental BPDA for years has voluntarily briefed the City Council on its budget, it will now be mandatory, and employees will be required to weigh a project's community impact. A separate measure to dissolve the legal structures creating the BPDA and wind down some of its urban renewal powers is before the Legislature.

In the 1950s, the BPDA was formed to provide a road map for the future of development and has shaped much of the city's landscape. But it has also ravaged entire neighborhoods in a process that benefited the rich and powerful and ignored residents. It razed the West End and demolished Scollay Square to make way for City Hall; it forced people from their homes in Roxbury; and it created vacant parcels that developers still squabble over.

For Roxbury neighborhood activist Rodney Singleton, the agency's harm to his family rings heavy as he considers Wu's changes. The Boston Redevelopment Authority demolished his family home on Munroe Street in 1963 after the agency labeled the home and surrounding land blighted, Singleton said. The area remained vacant for several years, until part of it was granted to the Roxbury YMCA decades later.

"There's lots of real mistrust, angst, and, frankly, pent-up anger over what the BRA did," he said.

The loss still propels Singleton's involvement in community development 60 years later and makes him eye the ordinance with intensified scrutiny. To him, moving the planning agency's powers under the city's purview means repeating history, just under the Wu administration's language of equity and transparency. Instead, Singleton said Wu should, among other things, start to phase the BPDA out and create a process that allows frequent community input rather than learning about its work through an "after-the-fact" annual report.

"We're justifying the bad things that we did in the '60s differently," Singleton said.

Armani White, who cofounded Reclaim Roxbury in 2015 to increase community input in developments, has also seen his surroundings change with little to no say. It is why he supports Wu's decision to take over the BPDA, because it could help make the process more accountable to the community's desires.

"It felt like often that decisions were made before they came to the community," White said of the old BPDA process, at Wu's ordinance signing. "It was more about checking a box to say that there was a community conversation, as opposed to really listening to what community members want."

White added: "This actually will give us more oversight."

What oversight will look like is unclear. Steve Fox, chair of the South End Forum, an umbrella group for civic and business organizations throughout the neighborhood, argues oversight is not possible without creating a "community advisory council" of neighborhood organizations within the new agency.

"We've had no voice," Fox said, referring to his group's involvement in the city's crafting of the ordinance. "We want to sit at the table before you decide that you're going to announce a decision to us."



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**Little remains of the West End after the neighborhood was razed in the 1950s.**

The closest any legislation came to encapsulating the opponents' desires was an amendment by Councilor at Large Julia Mejia. It proposed creating a Commission on Accountability and Transparency in City Planning, with three to five appointees that would field and address complaints submitted to the city about forthcoming planning and development. (Her amendment failed in a 9-2 vote, with two councilors voting present.)

Hollinger, the Fort Point resident, said it's hard to get everything you want when the City Council is so divided. (The ordinance passed 8-3, with two councilors voting present.) To him, their vote proved that residents must accept some "incremental steps" in the right direction, rather than dismiss it because it didn't go far enough.

He pointed to the other steps the Wu administration is taking in tandem with the new planning department, such as reforming the city's process for reviewing community projects, and her initiative to simplify the zoning code and give residents a list of choices on how their neighborhood's main corridors should look.

"The economics of city life, the BPDA itself — they're all titanic entities that take a lot to change the trajectory of," he said. "If we don't [start making some changes now], we're going to be worse off."

When asked about how the agency is incorporating community feedback, and if it is considering a formalized role for civic associations, Lacey Rose, a city spokesperson, said in a statement that community engagement standards haven't been codified yet because "we are in the midst of a community dialogue about how to reshape the development review process."

Giving neighborhood and civic associations an official role in the new planning ordinance, as several neighborhood advocates have recommended, would elevate perspectives that are already incorporated in Boston's engagement process, the agency said.

"We also think it's important to spend time and capacity reaching people whose voices have historically been left out of conversations about planning and development," Rose said.

For some people who are new to the tug-of-war between neighborhood associations and city officials, weighing in on the planning and development process can feel defeating.

Ruth Whitney, a retired ballerina, said the contentious development battle at the Shawmut T station near her home propelled her to get more involved in the neighborhood's affairs. From there, she learned about Wu's proposal to revamp the city's approach to development and wanted to throw her opinions into the mix.

"I'm not a politician — I have kids, and I'm apoplectic about the climate," she said.

Whitney has tried to hop into the community engagement and stakeholder groups. She's written letters of opposition and recommendations that went unanswered. Now, the stress of staying informed has made her tap out indefinitely, because she said she doesn't feel like her concerns are incorporated into the city's decision-making process. Whitney thinks the burden of engaging in the city's planning process is too heavy.

"Everything I'm hearing is, 'We're trying to find the right way to tell you guys what's about to happen to you,' " she said. " 'We'll just find the right way, and then you're gonna feel engaged.' "

"I'm completely worn out," Whitney said.

Lavette Coney, president of the Mt. Pleasant, Forest, and Vine Neighborhood Association in Roxbury, said that the chaos Whitney described is intentional, and that even seasoned neighborhood activists have struggled all the same.

"They want us to be in confusion," Coney said. "They want us to be in silos."

White, the Reclaim Roxbury executive director, understands the skeptics' concerns. Still, he said, the best thing residents can do is work in tandem with city officials to create a planning department that meets everyone's needs.

"This is something that advocates have been pushing for for decades," he said. "It's something we need to be excited about, and partner with the city to make sure it's better now."

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# Competitive electricity market is no bargain for most, AG finds

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$30.4 million — was "dwarfed by the significant net losses experienced in every other year studied," according to the report.

"This report once again shows a clear pattern by the individual competitive electric supply industry of substantially harming our residents," said Campbell. "The harms caused by these companies significantly outweigh any benefits to consumers."

The report is adding momentum to the push to ban competitive electric suppliers from selling directly to residential customers — an effort that is playing out in the Legislature and across all levels of government, with Campbell, Governor Maura Healey, and Boston Mayor Michelle Wu among those calling for a ban.

Proponents of the industry say it offers people a choice in the marketplace. Many plans also promise electricity from renewable sources of energy that are critical in the fight against climate change. And some consumers have been able to save money by shopping for their electric supplier, and say that losing that option will cost them.

What's more, Abby Foster, vice president of policy and advocacy for the Retail Energy Advancement League, a trade group, said she questions the accuracy of the attorney general's analysis because it fails to account for people who knowingly pay more for plans with perks like greener energy or locking in longer-term agreements to insulate themselves against utility price hikes like the region experienced last year.

She added that benefits offered on some plans, such as rebates for free electric vehicle charging, are also not reflected in the attorney general's report.

"None of that is accounted for," Foster said.

But opponents of the industry, where individuals shop the marketplace, say it's taking advantage of people — particularly older adults and those in low-income neighborhoods — with confusing or misleading offers. And despite years of trying to enforce existing regulations to penalize bad actors, the losses keep piling up. The harm often comes when marketers promise a low rate to sign up before raising it soon after, or engaging in illegal practices to sign customers up unknowingly.



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**A bill in the Legislature would enact a first-in-the-nation ban on the industry's ability to sign up new consumers.**

Further, opponents question just how green many of the plans are because many of the claims are based on buying inexpensive credits for clean energy that is produced in states far from Massachusetts and don't support the development of clean energy here.

The programs differ from a municipal aggregation program, where city officials buy power from competitive electric suppliers on behalf of their customers. Unlike individual residents, municipalities can hire lawyers and experts to vet any contract and make sure what they buy is a good deal.

Now, competing bills in the Legislature aim to address the industry: One would enact a first-in-the-nation ban on the industry's ability to sign up new residential consumers, effectively phasing out the industry, and the other would introduce reforms.

But advocates fear reform isn't enough. In a letter sent to state House and Senate leaders in late March, a group of 97 advocacy organizations called the competitive supply industry "beyond repair," and said that even the measures proposed in the reform bill would fall short of "protecting our communities from high costs and predatory marketing practices."

Later this year, when legislators decide the future of the industry, Campbell's office is hoping the report will help tilt negotiators toward a ban.

"The size of the harm to consumers, the significant losses in seven out of eight years of this study, and the continuing loss from one year to the next for low-income consumers all strongly suggest that consumer harm will continue," the report reads. "Thus, we again strongly recommend that the Massachusetts Legislature eliminate the electric supply market for individual residential consumers."

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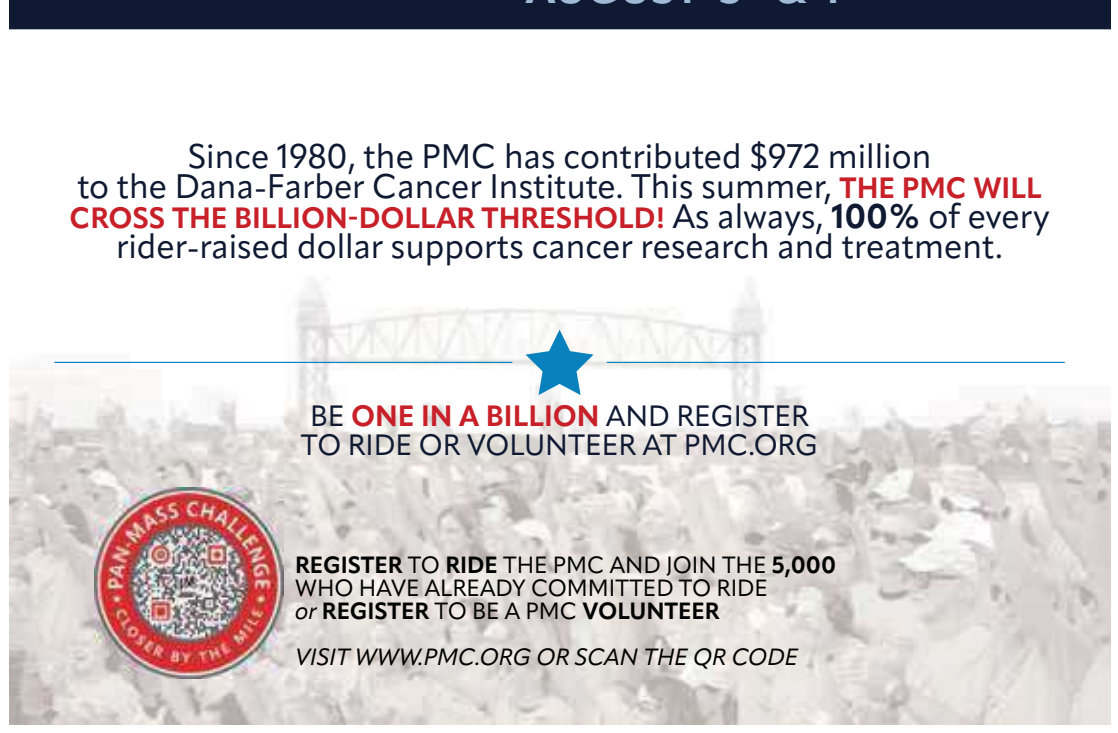
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# A taste of the future, right on the plate

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pose. For three two-week stints, Hamdorf had agreed to become a study subject in a project seeking to answer questions that have troubled nearly every person who brings fork to mouth: What will happen in my body after I eat this food? Will it make me fat, raise my cholesterol, mess up my gut microbiome — or perhaps extend my life?

The Nutrition for Precision Health Study, a $170 million national research project seeking to enroll 10,000 people nationwide, aims to develop a way to pinpoint the optimal diet for every person. The study is being carried out by six clinical centers across the country, including the New England Clinical Center, run by Tufts University and Massachusetts General Hospital.

Current nutrition advice is based on averages, on what seems to work best for most people. But in many studies, people eating the exact same mix of nutrients have differing responses in measures like blood glucose or blood pressure, explained Holly Nicastro, the national study's program director.

The study will try to find out exactly why, so that someday — it is hoped — people will be able to consume a diet tailored to their unique biology.

The study is also seeking to overcome the challenges that have long dogged nutrition research. Typically, nutrition data relies on asking people what they remember eating. But memories are notoriously inaccurate, and often biased by, say, embarrassment over having eaten that entire sleeve of Oreos. Nutrition for Precision Health is testing other methods of documenting what people consume, including with an app, a questionnaire, or a tiny camera mounted on eyeglasses that is activated by chewing.

"We have the technology to actually get away from the reliance on memory," said Sarah L. Booth, director of the Jean Mayer USDA Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University. "This is one of the exciting aspects of this study. We may be completely revolutionizing how we study nutrition."

Participants first complete a "module" in which they follow their normal diet for 10 days and report what they ate. If they want to continue, they choose either to pick up prepackaged meals to eat at home or to enroll in the "live-in diet" module, the tightly controlled sojourn that Hamdorf selected. By keeping people inside and under watch, researchers can track — with precision and certainty — what they eat, and what effects those foods have throughout the body.

Hamdorf was among an inaugural group of four participants in the live-in diet phase in Boston. All had previously signed up for the All of Us Research Program of the National Institutes of Health, which aims to enroll 1 million or more participants to contribute their health data, including genetics, to build a database that can inform thousands of studies. Only existing All of Us members are invited to take part in the nutrition study.

On the first day, the participants gave blood and saliva samples, had their bones scanned, their metabolic rates measured, and their fat-to-muscle ratio documented. They were also equipped with blood-glucose monitors attached at the waist to continuously track fluctuations in blood sugar, and wrist bands that tracked activity and sleep.

The next day, the daily routines kicked in: 6:30 a.m. weight and vital signs taken; 8 a.m. breakfast; 12 p.m. lunch; 3 p.m. snack; 6 p.m. dinner; 11 p.m. lights out.

The strict schedule proved more liberating than confining, Hamdorf said. "It feels very good to be structured like this," he said. "You just show up for the meals, and you don't have to go shopping or anything."

Between meals and tests, participants were free to use the exercise equipment on the 13th floor, stretch on the mats in the yoga room, gather in the game room, or relax in their spacious private rooms with picture windows. They loved interacting with many of the 150 people working in offices, laboratories, and the kitchen at the Human Nutrition Research Center on Aging.



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**Live-in participants ate set amounts at set times. Lori Mattheiss (left) said, "I'm eating things I haven't eaten since I was a kid."**

Occasionally, they took a stroll outside, but only when a staff member could accompany them, lest anyone get an urge for an ice cream cone; the researchers must be able to attest that the participants ate only what they were served inside.

And what were they served?

Precisely at noon near the end of their first two-week stint, the four participants trooped to the 11th-floor dining room, accompanied by Paul J. Fuss, clinical research manager, who stayed to keep an eye on them as they ate.

The kitchen staff brought them plates wrapped in plastic and labeled with their names. Each meal is tailored to the individual's calorie needs; participants are not supposed to gain or lose weight.

Each also has a tiny rubber spatula to scoop up every crumb. "We're pretty much asking you to lick the plate without licking the plate," said Kayla Airaghi, a dietitian. If they can't finish, the staff will weigh the leftovers, tracking consumption down to a 10th of a gram.

On this day, Lori Mattheiss, 60, of Andover got a hamburger, peaches, and potato chips; her husband, Tim Carter, 63, was served two hamburger sliders. Jane Cashell, 75, of Clinton, ate broccoli, chicken nuggets, and mac and cheese. Hamdorf got Spanish rice, chicken with taco seasoning, and cheddar cheese.

"It's not the food we normally eat," Mattheiss said. "I'm eating things I haven't eaten since I was a kid." On other days she's had a Yodel, Kool-Aid, canned fruit cocktail, Fritos.

In this two-week session, participants consumed what they called the traditional American diet. The researchers, however, resist labeling it; officially it's described only by its contents, high in refined grains and sugar-sweetened drinks and low in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and fish.

In the second and third two-week visits — which were spaced apart with at least two weeks in between — the participants ate high-fat and high-protein fare, and, finally, a diet replete with fruits, vegetables, beans, nuts, whole grains, and fish (the four liked this one best).

The three diets were chosen not because they're recommended but because they are the most common diet patterns in the United States, said Sai Krupa Das, a senior scientist at the center and principal investigator for the New England branch of the study. "They are reflective of what we consume as a nation," she said.

And the goal is not to determine which diet is best, but rather to measure individuals' varying response to the different components.

The researchers acknowledge that it will be difficult to attract a diverse population to this phase of the project. How many people can put their lives on hold for two weeks at a time? Carter and Mattheiss, who trade stocks online, worked during their stays, and other remote workers might be able to do the same. But bus drivers? Restaurant owners? Parents of young children? Even the $6,200 stipend for completing all three two-week sessions may not be enough to compensate for lost work.

> 'You just show up for the meals, and you don't have to go shopping or anything.'
>
> JON HAMDORF

Despite the challenges, the NIH's Nicastro said, "We do have ambitious diversity goals," which they expect to achieve at least with "Module 1," in which participants eat what they normally do and record it. But even for the more demanding modules — the prepackaged meals or the live-in diet — research sites are working with churches, barbershops, community centers, and other places to sign people up for All of Us, and then recruit them into the nutrition study, Nicastro said.

Rafael Pérez-Escamilla, a professor at the Yale School of Public Health, who is not involved in the study, believes the Nutrition for Precision Health will probably answer some fascinating scientific questions — but, he said, it won't do much to improve people's health or reach those suffering the worst effects of a poor diet.

"We live in a country where about 70 percent of adults are either overweight or obese, and 70 percent or more of their calories are coming from ultraprocessed or junk foods, including sugar-sweetened beverages," he said. "The problem is heavily concentrated among the poor."

Pérez-Escamilla would much prefer to see a similar investment in efforts to increase access to healthy foods, such as "produce prescription programs" that supply debit cards to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables.

Christopher Gardner, a Stanford professor who has studied the health benefits of dietary components but is not involved with the Nutrition for Precision Health study, called it an "incredibly ambitious" project. He predicted that the researchers would identify the key good and bad bacteria in the gut, and which foods promote them.

Gardner serves on the scientific advisory board for a private company, Zoe, that is offering personalized nutrition advice based on biological information. People take at-home tests and get instructions on what to eat based on the results.

This is exactly what the NIH study eventually hopes to offer, but Das, the principal investigator in Boston, said the results will have stronger scientific backing. "The market's always ahead of the science," she said, when asked about Zoe.

At the end of their two-week stay, the participants face two full days of testing, every aspect of their biology measured. On the last day, they drink two cups of vanilla Ensure and then sit in a chair from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., giving blood samples at set intervals to measure how nutrients are metabolized.

The "live-in diet" sessions are expected to wrap up in mid-2026. Then, with a trove of data from each individual, multiplied across thousands of participants, the project will deploy artificial intelligence to come up with proposed algorithms for determining who should eat what. But that's not the end: A series of studies will have to be conducted to validate those algorithms.

Nicastro is eager to learn what factors are driving individual responses. "It could be genetics, it could be microbiome, it could be something about the environment, and or probably a lot of these things mixed together," she said. The ultimate goal is to enable doctors or dietitians to test for certain factors and then produce a personalized eating plan.

Meanwhile, the first four participants, settled back at home with their lime-green souvenir water bottles, are already finding themselves making changes in their diet. Cashell loved the third diet so much she's trying to recreate the recipes in her kitchen. Hamdorf noticed that during the experiment he never felt hungry, yet looked forward to each meal — and realized he needed to eat more, and drink more water. Matthiess and Carter are trying to eat less in the evening and include more fruits and nuts.

All were gratified to have been part of the study.

"You don't have many opportunities to contribute to important scientific research," Carter said. "And I feel lucky that I am able to do that."

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**NOTICE OF FILING, PUBLIC HEARING, AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

D.P.U. 24-39 April 4, 2024

Petition of the Town of Southbridge for Approval by the Department of Public Utilities of its Municipal Aggregation Plan, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 134.

On February 9, 2024, the Town of Southbridge ("Town") filed a request with the Department of Public Utilities ("Department") for approval of a municipal aggregation plan pursuant to G.L. c. 164, §134. General Laws c. 164, § 134 authorizes a municipality to procure electric supply on behalf of consumers within its municipal borders through a municipal aggregation program ("Program"). Eligible electricity consumers not already enrolled with a competitive electric supplier would be automatically enrolled in the Program unless they chose to opt-out, in which case they would continue to receive basic service provided by their electric distribution company, Massachusetts Electric Company d/b/a National Grid. The Department docketed this matter as D.P.U. 24-39.

The Town has retained Good Energy, L.P. to serve as its consultant in this proceeding and to assist in the implementation of the Program. The Town seeks a waiver on its own behalf and on behalf of the competitive electric supplier(s) chosen for the Program, of certain information disclosure requirements contained in G.L. c. 164, § 1F(6) and 220 CMR 11.06(4)(c).

The Department will conduct a virtual public hearing to receive comments on the Town's filing. The Department will conduct the hearing using Zoom videoconferencing on **May 8, 2024**, beginning at 2:00 p.m. Attendees can join by entering the link, https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82503834626, from a computer, smartphone, or tablet. No prior software download is required. For audio-only access to the hearings, attendees can dial in at 1 646 931 3860 (**not toll free**) and then enter the **Meeting ID #825 0383 4626**. If you anticipate providing comments via Zoom during the public hearing, to the extent possible, please send an email by the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **May 7, 2024**, to Lauren.Morris@mass.gov with your name, email address, and mailing address.

Alternatively, any person who desires to comment on this matter may submit written comments to the Department via email no later than the close of business (5:00 p.m.) on **May 8, 2024**. To the extent a person wishes to submit comments in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed below, is sufficient.

All written comments or other documents should be submitted to the Department in **PDF format** by e-mail attachment to dpu.efiling@mass.gov and Lauren.Morris@mass.gov. In addition, all written comments should be emailed to counsel for the Town, Laura Olton, Esq., at laura@lsoenergyadvisors.com. The text of the e-mail must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.P.U. 24-39); (2) the name of the person or company submitting the filing; and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. All documents submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's website as soon as practicable at http://www.mass.gov/dpu. The e-mail must also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Importantly, all large files must be broken down into electronic files that do not exceed 20MB.

At this time, all filings will be submitted only in electronic format in recognition of the difficulty that parties and the Department may have filing and receiving original copies. Ordinarily, parties would follow Sections B.1 and B.4 of the Department's Standard Ground Rules regarding the filing of original paper versions (D.P.U. 15-184-A, App. 1 (March 4, 2020)). However, until further notice, parties must retain the original paper version and the Department will later determine when the paper version must be filed with the Department Secretary.

The filing and all subsequent related documents submitted to the Department or issued by the Department will be available on the Department's website as referenced above as soon as is practicable at https://eeaonline.eea.state.ma.us/DPU/Fileroom/dockets/bynumber (enter "24-39"). To the extent a person or entity wishes to submit comments in accordance with this Notice, electronic submission, as detailed above, is sufficient. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), contact the Department's ADA coordinator at Andrea.R.Casul@mass.gov.

For further information regarding the Town's filing, please contact the Town's attorney, identified above. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Lauren Morris, Hearing Officer, Department of Public Utilities, at Lauren.Morris@mass.gov.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Robert Emmet Riley to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Mortgage Network, Inc., dated January 17, 2018 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 70536, Page 112, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Mortgage Network, Incorporated, its successors and assigns to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, recorded on June 22, 2021, in Book No. 78065, at Page 575

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 9:00 AM on May 15, 2024, on the mortgaged premises located at 8 Hadley Street, Unit 2, 8 Hadley Street Condominium, Medford, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
The unit conveyed is laid out as shown on a plan filed in said Registry of Deeds, which plan is a copy of a portion of the plans filed with said Master Deeds and to which is affixed a verified statement in the form provided in M.G.L. Ch.183A, Section 9. It is subject to and with the benefit of the obligations, restrictions, rights and liabilities contained in General Laws Chapter 183A, the Master Deed and the Declaration of Trust recorded in Book 48519, Pace 391, including the By-Laws and the rule and regulations filed therein, and as they may be modified by the Condominium Trust. The Condominium and each of the units is intended for residential purposes and other uses permitted by the applicable Zoning Ordinances and as set forth in the Master Deed. The undivided percentage interest of the unit conveyed hereunder in the common areas and facilities is 50%.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 64115, Page 244.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

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Present holder of said mortgage

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**NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Aristidis Panakis to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., dated May 27, 2004 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 42955, Page 241, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. to Bank of New York as Trustee for the Certificateholders of CWMBS 2004-12, recorded on February 18, 2009, in Book No. 52250, at Page 540

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., solely as nominee for Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. to The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee (CWMBS 2004-12 MSTR), recorded on September 17, 2015, in Book No. 66087, at Page 134

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 12:00 PM on May 8, 2024, on the mortgaged premises located at 15 Marks Way, Maynard, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
The land with the buildings thereon situated in Maynard. in the County of Middlesex, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, now known and numbered 15 Marks Way. Said premises are shown as lot numbered 20 on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Maynard, Mass.", dated June 23, 1998, recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds as Plan Number 1157 of 1998". Containing 13,052 square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan. Said premises are conveyed subject to and with the benefit of easements, reservations, restrictions and rights of way of record so far as the same are now in force and applicable.

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These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

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**NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Based upon events of default occurring under a certain mortgage executed by Borrower/Mortgagor 614 East 7th Street LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company, delivered to Lender/Mortgagee FTF Lending LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, dated September 27, 2021, and recorded in BK 66370 at PG 1; DOC 107527 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, and in execution of the Consent Judgment Entry and Decree of Mortgage Foreclosure entered on February 21, 2023 in FTF Lending LLC v. 614 East 7th Street LLC, et al., U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston Division, Case 1:22-cv-10768-JCB, Paul E. Saperstein Company, Inc. shall offer for sale at **Public Auction on April 24, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. local time** at 614 East 7th Street, South Boston, MA 02127, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

All the land and improvements thereon consisting of two parcels of land known and numbered as 614 East Seventh Street, South Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts 02127, more particularly described as follows:

PARCEL ONE
A certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon standing, situated in that part of Boston called South Boston, numbered 614 East Seventh Street, being the seventh house in a block of seven brick houses, counting Easterly from K Street, bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the Northerly side of Seventh Street, opposite the centre of a brick partition wall between the house on the granted premises and the house adjoining next Westerly and thence running.

EASTERLY: on Seventh Street, Nineteen (19) feet to an eight foot passageway, thence

NORTHERLY: by said passageway, Sixty-Six (66) feet, Six (6) inches; thence about

NORTHERLY-NORTH WESTERLY: Eleven (11) feet, Six (6) inches; thence about

NORTHERLY: Eleven (11) feet, Nine (9) inches; thence

SOUTHERLY: through the centre of said partition wall, Ninety (90) feet to the point of beginning.

Reserving a passageway Eight (8) feet wide along the rear of the granted Premises, the same to be forever kept open for the use, in common with all the owners and occupants for the time being of the said seven brick houses and granting a right to use, in common with the others, two other passageways each Eight (8) feet wide leading out of the first above described passageway, one along the Westerly side and the other along the Easterly side of said block of houses on Seventh Street.
Being the same Premises conveyed to the Grantor by Deed of Marie E. Gearin dated June 16, 1999 recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 23910, Page 144.

PARCEL TWO
About 1904 square feet of land on the Northerly side of a passagewayfrom the Northerly side of East Seventh Street in that part of Boston known as South Boston and at a point commencing at the Northeast side of said passageway in the rear of #614 East Seventh Street.

SOUTHERLY: 47.6 feet to land formerly owned by Mary Strazdas, thence at a right angle

WESTERLY: 40 feet to rear of an adjoining estate now or formerly of Francesca Zangla numbered 609 East Sixth Street; thence at a right angle

NORTHERLY: 47.6 feet; thence

EASTERLY: at a right angle 40 feet to the point of beginning.

This conveyance is made with all rights to free use of passageway as recorded in Book 3272, Page 225. Being the same Premises conveyed to the Grantor by Feed of Marie E. Gearin dated June 16, 1999 recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 23910, Page 147.

For Grantor's title, see Deed recorded herewith. Address(es): 614 East 7th Street, South Boston, MA 02127 (Parcel ID 0702274000)

The description of the Property appearing in the mortgage to be foreclosed shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

For Mortgagor's Title, see Deed recorded in BK 66369 at PG 341; DOC 107526.

The Property will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the Deed.

TERMS OF SALE: The foreclosure sale shall occur at the Property. The successful bidder shall tender a non-refundable earnest money deposit towards the purchase price of $20,000.00, by bank check or certified check, at the time and place of sale. Said deposit may be held at the option of the Mortgagee as liquidated damages for any default by the successful bidder. The balance shall be paid within 30 days from the date of sale. Deed shall be provided to successful bidder for recording upon receipt of the full balance of the purchase price. The successful bidder shall be required to sign a Memorandum of Sale at the time of sale containing the terms herein and any additional terms as set forth in the Memorandum of Sale or as announced at the sale.

In the event the successful bidder at the Public Auction fails to perform in the time specified to purchase the Property, the Mortgagee reserves the right, at its sole election, to sell the Property by foreclosure deed to the other qualified bidders, in descending order beginning with the next highest bidder, provided that in each case the next highest bidder delivers to Mortgagee the amount of the required deposit within 3 business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and promptly executes a Memorandum of Sale providing for performance within 30 days of execution. The Mortgagee also reserves the right, at its sole election, to assume the bid of any defaulting or declining bidder. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

For inquiries concerning the Public Auction, please contact Paul E. Saperstein Co. at www.pesco.com.

FTF Lending, LLC, present holder of mortgage, by its Attorneys, Gingo Palumbo Law Group, LLC, Michael J. Palumbo, Esq., 4700 Rockside Rd, Ste 440, Independence, OH 44131, (216) 503-9512, michael@gplawllc.com, and Hackett Feinberg PC, Lauren A. Solar, Esq., 155 Federal St, Fl 9, Boston, MA 02110, (617) 422-0200, las@bostonbusinesslaw.com.

**NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

Based upon events of default occurring under a certain mortgage executed by Borrower/Mortgagor 596 East 7th Street LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company, delivered to Lender/Mortgagee FTF Lending LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, dated April 2, 2021, and recorded in BK 65172 at PG 219; DOC 37511 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, and in execution of the Consent Judgment Entry and Decree of Mortgage Foreclosure entered on February 10, 2023 in *FTF Lending LLC v. 596 East 7th Street LLC, et al.*, U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston Division, Case 1:22-cv- 10764-JGD, Paul E. Saperstein Company, Inc. shall offer for sale at **Public Auction on April 24, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. local time** at 596 East 7th Street, South Boston, MA 02127, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon numbered 596 East Seventh Street in South Boston, bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point on the Northerly side of Seventh Street opposite the middle of the partition wall between the house on the granted premises and Lot Three (3) on the hereinafter mentioned Plan, said point being distant only by estimation One Hundred Ninety-Seven and One-Half feet (197.5) from the Northeasterly corner of K and Seventh Street, thence running

NORTHERLY through the middle of said partition wall, One Hundred Twenty-Five (125) feet; thence turning at a right angle and running

EASTERLY parallel with Seventh Street, Twenty-Two and One-Half (22.5) feet, to land now or late of Bailey; thence turning at a right angle and running

SOUTHERLY parallel with K Street, One Hundred Twenty-Five (125) feet to Seventh Street; thence turning and running on said Seventh Street

WESTERLY Twenty-Two and One-Half (22.5) feet to the point of beginning.

Comprising Lot 4 on a Plan drawn by Henry W. Wilson, Surveyor, for Daniel W. Beckler dated March 30, 1868.

For Grantor's title, see Deed recorded herewith.

Address(es): 596 East 7th Street, South Boston, MA 02127 (Parcel ID 0702282000)

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For Mortgagor's Title, see Deed recorded in BK 65172 at PG 216; DOC 37510.

The Property will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the Deed.

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A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in that part of said Boston, called South Boston, being the Estate Numbered 594, on East Seventh Street, and bounded and described as follows:

SOUTH: by said East Seventh Street, Twenty-One (21) feet;

WEST: by land formerly of Beckler, One Hundred and Twenty-Five feet;

NORTH: by land Connerly of Beckler, Twenty-One (21) feet: and

EAST: by land formerly of Beckler, by a line running through the partition wall, One Hundred and Twenty-Five feet.

A strip of land of the Premises Eighteen inches wide on the Westerly side, make part of a passageway Eight feet wide, which passageway is common to the granted land.

Said Premises are hereby conveyed subject to the restrictions mentioned in Deed of Trustees of the Hawes Fund in Boston to Daniel W. Beckler, dated October 26, 1867, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Book 910, Page 121, insofar as the same are now in force and applicable.

For Grantor's title, see Deed recorded herewith.

Address(es): 594 East 7th Street, South Boston, MA 02127 (Parcel ID 0702283000)

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For Mortgagor's Title, see Deed recorded in BK 65172 at PG 262; DOC 37515.

The Property will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the Deed.not reference to such restrictions, easements, applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or encumbrances of record which are in force and are other municipal assessments or liens or existing taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens,

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**(SEAL)**
**THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**
**LAND COURT**
**DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT**
**Docket Number: 24 SM 001460**
**ORDER OF NOTICE**

To: Ronald I. Lawrence; Lauren M. Lawrence

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Dedham Institution for Savings

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Dorchester (Boston), numbered 211 East Cottage Street, Unit 3, 211 East Cottage Street Condominium, given by Ronald I. Lawrence, Lauren M. Lawrence to Dedham Institution for Savings, dated March 10, 2017, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 57672, Page 330, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 27, 2024, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on April 11, 2024.

Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
25733

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That certain parcel of land situated in that part of Boston called South Boston in the County of Suffolk end Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by East Fourth Street, Twenty and 73/100 (20.73) feet;

WESTERLY by land now or formerly of Nellie I. Roberts, One Hundred Twenty-Five (125) feet;

NORTHERLY by lands now or formerly of Gertrude M. McAuliffe and of Cornelius J. Collins et al, Twenty and 26/100 (20.26) feet; and

EASTERLY by land now or formerly of Mary E. Moffett, One Hundred Twenty-Five (125) feet; the line running in part through the middle of a wall.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Court to be located as shown upon Plan Numbered 16091-A, filed with Certificate of Title No. 35012, the same being compiled from a Plan drawn by T.B. Kenney, Civil Engineer, dated March 21, 1936, and additional data on file in the Land Registration Office, all as modified and approved by the Court.

For Grantor's title, see Deed recorded herewith.

Address(es): 746 East 4th Street, South Boston, MA 02127 (Parcel ID 0602630000)

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS –**
**M.G.L. C. 30, sec. 39M CONSTRUCTION**
**ADVERTISEMENT OF INVITATION FOR BIDS**
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**
**DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION and RECREATION**
**10 Park Plaza, Suite 6620. Boston, MA 02116**
**PHONE: 617-626-1250**
**www.mass.gov/dcr**

Contract No. P24-3552-M3A
Title: Arboricultural & Related Services, Including Parkways, Roadways, and other DCR managed Properties
Location: Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Dukes, Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Nantucket, Norfolk, Plymouth, Suffolk, Worcester

GENERAL BID proposals shall be submitted on a form furnished by the Department and will be received until 12:00PM Thursday May 9, 2024 through DCR's E-bid room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36765/home.

Individual sets of contract documents will only be available on DCR's E-bid room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36765/home.

If any addenda are issued throughout the open period for this project, DCR will distribute these addenda via Bid Express, which will also email identified prospective at the time plans and specifications are issued.

A pre-bidding conference for prospective bidders will not be held. Questions will be received up until 12:00 PM May 1, 2024. Please email questions to mackenzie.hyldburg@mass.gov All questions will be answered via an addendum shortly after May 1, 2024.

The project consists of tree care such as pruning, maintenance and removal as needed along DCR properties and parkways as assigned.

The estimated project cost is **$3,000,000.**

The work is to be accomplished within 730 calendar days of a notice to proceed. Liquidated damages in the amount of $1,000 per day will be assessed if the work has not been completed in accordance with the provisions of the contract within the time specified (as extended by any authorized extension of time granted in accordance with the contract provisions).

Bidders must be pre-qualified by the Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division in **TREE TRIMMING, MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL** to bid on the above project. An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not pre-qualified by MassDOT prior to the opening of Proposals.

The proposed contract includes a combined requirement of 10.4% of the bid price for minority-owned business enterprises and women-owned business enterprises. Proposed MBE/WBE plans that include solely MBE or solely WBE , or do not include a reasonable amount by both MBE and WBE firms to meet the combined requirements, will not be considered responsive.

The applicable local minority workforce utilization percentage is a minimum goal of 15.3%.
The applicable local women workforce utilization percentage is a minimum goal of 6.9%.

The Commonwealth requires participation of Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises ("VOBE") on its construction projects. The Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise participation benchmark for this contract is 3.0%.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit, in the form of a bid bond, cash, certified check, or a treasurer's or cashier's check issued by a responsible bank or trust company, payable to the Department of Conservation and Recreation in the amount of 5% of the bid.

Each bid must be submitted through DCR's E-Bid room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36765/home . Please ensure that your bid is complete and marked as responsive when submitting through DCR's Bid room. Any bids found to be incomplete and/or marked unresponsive will be rejected by DCR and will not be considered when awarding the project.

Bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. Ch. 30, Sect. 39F, G, H and M inclusive. Wages are subject to minimum wage rates as per M.G.L. Ch. 149, sections 26 to 27D inclusive. The Department reserves the right to waive any informalities in or to reject any and all bids if it be in the public interest to do so.

Brian M. Arrigo
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Pursuant to General Law Chapter 138, S15A or Chapter 140, S6, notice is hereby given that the Newton Licensing Board will hold a public hearing via Zoom Meeting at 7:30PM on Tuesday, April 30th, 2024.

**Name of Corporation and D/B/A:** DSPL inc dba Sycamore
**Business Address:** 755 Beacon St, Newton, MA 02459
**Phone No.:** 6172444445
**Reason for Application:** Change of Premises
**Days and Hours of Operation:** Monday-Sunday 4:30pm-12am
**Give Detailed Description of Premises, i.e.; location of all entrances and exits:** Restaurant on the first floor with front door entrance/exit on Beacon St. and rear entrance/exit to rear alley. Basement area for employees and storage approximately 3,080 sq/ft for both restaurant and basement. Front patio approximately 200sq/ft located directly in front of restaurant.

Information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting:
Newton Board of License Commissioners, Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 or by calling (617) 796-1420. To join meeting, on Tuesday, April 30th, 2024 at 7:30PM, please join Zoom Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86086505372?pwd=N0xQYUh2d0tXZ2FHcTgvd093UUJPZz09

Meeting ID: 860 8650 5372
Passcode: 575489

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ALL MEETINGS START AT 7:30PM
BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS
Dina E. Conlin, Chair – Shawn Fitzgibbons – James Cote
ALCOHOL APPLICATION – REQUIRES SUBMISSION OF ORIGINAL NEWSPAPER NOTICE
LEGAL NOTICE MUST BE PLACED AND PAID FOR BY THE APPLICANT

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Based upon events of default occurring under a certain mortgage executed by Borrower/Mortgagor 603 Dot Ave LLC, a Massachusetts limited liability company, delivered to Lender/Mortgagee FTF Lending LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, dated June 10, 2021, and recorded in BK 65654 at PG 284; DOC 65373 with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, and in execution of the Consent Judgment Entry and Decree of Mortgage Foreclosure entered on February 16, 2023 in *FTF Lending LLC v. 603 Dot Ave LLC, et al.*, U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston Division, Case 1:22-cv-10677-JCB, Paul E. Saperstein Company, Inc. shall offer for sale at **Public Auction on April 24, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. local time** at 603 Dorchester Avenue, South Boston, MA 02127, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land in Boston (South Boston District), Massachusetts, formerly known as Washington Mall, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, being the Premises Numbered 1 Andrew Square, 4 and 6 Boston Street and 601 and 603 Dorchester Avenue, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on Dorchester Avenue at the Southeasterly comer of the Premises;

Thence running Northwesterly by land now or late of Edward McKenchie, Sixty-Six and 52/100 (66.52) feet;

Thence turning and running Northeasterly on Boston (formerly Dorchester) Street, Seventy-Six and 10/100 (76.10) feet;

Thence turning and running in a curved line, Forty-Six and 94/100 (46.94) feet;

Thence turning and running Southwesterly on Dorchester Avenue, Seventy-Six and 10/100 (76,10) feet to the point of beginning. Containing 4,074 square feet more or less.

Said Premises are shown on a Plan by L. Briggs dated September 20, 1870, recorded with Suffolk Deeds Book 1018, Page 38.

Said Premises are conveyed subject to zoning regulations and building restrictions under or by virtue of any law or ordinance or by any other lawful action of municipal or public authority, in so far as the same are now in effect and applicable and said premises are conveyed subject to the rights, if any, acquired by any utility company to maintain and operate main, lines, wires, cables, poles or distributions boxes, in, under, over or upon said Premises; subject also to easements and restrictions of record, if any thereby and in so far as the same are now in force and applicable.

For Grantor's title, see Deed recorded in BK 58003 at PG 89, as well as that Confirmatory Deed recorded in BK 63386 at PG 50.

Address(es): 603 Dorchester Avenue, South Boston, MA 02127 (Parcel ID 0703383000)

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For Mortgagor's Title, see Deed recorded in BK 63386 at PG 54; DOC 58058.

The Property will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the Deed.

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Contract No: P24-3543-M6A
Title: HAVC/R Maintenance
Location: Statewide

GENERAL BID proposals shall be submitted on a form furnished by the Department and will be received until **12:00 PM Thursday May 9th, 2024** through DCR's E-bid room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36765/home.

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In the event that any addenda are issued throughout the open period for this project, DCR will distribute these addenda via Bid Express, which will also email identified prospective at the time plans and specifications are issued.

**A pre-bidding conference for prospective bidders will be held at 10:00AM on Wednesday May 1 st , 2024, at the DCR's Steriti Rink, 561 Commercial Street, Boston, Ma 02109**

**The project consists of providing the DCR with continuous service, maintenance, replacement, and/or new installation of any HVAC/R related service equipment throughout Massachusetts. This contract is a 24hr/day, 7day/week, including holidays, weekends, off-hour work, and/or working through State emergencies.**

The estimated project: $4,200,000.00

The work is to be accomplished within **1,095 calendar days** of a notice to proceed. Liquidated damages in the amount of **$500.00 per day** will be assessed if the work has not been completed in accordance with the provisions of the contract within the time specified (as extended by any authorized extension of time granted in accordance with the contract provisions).

The proposed contract includes a combined **requirement** of 10.4% of the bid price for minority-owned business enterprises and women-owned business enterprises. Proposed MBE/WBE participation plans that include solely MBE or solely WBE, or do not include a reasonable amount by both MBE and WBE firms to meet the combined requirements, will not be considered responsive.

The applicable local minority workforce utilization percentage is a minimum **requirement** of 15.3%. The applicable local women workforce utilization percentage is a minimum requirement of 6.9%.

The Commonwealth requires participation of Veteran-Owned Business Enterprises ("VOBE") on its construction projects. The Veteran-Owned Business Enterprise benchmark for this contract is 3.0%.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid deposit, payable to the Department of Conservation and Recreation in the amount of 5% of the bid. Bid Bonds must be submitted electronically, please ensure your company and your bonding agent's company register with one of the Bid Bond agencies affiliated with Bid Express: If you need additional assistance, please call the **Bid Express Customer Support Team at 888-352-2439**, available Monday - Friday from 7:00am – 8:00pm (EST). You can also email the team support@bidexpress.com or refer to the Vendor Resource page

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All Bidders for this project are required to be certified with the Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) for HVAC and must submit with the bid an update of their respective qualifications.

Brian M. Arrigo
Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Pursuant to General Law Chapter 138, S15A or Chapter 140, S6, notice is hereby given that the Newton Licensing Board will hold a public hearing via Zoom Meeting at 7:30PM on Tuesday, April 30th, 2024.

**Name of Corporation and D/B/A:** Walville LLC dba Little Big Diner
**Business Address:** 1247 Centre St, Newton, MA 02459
**Phone No.:** 8574040068
**Reason for Application:** Change of Premises
**Days and Hours of Operation:** Monday-Sunday 11am-12am
**Give Detailed Description of Premises, i.e.; location of all entrances and exits:** Ground floor facing Centre St consisting of 695 sq/ft on the first floor and 695 sq/ft in the basement below ground floor. Front main entrance/exit to Centre St and rear egress to rear parking lot. Front patio approximately 175 sq/ft located in front of the Restaurant.

Information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting:
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**Contract No:** P24-3555-C1A
**Title:** Castle Island Playground Renovation
**Location:** William J Day Boulevard, Boston, Mass 02127

GENERAL BID proposals shall be submitted on a form furnished by the Department and will be received until 12:00 PM on Thursday, May 16, 2024 through DCR's E-bid room at www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36765/home.

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If any addenda are issued throughout the open period for this project, DCR will distribute these addenda via Bid Express, which will also email identified prospective at the time plans and specifications are issued.

A pre-bidding conference for prospective bidders will be held on-site Wednesday, April 25, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. All Questions Must be received by Thursday May 2 at noon.

DCR will respond thru addenda week of May 6th.

The estimated project cost is **$ 600,000.00**

The work is to be accomplished within 150 calendar days of a notice to proceed. Liquidated damages in the amount of $500.00 per day will be assessed if the work has not been completed in accordance with the provisions of the contract within the time specified (as extended by any authorized extension of time granted in accordance with the contract provisions).

Bidders must be pre-qualified by the Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation (MassDOT) Highway Division in Recreational Facilities to bid on the above project. An award will not be made to a Cont

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EDITORIAL

## State commits to moving 2,400 people out of nursing homes

Occasionally, a lawsuit prompts a policy shift that will improve thousands of lives. That's just what happened Tuesday.

Governor Maura Healey's Executive Office of Health and Human Services moved to settle a lawsuit, Marsters v. Healey, with a promise to move at least 2,400 people with disabilities from nursing homes back into the community over the next eight years. State officials estimate they will spend $1 billion over that period on housing, counseling, and other services to help people leave nursing facilities.

Healey, in a statement, called the settlement "a natural next step forward as our administration expands community living options available for individuals residing in nursing facilities."

Steven Schwartz, special counsel with the Center for Public Representation, who represented the plaintiffs, called the agreement "spectacular" and said it will make a big difference in giving nursing home residents the support and the information they need to move out. "So many people prefer to remain in their own homes with families or with communities," Schwartz said. "Once they're given both information about choices and real options, I think a very significant percentage of people in nursing homes will likely choose to be in the community."

In the long term, there will likely be money saved as people move out of nursing homes into less expensive forms of care, like community-based supports.

The Massachusetts Senior Action Council and a group of nursing home residents with physical and mental disabilities sued the state in 2022. They said the state was violating the Americans with Disabilities Act by unnecessarily institutionalizing people with disabilities rather than providing sufficient home- and community-based services.

Similar lawsuits filed under previous governors had resulted in the transition of thousands of people with brain injuries and intellectual and developmental disabilities from nursing homes into community settings, and this board had urged the Healey administration to reach a similar settlement.

The 54-page settlement agreement filed in US District Court in Massachusetts, which still needs a judge's approval, includes serious commitments by the administration to help move people with disabilities who want to leave nursing homes into their communities.

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The administration will expand programs that provide transition counseling to nursing home residents, advising them of their rights and options and helping them develop plans to move. Every nursing home will be assigned a team to provide counseling and casework. Residents will be given help locating housing and offered opportunities to visit community-based programs and service providers. Services will be provided in a "linguistically and culturally competent" way.

Of course, moving back into the community is only possible if there's a place to go. With Massachusetts facing a housing crisis that will likely make it hard for seniors to find new homes, the state has committed to expanding funding for housing programs for this population. It will add beds in group homes and expand supportive living services. It will add 800 new subsidized housing opportunities, including a mix of funding to support the development of new units and new vouchers to help people afford existing units. There will be a rental voucher program designated specifically for people with disabilities seeking to transition to the community. Money will be earmarked for home modifications for people moving into their own or a family member's home.

The US Department of Justice is also investigating whether the state violated the Americans with Disabilities Act by not transitioning people out of institutions, and the court settlement, if approved, could likely help resolve that investigation as well.

The challenge with any legal settlement is that while the administration can agree to a settlement, the Legislature must fund it. Lawmakers have generally been committed to funding legal settlements, and they should expeditiously fund this one in accordance with any budget requests Healey submits.

John Simmons, a 73-year-old man with multiple medical conditions, used to live independently in Boston with a subsidized housing voucher. He ran his own errands, occasionally ate out, spent time with family and friends, and attended his medical appointments, according to a court brief. But after multiple hospitalizations, he lost the housing voucher, moved in with his sister in Fall River, then landed in a nursing home following another hospitalization. In the nursing home, Simmons' depression increased, and he missed spending time outdoors. He applied for a state waiver that would have given him support to live independently in the community, but there was a long waiting list.

Simmons was the lead plaintiff of the lawsuit when it was filed. He died in the nursing home waiting to move. But his legacy will live on when others in similar positions are able to return to their homes and their communities through the resources made available by this settlement.

## National Association of Realtors must be held accountable for more than just commissions

By Michael Seward

The National Association of Realtors recently agreed to a $418 million settlement resulting from the cooperative system that determined the commission buyers' and sellers' agents receive. The settlement gives consumers more negotiating power when buying or selling a home, but NAR's influence over commission structures is a minor aspect of a much more insidious influence over housing in America. NAR's influence extends to every level of government, and the results aren't necessarily in the best interest of the public.

NAR policy pursuits over the past century have contributed to the challenges we all face today: high rents, high home prices, the housing shortage, exclusionary zoning, economic inequality, and even the repeal of Roe v. Wade. The Center for Responsive Politics has consistently ranked NAR's spending near or at the top of its list of lobbying spenders. NAR has also spent tens of millions of dollars annually on political campaigns through its super PAC. Realtors sit on state government bodies that regulate all real estate agents.

I've been a member of NAR for over 20 years and have benefited greatly from the educational opportunities it provides. There are many fine and dedicated realtors throughout the country who work hard for their clients and their communities. Most realtors are not directly involved in the political activity of the association, although a portion of our dues is used for that purpose.

NAR has framed housing policy for its own benefit for over 100 years; policy that has contributed to the housing shortage, which has raised rents and home prices beyond reach for so many today. Exclusionary zoning in the Commonwealth started with the racist practices of real estate agents a century ago, which also informed racist federal policies like redlining. It was only in 2020 that NAR formally apologized for practices that helped shape the racist housing policies of the past, the legacy of which continues to plague underserved communities to this day.

NAR also continues to defend the mortgage interest deduction, a homeowner subsidy that allows for the tax deduction of mortgage interest. The deduction has been criticized by economists for disproportionally benefitting wealthier homeowners, encouraging the construction of large homes, and contributing to economic inequality.

NAR also makes significant campaign contributions to incumbents supportive of its policies through its super PAC, known as the NAR's Congressional Fund. NAR isn't as transparent with its members about the super PAC as it is with RPAC, a regular political action committee. In fact, information about the super PAC is almost impossible to come by outside of FEC filings. The 62 percent of NAR's members who are women are probably unaware of how NAR super PAC spending contributed to the repeal of Roe v. Wade.

The Center for Responsive Politics shows that NAR's super PAC contributed over $2 million to Republican Senator Mitch McConnell of Kentucky in 2014, when he faced a strong challenger. It was NAR's largest contribution that election cycle, because McConnell was poised to become Senate majority leader. McConnell would abuse his role in that position by refusing to hold hearings for then-President Barack Obama's nominee to the Supreme Court, Merrick Garland. He would later usher in three associate justices, nominated by then-President Donald Trump, who eventually voted in the majority to repeal Roe v. Wade. NAR's political spending helped make it happen, to the detriment of the majority of its members.

NAR also made a concerted effort to preserve Republican control of the Senate in 2020, which was under threat. Republican Senators Susan Collins of Maine and David Perdue of Georgia both faced strong challengers, and NAR contributed more than $2 million to Collins and more than $3 million to Perdue. They were NAR's top two contributions that election cycle, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

In Massachusetts, realtor officers serve on the Commonwealth's Board of Registration of Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons, which is responsible for enforcing the rules of all real estate agents. So there is no separation between the private interests of NAR and the public's interests. That is because NAR drafted the first model licensing law in 1918, which was adopted by many states throughout the 1920s. That's right, the trade group predates licensing.

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As current NAR president Kevin Sears was rising through the ranks of one of the nation's most powerful lobbying groups, he was also serving as the chair of the Commonwealth's regulatory body. In 2022, the chair of the state board who succeeded Sears, Peter Ruffini, was married to the president of the Massachusetts Association of Realtors. Ruffini is currently both the president of the Realtor Association of Pioneer Valley and the chair of the board of registration. The conflict of interest is self-evident. Those of us who make a living selling homes shouldn't have such power over housing policy. It's not in the public's best interest. NAR needs to be made more accountable.

The Legislature should revise real estate licensure law to address any conflict of interest between the realtor trade organization and the public. NAR's settlement significantly empowers consumers. The state board of registration already mandates an agency disclosure form and home inspection facts for consumers. New mandatory forms that educate consumers of their options in light of NAR's settlement terms will be necessary, like a home shopper's right to know how much their agent will be paid beforehand.

News outlets should devote more attention to the political activity of NAR. A powerful group of real estate agents should not be informing housing policy behind closed doors. NAR advertises itself as a champion of homeownership and property rights, but it does so on its own terms. The public should have a louder voice. News coverage should also include how much NAR is spending on political campaigns in addition to the who, the why, and the implications.

Our nation's housing policy has been largely influenced and determined by real estate agents. We can do better.

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**Flowers with a ribbon reading "RIP" were seen following a stabbing attack at Westfield Shopping Centre on April 14, in Bondi Junction, Australia.**

**RENÉE GRAHAM**

# No man is entitled to a woman's companionship

He bypassed the men and attacked the women.

By the time an assailant's stabbing spree at a Sydney, Australia, mall on Saturday was over, six people — five of them women — were dead. So was a male security guard who tried to stop the bloody assault. More than a dozen others, most of them female, were wounded, including the 9-month-old daughter of a woman who died.

It was "obvious" from video footage of the attack that Joel Cauchi, 40, "focused on women and avoided the men," Karen Webb, a South Wales state police commissioner, said. He was shot and killed by a police officer.

Speaking to reporters, Andrew Cauchi blamed his son's rampage on mental illness and the fact that he "wanted a girlfriend and he's got no social skills and he was frustrated out of his brain."

That's not a motive. That's victim blaming. Women's safety and lives are too high a price to pay for a man's ego and his egregious sense of entitlement to their attention.

These are the Sydney mall victims: Dawn Singleton, 25; Yixuan Cheng, 27; Ashlee Good, 38; Jade Young, 47; Pikria Darchia, 55; and Faraz Tahir, 30, the security guard.

Police ruled out terrorism as a motive, saying that the attacker was not driven by "ideology." But they're missing a bigger point. Violent misogyny is an ideology and, in its broadest definition, is an act of terrorism against women. For years, there have been warnings about "incels," a subculture of men who consider themselves burdened with "involuntary celibacy" because they cannot have the women they find most desirable. Some have committed mass killings.

Nearly 10 years ago, a 22-year-old man murdered seven people and wounded several others in Isla Vista, a California community. After he died by suicide, police found a video in which he railed against women who he believed had shunned him and vowed to take revenge against them. He's become a role model sanctified among like-minded men.

Even a cursory web search finds story after story about women who were killed by a man who believed that having their unwanted advances rebuffed was an offense worthy of her execution. So-called influencers who preach that women "belong" to men and that feminism emasculates men have garnered followers in the millions, including many teenage boys. One of the most prominent is now facing multiple charges including rape and human trafficking.

It's anti-women hate borne long before the rise of social media, but one that has found an inexhaustible mainline there. And one need not inhabit its more insidious corners to encounter it — many sites are rife with it. A short video clip currently making the rounds across various sites shows a bearded man, a self-described "a professional dating coach," sitting in his car. He looks into the camera and, with his fingertips pressed together in a universal gesture of mansplaining, he emphasizes every word: "You do not have to accept her rejection."

Nearly every comment or reply I've read claps back with some version of "Yes, you do!" or cracks about an imminent arrest. But there are probably just as many men hanging on this person's every idiotic word and taking notes because he claims he can "teach guys how to understand the female mind."

Women aren't puzzles to be deciphered by men who refuse to comprehend that no means no. But just as this nation refuses to take the epidemic of domestic violence seriously, there's little discussion about how boys and young men are often socialized, through various influences ranging from pop culture to religion, that women are subservient to men and exist purely for a man's pleasure and dominance.

Except for the use of a knife, the mass killings in Sydney feel sickeningly American. But no nation has cornered the market — or properly addressed — violence against women with the urgency it deserves. Each incident is wrongly regarded as an isolated act instead of part of a larger pattern of unchecked misogyny that endangers girls and women, then blames them for the violence they face.

But that's what happens when men — and not just influencers but Republican politicians and the judges who protect their detrimental policies— believe that women who dare to exercise agency over their choices and bodies deserve to be punished.

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**JEFF JACOBY**

# Happy about your IRS refund? Don't be.

Like most Americans, I got my taxes filed before this week's Tax Day deadline. And like most Americans, I got money back from the IRS. You probably did too. After all, nearly two-thirds of tax returns result in a refund.

That's not a good thing.

Many Americans have come to regard their tax refund as a plum to look forward to each spring, a windfall that compensates to some degree for the hassle of getting their tax returns completed and filed. In reality, the refunds sent to them by the Internal Revenue Service are nothing more than the belated repayment of interest-free loans made to the government in the form of excessive taxes withheld from their paychecks. They're getting back money they never owed in the first place. That doesn't represent a windfall, it represents a loss — the loss of everything they could have done with their money if they'd had access to it, and the loss of purchasing power eroded by inflation. It shouldn't make anyone happy to overpay their taxes.

This wouldn't be an issue if Americans were free to pay their taxes the way they pay for electricity, tuition, child care, groceries, or anything else — namely, by drawing money from their bank account and remitting the amount due to their creditors. But when it comes to paying the bill for government, that isn't an option. The vast majority of American workers are never paid the full compensation they're entitled to. Instead their employers are required by law to withhold some of their earnings and send it directly to the IRS.

Most of us are so used to this way of doing things that we hardly notice what a ripoff it is. But Chris Rock noticed. "You don't even pay taxes — they *take* taxes," the celebrated comedian fumed during his "Bigger & Blacker" standup routine. "You get your check, money gone. That ain't a payment, that's a *jack*."

Tax withholding dates from 1943. As the economic historian Robert Higgs has written, it was an emergency wartime measure designed to collect the taxes needed to defeat the Axis.

On the eve of World War II, when only the highest-earning Americans were subject to the federal income tax, fewer than 4 million individual returns were filed. Those taxpayers would write a check to the US Treasury to cover what they owed. "Beginning in 1940, however, the tax burden increased enormously," Higgs recounts. Federal spending soared as the government mobilized for a global war. Taxes were dramatically expanded as well, so much so that by 1945, the number of individuals who had to file tax returns had reached 50 million — a 12-fold increase in just six years.

To ensure the compliance of so many Americans who had never before had to pay federal income taxes, the government devised a technique for making those taxes almost invisible and all but painless: Employers were directed to withhold their workers' taxes "at the source," by skimming off the funds before workers got paid. From Washington's perspective, the new system was ideal: Employees stopped thinking about the dollars being extracted from their pay each week because they never saw those dollars. Withheld taxes were relegated to the fine print at the bottom of their pay stubs, and Americans got used to thinking of their take-home pay as their "real" income. When the tax deadline came around each April, most people owed nothing more to the IRS. Many even received a refund of overpaid taxes, which turned Tax Day into something almost pleasant.

If, to quote an old aphorism, taxation is the art of plucking the goose without making it squeal, then the Treasury Department policymakers who implemented tax withholding were virtuosi. Their brainstorm not only anesthetized Americans to how much they were paying to support the government, but also to how expensive the government was becoming. The Treasury itself boasts about what withholding accomplished. It not only "greatly eased the collection of the tax," declares an official history of the US tax system, it "greatly reduced the taxpayer's awareness of the amount of tax being collected … which made it easier to raise taxes in the future."

Had withholding been repealed after 1945 and Americans gone back to paying their taxes directly, political pressure to shrink the government and its war-swollen budget would have been irresistible. Alas, withholding remained. As a result, the federal government has grown into a massive and ruinously expensive behemoth, unloved by Americans but paid for by them anyway, with dollars they work for but never get to see.

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## INBOX

### Families facing DCF pressure need legal support now, not later

Re "Programs that help parents keep kids face funding woes" (Page A1, April 10): Jason Laughlin's article highlights that the state public defender's office, the Committee for Public Counsel Services, is receiving $15 million to provide legal supports to families facing involvement with the Department of Children and Families. That the agency has not made a plan for how this money will be used is unacceptable given that poor families, lacking widespread access to legal services, continue to face threats of removal of their children by DCF. If families of means happen to have an abuse or neglect report filed against them, they can and do retain private counsel to fight DCF.

Threats of removal are a common tactic of DCF to compel compliance with tasks the agency deems necessary, irrespective of the barriers many families face in accessing supportive services. The trust fund in which the CPCS money is held explicitly states that the money can be used for "providing prepetition representation and diversion advocacy."

CPCS faces a shortage of appointed counsel once children are removed and the case is in court. It's time to provide the advocacy and support needed to stop the filing of these cases. CPCS needs to stand up a plan for these federal funds immediately.

REBECCA GREENING
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### Health care system eats away at the doctor-patient relationship

Dr. Thea James's remarkable work at Boston Medical Center in addressing structural inequity in medical care as a means of enhancing outcomes brings up an underlying structural problem across the entire medical care system ("Her health equity message being heard," Page A1, April 13). The system economically rewards throughput (the number of patients seen per unit time) and procedures rather than the time needed to develop an open and communicative doctor-patient relationship.

While a good physician might understand the tests and evaluations that are indicated by a presenting medical problem, the excellent clinician knows which tests and evaluations should not be done. This is primarily ascertained by delving into details of the patient's physical, psychological, social, family, and economic history. This process, as James highlights, can lead to collaborative and more effective care.

While insurance companies can easily count the number of patients seen and the number of tests and procedures done, they don't appear to know how to quantify the impact of excellent physicians on promoting health and wellness and avoiding hospitalizations, or the cost savings realized from not performing unneeded tests and procedures.

In addition, the so-called businessification of medicine has driven more physicians toward specialty practices, in which the need for gathering a health history is more narrowly circumscribed and can be done in a relatively shorter time and where the throughput and procedures are amply rewarded.

The economic structure of medical care in the United States must find a way to promote, support, and reward time that general practice physicians, such as providers of family medicine, internal medicine, and pediatrics, spend face-to-face with patients.

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### Blame decades of lawmakers' inaction, not Biden, for border woes

Carine Hajjar's April 7 Ideas piece, "Biden's border bungle is souring America on immigration," focused on the Biden administration as the reason for the problems at the border. I suggest instead that the blame belongs squarely with the last 20 to 25 years of congressional inaction on our outdated immigration laws. The problem has existed through at least five administrations, with each trying to get revised laws considered by Congress. President Biden is not the cause of the current situation.

Hajjar writes that "in February Republicans canned a bipartisan border bill that they said didn't go far enough." It was "fashioned to get tougher on the border and illegal immigration, but it also would have boosted the number of visas for legal immigrants."

What she leaves out is that the majority of Congress supported the bipartisan measure, and it probably would have passed; however, the minority MAGA wing of the House received instruction from its lord and master, Donald Trump, to scuttle the bill, since it would have given Biden a win and might have helped solve the immigration problem in this election year.

Further, the implication that there is resistance to an increase in visas for legal immigration is questionable. Millions of businesses are struggling to find workers, and good orderly immigration could address the demand and help keep the economy growing.

I agree with her closing statement that restoring an appetite for immigration requires restoring order at the border. Congressional revision of Title 8 and other outdated immigration laws is the first step in the process, not building a wall of razor wire.

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### You can kiss our togetherness culture goodbye

Re "Events like the Marathon are vanishing. Enjoy them while you can." (Editorial, April 15): I don't know if anything will bring us together again. As a 62-year-old man raised on newspapers and three channels of TV, I believe the explosion of media makes it unlikely. People are locked into self-imposed electronic cocoons, shouting to be heard.

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# A battle to get the right placement



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**Alicja Frechon (above) felt that her daughter Samantha was doing well at the Fusion Academy in Hingham, but Braintree said the arrangement was only temporary and offered less-attractive alternatives.**

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ber not to reenroll the teen in her special education placement at a private school in Hingham; the town had been paying her tuition there under a federal law that requires districts to cover the cost of privately educating students whose needs they cannot meet.

But this school year, Braintree, in the midst of a budget crisis, is refusing to pay the roughly $90,000 annual tuition for the private school, saying the placement at the Hingham school, which does not employ special educators, was only temporary. Instead, Braintree offered daily tutoring at the town library, away from school, classmates, or any enrichment activities, or at the 1,700-student high school, an overwhelming environment for Samantha, who has multiple disabilities.

Her mother, Alicja Frechon, refused and has been fighting the district since to enroll Samantha back in the Hingham school, where she had been thriving both academically and socially. Frechon alleges Braintree violated Samantha's "stay put" rights, a key tenet of both federal and state special education law. Under the provision, special education students have the right to stay in their current placement while administrators, teachers, therapists, and their parents sort out a disagreement over a potential change.

In a statement, Braintree Superintendent Jim Lee said the district could not address specific questions about Samantha's case because of her privacy rights as a student.

"The Braintree Public Schools is deeply committed to providing every student with a free appropriate public education in accordance with state and federal law," Lee said. "Regarding this specific student, Braintree has at all times acted consistent with its legal obligations and has made available many educational opportunities during the course of the 2023-2024 school year."

Students are meant to be in school, and advocates say the deadlock over Samantha's schooling is an acute failure, especially in the wake of the pandemic, when social isolation and disrupted academics took a toll on so many teens. Samantha's case also sheds light on the historically opaque system around disagreements over special education services, and, advocates say, exemplifies why they've pestered federal officials for years to investigate whether Massachusetts' Education Department provides adequate oversight. (An audit by the federal Office of Special Education Programs of the state's monitoring efforts is expected in June.)

"This scenario is unfortunately not unique," said Ben Tobin, a special education advocate based in Western Massachusetts. "The usual tactics are to delay and drag things out and make them expensive and unpleasant."

For Samantha, the wait has been grueling.

"You feel like you're like the scum of the earth or something, like you're just so useless, that you contribute nothing," she said, shaking her dark hair, cut into a shaggy bob, from her eyes. "The adults have the keys to send me to school, and I can't do anything about it. I just have to sit here."

School was never easy for Samantha.

As a younger girl, she didn't like strangers, loud noises, or people getting too close to her. She grew easily agitated, even combative, and was often the target of bullies. By late elementary school, she was diagnosed with traumatic stress disorder, ADHD, generalized anxiety disorder, and autism. A potent combination, her disabilities made it impossible for her to function in a regular school, a therapist would later determine.

"I was always distracted," she recalled. "I could not focus on my academics. I would not eat for the whole school day, because I was just thinking someone's gonna judge me."

Samantha's anxiety grew debilitating both in and out of school, even requiring her to be hospitalized, her mother said.

But landing at the Hingham private school last year, midway through the seventh grade, felt like a turning point in Samantha's young life. Fusion Academy, selected for Samantha by Braintree after she was bullied at her previous school, specializes in one-on-one instruction. She could tell her teachers cared about her, and she raised her grades from C's and D's to all A's. With her mom's urging, she put herself out there socially, even starting a schoolwide walking club.

For Braintree Public Schools, which paid Samantha's roughly $30,000 tuition for the final trimester of the year, her enrollment at Fusion was considered an "out-of-district placement," which is required by federal law when districts cannot meet a student's special education needs in-house. Braintree spent more than $9 million to send 80 students out of district last year, according to district figures. (The state is expected to reimburse the district just over one-third of those costs.)

Before Fusion, Samantha had attended eight different schools in three years, including a stint in California. Fusion was the only place she ever felt safe. There, Samantha could finally start to envision a future, one with a good college, a good job, and a life spent helping others.

Before eighth grade, however, her mom received notice from Braintree that it wouldn't pay for her continued enrollment. Nor would Braintree reenroll Samantha at her previous school, the South Shore Educational Collaborative, another out-of-district placement. To Frechon, who moved to Braintree 20 years ago, in part for its schools, the offer of tutoring in an isolated situation sounded like a farce.

"She start coming out of her shell," said Frechon, whose native language is Polish, which has caused difficulty navigating the bureaucracy. "She felt more safe around people. And they cut this off."

Up against the district's attorney, Frechon, a single mother, then did what many special education parents in her position feel compelled to do: find her own lawyer. Unable to work while Samantha remained out of school, Frechon found one willing to take her case pro bono, but after roughly two months of unsuccessful back-and-forth with Braintree, he and Frechon parted ways.

Frechon then scraped up money to hire a special education advocate who helped her file a complaint in December with the state's Problem Resolution System, an office within the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education that investigates complaints of districts failing to follow educational law.

A decision from that office wasn't slated until March, a frustrating wait for both Frechon and Samantha, who grew more depressed by the day.

Just days before the scheduled decision, however, Braintree took a separate action, filing for a hearing with the Bureau for Special Education Appeals. That filing effectively quashed forward movement on the Problem Resolution System complaint and started a new timeline on Samantha's case.

The change of venue also means Frechon now must take her fight to a quasi-judicial system that state data show most often sides with districts over parents — especially those, like her, not represented by an attorney. An expedited hearing was scheduled for early April; days before, Braintree asked for a delay. Contrary to the state's own rules, which require fast-tracked hearings when a child is out of school, appeals bureau hearing officer Sara Berman granted the district's request, pushing the hearing — and a decision over Samantha's fate — to mid-May.

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>
> SAMANTHA FRECHON, *on her problems at some schools*

"This is the product of how out of control this state of affairs has gotten," said Adam Tiro, Frechon's special education advocate. "And how empowered school districts think that they are to behave like this."

Back in her bedroom, now more than seven months out of school, Samantha spends her days surrounded by the trappings of girlhood: mounds of stuffed animals, butterfly wall stickers, a Hawaiian lei encircling a lamp shade. Evidence of adolescence is apparent, too: a Call of Duty poster, its menacing skull looming over her white dresser, the pink headphones she wears during chats with friends on Discord.

One recently sent Samantha a math problem he'd been assigned in class. She had no idea how to solve it.

"It was humiliating to me, because all my friends already know all this stuff," she said. "And I know nothing."

In fighting for her daughter, Frechon knows she's developed a reputation with the district as a "difficult mom." It didn't stop her, one recent evening, from attending a town budget hearing to speak her mind.

"When I start something, I don't stop until I'm done," she said.

With more than 400 people crowded into Braintree Town Hall, Frechon, in a navy-and-persimmon-striped dress, stood out amid a sea of pink — the color upset residents wore to protest a forecast of devastating school budget cuts. Seated with her older daughter, Frechon listened as Lee presented reasons for the district's $8 million deficit.

A former special education teacher, Lee cited the escalating cost of out-of-district placements: those students, like Samantha, who attend public collaboratives or private schools on the district's dime.

"These are services our kids need. We absolutely need to be providing them," Lee said. "But it does give you a flavor for how some of our costs have increased over time."

Frechon was unmoved. When it was her turn to speak, nearly three hours into the meeting, the School Committee chair struggled to read her name. As Frechon approached the lectern, her high heels clacked on the pale wood floor.

"If the district put the money where they should go, there will be no need to cut anybody or anything," she said, then turning to Lee: "Have mercy. This child is out of school, out of right. Nobody care, and the lawyer pocket thousands and thousands."

In his statement, Lee said Braintree's current budget difficulties "had no impact on any educational decisions" in Samantha's case.

Federal law prohibits districts from making special education decisions based on funding constraints.

Last Wednesday, Frechon met privately with Mayor Erin Joyce to plead her case. Frechon left the meeting feeling hopeful.

Within hours, a plain-clothed Braintree police officer, accompanied by two family service workers, showed up at Frechon's house, where Samantha was home with her 25-year-old sister. Frechon, terrified their intention was to take her daughter away, could do nothing; she was at the Norfolk Superior Court in Dedham filing for an emergency injunction against Braintree Public Schools with the help of a new pro bono attorney. If granted, the injunction would force Braintree to immediately reenroll Samantha in Fusion.

The officer and family service workers left Frechon's house without incident. An officer would later tell Frechon they had visited to extend the family "help" at the behest of the mayor, Frechon said.

Frechon and her attorney, Collins Fay-Martin, returned to the courthouse on April 11 to have their request heard by Judge Catherine Ham.

Ham, unfamiliar with the intricacies of special education law, listened as Fay-Martin explained Samantha's stay-put rights; Samantha had a right to return to either Fusion or the Collaborative while her special education team sorted out its disagreements, Fay-Martin said.

That argument didn't appear to sway Ham, who pressed Fay-Martin why Frechon hadn't sought redress from the court months earlier. Ham also questioned why Frechon didn't accept the district's offer of tutoring.

"Isn't something better than nothing?" Ham said.

Braintree's attorney, Caitlin Leach Mulrooney, told Ham that Samantha's enrollment at Fusion was never meant to be more than a temporary placement. She said the district was now willing to support her enrollment at a different, and less expensive, special education private school in East Bridgewater. (That offer was not part of the district's filing, nor has Samantha been formally accepted by the school.)

Ham closed the proceeding without an immediate decision, again leaving Samantha without a school.

Rivulets of tears forming in her makeup, Frechon couldn't help but feel misunderstood.

"Everyone tell me, 'Wait. You have to go through the process,' and, for me, it's hell," she said. "If I can only explain to the judge how much I did, how much I tried."

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# 4 of 16 jurors for Read trial seated on first day

## Judge also rules defense can argue someone else killed O'Keefe

**By Sean Cotter and Travis Andersen**
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DEDHAM — The noise went on for hours, a dull, unyielding static buzz shielding the quiet conversations between Judge Beverly J. Cannone, the lawyers in the murder case against Karen Read, and the parade of prospective jurors they quizzed about the case.

Nearly 100 potential members of the jury filled up the aged Norfolk Superior courtroom's hard wooden pews at the start of the day Tuesday. One by one, Cannone called them up to the huddle — and one by one dismissed nearly all of them. By the end of the day, four of 16 jurors needed for the trial had been seated, according to both the prosecution and defense.

So went the first day of what is perhaps the most high-profile murder trial in Norfolk County in a century, an inauspicious start to what's expected to be a months-long frenzy.

Cannone also ruled Tuesday that Read's lawyers are allowed to move ahead with their defense that someone other than Read killed her boyfriend, Boston police officer John O'Keefe, but they cannot make that argument in their openings — it must be presented alongside evidence.

"I'm going to give you a chance to develop it through relevant, competent, admissible evidence," she told defense attorneys Alan Jackson and David Yannetti.

Read, 44, of Mansfield, is accused of intentionally and drunkenly hitting O'Keefe with her SUV after dropping him off at a house party in Canton during a blizzard on Jan. 29, 2022. Prosecutors say she did so after a night of barhopping as their relationship fell apart amid allegations of cheating.

Read has pleaded not guilty and

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**AS I SEE IT**



# A MIND-BENDING TRIP

## Inside the interactive WNDR Museum

Being creative means taking chances. So don't avoid the WNDR Museum because it sounds like a radio station that you've never heard of.

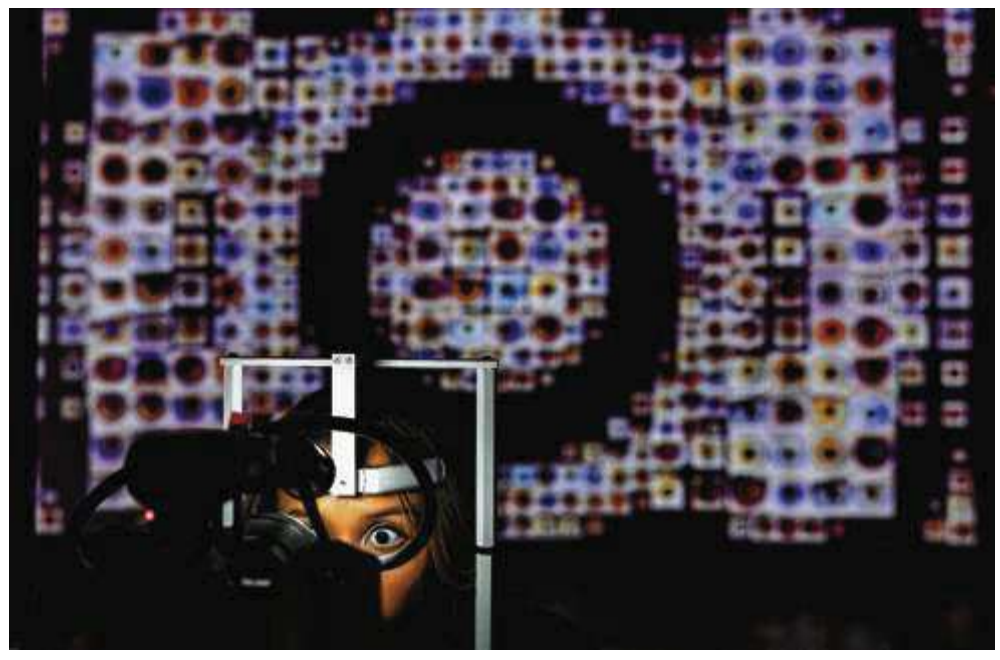
These innovators have just removed a couple of vowels. It is pronounced "wonder," and its interactive exhibits at the museum are mostly wonderful. It is a smorgasbord for the senses.

The positive vibe is evident the moment a visitor arrives. "We are all artists," a sign says.

That encouraging message is the exact opposite of what the great Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama told me when I visited her in 1996 in Tokyo.

"I was an unwanted child born to unloving parents," a sad-eyed Kusama said. "My mother said 'If you become a paint-

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**Top: A young visitor to the WNDR Museum in Boston checked out the Immersive Theater. Above: Bryanna Mckreith, of West Hartford, had the iris of her eye photographed and then projected on the wall with hundreds of others.**

# N.E. saw rise in antisemitic incidents after Oct. 7

## ADL reports that region had highest number of incidents in last 45 years

**By Nick Stoico**
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New England saw a dramatic spike in antisemitic incidents following Hamas's October attack on Israel, driving the number of incidents in 2023 to levels not seen in more than four decades of tracking, according to the Anti-Defamation League.

The ADL's annual Audit of Antisemitic Incidents, released Tuesday, reported 623 occurrences of assault, harassment, and vandalism across the five New England states served by the ADL's regional office — Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine, and Vermont — marking a 205 percent increase from 2022. Among those events, 351 (44 percent) occurred after Oct. 7, the ADL said.

Connecticut has a separate ADL regional office.

The rise in incidents in New England outpaced that of the nation, as the United States saw a 140 percent increase last year compared to 2022, according to the ADL, which began tracking antisemitic activity in 1979.

"The numbers are simply stunning," Rabbi Ron Fish, the ADL's interim director for the New England region, said in a statement. "We have observed a significant rise of incidents, followed by a surge, followed now by a tsunami."

Massachusetts saw the fifth-highest number of incidents nationally, with 440, behind California at 1,266, New York at 1,218, New Jersey at 830, and Florida at 463, the ADL reported. The state had 152 reported episodes in 2022, indicating a nearly 200 percent rise last year.

Among the issues reported in Massachusetts, harassment incidents surged from 66 in 2022 to 293 last year, while vandalism climbed from 82 instances to 139, according to the ADL. Eight assaults were reported, doubling the number from 2022, the ADL said.

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Mayor Wu's administration announced that Brian Swett, who previously served as Boston's environment cabinet chief, will become the city's first chief climate officer. **B2**


# Medical tents took in nearly 9 percent of participants amid hot Marathon

**By Maddie Khaw**
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On Marathon Monday, spectators soaked up the sun. But for runners, the heat — with temperatures climbing to a high of 73 degrees — proved to be a hurdle, with nearly 9 percent of participants stopping for treatment at medical tents along the 26.2-mile course, from Hopkinton to Boston.

Thirty one tents throughout the course — staffed by 1,900 medical volunteers — saw around 2,974 encounters, mostly for heat-related reasons, according to Chris Troyanos, the Marathon's medical coordinator. Of those encounters, 1,288 occurred at 26 tents set up along the length of the course, while the other 1,686 were at larger tents near the finish line.

"We haven't seen these kind of numbers in quite a few years," Troyanos said.

A total of 126 runners were transported by emergency medical services from the Marathon course to local hospitals, Troyanos said, adding that EMS counts are subject to change. As of 9 a.m. Tuesday, 38 of the EMS transports were still in the hospital, none in critical condition.



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**A BAA medical worker scooped up a runner who was about to fall and carried her to a wheelchair at the end of Monday's Boston Marathon.**

The medical encounters and hospital visits were largely heat-related, Troyanos said, with the weather being the "key factor" in how many participants are treated and transported each year.

"We're seeing more and more of this type of problem with runners, and a lot of it has to do with climate change,"

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# Councilors weigh proposal to temporarily raise the commercial property tax

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Mayor Michelle Wu's proposal to increase the city's commercial property tax rate in case of a continued drop in post-pandemic property values was met with caution and some skepticism from a City Council committee on Tuesday and strong pushback from business and real estate groups.

The measure, which would require council and state Legislature approval, is necessary to ensure residential property owners do not face a dramatic tax rate increase in order for the city to maintain a balanced budget, city officials argued. It is similar to action then-mayor Thomas Menino took in 2004 to soften the blow to residential property owners when the city's office market took a hit after the dot-com bust.

But while all councilors agreed on the need to maintain stability for homeowners, some, including leaders from industry and policy groups, worried that further raising commercial property tax rates could hurt small businesses and the economic outlook for the downtown area.

"How do we make sure we're being fiscally responsible?" Councilor Erin Murphy said. "Not putting an added burden on our downtown commercial real estate and businesses that are already struggling, and at the same time ... people are already having a hard time being able to afford to stay living here in the city, so it's a balance that we have to tackle together."

Property taxes fund about three-quarters of the city's annual budget, and

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## PASSOVER FOR PUPILS

Rachel Liptz (above) led her kindergarten class at the Rashi School in Dedham during it's annual Passover seder on Tuesday. Students and their teachers took part in the Passover celebration by designing their own Haggadah, singing songs, reciting the 10 plagues, and eating the traditional ceremonial foods. They also had an afikomen hunt where they found a hidden piece of matzah.



# Boston names city's 1st chief climate officer to oversee Wu's agenda

By Erin Douglas
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CITY OF BOSTON

**Brian Swett will return to city government in June.**

Brian Swett, a seasoned sustainability professional who served as Boston's environment cabinet chief under two prior mayoral administrations, will return to city government as Boston's first chief climate officer in June, Mayor Michelle Wu's administration announced Wednesday.

The appointment will further bolster Wu's climate initiatives, city leaders said. The mayor ran on a Green New Deal platform and has said that cutting Boston's greenhouse gas emissions and adapting the city to the impacts of climate change are key priorities for her administration. (Last week, Wu announced a new $75 million fund to obtain state and federal climate resilience grants in her fiscal year 2025 budget.)

Swett will oversee the city's environment and energy offices, as well as work across departments to implement the mayor's climate agenda. He and Green New Deal Director Oliver Sellers-Garcia, a senior adviser to the mayor, will create a new climate cabinet, which will convene city leaders to regularly check on progress toward climate goals.

Swett has led the city's environment cabinet before — he was first appointed by Mayor Thomas Menino in 2012 and reappointed to the same position by Mayor Martin Walsh in 2014 before he left to return to the private sector. His new job comes with "climate" in the title and a more expansive purview. Swett will court federal, state, and private partnerships, and coordinate climate initiatives across city departments.

"This is a decade of action," said Swett, who called the role a "dream job."

"We're very much in delivery mode, whereas, in the 2010s, we were very much in planning and target-setting mode," he said.

In 2016, Swett launched Boston's "Climate Ready" strategy, which identified the city's vulnerabilities to climate change, from more intense precipitation to sea level rise to extreme heat. The strategy also outlined a loose set of local solutions.

Since then, the city has analyzed climate vulnerabilities in each neighborhood. The city's plans have also explored possible protections for flood-vulnerable areas, which include building seawalls, berms, and absorbent greenery, largely through public-private partnerships. A handful of the flood barrier projects identified by "Climate Ready" have already been built, such as Piers Park in East Boston and McConnell Park in Dorchester, but the majority are still being developed.

Swett is currently a principal for Arup, a sustainable development engineering, design and consulting firm, where he has worked since 2015.

This is the second brand-new senior climate role that Wu has created; Sellers-Garcia was appointed in 2022 as the Green New Deal director. The two will work closely together, although Sellers-Garcia will focus more on economic initiatives, such as clean energy job training programs, and public health initiatives as they relate to climate change, Swett said.

Boston, one of the most vulnerable US cities to sea level rise, has yet to experience a catastrophe like Hurricane Sandy in New York or Hurricane Harvey in Houston. Swett noted that those sorts of major, devastating disasters often unlock huge amounts of federal funding for climate resilience projects and can spur a greater sense of urgency within the community to protect themselves from climate disasters.

Though Boston is far ahead of many cities in terms of climate studies, too little infrastructure has been built so far, he said.

"We know we need to move faster," Swett said.

Swett will take over the Environment, Energy, and Open Space cabinet, which includes the Environment Department, the Parks and Recreation Department, the Office of Historic Preservation, and the Office of Food Justice, in June. The Rev. Mariama White-Hammond, the current chief, will leave her position at the end of this month to focus on leading New Roots AME Church in Dorchester, for which she was the founding pastor.

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# Firefighter accused of killing girlfriend

## Allegedly admits to stabbing her to arresting officers

By Jeremy C. Fox
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**Jason Chapdelaine was charged with murder in the stabbing of Eileen B. Monaghan.**

A Chicopee firefighter was ordered held without bail Tuesday on a first-degree murder charge in the stabbing death of his girlfriend, who worked as the executive assistant to the Hampden County sheriff.

Jason C. Chapdelaine, 52, of Springfield, pleaded not guilty Tuesday in Holyoke District Court to killing Eileen B. Monaghan, 48, of Chicopee, and was ordered held at the Franklin County Jail & House of Correction, court records show. He is due back in court May 13.

Chicopee spokesperson Chloe Soto confirmed that Chapdelaine is a firefighter in the city and said he has been placed on unpaid leave.

Around 1:30 a.m. Sunday, police in Holyoke received a 911 call from a security guard for the Hazen Paper Co. who told a dispatcher they had seen a "blue pickup truck parked in back there with some guy, and it looks like he has some beat-up woman with him in there," according to an incident report filed in the case.

When police arrived at the paper mill, they saw Chapdelaine with a belt tied around his neck and a grab-handle on the driver's side of his Toyota Tacoma, according to the report. The officers concluded that Chapdelaine had tried to hang himself.

Chapdelaine's shirt and jacket were covered in blood and Monaghan was lying motionless beneath him, the report said.

Police provided first aid to Monaghan, finding "multiple wounds consistent with injuries inflicted by a sharp-edged instrument," while other officers removed the belt from the truck, according to the report. Chapdelaine regained consciousness, while emergency medical personnel determined that Monaghan was dead.

Chapdelaine allegedly had bloodshot eyes and smelled of alcohol, the report stated.

An autopsy determined that Monaghan's death was a homicide caused by "sharp instrument wounds and blunt force trauma," including some 40 wounds to her head, torso, and arms, the report said.

The security guard who called 911 told police that a supervisor told them to check out the suspicious blue truck, according to the report. When they walked toward it with a flashlight, they saw a brutally beaten woman inside and "a guy standing next to her," the report said.

Chapdelaine allegedly said something to the effect of, "I didn't really mean to do it," the guard told police.

When investigators tried to interrogate Chapdelaine, he allegedly said, "I don't really feel I … I need to … I murdered a woman," according to the report.

Chapdelaine's court-appointed attorney, Nicholas J. Horgan, declined to comment on the case. Judge William P. Hadley granted a request from Horgan to allocate up to $5,000 to hire an investigator for the defense.

Monaghan, the daughter of Irish immigrants, had two adult daughters and had served as the chief of staff to former state representative Joseph Wagner before he retired last year. She was the executive assistant to Hampden County Sheriff Nick Cocchi, and both her late father and late brother had also worked in the office.

"Eileen was not only a loved and valued colleague but also a dedicated and generous person who meant so much to so many, especially her kids," Cocchi said in a statement. "Eileen was truly a rose in a world of thorns."

Representative Richard Neal said in a statement that his "heart goes out" to the Monaghan family, whom he has known for many years. He was "deeply saddened" by Monaghan's death.

"Eileen was a truly kind and intelligent person who dedicated her life to public service," Neal said in the statement. "She committed herself to making her community a better place, and the lives that she touched are grieving this profound loss, one that was far too soon."

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# This day in history

Today is Wednesday, April 17, the 108th day of 2024. There are 258 days left in the year.

►Birthdays: Actor David Bradley is 82. Composer-keyboardist Jan Hammer is 76. Actor Olivia Hussey is 73. Actor Clarke Peters is 72. Rapper Afrika Bambaataa is 67. Actor Sean Bean is 65. Former NFL quarterback Boomer Esiason is 63. Rock singer Maynard James Keenan (Tool) is 60. Actor Lela Rochon is 60. Actor Henry Ian Cusick is 57. Singer Liz Phair is 57. Director/producer Adam McKay is 56. Actor Jennifer Garner is 52. Singer Victoria Beckham is 50. Actor Nicholas D'Agosto is 44. Actor Rooney Mara is 39. Actor Jacqueline MacInnes Wood is 37.

►In 1521, Martin Luther went before the Diet of Worms to face charges stemming from his religious writings. (Luther was later declared an outlaw by Holy Roman Emperor Charles V.)

►In 1851, the lighthouse at Minot's Ledge collapsed in a storm off Cohasset and Scituate, killing both its keepers. Made of eight iron pilings surrounding a central column, it had been one of the first US lighthouses built in the ocean. Its replacement was made of interlocking granite blocks, upon an iron foundation built into the ledge.

►In 1961, some 1,500 CIA-trained Cuban exiles launched the disastrous Bay of Pigs invasion of Cuba in an attempt to topple Fidel Castro, whose forces crushed the incursion by the third day.

►In 1964, Ford Motor Co. unveiled the Mustang at the New York World's Fair.

►In 1969, a jury in Los Angeles convicted Sirhan Sirhan of assassinating Senator Robert F. Kennedy.

►In 1970, Apollo 13 astronauts James A. Lovell, Fred W. Haise, and Jack Swigert splashed down safely in the Pacific, four days after a ruptured oxygen tank crippled their spacecraft while en route to the moon.

►In 1972, the Boston Marathon allowed women to compete for the first time; Nina Kuscsik was the first officially recognized women's champion, with a time of 3:10:26.

►In 1973, Federal Express (later FedEx) began operations as 14 planes carrying 186 packages took off from Memphis International Airport, bound for 25 US cities.

►In 1975, Cambodia's five-year war ended as the capital, Phnom Penh, fell to the Khmer Rouge, which instituted brutal, radical policies that claimed an estimated 1.7 million lives until the regime was overthrown in 1979.

►In 1986, at London's Heathrow Airport, a bomb was discovered in the bag of Anne-Marie Murphy, a pregnant Irishwoman about to board an El Al jetliner to Israel; she'd been tricked into carrying the bomb by her Jordanian fiance, Nezar Hindawi.

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# Councilors weigh proposal to raise commercial property tax

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because Massachusetts communities are legally required to have a balanced budget, a significant decrease in commercial property values could mean a corresponding tax rate increase for residential properties to make up the difference.

The city already uses a split tax rate to reduce the tax burden on homeowners, so about two-thirds of the city's property tax revenue comes from commercial real estate. Homeowners pay a rate of $10.90 per $1,000 valuation, while businesses pay $25.27 per $1,000 valuation.

Municipalities with split tax rates have a ceiling of how much more commercial properties can be taxed, compared with residential; Wu is looking to increase the ceiling for commercial properties and lower the floor on residential properties, for up to five years.

If the measure is approved, the city would have a three-year opt-in period to take that step.

"It gives us a little bit of time to absorb those changes in commercial value so that it's not all hitting at once," Ashley Groffenberger, Boston's chief financial officer, told the government operations committee. "We're not seeking to make a forever change, we're simply seeking some additional flexibility to allow us to smooth in that impact over a period of time, and avoid dramatic rate shocks for our residents."

The move comes after a report, released earlier this year by the Boston Policy Institute and the Center for State Policy Analysis at Tufts University, said Boston could lose between $1.2 billion and $1.5 billion in tax revenue over five years should office values drop by 20 percent to 30 percent.

Industry group leaders voiced their opposition to the proposal on Tuesday, saying tax rate increases could exacerbate the office vacancy problem facing the market and hurt downtown economic vitality.

"This is something that's been building for years, and unfortunately, the Wu administration got stuck with it coming to a head right now," said Greg Vasil, chief executive of the Greater Boston Real Estate Board. But this measure "would be probably a great thing for all the other communities that are around Boston, because it would be another reason not to do business in Boston."

"A thriving commercial real estate sector means a strong City budget, and we should not impose another tax burden on the already struggling office and retail sectors in the city," said James E. Rooney, president and chief executive of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce, in a statement Tuesday.

City officials said when Menino took such action in the early 2000s, instead of facing property tax increases of more than 40 percent, homeowners paid about 14 percent more instead.

"It did exactly what it was designed to do," said Nicholas Ariniello, commissioner of the city's assessing department, Tuesday, arguing that commercial business wasn't harmed. "We think it's the right tool for this moment as well. We're trying to do something that is not going to unfairly burden one segment of our society, but it's something that kind of adds stability to everyone."

But Marty Walz, the interim president of the Boston Municipal Research Bureau, noted that an approach that worked in 2004 might not be the appropriate solution to the current landscape in 2024, which has been fundamentally changed by the pandemic and the shift to remote work.

"This is probably not a typical economic cycle, where prices and values go up, they go down, and they're going to come back up again in a reasonably predictable way; we're in a new world," Walz said. "In 2004, there was a reasonable expectation that the real estate market would rebound; right now the outlook is not so clear. ... What happens if several years from now, commercial property values continue to lag while residential property values keep increasing?"

Groffenberger pointed to several initiatives the administration is taking to invest in the downtown sector and help it adapt to the post-COVID landscape. They include the effort to convert commercial spaces into residential apartments, and provide grants for small businesses to fill empty storefronts. She also said the city is prepared to take additional steps if commercial property values continue to drop.

"We're going to learn a lot in this upcoming year and it's exactly why we created that flexibility to give us that opportunity to deal with the problem if and when it arises," Groffenberger said.

But Walz, as well as some city councilors, emphasized the importance of looking into how to diversify the city's revenue sources so Boston isn't as dependent on property taxes. Walz also recommended looking into how to "cushion the impact" of such a proposal on commercial businesses, including by making budget cuts.

Last week, Wu unveiled her $4.6 billion budget proposal for the next fiscal year, which would boost city spending by 8 percent, or $344 million.

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# Irish firefighter raped woman in hotel while she slept, police allege

By Ava Berger
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**Terence Crosbie, 37, of Dublin, pleaded not guilty to the charges. He is set to return to court on May 1.**

An Irish firefighter accused of raping a woman while visiting Boston for St. Patrick's Day weekend allegedly assaulted her while she was sleeping after she returned to a hotel room with his friend, according to a police report made public Tuesday.

Terence Crosbie, 37, was charged with rape on March 15 after State Police pulled him off an airplane bound for Ireland, Suffolk District Attorney Kevin Hayden's office said in a statement. The police report was unsealed after a brief court hearing in Boston Municipal Court, where Judge James M. Stanton ordered that Crosbie, a member of the Dublin Fire Brigade, remain held on $100,000 bail.

Crosbie, who lives in Dublin, has pleaded not guilty. He scheduled to return to court May 1.

His accuser, a 28-year-old woman, told police on March 15 that she had met a man the night before at The Black Rose, a pub by Faneuil Hall, and agreed to return to his room at the Omni Parker House. The pair had "consensual sex" in the hotel room, the police report said.

The man then fell asleep on one of two beds in the hotel room, and the woman went to sleep on the other bed, the report stated.

At some point in the night, the woman woke up as Crosbie was allegedly raping her, according to the report. The woman "tried to push the male off" and she said "what are you doing? Stop!" the report said. Crosbie said "this guy is sleeping, I know you want this. He fell asleep," she told police.

The woman started gathering her clothes while Crosbie was allegedly "pushing her around and stated 'you want this he's sleeping. Look at him he's sleeping," the report said. Crosbie tried to kiss her and pushed her against the wall several times, the report stated.

The woman told police the attack lasted about five minutes before she was able to grab her clothes and leave the room. As she left the hotel, she texted a friend who had been at the bar with her earlier in the night that "she was sexually assaulted," the report said.

Around 2:15 a.m., the woman went home and changed clothes before going to Massachusetts General Hospital for treatment, according to the report. She spoke with investigators at the hospital.

On March 16, police spoke to Crosbie at the Omni Parker House where he said he had gone "drinking at several bars" around Boston before going to The Black Rose, the report said.

Crosbie returned to his hotel room and while he was there, his friend returned with the woman, according to the report. He told police he "read in between the lines" and left the room.

Crosbie waited in a lobby area on the sixth floor and "after some time passed" returned to the room.

Crosbie told police he "removed his pants, and shirt, and got into bed," according to the report. After about one or two minutes, the woman gathered her clothes and left the room, he said.

"Crosbie denied having a conversation or any interaction with the victim while inside the room," the report said.

Crosbie's attorney, Daniel Reilly, said his client "is adamant that he is innocent and has done nothing wrong."

"His sole focus is on being found not guilty and getting home to his wife and [two] children," he said. "Prior to this, he had never been away from his kids for more than two days."

Crosbie has no prior criminal record, according to court documents.

In court, Reilly brought the "high cash bail" to the court's attention but said he is not requesting it be lowered at this time because Crosbie "has no place to stay." Crosbie's Ireland passport has been seized, officials said.

The Dublin Fire Brigade has placed Crosbie on leave and is conducting an internal investigation, a spokesperson told The Boston Globe in March.

"We cannot comment on the specific circumstances but we would reiterate the high standards that we expect from all who represent our organisation at any event," the agency said in a statement.

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# ADL reports uptick in antisemitic incidents across N.E. after Oct. 7

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Antisemitic events were reported in 127 Massachusetts cities and towns, up from 71 communities in 2022.

The state also saw a dramatic rise in actions tied to extremist groups, up from 28 in 2022 to 115 last year, including white supremacist propaganda distribution, swatting, bomb threats, municipal disruptions, and public demonstrations, the ADL reported.

"Behind each tracked data point is a family, a synagogue, a school, or a child who has been targeted for hate, simply because of their Jewish identity," Fish said. "This is intolerable in New England as it is anywhere in the country. We call upon everyone who cares about living in a decent society to unite and stop this rise in anti-Jewish hate. Antisemitism is not a Jewish problem. It is a societal problem. We can only solve it together."

The numbers also climbed in other New England states. The ADL reported 53 antisemitic incidents in Maine in 2023, up from 13 the prior year; Rhode Island had 52, but just 19 in 2022; Vermont had 43, up from six in 2022; and New Hampshire had 35, an increase from 14 in 2022.

Across New England, antisemitic incidents increased at Jewish schools and institutions and at non-Jewish K-12 schools and college campuses, as well as in public areas, private businesses, and at homes, the ADL said.

There were 101 antisemitic incidents reported last year at non-Jewish K-12 schools in New England, up from 53 in 2022, while college campuses saw incidents rise from 15 in 2022 to 81 last year, the organization reported.

"The near doubling of incidents in K-12 schools, ranging from antisemitic graffiti and taunts, harassment and bullying on playgrounds, in the classroom and on athletic fields, is a grim reminder of the need to ensure that these schools are safe and welcoming for all students," the ADL said. "Incidents, such as a Jewish student from UMass Amherst being punched on campus while holding an Israeli flag in the fall of 2023, add to the growing concern for student safety across the region."

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# Medical tents took in nearly 9 pct. of participants during Marathon

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Troyanos said.

According to the Boston Athletic Association, 26,596 athletes started the race Monday, and 25,616 completed it — meaning 980 runners stopped before reaching the finish line. It is unclear how many participants dropped out because of heat-related issues.

Troyanos estimated at least 40 runners on Monday suffered from heat stroke, the most severe form of heat-related illness, though the exact number could be more. Others dealt with the dehydration, swelling, nausea, cramping, and elevated body temperatures that accompany general heat exhaustion.

Heat stroke is "as bad as it gets in the road race," Troyanos said. It can potentially lead to brain, liver, or kidney damage. But the medical tents were well-equipped, he said, with 50-gallon "stock tanks," essentially giant ice baths, which rapidly cooled down runners. Medics also used the "TACO method," or Tarp Assisted Cooling Oscillation, which encases an overheated runner in a shell of cold water and ice pooled in a tarp.

There is "no question" that the tents were adequately staffed and prepared for the heat, Troyanos said, with medical teams and local hospitals preparing in advance for the climbing temperatures. "We were stressed, but we were never out of control," he said.

This year's figures are comparable to 2018, when, facing rain and cold, many runners sought medical treatment for an opposite ailment — hypothermia. The last time Marathon Monday saw this type of heat, Troyanos recounted, was 2014, but there was less need for medical attention then. In 2012, when temperatures reached a high of 89 degrees, around 10 percent of the total field size received medical treatment, Troyanos said.

Monday's race was the warmest since 2017, when temperatures reached 73 degrees, and only the fourth marathon since 2000 to reach the 70-degree mark near the finish line in Boston.

It was a "beautiful day for spectators," Troyanos said, "but not the greatest for runners."

New England runners were especially vulnerable, because, for them, the training season encompassed winter months marked by cold, rain, and wind — none of which were reflected on race day, which saw mostly-sunny skies and warm temperatures.

"You get into the mid-60s, low 70s, it's like running in 80 degrees out there," Troyanos said about runners who trained through the winter and aren't climatized to such temperatures.

Troyanos commended the volunteer medical staff for their response to the heat, especially in severe cases like heat stroke.

"There's no doubt in my mind that we saved lives yesterday," he said.

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# Girl, 9, injured in East Boston fire has died, officials say

By Emily Sweeney and Tonya Alanez
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After spending two weeks in the intensive care unit, a nine-year-old girl who was injured in a six-alarm fire in East Boston earlier this month has died, authorities said Tuesday.

It was the second life claimed by the fire that engulfed two multi-family buildings on April 2. One resident died and others jumped for their lives. Other tenants of the triple decker homes were rescued by firefighters using aerial ladders.

A spokesperson from the Suffolk district attorney's office confirmed the child's death. Officials did not provide the child's name or age.

The Rev. Daniel Zinger of East Boston's Most Holy Redeemer Church said he baptized Ceydi Karina Corrales at Massachusetts General Hospital on April 10 at the girl's mother's request.

It was a tearful bedside ceremony with the girl's mother, a recent immigrant from Honduras, and the mother's best friend present, Zinger said.

"It was very difficult for mom to watch her daughter pass away, but with the support of the good doctors and nurses at Mass General and with the support of the church here, she was able to give her daughter back to God," Zinger said. "Our community here at Holy Redeemer is very wonderful, very united, and close knit."

The family is in the process of sending the girl's body back to Honduras for burial, Zinger said. A funeral mass will be held Saturday.

The fire broke out around 5 a.m. on April 2 at 430 and 432 Meridian St. and spread to 8 West Eagle St. It caused an estimated $5 million in damage and displaced approximately 30 people.

A resident of 430 Meridian St. died in the fire, officials said. The person's name has not been released.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation, Firefighter Brian Alkins, a spokesperson for the Boston Fire Department, said Tuesday.

Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta released a statement of sympathy to child's family.

"I am devastated to learn of the tragic passing of a young East Boston resident," Coletta said. "I send my deepest sympathies to her loved ones"

Coletta said her office is working with the Office of Neighborhood Services, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, and East Boston Mutual Aid to help the families who were displaced.

"Additionally, we are so grateful to the broader community for helping us raise over $36,000 with the fiscal sponsor being the East Boston Social Centers," Coletta said in an email to the Globe. "All money raised will be donated to individuals and families so they can restart their life."

# Four of 16 jurors needed for Read trial seated in first day

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claims she's the victim of a massive, multiagency law enforcement coverup. Her lawyers have maintained that people at the party — defense have said three in particular had the opportunity and motive — beat O'Keefe and left him for dead in the snow in the front of the home, which is owned by a fellow Boston police officer.

A jury of 12 will determine her fate, though the court will also seat four alternates. A conviction of second-degree murder, the most serious charge she faces, would result in a life sentence with the possibility of parole, according to state law.

On Tuesday morning, nearly 100 potential jurors filed into the courtroom, where they heard Cannone stress that those selected to decide Read's fate must base their decision solely on the evidence presented at trial, rather than the tsunami of pretrial publicity and demonstrations outside the courtroom that have become a staple of the contentious case.

"John Adams said that we are a government of laws, not of men, and that the law must be deaf to the clamoring of the public," Cannone said.

Court recessed for the day around 3 p.m. after it had churned through all those assembled. Jury selection resumes Wednesday morning.

Cannone told prospective jurors that the trial is expected to last six to eight weeks, and she asked a series of questions to gauge whether they knew any named witnesses or if they had formed any opinions about the case. Prospective jurors were told to raise their numbered jury cards to answer in the affirmative.

Asked whether they'd heard about the case, some 70 people in the pool raised their hands, prompting giggles in the courtroom. About two dozen said, when asked, that they had formed an opinion about the case, and approximately a dozen said they felt they had a bias that would render them unable to serve on the jury.

The jury pool began filling out written questionnaires after Cannone's introductory remarks, and then people were questioned individually at sidebar as the white noise rumbled.

Read sat quietly, alone at the defense table, as her lawyers, the prosecution, and Cannone spoke to each juror. As the day came to a close, she turned to look at the back of the courtroom where some of her supporters, who had been demonstrating outside, had been allowed to come in to sit in the back, all wearing pink. She gave them a big smile.

The case has become the center of a media firestorm, with national reporters in town to cover it. Adding to the speculation is the fact that Acting US Attorney Joshua S. Levy's office has convened a federal grand jury to investigate law enforcement's handling of the case, and federal authorities have provided thousands of pages of sealed materials to prosecutors and Read's defense team.

In a hearing on Friday, Yannetti, an attorney for Read, named three potential third-party culprits who were in the Canton home on the night in question: the now-retired Boston police officer who owned the home, his nephew, and a federal law enforcement agent who her attorneys say had a romantic interest in Read.

Yannetti said the federal agent, Brian Higgins, was friends at the time with the owner of the Canton home, Brian Albert. He said Higgins had a "prior romantic interest" in Read and did not expect to see her with O'Keefe at a bar earlier that night. He cited text messages and phone calls among some of the parties, and other testimony, including from Higgins that he had destroyed his phone, to support the theory.

Lawyers for the men have said that they are not targets of the federal investigation, and none have been charged in connection with the case.

Assistant Norfolk District Attorney Adam Lally said Friday that Read's lawyers are mischaracterizing the content of sealed grand jury materials to advance their theory.

"In regard to Mr. Higgins, that was a fanciful story," Lally told the court. "But again, there's actually no actual evidence of most of those things, or at least the imputations, or the connotations, that counsel wants to put behind that."

Also Tuesday, prosecutors submitted a court filing listing the names of 87 potential government witnesses, while the defense listed 77 names, with significant overlap between the two lists. Among the listed potential defense witnesses is Norfolk District Attorney Michael W. Morrissey, who has defended the integrity of his office's investigation.

After court recessed, prospective juror Ray Ruggiero told reporters he was happy he had been excused from the jury given the daunting length of time expected for the trial.

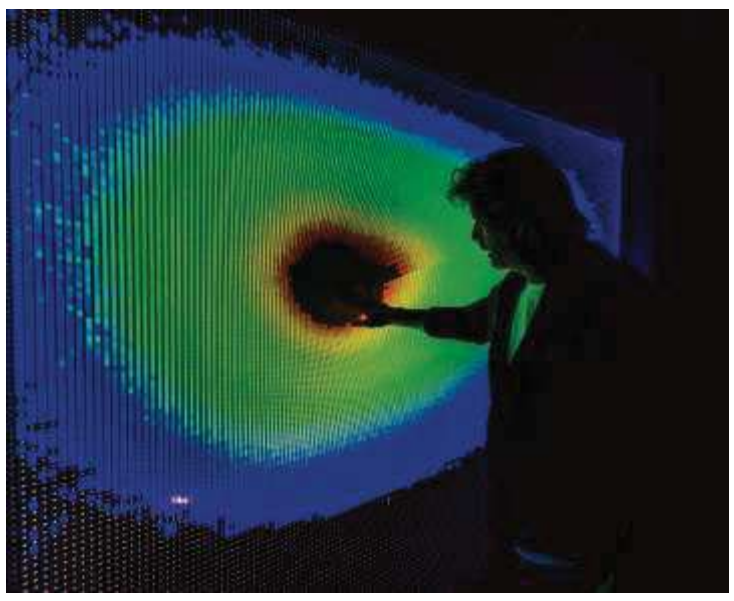
As for the day in general and being questioned by all the lawyers and judge, he smiled and said, "It was an experience."

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**Karen Read arrived at Norfolk Superior Court for the first day of her murder trial on Tuesday and was greeted by supporters on the sidewalk in Dedham.**



# Going inside the interactive WNDR Museum in Boston

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er, you'll become a beggar.' "

Kusama, now 95, became an international superstar painting nude protesters during "happenings" staged to protest the Vietnam War. In 1968, she got more press mentions than Andy Warhol.

At the WNDR Museum, her "Let's Survive Forever" infinity room — which features hundreds of stainless-steel balls reflecting in mirrors — will play mind games on you.

A time limit was set — by Kusama herself.

For the exhibit, visitors must wear paper booties to enter, and no touching is allowed. Only small groups are allowed to enter at a time — and only for one minute.

There are peepholes to look through that distort reality. It's impossible to get acclimated to the space quickly. Some find it soothing; others feel like it is the equivalent of being a single grain of sand at the beach.

"I'm glad I'm sober," said a wide-eyed Diane Silverman after her visit. "I thought it was mind-blowing and visually stimulating. ... It was perfect for me."

The 23 WNDR exhibits are eclectic.

In "INSIDEOUT," artist Leigh Sachwitz recreates a thunderstorm in a tiny translucent garden shed in Glasgow, Scotland, using lights, sounds, and 360-degree projection mapping. No one gets wet despite the plopping rain sounds, the fierce winds, a quickie tornado, and then the warm soothing sunshine.

Many of the exhibits are interactive. The LED-controlled dance floors and walls are responsive to a visitor's touch and produce a kaleidoscope of colors. It's selfie mecca, and teenagers are in social media heaven. The energy you put in is rewarded by the energy that flows out.

In the exhibit called "Iris," guests have their eyes photographed and then projected on the walls, along with those of hundreds of others. It's like a visit to Visionworks on acid.

Not everything is a hit in the museum, which is located near Downtown Crossing. "Untitled By You" is an interactive computer that allows visitors to type in a word and get AI-generated art. It was disappointing. I typed in the word "smitten" and got a bunch of kitten pictures.

In "Speak UP!" a wall of red telephones offers clips of speeches from the likes of Nelson Mandela, Malala Yousafzai, Cesar Chavez, and Malcolm X. There's also a "Posting Wall" to leave words of wisdom that may someday result in a book.

Although there were a few gripes about the admission fee, ($32 for adults, $38 during peak hours), children ($22 and up), people universally leave with smiles on their faces.

Even better, some grownups get to forget their stresses and even become joyous 7-year-olds again.

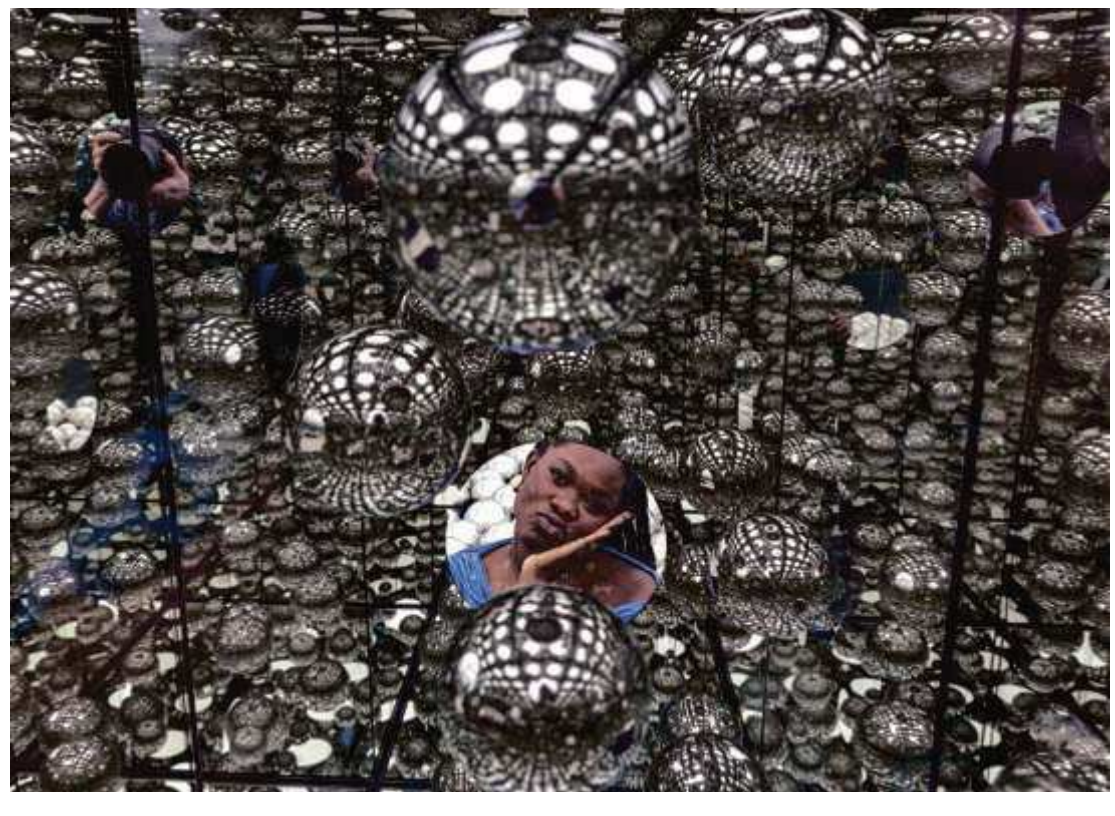
"Everybody has a sense of wonder and we are just trying to reignite that," said Brian Haines, the museum's chief experience officer.

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**Above left: Brian Haines, CEO of the WNDR Museum, pushed the screen on "Flex," an interactive work by Austin Watson and Pedro Neves. Above: A visitor danced on the Light Floor. Below: Mirabelle Aguebor was immersed in "Let's Survive Forever."**



# Business

## Area's typical home price reaches $900,000

### Jump sets a record for March, condo prices also up as supply, interest rates still factors

By Andrew Brinker
GLOBE STAFF

Bad news, homebuyers. Home prices around here aren't going anywhere but up.

The median price of a single-family home in Greater Boston shot up in March to $900,000, according to figures released Tuesday by the Greater Boston Association of Realtors. That's an increase of more than 9 percent over the same month last year and a new March record.

It's an eye-popping number that does not bode well for housing affordability this year. March typically falls near the beginning of the housing market's spring upswing and $900,000 is just short of the region's record monthly high of $910,000, reached last July at the peak of home-buying season. That prices are already closing in on that number means the region may be in for another summer of record-breaking home prices.

Two main factors are driving the surge in prices. The first is the region's massive housing supply shortage, which leaves a large number of potential buyers competing for relatively few available homes, causing bidding wars. The other is stubbornly high interest rates. Mortgage rates are still much higher than they were for more than a decade up until two years ago. That makes monthly housing costs more expensive, a dynamic that has driven many would-be sellers from the market, constricting the region's housing supply even more.

**Median home price in Greater Boston was up**
**9%**
**over March 2023**

"We lack listings, and that's putting upward pressure on prices and creating affordability issues, especially in the entry-level market," said association president Jared Wilk, a broker with Compass in Wellesley. "It's the primary reason sales activity isn't stronger right now. We need more properties to sell."

Condominium pricing doesn't look much better for buyers. The median-priced condo in the association's coverage area, which covers most of Greater Boston except for the North and South Shores, sold for $740,000, up nearly 9 percent from March 2023, when that figure was

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Chief executive Anne Klibanski says Mass General Brigham will proceed on cancer care programs without Dana-Farber.

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## Moving on

### Mass General Brigham chief executive says focus remains on patients after Dana-Farber split

By Bob Herman
STAT

The split between Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Mass General Brigham has been messy.

Some people who don't see breakups coming wonder what went wrong, and maybe channel the sorrow into a love ballad. But Mass General Brigham is taking a different tack — it's simply getting over it.

The $20 billion nonprofit hospital system is now plotting how its cancer programs will look in a post-Dana-Farber world.

"Does the Farber departure change things? Absolutely. I would say, however, our commitment remains to patients," Mass General Brigham chief executive Anne Klibanski told STAT on the sidelines of a conference last week. "We're going to continue to provide exactly what we're doing."

STAT spoke with Klibanski about the Dana-Farber fallout, Massachusetts' focus on her system's high prices, and her thoughts on the biggest health insurer potentially buying out a major physician group in her state. She declined to comment, on the record, about site-neutral payments. The interview has been edited for clarity and length.

**Dana-Farber said it is severing ties with Mass General Brigham and building a new hospital with Beth Israel Lahey. But the current relationship between you and Dana-Farber lasts until 2028. Has the ship fully sailed?**

Our commitment across Mass General Brigham has always been, and will always be, taking the best care of patients with cancer throughout their lives. For us, the model has been having a comprehensive cancer center. That has always been the model, whether it's in an inpatient setting, whether it's in an academic hospital such as Mass General or Brigham and

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## Senators call for rent cut from Steward landlords

### Warren says lease concessions a must to keep hospitals afloat

By Robert Weisman
GLOBE STAFF

Senators Elizabeth Warren and Ed Markey are calling on two companies that own Steward Health Care's hospital buildings in Massachusetts to reduce lease payments or terminate their leases to enable new owners to buy the financially squeezed hospitals.

In a letter to hospital landlords Medical Properties Trust and Macquarie Infrastructure Partners on Monday, the US senators from Massachusetts pressed for concessions on their multimillion-dollar leases to "make it financially feasible for new operators" to run the hospitals — and to assure the property owners themselves can collect rents.

"Concessions on the lease payments are essential for keeping the hospitals operational," Warren said in an interview Tuesday. "And some rent is better than no rent. You can't get blood out of a turnip."

A spokesperson for MPT, an Alabama-based real estate investment trust that purchased Steward hospital build-

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DANIEL KOOL/GLOBE STAFF

**Certares Management and Belcourt Capital Partners teamed up to purchase the Hilton in Boston's Back Bay.**

## Back Bay Hilton hotel sells for $171 million

### New ownership says it plans on cosmetic renovation of 25-story Dalton Street tower

By Dana Gerber
GLOBE STAFF

A 390-room Hilton hotel in the heart of Back Bay just sold for $171 million — and more investment from the new ownership is on its way.

New York-based Certares Management and California-based Belcourt Capital Partners teamed up for the purchase of the 40 Dalton St. property from its previous owner, real estate investment trust Ashford Hospitality Trust.

The 25-story Hilton will be Cerates's 12th hotel and its second Massachusetts property, following its acquisition of Falmouth's Sea Crest Beach Hotel last year. But the Boston area in particular has long been on the firm's radar, said Nolan Hecht, senior managing director and head of real estate.

"We love markets that have corporate demand, leisure demand, health care demand, university, and college demand, which Boston has," said Hecht in an interview with the Globe. "Those type of markets in the US are few and far between."

Though the new owners aren't planning any changes to hotel management, they are preparing "a pretty thorough cosmetic renovation," said Hecht, namely to the guest rooms, the lobby, and other public areas, with an expected investment of $25-30 million. There are no plans to close the hotel during renovations, Hecht added, though some rooms may be temporarily out of commission.

"There was interest from colleges to buy this asset to make it dorms," said Hecht of the Hilton property. "But this is a successful hotel in the Hilton system, and our game plan is obviously to renovate the hotel . . . we'll be able to charge higher rates and uplift the asset

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# TALKING POINTS

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ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

## CAMPBELL SAYS STATE LAWS WILL APPLY TO AI



Attorney General Andrea Campbell is putting the AI world on notice: She'll apply the state's existing consumer protection, antidiscrimination, and data security laws for users of artificial intelligence, too. The attorney general's office issued guidance on Tuesday aimed at developers, suppliers, and users of AI, to clarify their obligations under existing state laws. Campbell recognizes the benefits of AI but she also wants to address the shortcomings by explaining how and when she will pursue evidence of bias, illegal use of personal data, or misrepresentations such as voice cloning and "deepfakes" in which digital images of people have been altered to make it seem like they are someone else. Deepfakes and voice cloning are on a list of acts that could be considered unfair or deceptive under the state's Consumer Protection Act, per the AG's new guidance. Others include falsely advertising the quality of an AI system, or supplying a defective system. Legal advocates praised the guidance, saying that AI-assisted decisions are often leading to unfair denials of credit and homeownership opportunities. Campbell's release of the guidance coincided with an event at UMass Boston on Tuesday where she talked about her approach to regulating AI. "AI systems have already been shown to pose serious risks to consumers, including bias, lack of transparency or explainability, implications for data privacy, and more," Campbell's office wrote in the advisory. "Despite these risks, businesses and consumers are rapidly adopting and using AI systems which now impact virtually all aspects of life." — JON CHESTO

FINANCE

## BANK OF AMERICA PROFIT TUMBLES

Bank of America said its first-quarter profits fell 18 percent, as the bank dealt with rising expenses due to the impact of higher interest rates. But the results beat analysts' estimates. The Charlotte, N.C.-based bank posted a profit of $6.67 billion, or 76 cents per share, compared with $8.2 billion, or 94 cents a share, in the same period a year earlier. BofA had to make a one-time $700 million payment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. to help the agency replenish the deposit insurance fund. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

REAL ESTATE

## HOME CONSTRUCTION SLOWED IN MARCH



New home construction in the United States slowed last month as a leveling off in interest rates has given way to a lull in housing demand and caution among builders. Residential starts decreased 14.7 percent in March to a 1.32 million annualized rate, the lowest since August, government data showed Tuesday. The figure was weaker than all estimates in a Bloomberg survey of economists. Building permits, which point to future construction, fell to a 1.46 million rate in March. Both starts and permits were revised higher in February. Single-family home construction dropped by the most in about three years, while the pace of multifamily starts sank to lowest since the onset of the pandemic. Permits for both also fell. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

TECHNOLOGY

## GOOGLE WORKERS STAGE SIT-INS TO PROTEST ITS WORK WITH ISRAEL

A group of Google employees staged sit-ins at two of the company's offices Tuesday to protest the tech giant's work with the Israeli government, escalating the conflict inside tech companies over the war in Gaza and whether US companies should sell their technology to Israel. Protesters at Google's Sunnyvale, Calif., offices entered the workspace of Google Cloud chief executive Thomas Kurian on Tuesday morning and promised to stay there until the company met their demand that Google pull out of a $1.2 billion contract it shares with Amazon to provide cloud services and data centers to the Israeli government. Another group of protesters sat in a common space at one of the company's New York City offices, according to Zelda Montes, one of the workers participating in the protest. — WASHINGTON POST

AUTOMOTIVE

## STELLANTIS SHAREHOLDERS BACK SALARY OF CEO



Stellantis shareholders cleared the way to make Carlos Tavares (right) the highest paid chief executive among traditional car manufacturers, as the Jeep maker pursues deep job cuts and tough savings goals in the EV transition. Investors on Tuesday voted 70 percent in favor of his $39 million total compensation package in a non-binding vote, rejecting pleas from advisory firms Glass Lewis, Proxinves, and Institutional Shareholder Services to vote against the pay plan. Tavares's total compensation, up almost 60 percent from 2022 levels, includes a new incentive award worth $10.6 million tied to meeting electrification and software goals, at a time Stellantis is coming under increased scrutiny in Italy and the United States due to ongoing job cuts. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

## MICROSOFT BETS BIG ON AI IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Microsoft on Tuesday said it would make a $1.5 billion investment in G42, an artificial intelligence giant in the United Arab Emirates, in a deal largely orchestrated by the Biden administration to box out China as Washington and Beijing battle over who will exercise technological influence in the Gulf region and beyond. Under the partnership, Microsoft will give G42 permission to sell Microsoft services that use powerful AI chips, which are used to train and fine-tune generative AI models. In return, G42, which has been under scrutiny by Washington for its ties to China, will use Microsoft's cloud services and accede to a security arrangement negotiated in detailed conversations with the US government. It places a series of protections on the AI products shared with G42 and includes an agreement to strip Chinese gear out of G42's operations, among other steps. — NEW YORK TIMES

SOCIAL MEDIA

## META PROBES HANDLING OF DEEPFAKE IMAGES, LIKELY INCLUDING ONE OF TAYLOR SWIFT




Meta Platforms Inc.'s Oversight Board is investigating the company's handling of AI-generated deepfakes of an "American public figure," following a surge of such images depicting singer Taylor Swift earlier this year. The board will evaluate whether two separate AI-created images depicting "nude" women posted on Facebook should have been removed under Meta's content policies, according to a statement Tuesday. The organization, which is funded by Meta but designed to be independent, reviews content decisions made on Facebook and Instagram. Sexually explicit deepfake images of Swift began flooding Facebook, Instagram, X, and other social media platforms in January, prompting outcry from the White House, AI experts, and advocacy groups. One of the images now under review matches the description of a deepfake of Swift that went viral, but the Oversight Board declined to name the public figure in the case. The board will begin reviewing that case over the next several weeks, along with a similar incident involving an Indian public figure who is also female. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

REAL ESTATE

## HOME VALUES SOAR IN DETROIT

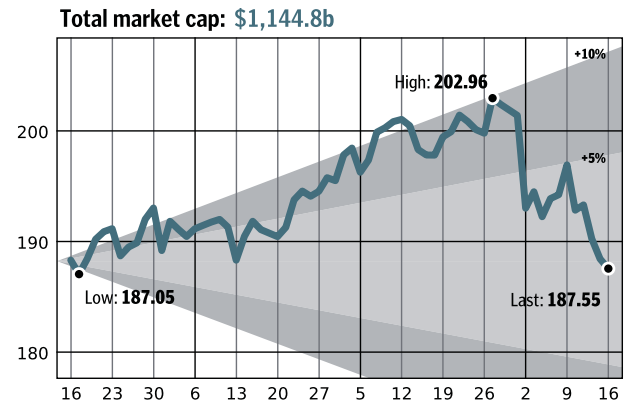
Home values in Detroit — especially for Black residents — have increased by billions of dollars in the years following the city's exit from the largest municipal bankruptcy in US history, according to a study released Tuesday. The University of Michigan Poverty Solutions report says added home value for Black residents increased 80 percent between 2014 and 2022. For Black homeowners, estimated home values rose from $3.4 billion to $6.2 billion over that period, while the net value of all owner-occupied homes in the city increased from $4.2 billion to $8.1 billion. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

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### Globe 25 index

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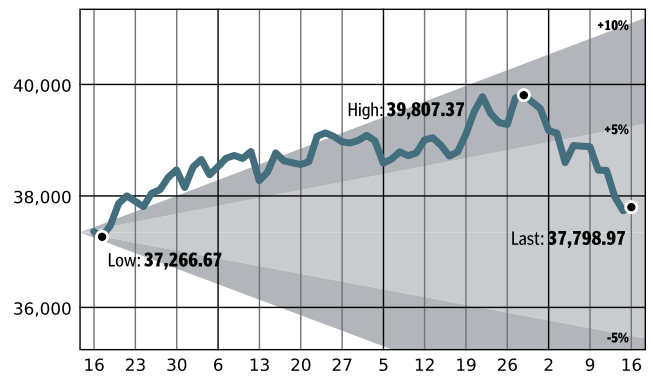
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# Markets

## Stocks dip on rate expectations

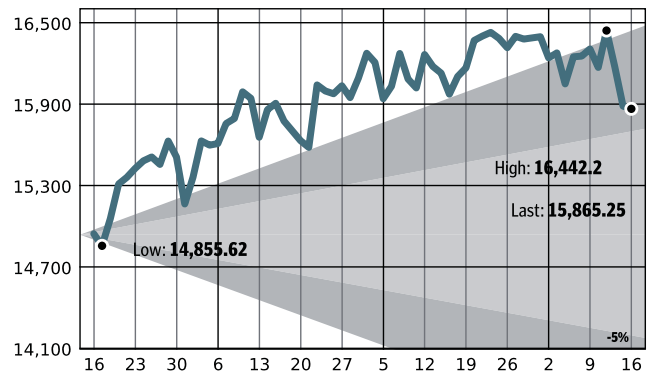
Stocks slipped Tuesday following comments by Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell that interest rates may stay elevated in the near future. Northern Trust slumped 5 percent after reporting weaker earnings than analysts expected. Johnson & Johnson sank 2.1 percent. UnitedHealth rose 5.2 percent and Morgan Stanley was up 2.5 percent after both topped expectations. Trump Media & Technology Group fell another 14.2 percent to follow up on its 18.3 percent slide from Monday. In the bond market, the yield on the two-year Treasury rose to 4.98 percent, up from 4.91 percent late Monday.

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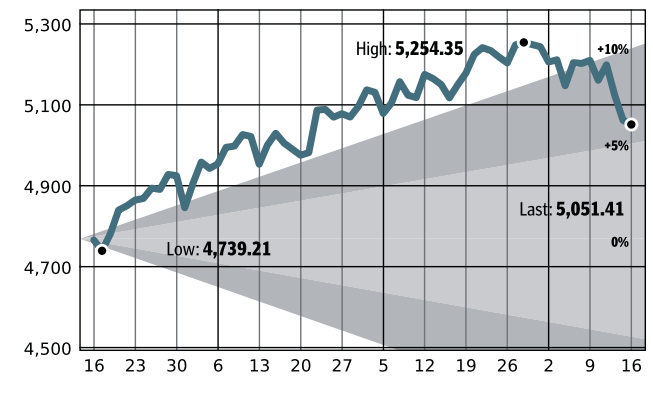

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### NASDAQ Composite index




Yesterday 15,865.25 ▼ 19.77 ▼ 0.1% ▲ YTD 5.7%

### S&P 500 index




Yesterday 5,051.41 ▼ 10.41 ▼ 0.2% ▲ YTD 5.9%

SOURCE: Bloomberg News

# IMF warns of rising trade barriers



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**By Alan Rappeport**
NEW YORK TIMES

The global economy is approaching a soft landing after several years of geopolitical and economic turmoil, the International Monetary Fund said Tuesday. But it warned that risks remain, including stubborn inflation, the threat of escalating global conflicts, and rising protectionism.

In its latest World Economic Outlook report, the IMF projected global output to hold steady at 3.2 percent in 2024, unchanged from 2023. Although the pace of the expansion is tepid by historical standards, the IMF said global economic activity had been surprisingly resilient given that central banks aggressively raised interest rates to tame inflation and wars in Ukraine and the Middle East further disrupt supply chains.

The forecasts came as policymakers from around the world began arriving in Washington for the spring meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. The outlook is brighter from just a year ago, when the IMF was warning of underlying "turbulence" and a multitude of risks.

Although the world economy has proved to be durable over the past year, defying predictions of a recession, there are lingering concerns that price pressures have not been sufficiently contained and that new trade barriers will be erected amid anxiety over a recent surge of cheap Chinese exports.

"Somewhat worryingly, progress toward inflation targets has somewhat stalled since the beginning of the year," Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas, the IMF's chief economist, wrote in an essay that accompanied the report. "Oil prices have been rising recently in part due to geopolitical tensions and services inflation remains stubbornly high."

He added: "Further trade restrictions on Chinese exports could also push up goods inflation."

The gathering is taking place at a time of growing tension between the United States and China over a surge of Chinese green energy products, such as electric vehicles, lithium batteries, and solar panels, that are flooding global markets. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen returned last week from a trip to China, where she told her counterparts that Beijing's industrial policy was harming American workers. She warned that the United States could pursue trade restrictions to protect investments in America's solar and electric vehicle industries.

The United States and China agreed to hold additional talks on "balanced growth." On Tuesday afternoon, Yellen convened a meeting of the US-China Financial Working Group and the Economic Working Group at the Treasury Department.

During her visit to China, Yellen suggested that tariffs on Chinese exports of green energy products were "on the table." The Biden administration is weighing changes to tariffs that the Trump administration imposed on more than $300 billion worth of Chinese goods. The European Union has been pursuing its own trade restrictions on China, and fears over China's growing dominance over clean energy production could lead to a new wave of protectionism globally.

On Tuesday, Yellen pointed out that the US economy was defying expectations of weakness from a year ago, describing the labor market as "remarkably healthy" and noting that inflation had come down significantly from its peak.

IMF officials have been wary about "fragmentation" in recent years, as economies gravitate to trading blocs with aligned political interests. The report Tuesday warned that further restrictions on trade and investment could fuel more inflation and weigh on economies.

"Tariff increases could trigger retaliatory responses, raise costs, and harm both business profitability and consumer well-being," the report said.

Yellen said on Tuesday that the IMF is not sufficiently focused on the problem of Chinese overcapacity, arguing that China's subsidies of its green energy sectors were creating an uneven playing field.

"With these subsidies, the amount of capacity exceeds global demand, and what it's likely to be even over the next decade," Yellen said. "When the markets weaken, prices fall and it's our firms who go out of business, and those that are our allied countries. Chinese firms continue to receive support so that they remain."

**"Further trade restrictions on Chinese exports could also push up goods inflation," Pierre-Olivier Gourinchas, chief economist of the International Monetary Fund, wrote in an essay.**

# Powell suggests interest rates could stay high

**By Ben Casselman and Jim Tankersley**
NEW YORK TIMES

The Federal Reserve is likely to wait longer than initially expected to cut interest rates given stubborn inflation readings in recent months, the central bank's top two officials said Tuesday.

Policymakers came into 2024 looking for evidence that inflation was continuing to cool rapidly, as it did late last year. Instead, progress on inflation has stalled or even reversed by some measures.

"The recent data have clearly not given us greater confidence and instead indicate that it's likely to take longer than expected to achieve that confidence," Jerome Powell, the Fed chair, said at an event in Washington on Tuesday. He did not say when he believed rate cuts would be appropriate.

In a separate speech Tuesday, Philip Jefferson, the Fed's vice chair, said the central bank should be prepared to delay rate cuts if inflation remains hot. But he stopped short of saying he expected rates will need to stay at their current levels, 5.3 percent, deep into this year. Last month, Fed officials indicated that they expect to cut rates three times by the end of 2024.

Investors have closely watched Fed officials in recent weeks for any hint of changing views on when rate cuts might begin. When the year began, Wall Street analysts expected officials to begin cutting rates in quarter-point increments as early as this spring. That's because annual inflation had been falling steadily from a high of about 9 percent to about 3 percent, closing in on the Fed's target.

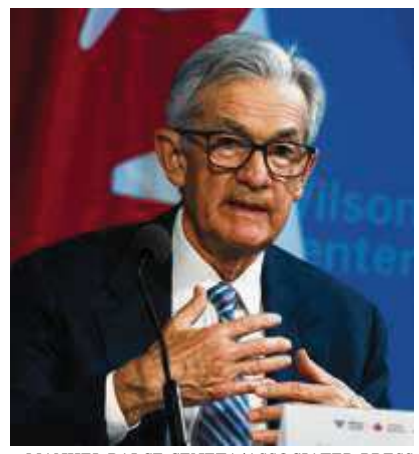
Now, investors have pushed out expectations for a first rate cut to September, with a cut at the central bank's meeting in July seen as a coin toss.

In the first months of this year, progress on inflation has stalled. Annual inflation, as measured by the consumer price index, ticked up to 3.5 percent in March. The measure preferred by the Fed, the personal consumption expenditure price index, was up 2.7 percent in February from a year earlier.

Other economic indicators have remained strong. Job growth has consistently exceeded expectations, the unemployment rate has remained low, and consumer spending has proved resilient. That has given policymakers confidence that they can keep interest rates higher without threatening to cause a recession.

"My baseline outlook continues to be that inflation will decline further, with the policy rate held steady at its current level, and that the labor market will remain strong, with labor demand and supply continuing to rebalance," Jefferson said in a speech at a Fed research conference in Washington.

"Of course, the outlook is still quite uncertain, and if incoming data suggest that inflation is more persistent than I currently expect it to be, it will be appropriate to hold in place the current restrictive stance of policy for longer," he added. "I am fully committed to getting inflation back to 2 percent."


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**Jerome Powell, the Fed chair, did not say when he believed rate cuts would be appropriate.**

# State Street still sees monetary easing

**By Alice Atkins**
BLOOMBERG NEWS

State Street Global Advisors is standing by a contrarian call for the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates as soon as June despite a string of hot economic data that has spurred most traders to push back bets to later in the year.

The $3.6 trillion asset manager remains convinced the central bank will start monetary easing well before the US presidential election in November to avoid being seen influencing the result, according to Boston-based chief investment officer Lori Heinel. The inflation backdrop still supports this move given policy works with a long lag and the quality of recent data prints has been low, she said.

"We still believe a first rate cut in June is likely," Heinel said. "We acknowledge that recent data puts that call in jeopardy, but the overall inflation picture supports a cut."

State Street has held firm in its outlook for monetary easing for several months amid big swings in opinion from the rest of the market. Earlier in April, before a data release last week that confirmed a third-straight month of sticky inflation, Heinel said the firm was betting on a half-point cut in June and 150 basis points of easing by the end of the year. She has since tempered her call to 100 basis points, which is still double what markets are anticipating.

Heinel's comments came after resilient retail sales data drove Treasury yields to fresh highs for the year.

"Data quality has been low, with lots of big data revisions," Heinel said. "The Fed's focus on data dependency could be a challenge if taken too literally."

# NPR suspends editor who wrote critical essay

**By Benjamin Mullin**
NEW YORK TIMES

NPR has suspended Uri Berliner, the senior business editor who broke ranks and published an essay arguing that the nonprofit radio network had allowed liberal bias to affect its coverage.

Berliner was suspended by the network for five days, starting last Friday, for violating the network's policy against doing work outside the organization without first getting permission.

Berliner acknowledged his suspension in an interview with NPR on Monday, providing one of the network's reporters with a copy of the written rebuke. In presenting the warning, NPR said that Berliner had failed to clear his work for outside outlets, adding that he would be fired if he violated the policy again.

Berliner's essay was published last week in The Free Press, a popular Substack publication.

He declined to comment about the suspension. NPR said it did not comment on personnel matters.

The revelation of Berliner's punishment is the latest aftershock to rattle NPR since Berliner published his essay. Employees at the public radio network were taken aback by Berliner's public condemnation of the broadcaster, and several have said that they no longer trust him because of his remarks. Berliner told The New York Times last week that he did not reach out to the network before publishing his essay.

After Berliner's essay was published, NPR's new chief executive, Katherine Maher, came under renewed scrutiny as conservative activists resurfaced a series of years-old social media posts criticizing former president Donald Trump and embracing progressive causes.

One of the activists, Christopher Rufo, has pressured media organizations into covering controversies involving influential figures, such as the plagiarism allegations against Claudine Gay, the former Harvard president.

NPR said on Monday that Maher's social media posts were written long before she was named chief executive of NPR, and that she was not working in the news industry at the time. NPR also said that while she managed the business side of the nonprofit, she was not involved in its editorial process. Maher said in a statement that "in America everyone is entitled to free speech as a private citizen."

Several NPR employees have urged the network's leaders to more forcefully renounce Berliner's claims in his essay. Edith Chapin, NPR's top editor, said in a statement last week that managers "strongly disagree with Uri's assessment of the quality of our journalism," adding that the network was "proud to stand behind" its work.


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# Homes prices up, sales fall

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The Greater Boston housing market has been practically frozen for the last two years, with higher interest rates driving both buyers and sellers out of the market. There have been some small signs that things may be starting to loosen up, but that largely depends on mortgage rates, which have been up and down, but mostly just up.

The average rate on a 30-year fixed-rate mortgage was 6.88 percent last week, according to Freddie Mac, still more than double the rate two years ago.

As such, home sales are still dropping. Last month, just 606 single-family homes sold in the region, according to the realtor association, down roughly 3 percent from the 630 sold in the same month last year and the lowest number of sales recorded in the month of March in the last 15 years. Listings fell too. Just 1,002 homes were listed for sale in Greater Boston last month, a more than 20 percent drop from the 1,303 homes on the market in March 2023.

Some buyers can't stomach both the region's sky-high home prices and a high monthly payment. And many property owners don't want to sell right now, because they don't want to give up their relatively low mortgage rates for a much higher rate on a new place.

"Inventory remains limited in many communities, which is giving sellers the ability to be more aggressive in their pricing," said Wilk. "On top of that, buyers are having to contend with multiple offer situations again and many are opting to bid above the list price in an effort to buy a home, and all of this is fueling the steady appreciation in home prices."

Still, the dynamic has been dragging on for so long now that some realtors think something has to give soon. First-time homebuyers are still desperate for a home, and can only wait so long. Sellers are getting impatient too.

"There's a greater sense of optimism about the housing market today than any time in the past two years," said Wilk. "Buyers are enthusiastic, and fewer are waiting for mortgage rates or prices to drop to move forward. Sellers also appear to be more accepting of the current interest rate environment, and many seem to be looking at the next few months as an ideal time to maximize the equity in their homes. That should make for a healthier housing market this spring."



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**In March, 606 single-family homes sold in Greater Boston, down about 3 percent from the 630 sold in the same month last year.**

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# MGB moving on without Dana-Farber, CEO says

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Women's Hospital, whether it's in a community hospital, or an ambulatory setting or virtually.

It's following where patients are, where cancer care is going, and being able to take advantage of research and education in providing the highest level of cancer care, which is focused around the entire patient. It's pushing care out into the community, closer to home, and sometimes at home. All of those things really characterize where cancer care is going. Cancer care has to be centered around patients, and it also has to look to the future of where cancer care is going in terms of new therapeutics.

So, yes, we are contractually obligated to go ahead, as we are planning to do. And at the same time, as we continue to provide that care, we also are developing what Mass General Brigham cancer [care] would look like.

Two really important points: There are probably close to 4,000 beds across our entire system. But when it comes to looking at cancer care delivery, there are approximately 500 beds that are devoted to taking care of patients who are coming into the hospital because of cancer. Those beds are equally distributed among the academic medical center and some of the community hospitals. Thirty beds — three, zero — at the Brigham are Dana-Farber licensed beds. Those are 30 beds which will be leaving when the Farber leaves this relationship. It's a very small number.

The second point is that if you look at the capabilities of cancer that are at the Brigham right now — the Mass General cancer center model, that is exactly the model that we have right now at the Dana-Farber Brigham cancer center. However, it's important to remember and understand that all of cancer surgery, radiation oncology, pathology, radiology — all of those other specialties in the department of medicine, all of those providers are Brigham physicians. So what the Farber provides is medical oncology. So when the Farber leaves, their 30 beds and the medical oncologists who choose to stay with the Farber will leave. All the rest of it stays.

**So it sounds like there's no love lost here?**

There are clinical and research care teams that have worked together for decades. These are very powerful clinical relationships. The announcement came out from the Farber. This was a Farber business decision to build their own medical oncology hospital. That was their announcement. The people, the relationships, the care — that's gone on for decades. So all the caregivers, physicians, and researchers were stunned by this announcement.

**The $20 billion nonprofit hospital system is now plotting how its cancer programs will look after its split with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.**

**I also want to talk about the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission. Mass General Brigham is a popular character in those meetings because of the system's high prices. MGB just completed its performance improvement plan to keep health care spending in check. How did that go?**

The burden of health care costs is felt by everyone around the state and around the country. So the cost of health care is a very, very important issue. The good news is that Massachusetts, as a state, has made excellent progress in terms of lowering the cost of care. The issue is the sustainability, long-term, of not-for-profit health care systems and the enormous pressures that are upon health care systems in Massachusetts and around the country.

The financial pressures on all of our systems, including ours, continue. If you look at our system, and this is not unique to us, over 65 percent or so of our system is labor costs. And our employees, our staff, our faculty are of incredible value, and work incredibly hard. Supply chain: Those issues led to enormous costs in getting anything done. The cost of living has gone up enormously, so the cost pressures are relentless on all of us, whereas revenue coming in is fairly flat.

All of us in our system and around the country are working very hard to become more efficient, to streamline services, to look at ways to cut costs. We have all done that. And yet that gap just continues in Massachusetts. I look at the health care systems around the state. Everyone is struggling. They are struggling with exactly the issues I've talked about. They are struggling enormously with capacity issues. We are among the most capacity-constrained states for health care in the country. If you look at our emergency departments routinely, we have hundreds of patients every day who have been technically admitted to the hospital with no place to go.

**Some of the latest data show hospitals are rebounding nicely because patient volumes are coming back, especially on the outpatient side. You talked about this gap between revenue and costs. Well, the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission and the Health Policy Commission say it's an issue of providers being too inefficient.**

I think efficiency and levels of care are something we all talk about. And I do understand that position. However, we have been aggressively pushing value-based care now for a number of years. Value-based care is one of the foundational goals and system priorities that we have. Value-based care, in its essence, means to take those patients who do not require the care in the academic medical centers and move them into a community setting, which is lower-cost, or an ambulatory site, which is even lower-cost than our academic medical centers.

So for the Health Policy Commission and everyone else, I think what we have said not only as a health care system, but as a state with health care systems and hospitals, is to acknowledge the importance of what our not-for-profit systems are doing in the state and to understand these continuing burdens in terms of capacity, workforce challenges, post-acute settings, and the importance of providing more care in ambulatory sites, community hospitals, and in the home. That is the most important thing we are working on, and that will actually shift the cost curve.

**UnitedHealth Group is looking to acquire the physician group within Steward Health Care. What are your views on this?**

When there are issues that affect physician groups, when there are issues that affect health care systems, there needs to be a similar amount of oversight, and that should be uniform. From the health care system point of view, what has been apparent is that that is not always the case. If a for-profit or not-for-profit company is looking at acquiring, the question is: Are they being looked at in the same way? And beyond that, I think the considerations are always the same. Foremost, what does it mean for patient care? What does it mean for how patient care will be provided, and who will be providing that care? Where will it be provided? Will those providers stay? Will there be enough providers left to take care of the patients who need care?

The whole state is concerned as to the viability of Steward. So I think this needs to be looked at in a multi-dimensional [way]. What does this mean for the hospitals? What does this mean for the providers? Most importantly, what does this mean for the patients?

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# Back Bay Hilton hotel sells for $171m; owners plan renovation

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in general."

The acquisition of the hotel — one of just three Hilton properties in the city — comes at a moment of flux for the Back Bay hotel market, which comprises 6,708 rooms, according to Pinnacle Advisory Group.

Steps away from the Hilton property, one of the Sheraton Hotel towers is being repurposed into dorms for Northeastern University students, effectively removing 428 hotel rooms from the neighborhood. Less than a mile away from the Hilton, Raffles Boston debuted last fall with 147 rooms, and a new CitizenM hotel on Newbury Street is slated to open this summer with 399 rooms. There are also several Marriott properties nearby.

Despite this churn, Back Bay is among the city's healthiest hotel submarkets in the city's post-pandemic landscape, according to Pinnacle. In February, it was behind only the North/West End and the Seaport in terms of revenue per available room, an industry metric that takes both occupancy rates and average room cost into account.

The Hilton hotel, which also includes a 209-space parking garage and a restaurant and bar, debuted in 1982. It was bought by Ashford in 2011 from Highland Hospitality as part of a $1.3 billion, 28-hotel acquisition. Highland bought the property from Hilton itself in 2005, paying $110 million for it.

The sale comes amid a bout of financial troubles for Ashford, which is in the process of transferring ownership of 19 of its hotels back to its lenders. Ashford refinanced the mortgage on the Back Bay hotel in 2021.

In January, Ashford announced the Back Bay property was among the hotels it was looking to offload as it seeks to pay off its "strategic financing." In a news release announcing the sale of the Hilton hotel, the company said it used $68 million in proceeds toward this end.

"We are pleased to announce the closing of the sale of the Hilton Boston Back Bay for a very attractive value and the significant progress we've made in paying down our strategic financing," said Rob Hays, Ashford's president and CEO, in a statement.

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# Senators call for rent cut at Steward sites

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ings eight years ago, didn't respond to a request to discuss the call to modify its leases. A spokesperson for Australia-based Macquarie, which controls a subsidiary owning half of Steward's property in Massachusetts, declined to comment.

The move is the latest by members of the state's congressional delegation to focus attention on other businesses that helped Dallas-based Steward craft a controversial $1.2 billion sale-leaseback deal in 2016 that saddled Steward's eight Massachusetts hospitals with heavy debt as the system seeks to turn them over to new owners.

Last month, Warren and Markey said they were examining the role played by banking giant Citigroup in facilitating that transaction and others that have left Steward hospitals in Massachusetts struggling financially. The hospitals have missed payments to their vendors and fallen behind in rent payments over the past six months.

The senators and House members from Massachusetts earlier demanded financial data from Steward and Cerberus Capital Management, a private equity firm that was Steward's majority owner from 2010 to 2020. Cerberus responded last month with what the lawmakers termed incomplete information. Steward and Citibank haven't responded.

Warren said she and her congressional colleagues see their role as exposing steps taken by Steward, MPT, and other parties in weakening the Massachusetts hospitals, while urging the companies "to sober up and cut the deal with the state to keep the hospitals open."

Governor Maura Healey has also called publicly for Steward to relinquish ownership of its Massachusetts hospitals, but state officials have taken a quieter approach in their efforts to keep the hospitals open.

The state Department of Public Health is hosting closed-door regional meetings with hospitals and community health centers, starting Thursday, to prepare for an influx of patients if Steward were to cut services or close hospitals in the coming months. But pressure is mounting on state officials to be more transparent about their steps.

In statement posted on its website Wednesday, the Pioneer Institute, a free market think tank based in Boston, called on the Healey Administration to open the regional planning meetings to the public.

"The public at large in cities and towns around the state that are impacted by the threat of Steward hospital closures or sales have a right to know how officials are planning to address continuity of patient care in their communities," the Pioneer statement read.

State officials defended their decision to exclude the public from the regional meetings on Steward contingency planning.

"The Department of Public Health engages with people and communities across the state every day to understand the public health and health care needs of our communities," a DPH spokesperson said. "Each conversation is different and adds to the collective understanding of the evolving health care capacity needs. This week's regional discussions are focused on operations within health care facilities."

Barbara Anthony, a Pioneer senior fellow for health care policy and former state undersecretary of consumer affairs and business affairs during the Patrick administration, said DPH should revisit its decision to exclude members of the public from the meetings.

"Keeping people in the dark is never a good idea," Anthony said. "As a former public official, I understand that you can run these meetings faster if they're closed. But in critical matters that affect large portions of the state in a significant way, it behooves the state to be open about this."

In addition to St. Elizabeth's and Carney in Boston, Steward runs Good Samaritan in Brockton, Holy Family in Methuen and Haverhill, Morton Hospital in Taunton, Nashoba Valley in Ayer, and Saint Anne's in Fall River.

Even while urging MPT and Macquarie to provide relief on hospital rent payments, Warren and Markey's letter demanded answers to a series of questions, including on the value of their real estate holdings in Massachusetts, and how much rent they've collected from Steward.

But Warren, in the interview, said it ultimately will be up to federal investigative agencies, such as the Justice Department and the Federal Trade Commission, to ferret out information she said Steward and its business partners have been shielding from public view.

"They have the tools," she said. "When the feds come knocking, Steward will either produce the information or end up in court."

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**Celtics president Brad Stevens said center Neemias Queta earned his contract and a playoff roster spot.**

## Stevens touches bases before playoff run

### Celtics president talks Mazzulla, Holiday, etc.

**By Adam Himmelsbach**
GLOBE STAFF

Celtics president of basketball operations Brad Stevens held a brief interview session Tuesday as the team returned to practice to prepare for Game 1 of the playoffs Sunday. Here are the highlights.

■ **Joe Mazzulla's growth**

The coach was thrown into a challenging situation last season, when he took over for the suspended Ime Udoka right before training camp despite never having been even a lead assistant in the NBA. He has said it took him time to develop his head coaching philosophy.

Although the conference finals loss to the Heat was a frustrating end, Stevens backed Mazzulla the whole way and made it clear soon after the season Mazzulla would be brought back. Stevens has been pleased to see his growth continue.

"Everybody in that second year of being a head coach learns a lot about navigating the season, the schedule, the team, and all the challenges that come along with that," Stevens said. "I don't think that's unique to him.

►**Lakers top Pelicans, face Nuggets next. C6**

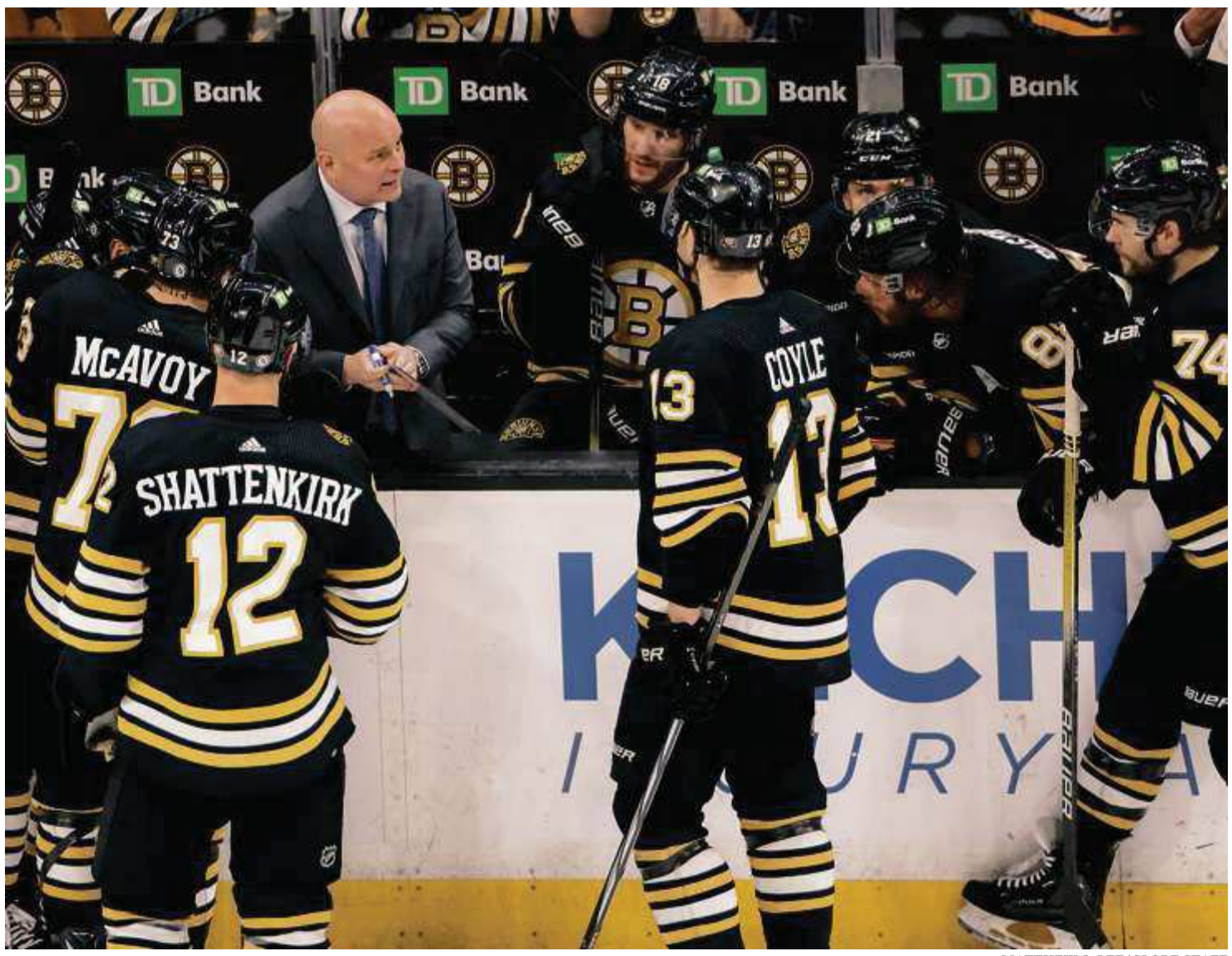
"But I do think he's done another really good job. I think that he's as good as there is getting a group on message and staying on that message and being able to hone in on this task at hand. And this group is very consistent with that."

■ **Jrue Holiday's extension**

Last week the Celtics agreed to a four-year, $135 million contract extension with the point guard. The sides had to wait six months after the October trade to reach a deal, and they agreed to one rather swiftly.

Stevens said he has been impressed by how Holiday, a former All-Star and NBA champion, has embraced a slightly reduced role on this 64-win team.

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**Coach Jim Montgomery was none too pleased to watch the Bruins fumble two chances to lock up the Atlantic Division title.**

## Tottering into playoffs

### Bruins fumble Atlantic Division, to face Toronto

**By Kevin Paul Dupont**
GLOBE STAFF

**Senators 3**
**Bruins 1**

Out with the old, please . . . as fast as possible.

The Bruins waved goodbye to the 2023-24 regular season Tuesday, and for the most part stumbled and bumbled around the Garden in a 3-1 loss to the Senators that was capped off by a David Pastrnak blunder that resulted in Ottawa's game-clinching empty-netter with 1:48 to play.

The loss, their second in as many nights, ultimately delivered the Bruins to a first-round matchup against Toronto when the playoffs open here this weekend (likely Saturday night, pending release of the official postseason schedule).

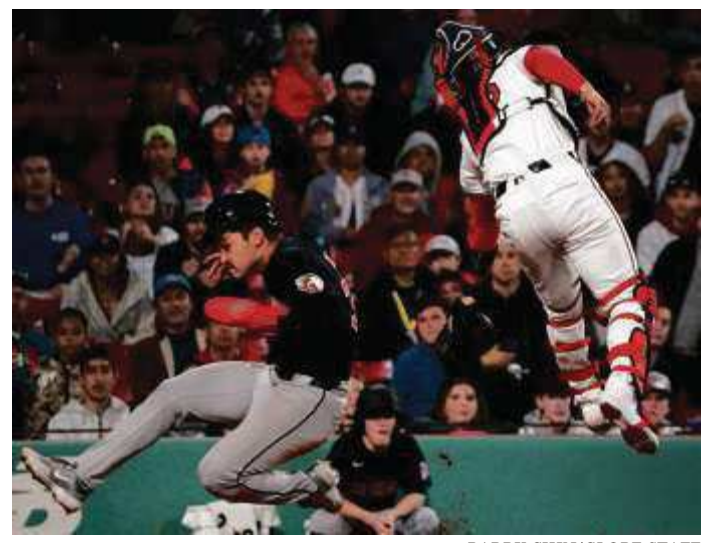
The Bruins swept the season series, 4-0, against the Leafs, beginning with a 3-2 shootout win here on Nov. 2 and ending with a 4-1 win again on home ice March 7. In the two games in Toronto, the Bruins prevailed in overtime, 3-2, on Dec. 2 and again, 4-1, on

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**NESN's Jack Edwards was thrilled to receive a golden hockey stick from the Bruins during a pregame ceremony honoring the retiring broadcaster.** **Story, C2**



BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

**The Guardians' Steven Kwan scores the go-ahead run ahead of a throw to the Red Sox' Connor Wong in the 11th.**

## Devers's status unknown; Sox fall in extras

### Slugger felled by new knee pain

**By Julian McWilliams**
GLOBE STAFF

**Guardians 10**
**Red Sox 7**

Rafael Devers sat at his locker inside the Red Sox clubhouse with a purple towel wrapped around his back and waist.

He stared into space as he slowly removed his black flip flops. Almost in disbelief, and, equally, frustration.

He's battled a shoulder injury dating to spring training, causing him to miss six games this season. He missed four straight before returning for Monday's series opener against the Guardians.

In Tuesday's 10-7, 11-inning loss, the lineup began to feel the presence of Devers again. What he brings is immeasurable. The fear he strikes in opponents is palpable.

As part of a five-run sixth inning, Devers scalded a two-run, go-ahead double. He bellowed when he reached second base, his Sox leading, 6-5. He lifted his arms in celebration, looking toward his teammates in the first-base dugout.

The shoulder looked healthy. It felt like the Sox had their main guy back after losing so many to injuries.

After the seventh inning, he was gone. Out of the contest with left knee discomfort.

"I never had any issues with my legs," said an agonized Devers. "I don't know what's going on."

He said he hurt his knee in the seventh when he ranged to his left, backhanding a grounder on a double-play attempt. Though he has worn a sleeve over his knee in recent days, that's when Devers said he first felt the pain.

The Sox called on Bobby Dalbec to take over third base for Devers, who will receive more imaging Wednesday.

His injury came innings after Garrett Whitlock lasted just four and 54 pitches, pulled because of left oblique tightness he began feeling in the third. Whitlock, at least,

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**Historic moment**
Recalling 24th anniversary of the Patriots drafting Brady. **C3**

**Debunking rumors**
McIlroy says he is never leaving the PGA Tour. **C3**

## She waited 18 years, and a day, to run

**By Matt Porter**
GLOBE STAFF

The tears started flowing once she turned onto Boylston Street.

"I kept it under control until the last strip here, where you can see the finish line," said Briar-Rose Honeywill-Sykes, still leaking around her mirrored shades. "Just really happy and proud of myself, being here. This is amazing. A wonderful experience."

The youngest female competitor in Monday's Boston Marathon field — and youngest female ever to enter — Honeywill-Sykes crossed the line in 3:42:19, at age 18 years, one day. She is a veteran runner, however, and Hopkinton-to-

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JESSICA RINALDI/GLOBE STAFF

**Sisay Lemma (left) and Hellen Obiri won't rest on laurels as they eye Paris.**

JOHN POWERS
**ON MARATHONING**

## They'll always have Boston — now they want Paris

Winning here wasn't just about a laurel wreath, a six-figure check, and blistered immortality. Not this year.

"I was fighting for the Olympics," Hellen Obiri said.

So when she crossed the finish line Monday and became the first woman to retain her Boston Marathon crown since countrywoman Catherine Ndereba in 2005, Obiri believed she'd clinched one of the three places on the Kenyan team for this summer's Paris Games.

"I just assumed because I've done so well last year and this year," said the reigning New York champion whose experience in winning major races without pace-setters will give her an advantage at the rabbit-free Games. "When you come to Boston, it is anybody's race. It is like the Olympics."

Ethiopia's Sisay Lemma punched his five-ringed ticket, too, with his assertive men's performance that marked his first victory in a major in three years.

"I'm going to be the first person elected because of my result here," he said. "I'm at the top of the list of athletes."

Their federations won't announce their choices until after Sunday's London Marathon. But Obiri and Lemma

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# NHL

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

| ATLANTIC | GP | W | L | OL | Pts. | ROW | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Florida | 82 | 52 | 24 | 6 | 110 | 49 | 268 | 200 |
| Boston | 82 | 47 | 20 | 15 | 109 | 43 | 267 | 224 |
| Toronto | 81 | 46 | 25 | 10 | 102 | 41 | 299 | 257 |
| **METROPOLITAN** | **GP** | **W** | **L** | **OL** | **Pts.** | **ROW** | **GF** | **GA** |
| NY Rangers | 82 | 55 | 23 | 4 | 114 | 51 | 282 | 229 |
| Carolina | 82 | 52 | 23 | 7 | 111 | 50 | 279 | 216 |
| NY Islanders | 81 | 38 | 27 | 16 | 92 | 37 | 241 | 259 |
| **WILD-CARD** | **GP** | **W** | **L** | **OL** | **Pts.** | **ROW** | **GF** | **GA** |
| Tampa Bay | 81 | 44 | 29 | 8 | 96 | 41 | 285 | 264 |
| Washington | 82 | 40 | 31 | 11 | 91 | 36 | 220 | 257 |
| Detroit | 82 | 41 | 32 | 9 | 91 | 38 | 278 | 274 |
| Pittsburgh | 81 | 38 | 31 | 12 | 88 | 36 | 251 | 246 |
| Philadelphia | 82 | 38 | 33 | 11 | 87 | 34 | 235 | 261 |
| Buffalo | 82 | 39 | 37 | 6 | 84 | 37 | 246 | 244 |
| New Jersey | 82 | 38 | 39 | 5 | 81 | 38 | 264 | 283 |
| Ottawa | 82 | 37 | 41 | 4 | 78 | 32 | 255 | 281 |
| Montreal | 82 | 30 | 36 | 16 | 76 | 26 | 236 | 289 |
| Columbus | 82 | 27 | 43 | 12 | 66 | 24 | 237 | 300 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

| CENTRAL | GP | W | L | OL | Pts. | ROW | GF | GA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Dallas | 81 | 51 | 21 | 9 | 111 | 48 | 296 | 233 |
| Winnipeg | 81 | 51 | 24 | 6 | 108 | 51 | 255 | 197 |
| Colorado | 81 | 49 | 25 | 7 | 105 | 47 | 299 | 253 |
| **PACIFIC** | **GP** | **W** | **L** | **OL** | **Pts.** | **ROW** | **GF** | **GA** |
| *Vancouver | 80 | 49 | 22 | 9 | 107 | 49 | 273 | 218 |
| Edmonton | 80 | 49 | 25 | 6 | 104 | 47 | 291 | 227 |
| Los Angeles | 81 | 43 | 27 | 11 | 97 | 41 | 251 | 211 |
| **WILD-CARD** | **GP** | **W** | **L** | **OL** | **Pts.** | **ROW** | **GF** | **GA** |
| Nashville | 82 | 47 | 30 | 5 | 99 | 44 | 269 | 248 |
| *Vegas | 80 | 44 | 28 | 8 | 96 | 40 | 263 | 240 |
| St. Louis | 81 | 43 | 33 | 5 | 91 | 38 | 238 | 248 |
| Minnesota | 81 | 39 | 33 | 9 | 87 | 36 | 248 | 259 |
| *Calgary | 80 | 37 | 38 | 5 | 79 | 37 | 247 | 266 |
| Seattle | 81 | 33 | 35 | 13 | 79 | 30 | 213 | 233 |
| Arizona | 81 | 35 | 41 | 5 | 75 | 33 | 251 | 272 |
| Anaheim | 81 | 26 | 50 | 5 | 57 | 25 | 200 | 294 |
| *Chicago | 80 | 23 | 52 | 5 | 51 | 22 | 174 | 282 |
| San Jose | 81 | 19 | 53 | 9 | 47 | 18 | 180 | 326 |

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

**THE PLAYOFF FORMAT**

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

**TUESDAY'S RESULTS**

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|---|---|---|---|
| Ottawa 3 | at Boston 1 | At Florida 5 | Toronto 2 |
| At Columbus 6 | Carolina 3 | At Winnipeg 4 | Seattle 3 |
| Detroit 5 | at Montreal 4 (SO) | Chicago | at Vegas |
| Washington 2 | at Philadelphia 1 | Calgary | at Vancouver |

**WEDNESDAY'S GAMES**

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|---|---|---|---|
| Pittsburgh at NY Islanders | 7 | St. Louis at Dallas | 9:30 |
| Toronto at Tampa Bay | 7 | Edmonton at Arizona | 10 |

**MONDAY'S RESULTS**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| At Washington 2 | Boston 0 | Buffalo 4 | at Tampa Bay 2 |
| At Detroit 5 | Montreal 4 (OT) | At NY Rangers 4 | Ottawa 0 |
| NY Islanders 4 | at New Jersey 1 | At Edmonton 9 | San Jose 2 |
| At Pittsburgh 4 | Nashville 2 | Minnesota 3 | at Los Angeles 1 |

### CAPITALS 2, FLYERS 1

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Washington** | 1 | 0 | 1 | — 2 |
| **Philadelphia** | 0 | 1 | 0 | — 1 |

First period — 1. Washington, Ovechkin 31 (McIlrath, Oshie), 18:08. Penalties — Wilson, Was (tripping), 9:03.
Second period — 2. Philadelphia, Johnson 5 (Zamula, Couturier), 12:29. Penalties — None.
Third period — 3. Washington, Oshie 12 (Dowd), 17:00 (en). Penalties — None.
Shots on goal — Washington 7-5-6 — 18. Philadelphia 7-8-13 — 28.
Power plays — Washington 0-0; Philadelphia 0-1.
Goalies — Washington, Lindgren 25-16-7 (28 shots-27 saves). Philadelphia, Ersson 23-19-7 (17 shots-16 saves).
Referees — Kelly Sutherland, Eric Furlatt. Linesmen — Steve Barton, Scott Cherrey.
A — 19,411 (19,523). T — 2:34.

### RED WINGS 5, CANADIENS 4

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Detroit** | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 — 5 |
| **Montreal** | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 — 4 |

**Red Wings win shootout, 1-0**

First period — 1. Montreal, Newhook 15 (Gallagher, Mailloux), 11:32. 2. Detroit, Seider 9 (Larkin, Raymond), 18:29. Penalties — None.
Second period — 3. Montreal, Gallagher 16 (Armia, Struble), 6:17. 4. Montreal, Caufield 28 (Slafkovsky, Suzuki), 10:09. 5. Detroit, Veleno 12 (Gostisbehere, Sprong), 10:45. Penalties — Fischer, Det (slashing), 16:18. Raymond, Det (delay of game), 18:07.
Third period — 6. Detroit, Sprong 18, 3:31. 7. Montreal, Slafkovsky 20 (Hutson, Savard), 12:46. 8. Detroit, Perron 17 (Gostisbehere), 19:55. Penalties — None.
Overtime — None. Penalties — Kane, Det (tripping), 1:52.
Shootout — Detroit 1 (Larkin NG, Raymond NG, Kane G). Montreal 0 (Caufield NG, Hutson NG, Suzuki NG)
Shots on goal — Detroit 12-7-19-2 — 40. Montreal 8-17-5-3 — 33.
Power plays — Detroit 0-0; Montreal 0-3.
Goalies — Detroit, Reimer 11-8-2 (33 shots-29 saves). Montreal, Primeau 8-9-4 (40 shots-36 saves).
Referees — Chris Rooney, Jon McIsaac. Linesmen — Mark Shewchyk, Ryan Daisy.
A — 21,105 (21,273). T — 2:40.

### BLUE JACKETS 6, HURRICANES 3

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Carolina** | 2 | 1 | 0 | — 3 |
| **Columbus** | 3 | 1 | 2 | — 6 |

First period — 1. Columbus, Del Bel Belluz 1 (Pyyhtia, Werenski), 3:37. 2. Columbus, Werenski 10 (CSillinger, Marchenko), 5:24. 3. Carolina, Kotkaniemi 12 (Comtois, Noesen), 7:10. 4. Carolina, Teravainen 24 (Kotkaniemi, Burns), 18:16. 5. Columbus, Malatesta 2 (Olivier, Kuraly), 19:01. Penalties — , Cls, served by Del Bel Belluz (too many men on ice), 1:25. Martinook, Car (hi stick), 13:07.
Second period — 6. Carolina, Teravainen 25 (Burns, Noesen), 10:16 (pp). 7. Columbus, Gaudreau 12 (Danforth, Werenski), 12:18. Penalties — Gudbranson, Cls (cross check), 1:16. Chatfield, Car (tripping), 6:21. Jiricek, Cls (holding), 9:45.
Third period — 8. Columbus, Nylander 11 (Gudbranson, Provorov), 0:47. 9. Columbus, Werenski 11 (Olivier, Gudbranson), 19:21. Penalties — CSillinger, Cls (tripping), 2:56. Severson, Cls (tripping), 16:19.
Shots on goal — Carolina 16-10-15 — 41. Columbus 13-8-4 — 25.
Power plays — Carolina 1-5; Columbus 0-2.
Goalies — Carolina, Martin 7-9-2 (25 shots-19 saves). Columbus, Greaves 3-6-0 (41 shots-38 saves).
Referees — Furman South, Jake Brenk. Linesmen — Brad Kovachik, Trent Knorr.
A — 17,289 (18,144). T — 2:19.

### LEADERS

**Not including yesterday's games**

**GOALS**

| | GP | G |
|---|---|---|
| Matthews, Tor | 79 | 69 |
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 55 |
| Hyman, Edm | 79 | 54 |
| MacKinnon, Col | 81 | 51 |
| Panarin, NYR | 82 | 49 |
| Forsberg, Nsh | 82 | 48 |
| Pastrnak, Bos | 81 | 47 |
| Kaprizov, Min | 74 | 45 |
| Point, TB | 80 | 45 |
| Kucherov, TB | 80 | 43 |
| Marchessault, VGK | 80 | 42 |
| Crosby, Pit | 81 | 42 |
| Rantanen, Col | 79 | 41 |
| Draisaitl, Edm | 80 | 41 |
| Stamkos, TB | 78 | 40 |
| Boeser, Van | 80 | 40 |
| Nylander, Tor | 80 | 40 |
| Kreider, NYR | 82 | 39 |
| Tkachuk, Ott | 80 | 37 |

**ASSISTS**

| | GP | A |
|---|---|---|
| McDavid, Edm | 75 | 100 |
| Kucherov, TB | 80 | 99 |
| MacKinnon, Col | 81 | 87 |
| Hughes, Van | 80 | 74 |
| Panarin, NYR | 82 | 71 |
| Makar, Col | 76 | 68 |
| Miller, Van | 80 | 66 |
| Draisaitl, Edm | 80 | 65 |
| Hedman, TB | 78 | 63 |
| Bouchard, Edm | 80 | 63 |
| Rantanen, Col | 79 | 62 |
| Pastrnak, Bos | 81 | 62 |
| Josi, Nsh | 82 | 62 |
| Dobson, NYI | 79 | 60 |
| Tkachuk, Fla | 79 | 60 |
| Thomas, StL | 81 | 60 |
| Marner, Tor | 67 | 58 |
| Barzal, NYI | 80 | 57 |
| Morrissey, Wpg | 80 | 57 |
| Nylander, Tor | 80 | 57 |

**PLUS/MINUS**

| | GP | +/- |
|---|---|---|
| Forsling, Fla | 78 | +52 |
| Ekholm, Edm | 78 | +44 |
| DeMelo, Wpg | 80 | +43 |
| Hughes, Van | 80 | +39 |
| Hyman, Edm | 79 | +38 |
| McDavid, Edm | 75 | +37 |
| Matthews, Tor | 79 | +35 |
| Bouchard, Edm | 80 | +35 |
| Aho, Car | 78 | +34 |
| MacKinnon, Col | 81 | +34 |
| Hronek, Van | 80 | +33 |
| Morrissey, Wpg | 80 | +33 |
| Miller, Van | 80 | +31 |

### PANTHERS 5, MAPLE LEAFS 2

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Toronto** | 2 | 0 | 0 | — 2 |
| **Florida** | 0 | 4 | 1 | — 5 |

First period — 1. Toronto, Marner 27 (Rielly, Nylander), 3:25 (pp). 2. Toronto, Gregor 6, 11:18. Penalties — Forsling, Fla (cross check), 3:04. Tavares, Tor (roughing), 6:37. Benoit, Tor (roughing), 6:37. Tkachuk, Fla (roughing), 6:37. Rodrigues, Fla (holding), 14:39. McCabe, Tor (slashing), 16:44. Bertuzzi, Tor (slashing), 16:44. Balinskis, Fla (slashing), 16:44.
Second period — 3. Florida, Verhaeghe 34 (Bennett, Tkachuk), 0:28. 4. Florida, Bennett 20 (Forsling, Tkachuk), 10:32. 5. Florida, Reinhart 56 (Barkov), 10:42. 6. Florida, Montour 8 (Barkov, Tarasenko), 13:42. Penalties — Bertuzzi, Tor (interference on the goaltender), 3:45. Edmundson, Tor (interference), 5:36. Lyubushkin, Tor (interference), 17:22.
Third period — 7. Florida, Reinhart 57 (Luostarinen), 17:40 (en). Penalties — Tavares, Tor (holding), 0:56. Bennett, Fla (hooking), 4:16. Mikkola, Fla (roughing), 12:25. Montour, Fla (hi stick), 19:15.
Shots on goal — Toronto 14-4-8 — 26. Florida 6-29-7 — 42.
Power plays — Toronto 1-5; Florida 0-6.
Goalies — Toronto, Woll 12-11-1 (41 shots-37 saves). Florida, Stolarz 16-7-2 (26 shots-24 saves).
Referees — Kyle Rehman, Dan O'Rourke. Linesmen — Jonny Murray, Kilian McNamara.
A — 18,317 (19,250). T — 2:39.

### JETS 4, KRAKEN 3

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Seattle** | 1 | 2 | 0 | — 3 |
| **Winnipeg** | 2 | 1 | 1 | — 4 |

First period — 1. Winnipeg, Connor 33 (Scheifele, Morrissey), 10:33. 2. Seattle, Tatar 9 (Bellemare), 18:38. 3. Winnipeg, Connor 34 (Morrissey, Scheifele), 19:54. Penalties — Tanev, Sea (tripping), 7:13.
Second period — 4. Winnipeg, Ehlers 25 (Toffoli, Pionk), 2:30. 5. Seattle, Gourde 9 (Evans, Tanev), 5:11. 6. Seattle, Kartye 10 (Gourde), 18:13. Penalties — Dillon, Wpg (interference), 10:39.
Third period — 7. Winnipeg, Toffoli 33 (Ehlers, Pionk), 11:40 (pp). Penalties — McCann, Sea (hooking), 9:52. Evans, Sea, double minor (hi stick), 13:31.
Shots on goal — Seattle 8-9-6 — 23. Winnipeg 6-11-7 — 24.
Power plays — Seattle 0-1; Winnipeg 1-4.
Goalies — Seattle, Grubauer 14-16-2 (24 shots-20 saves). Winnipeg, Hellebuyck 37-19-4 (23 shots-20 saves).
Referees — Mitch Dunning, Pierre Lambert. Linesmen — Ryan Gibbons, CJ Murray.
A — 15,225 (15,294). T — 2:13.

### LEADERS

**Not including yesterday's games**

**POWER-PLAY GOALS**

| | GP | PPG |
|---|---|---|
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 27 |
| Draisaitl, Edm | 80 | 21 |
| Stamkos, TB | 78 | 19 |
| Kaprizov, Min | 74 | 18 |
| Matthews, Tor | 79 | 18 |
| Kreider, NYR | 82 | 18 |
| Boeser, Van | 80 | 16 |

**SHORTHANDED GOALS**

| | GP | SHG |
|---|---|---|
| Konecny, Phi | 75 | 6 |
| Holmstrom, NYI | 74 | 5 |
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 5 |
| Coleman, Cgy | 77 | 4 |

**SHOTS**

| | GP | S |
|---|---|---|
| MacKinnon, Col | 81 | 404 |
| Pastrnak, Bos | 81 | 379 |
| Tkachuk, Ott | 80 | 357 |
| Matthews, Tor | 79 | 352 |
| Forsberg, Nsh | 82 | 347 |
| Nylander, Tor | 80 | 310 |
| Caufield, Mon | 81 | 310 |
| Panarin, NYR | 82 | 303 |
| Kucherov, TB | 80 | 302 |
| Hyman, Edm | 79 | 288 |
| Tippett, Phi | 77 | 285 |
| Crosby, Pit | 81 | 275 |
| Hughes, NJ | 62 | 274 |
| Tavares, Tor | 78 | 274 |
| Tkachuk, Fla | 79 | 272 |
| Kaprizov, Min | 74 | 271 |
| Ovechkin, Was | 78 | 271 |
| Vatrano, Anh | 81 | 268 |
| Josi, Nsh | 82 | 268 |
| Eichel, VGK | 61 | 267 |
| Rantanen, Col | 79 | 267 |

**SHOOTING PCT.**

| | GP | SPct |
|---|---|---|
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 24.0 |
| Joshua, Van | 61 | 21.3 |
| Mantha, VGK | 74 | 20.4 |
| Point, TB | 80 | 20.2 |
| Kopitar, LA | 80 | 19.8 |
| Boeser, Van | 80 | 19.6 |
| Matthews, Tor | 79 | 19.6 |
| Hoglander, Van | 78 | 19.5 |
| Carcone, Ari | 73 | 19.4 |
| Raymond, Det | 81 | 19.1 |
| Draisaitl, Edm | 80 | 19.1 |

**GAME-WINNING GOALS**

| | GP | GWG |
|---|---|---|
| Point, TB | 80 | 12 |
| Forsberg, Nsh | 82 | 11 |
| Connor, Wpg | 64 | 10 |
| Aho, Car | 78 | 10 |
| Pettersson, Van | 80 | 10 |
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 10 |

**PENALTY MINUTES**

| | GP | PIM |
|---|---|---|
| O'Brien, Ari | 74 | 153 |
| Tkachuk, Ott | 80 | 134 |
| Hathaway, Phi | 81 | 132 |
| Wilson, Was | 73 | 131 |
| Gudas, Anh | 65 | 128 |
| Zadorov, Van | 73 | 121 |
| Domi, Tor | 80 | 118 |
| Johnston, Anh | 67 | 117 |
| Gadjovich, Fla | 38 | 104 |
| Eyssimont, TB | 80 | 104 |
| Carrick, Edm | 75 | 102 |

**SHORTHANDED POINTS**

| | GP | SHPts |
|---|---|---|
| Laughton, Phi | 81 | 8 |
| Holmstrom, NYI | 74 | 7 |
| Konecny, Phi | 75 | 7 |
| Sharangovich, Cgy | 80 | 7 |
| Coleman, Cgy | 77 | 6 |
| Pageau, NYI | 81 | 6 |
| Zibanejad, NYR | 81 | 6 |
| Henrique, Edm | 80 | 5 |
| Coyle, Bos | 81 | 5 |
| Reinhart, Fla | 81 | 5 |
| Kreider, NYR | 82 | 5 |

**BRUINS NOTEBOOK**

# Plan in net? Montgomery mum

By Kevin Paul Dupont
GLOBE STAFF

If you're guessing whether it will be **Jeremy Swayman** or **Linus Ullmark** to start in net when the playoffs begin, keep guessing.

If you're guessing whether coach **Jim Montgomery** will alternate his tenders throughout the postseason or opt to go with a leading man . . . keep guessing yet again.

Prior to Tuesday night's 3-1 loss to the Senators in Game 82, Montgomery showed no inclination to tip his hand about his blocker-and-glove decision.

A veteran wag asked Montgomery if he would reveal his answer prior to Saturday morning, the day Game 1 is expected to be played at the Garden.

"Probably not!" he said with a broad smile and hefty chuckle before adding, "we've got two good options."

Ullmark handled season-wrap duties against the Senators.

If Montgomery were to stick to boilerplate, that would mean Swayman, extremely sharp Monday night in Washington, would get the green light for Game 1.

But that, of course, is only guesswork.



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**Linus Ullmark (17 saves) hugs the post to deny Claude Giroux in the first period.**

## Megna draws promotion

The day began with GM **Don Sweeney** reaching down to AHL Providence for journeyman center **Jayson Megna**, who signed last July as an unrestricted free agent and spent the full season with the WannaB's.

To make room for Megna, 34, the Bruins placed rookie **Johnny Beecher** on loan to Providence, in what likely was only a paper transaction.

Beecher, though not prolific (7-3–10) in his third- and fourth-line center/wing assignments, has become a trusted faceoff contributor for Montgomery.

"He's had a really good year," said the coach, referring to Megna's AHL production. "And in the last two months, he's caught fire and consistently been really good down there."

Megna, son-in-law of US Olympic hero (and former Bruins goalie) **Jim Craig**, played 203 NHL games, most recently with Anaheim, prior to coming here as a UFA.

He turned pro out of college with Pittsburgh and has played for the Penguins, Rangers, Canucks, Avs, and Ducks.

Prior to his call-up, Megna was tied for second with **Anthony Richard** in production (51 points) in Providence with 18 goals and 33 assists.

His two-way contract paid him $400,000 this season in Providence, which is hefty pay at the AHL level.

"We've looked at a lot of players throughout the year," said Montgomery, "and this is an opportunity to look at him."

Megna lined up at left wing on a line with fellow ex-WannaBs **Jesper Boqvist** and **Jakub Lauko** and spent 11:45 on ice.

## Moving target

With 12 goals in his first 17 games this season, **David Pastrnak** was tracking to put up a second consecutive 60-goal season, something not done in the NHL since **Pavel Bure** went 60-60 with the Canucks from 1992-94.

Pastrnak entered Game 82 with a line of 47-62–109 then finished with one assist, leaving him shy of being the first Bruin since **Cam Neely** (1989-91) to post consecutive 50-goal seasons.

Just under a month ago, on March 19, Pastrnak connected for a hat trick vs the Senators, his last multi-goal game of the season.

He finished with only three goals (3-8–11) over his final 12 games, reflecting, in part, his struggle to score on the power play in the second half. He had only one power-play goal (March 7) in the club's final 34 games.

Last season, Pastrnak set career highs for goals (61) and points (113). This season, he had 110 points, including a career-best 63 assists.

## Maroon gets a breather

**Pat** "Big Rig" **Maroon** was given the night off for maintenance, after playing in his first two games as a Bruin on Saturday in Pittsburgh and Monday in Washington, D.C. Montgomery said he expects both Maroon and **Brandon Carlo**, also out vs. the Senators, to be ready for the start of the playoffs . . . **Trent Frederic** was presented with NESN's Seventh Player Award prior to faceoff . . . Asked pre-game if Beecher being designated "on loan" to Providence was merely a paper transaction, Montgomery replied, "That's out of my scope." He then said he "absolutely" appreciated what Beecher has added to the varsity lineup . . . Montgomery said he is "elated" that **Derek Forbort**, believed to be out the remainder of the season due to injury, has reported to Providence for conditioning. It's possible the veteran could see playing time in the postseason. "Trending the right way," said Montgomery, "but there's no timeline."

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# Edwards calls it a career as the team's broadcaster

By Kevin Paul Dupont
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A steady stream of visitors made their way to the NESN broadcast booth on the Garden's ninth floor early Tuesday evening, media friends and acquaintances of Jack Edwards wishing him well after he announced earlier in the day that he will retire at the end of NESN's game coverage in the upcoming playoffs.

"It's time for me to get off the ice," a smiling, relaxed Edwards told a longtime media friend about an hour prior to puck drop against the Senators. "I've tried, but I can't get the words out when I need them . . . so, time to go before I become the pylon out there."

In a recent Globe story, Edwards detailed his extensive struggles with speech, dating back to last season, a work impediment that he finally decided was too daunting to continue in the play-by-play role he held for 19 years.

"Yeah," said Edwards, a friend noting how hard he had worked in recent months, ". . . 40 minutes a day of speech therapy, and . . ."

He stopped mid-sentence and recited a tongue-twister that he had worked on, over and over again, in months of speech therapy he hoped would keep him on a job he loved.

"Not fair for me to continue," he said, noting he no longer could "perform at the standard" he set for himself. "Not fair to the players, the team . . . not fair to ownership, to NESN . . . and, most of all, not fair to the fans."

Edwards, who grew in New Hampshire and graduated from the University of New Hampshire, will call at least four more games. He'll surrender his spot at the mic at the completion of the upcoming best-of-seven series, when all regional sports networks go dark and Stanley Cup coverage becomes the networks' domain (a long-time pet peeve of Edwards, by the way).

Edwards began his play-by-play career with NESN in 2005. After holding several reporting and anchor positions in New Hampshire and Providence, he came to Boston in the 1980s as a sports anchor and reporter at both WCVB and WHDH.

He also worked as a reporter for "ABC's Wide World of Sports" and Olympic coverage on both ABC and CBS. He joined ESPN in 1991 as an anchor and reporter for "SportsCenter" and won an Emmy. He has also done play-by-play for ESPN's coverage of hockey and soccer, including the 2002 World Cup and the Little League World Series.

Among the benefits of retirement, noted Edwards, will be the opportunity to have more time to enjoy skiing, particularly on the Vermont hills. And of course, more time for family and friends.

He'll still watch the Bruins, albeit from the couch, and admitted he'll probably still be in play-by-play mode when he tunes in, perhaps adding words he couldn't use during his distinctive on-air narrative.

"When I'm watching, my wife has to leave the room . . . she can't stand it," he said. "You know, the refs, blown calls."

The Bruins and NESN will conduct a nationwide search for the next play-by-play voice to join color commentator Andy Brickley for the 2024-25 season.

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# Bruins stumble, face Leafs in playoffs

▶BRUINS
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March 4.

On Tuesday, the Bruins lacked focus in the opening 40 minutes, and fell behind by a pair of quick goals, 51 seconds apart, in the second period by Jiri Smejkal and Jakob Chychrun.

The Black and Gold regained their game in the third, outshooting the Senators by a whopping 23-2, and cut the lead in half when Pavel Zacha scored a rare power-play goal with 7:16 to go.

But then came the blatant Pastrnak booboo, with the Bruins skating six on four in hopes to pull even. The All-Star right winger, under no pressure, fired a cross-ice pass in the neutral zone, a gift feed to defenseman Artem Zub on Ottawa's right wing. Zub collected, shot, and scored from far outside the blue line, and the Bruins ended their season with a 47-20-15 record.

A Globe reporter asked Montgomery if he felt Pastrnak was either trying to do too much, or was thinking too little.

"The goal against . . . the empty net?" asked Montgomery. "I didn't see it as Pasta."

Didn't Pastrnak fire the cross-ice pass, the reporter asked.

"No . . . wasn't him," said Montgomery. "Unless I saw it wrong."

That's where the postgame presser ended, with many (most?) in the media miffed by the coach's answer.

### Senators 3, Bruins 1

**At TD Garden**

**FIRST PERIOD**

No scoring
Penalty — Boston, Marchand (interference) 5:51
Penalty — Boston, Marchand (tripping) 15:44

**SECOND PERIOD**

Ottawa 1, Boston 0 — Smejkal 1 (Brannstrom) 10:03
Ottawa 2, Boston 0 — Chychrun 14 (Batherson, Tkachuk) 10:54
No penalties

**THIRD PERIOD**

Penalty — Ottawa, Pinto (hooking) 12:03
Ottawa 2, Boston 1 — Zacha 21 (Shattenkirk, Pastrnak) 12:44 (pp)
Penalty — Ottawa, Forsberg, served by Smejkal (roughing) 13:29
Penalty — Boston, Frederic (slashing) 13:29
Penalty — Ottawa, Pinto (hooking) 16:29
Ottawa 3, Boston 1 — Zub 5 18:12 (en)

**SCORE BY PERIOD**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ottawa | 0 | 2 | 1 | — | 3 |
| Boston | 0 | 0 | 1 | — | 1 |

**SHOTS BY PERIOD**

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ottawa | 11 | 7 | 2 | — | 20 |
| Boston | 3 | 9 | 23 | — | 35 |

**Power plays** — Ottawa 0 of 2; Boston 1 of 2.
**Goalies** — Ottawa, Forsberg 15-12-0 (35 shots-34 saves). Boston, Ullmark 22-10-7 (19 shots-17 saves).
**Referees** — Francois St.Laurent, Brandon Blandina. **Linesmen** — David Brisebois, James Tobias.
**Attendance** — 17,850 (17,565). **Time** — 2:23.

Historically, Montgomery has exceedingly sharp, detailed recall for such plays.

Zacha ended the Senators' bid for a shutout with 7:16 to go, connecting for the PPG with a doorstep backhander.

Kevin Shattenkirk, new to the No. 1 PP, wristed a long-range shot on net and Zacha scooped up the loose change and roofed under the crossbar to cut the lead to 2-1.

Only 1:26 later, Trent Frederic popped one in the net, too, but it was immediately disallowed because the referees correctly whistled the play dead on an initial stop by goalie Anton Forsberg.

Forsberg made a sensational stop on Charlie McAvoy with 4:34 to go when the charging Bruins defenseman blitzed the net and nearly stuffed it home.

Overall, it was an impressive late charge, but it was also not the kind of effort the Bruins wanted to roll out as their final tune-up.

"We didn't have our best game," noted captain Brad Marchand. "We played in the third and that's too late to start playing — because teams are too good. No matter who it is, you can't play one period."

Montgomery noted pregame that he hoped the night would showcase the good habits and attention to detail his club often showed during the season. The habits and details were no-shows for the opening 40 minutes.

"After the first period, I felt we really needed to dig in," said Montgomery. "After the second period, I said, 'Look, we're not drawing any penalties for five periods [including Monday night vs. the Caps] because we're not going to hard areas consistently.' That was the message I was sending."

The hard areas become harder to get to, ever more difficult to hold, in the second season.The long, hard road of the regular season now complete, it could be that a rougher ride awaits the Bruins, particularly if they played like they did in Games 81 and 82.

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PATRIOTS MAILBAG

# More on the NFL Draft, value of Dugger and White

By Christopher Price
GLOBE STAFF

Good questions in the Patriots mailbag this week, including some thoughts on possible draft-weekend trades, the best things to write about in the offseason, and what to expect from Keion White. Let's get to it.

**What kind of value might the Patriots get in bundling Kyle Dugger with the second-round pick to get back into the first round for a left tackle or wide receiver?**

**— Josh Kelton, Maine**

I would have been more inclined to look for Dugger in a draft-weekend trade if they hadn't been able to sign him to a long-term deal. (You can never be sure about bruised feelings when it comes to the transition or franchise tags.) As it stands, I'd be shocked if they moved him.

**As an NFL beat writer, might you have a preference on what to write about in the offseason? And what are your thoughts on writing mock drafts?**

**— Ed Helinski, Auburn, N.Y.**

Best thing to write about during the offseason is the combine and everything that happens that week. A ton of stories, all sorts of contacts in one place, all in a city that's welcoming and easy to get around. If you don't get a ton of stories out of your time in Indy, you're not trying.

As for mock drafts, I understand their importance. They drive traffic, generate debate, and get people talking. As for me, I always have a hard time determining between what I think *will* happen and what *should* happen when it comes to my mocks.

**What are the expectations for Keion White in Year 2? He's kind of an afterthought this spring.**

**— Steve Balestrieri, via X**

Great question, Steve. I think some of his future is tied up (at least when it comes to this year) in a couple of other guys, Deatrich Wise and Matthew Judon. White saw a spike in playing time last year when those guys were on the shelf. If both of those guys are healthy, the Patriots might be more inclined to use White as a situational guy — third downs and other passing situations.

But I agree; he's one of those guys we should be talking more about this spring, part of a group that includes Marcus Jones.

**What's the most important trait for the Patriots' next quarterback?**

**— Bob Smietana, via X**

I'll presume that anyone available to them at No. 3 (or anywhere in the top 34 picks) would have all the physical tools needed to succeed in the NFL — strong arm, speed, size, etc.

For me, it would be two other things.

One, the ability to process and make decisions quickly and decisively. Break the huddle with a plan. Make your reads, get the ball out, and *go*.

And two, being confident in the guys around him — particularly the offensive line — to execute and be where they need to be when they need to be there. For the line to maintain their blocks. Last season, there was zero confidence that the offense could generate any sort of rhythm, and a lot of that came as the result of the quarterback being shell-shocked.

**What member of the roster who ended last season on IR is going to have the greatest impact on the 2024 roster?**

**— James, Brighton, via e-mail**

There's a good list of guys, including Judon, Calvin Anderson, and Marcus Jones. But I'm going to go with Christian Gonzalez. The young cornerback was absolutely electric in his relatively brief time in the lineup, and there's every reason to expect him to continue to ascend in 2024.

**All right, smart guy: What's your pick for the best Patriots road trip for 2024?**

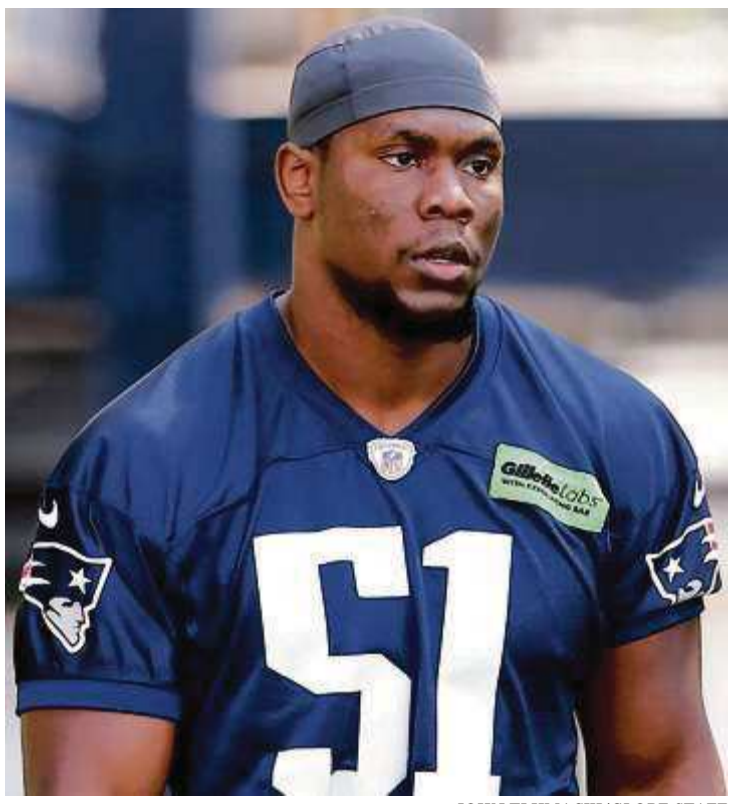
**— Charles, Maine, via e-mail**

We don't know the specifics yet — the schedule should be announced early next month, I'm guessing — but there are a few tantalizing options. Tennessee is one I'm looking forward to, as last summer in Nashville for the preseason contest against the Titans was a lot of fun. Flights and hotels are also reasonable when stacked against some of the other options.

Chicago is always a good destination, particularly if you want a great October setting. (I'm still lamenting the Bears' absolutely awful redesign of Soldier Field.) San Francisco is one stadium that I can't wait to check off my bucket list.

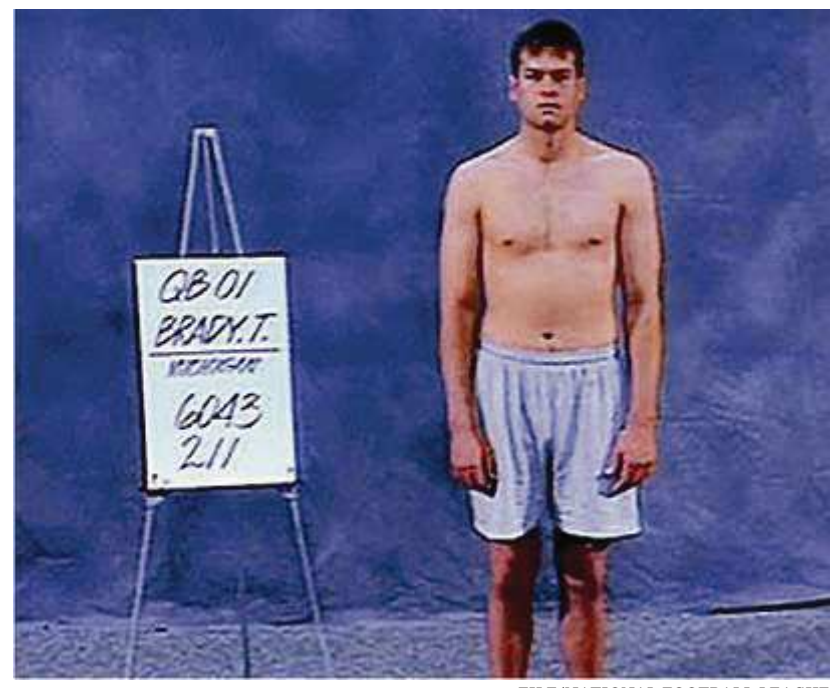
Given that the Patriots are set for road games in San Francisco and Arizona, it's worth speculating about the league scheduling those back-to-back so the team has the option of staying out West.

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**A second-round pick last year, defensive end Keion White could be in line to get more playing time on passing downs.**




2000 FILE/NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

**An ordinary-looking Tom Brady did not garner much attention heading into the 2000 NFL Draft, despite being a successful quarterback at Michigan. The Patriots famously drafted him with the 199th pick 24 years ago.**

# Historic draft recalled

## Brady selected 24 years ago

By Christopher Price
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Tuesday marks the 24th anniversary of the Patriots' decision to draft Tom Brady, a seismic move that not only changed the face of the franchise but heralded the arrival of what many consider the greatest quarterback in NFL history.

On that Sunday afternoon, however, the move was as inauspicious as they come, with Brady taken in the sixth round, with the 199th overall pick. When things wrapped up, new Patriots coach Bill Belichick offered a 109-word summary of the quarterback, roughly the same as for every other prospect that was drafted by New England on Day 2.

"The value board at that point really just clearly put him as the top value," Belichick reasoned. "Brady is a guy who has obviously played at a high level of competition in front of a lot of people. He's been in a lot of pressure situations. We felt that this year, his decision-making was improved from his junior year after he took over for [Brian] Griese and cut his interceptions down.

"A good, tough, competitive, smart quarterback that is a good value, and how he does and what he'll be able to do . . . We'll just put him out there with everybody else and let him compete and see what happens."

What happened was that Brady would go on to win six Super Bowls with the Patriots and another with Tampa Bay.

But one thing stood out in Belichick's introduction of Brady: his use of the word "value." A term that would become a favored Belichickism, he said it three times when describing the quarterback.

Asked about the "value" of Brady later in the press conference, Belichick explained.

"At that particular time, Tom was rated by all the people who had seen him above any rating that anybody else had," he said.

"The value was his performance — what he has done the last two years, how much he's improved his senior year, the level of competition he was at, what he was able to do with that team, to move the team and handle the two-minute drill. Those were all positives that just outweighed some of the things that other guys had done."

On a conference call with New England media later that day, Brady said, "I was looking for a place to get my foot in the door, and try to be great for the team that picked me. And, you know, Drew Bledsoe is certainly one of the best quarterbacks in the NFL and it's going to be great to learn under him and compete for a job with the Patriots.

"The team that has drafted me, I'm just very comfortable with. And whether it be in the second round or the sixth round, I think everyone starts on the same, the same level. And it's just a great opportunity to head back to New England and play for the Patriots. It's certainly been a dream come true."

The choice of Brady put the capper on a four-month stretch that would set the stage for the start of the Patriots dynasty. It started with the hiring of Belichick as head coach and de facto general manager in January 2000, and the addition of personnel chief Scott Pioli shortly after that. Less than two years after Brady's draft day, the Patriots were Super Bowl champions.

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# 98.5 dominates winter ratings

By Chad Finn
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If the Boston sports radio rivalry between 98.5 The Sports Hub and WEEI were a sporting event, it might call for the Mercy Rule at this point.

The Sports Hub routed its competition in the winter Nielsen Audio ratings period from January 4 to March 27, finishing first overall and across its three daytime programs and second in the evenings in its main targeted demographic, men 25-54.

Overall, the Sports Hub had a 15.6 share in the winter period. WEEI was 10th, with a 3.6 share. During the previous ratings period in the fall, the Sports Hub had a 16.3 share, while WEEI was seventh (4.4).

Here is the winter breakdown by day parts:

■ Morning drive (6-10 a.m.): In its first ratings period "Toucher and Hardy" finished in the top spot with a 17.9 share. Co-host Rob "Hardy" Poole officially joined the show as longtime co-host Rich Shertenlieb's replacement on Jan. 4, the first day of the period. WEEI's "Greg Hill Show" remained the only program at the station generating strong ratings, finishing second with an 8.6.

■ Midday (10 a.m.-2 p.m.): The Sports Hub's "Zolak and Bertrand" earned a 15.4 for share, finishing first and well ahead of WEEI's "Gresh and Fauria" (3.5 share, eighth).

■ Afternoon drive (2-6 p.m.): "Felger and Massarotti" remained the most listened-to program on either station, finishing first with a 19.8 share. WEEI's "Jones and Mego" was tied for 13th with a 2.3. "Jones and Mego," "Gresh and Fauria," and WEEI's night programming all had less than a 2 share in March.

■ Evening (6-11 p.m.): The Sports Hub, which airs Bruins and some Celtics broadcasts along with Joe Murray's program, finished second (12.8). "The Rich Keefe Show" and WEEI's nighttime programming tied for 15th (1.8). WBGB was first at 13.3.

# McIlroy says he'll never leave PGA

By Doug Ferguson
ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUGUSTA, Ga. — This wasn't the kind of attention Rory McIlroy was hoping for the day after the Masters.

A London financial paper, City A.M., cited anonymous sources saying McIlroy was believed to be close to an $850 million deal to join LIV Golf. The publication did not say how the sources would know. That set off speculation and innuendo across the internet.

McIlroy was able to shut it down when he arrived at the RBC Heritage.

"I honestly don't know how these things get started," McIlroy told Golf Channel from the range at Harbour Town. "I've never been offered a number from LIV and I've never contemplated going to LIV. I think I've made it clear over the past two years that I don't think it's something for me."

He most recently said that at Bay Hill last month.

McIlroy said he won't judge players going to LIV if they feel that's what it is best for them. He also expressed anew how important it is to have the top players come together more often than the four majors. And he believes some PGA Tour players are still contemplating going over to the Saudi-funded tour. It's just not for him.

"I'll play the PGA Tour the rest of my career," he said.

He wasn't the only person getting plenty of attention involving LIV Golf. The commissioner and CEO, Greg Norman, spent three days at the Masters and made his presence felt at every turn.

Norman acquired a ticket to watch like any other spectator — presumably the 104 tickets available to the 13 LIV players in the Masters already were taken — and raved about the reception he received.

Norman took to Instagram to thank "the hundreds if not thousands of people" for what he called "unanimous support."

"My right hand is sore from shaking hands with each and every one of you as well as the hugs given to so many," Norman wrote.

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RED SOX NOTEBOOK

# O'Neill avoids concussion after scary collision

By Julian McWilliams
GLOBE STAFF

The Red Sox can breathe a sigh of relief. **Tyler O'Neill** does not have a concussion.

O'Neill and **Rafael Devers** collided on a fly ball to short left field in the seventh inning of Monday's loss to the Guardians. Devers ran back on the play from third base while O'Neill, playing left, ran in. As Devers recorded the out, the back of his head crashed into O'Neill's face, causing both players to fall to the grass.

Both O'Neill and Devers were slow to get up. O'Neill walked off on his own power, but had his forehead busted open. He later received eight stitches above his left eye.

To manager **Alex Cora**, neither O'Neill nor Devers was in the wrong.

"Everybody will say fly-ball communication, they suck at that. But it's 35,000 people screaming. And it just so happens that two baseball players were trying to make a play," Cora said before Tuesday's 10-7, 11-inning loss. "It's hard. In Little League, you can say, 'I got it. I got it.' And, 'Take it, take it, take it.' That happens in Little League. That ball was in the triangle, and they wanted to get out of the inning, and that just happened."

Devers was in Tuesday's lineup and smashed a go-ahead double in the five-run sixth inning. However, he left in the seventh because of left knee discomfort and will undergo more imaging Wednesday.

O'Neill, meanwhile, will need a few days. Even if he's out for the rest of the series, that's preferable to a trip to the injured list.

"I mean, this guy, he's important. He's important to this offense," Cora said. "And you saw it yesterday. They had a lane there [throwing] all the lefties. He creates balance. And I think, obviously, the guy is a good hitter. He's a good defender, good baserunner. And I'm glad that you know it's just a few days and he should be back."

The Sox had seven lefthanded hitters in Tuesday's starting lineup — all except **Connor Wong** batting seventh and **Ceddanne Rafaela** in ninth. O'Neill is one of the few righthanded hitters in the lineup consistently, and the only one who's a power threat, his seven homers leading the team in both that stat and extra-base hits.

Cora said the Sox have had conversations about how their lineup will look when **Vaughn Grissom** returns, and have toyed with the idea of separating **Jarren Duran** and Devers at the top. O'Neill could be a fit; he already has been used to separate Devers and **Triston Casas**.



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**Sox starter Garrett Whitlock allowed two runs but went just four innings, exiting with left oblique tightness.**

## Injuries mounting

Just 18 games into the season, the Sox already have had nine players hit the injured list, with **Lucas Giolito**, **Trevor Story**, and **Chris Murphy** all out for the year. That group includes **Nick Pivetta**, who had only gone on the IL for COVID in 2021 before he hit the 15-day with a right flexor strain. "It's not fun, but it is what it is," said Cora. "We just got to be ready for today. The guys that are playing today got to do the job. That's the attitude that we have. That's the attitude they should have, the players. We've been talking to them like, we're going to use everybody. We're going to move people around. We're going to try to maximize matchups and especially where we're at right now. They just have to be ready." Pivetta is trending in the right direction, Cora said, after playing catch again Tuesday . . . **Garrett Whitlock** left the game after just four innings with left oblique tightness. Whitlock said he felt it in the third inning, however said the removal was just precautionary. It's uncertain if he will make his next start . . . **Bobby Dalbec** took some reps in left field during pre-game. He's made starts at both corner infield spots this season, plus brief cameos at shortstop each of the past three seasons . . . **Vaughn Grissom** (groin) went 1 for 3 from the DH spot for Triple A Worcester on Tuesday while **Rob Refsnyder** (toe) played right field and homered.

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### Guardians 10, Red Sox 7

At Fenway Park

| CLEVELAND | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kwan lf | 5 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .372 |
| Giménez 2b | 4 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .303 |
| Ramírez 3b | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .247 |
| JNaylor 1b | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .328 |
| a-Rocchio pr-ss | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .224 |
| BNaylor c | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .186 |
| Laureano rf | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .176 |
| b-Florial ph-rf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .185 |
| Brennan dh | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .222 |
| Arias ss-1b | 6 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | .313 |
| Freeman cf | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | .184 |
| **Totals** | **44** | **10** | **14** | **9** | **6** | **7** | |

| BOSTON | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Duran lf | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .293 |
| Devers 3b | 2 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | .205 |
| Dalbec 3b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .000 |
| Yoshida dh | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .215 |
| Casas 1b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .258 |
| Abreu rf | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .188 |
| Valdez 2b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .152 |
| Reyes 2b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .188 |
| Wong c | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | .355 |
| Hamilton ss | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .222 |
| Rafaela cf | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .164 |
| **Totals** | **42** | **7** | **11** | **7** | **5** | **10** | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Cleveland** | 020 | 030 | 001 | 13 | — | 10 | 14 | 0 |
| **Boston** | 000 | 105 | 000 | 10 | — | 7 | 11 | 1 |

a-ran for Naylor in 10th, b-grounded out for Laureano in 8th. **E**—Abreu (3). **LOB**—Cleveland 12, Boston 10. **2B**—Brennan (1), Arias (3), Freeman (2), Duran (4), Devers (3), Casas (3), Hamilton (1), Rafaela (2). **HR**—Freeman (2), off Rodríguez, Casas (5), off Beede, Valdez (2), off Bibee, Wong (2), off Beede. **SB**—BNaylor (1), Abreu (3). **CS**—Casas (1). **S**—Giménez, Rocchio. **SF**—Ramírez, Wong. **Runners left in scoring position**—Cleveland 9 (Kwan 2, JNaylor 3, BNaylor, Arias 2, Freeman), Boston 6 (Yoshida 3, Wong, Hamilton, Rafaela). **RISP**—Cleveland 7 for 19, Boston 1 for 11. **Runners moved up**—Ramírez, Brennan, Reyes.

| Cleveland | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | NP | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Bibee | 5 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 92 | 4.82 |
| Beede | ⅓ | 2 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 20 | 6.48 |
| Smith BS 1 | ⅔ | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 17 | 1.86 |
| Morgan | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 29 | 2.16 |
| Gaddis | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0.00 |
| Clase BS 2; W 1-0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 1.13 |
| Barlow S 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 14 | 4.32 |

| Boston | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | NP | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Whitlock | 4 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 54 | 1.96 |
| Rodríguez | 2 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 31 | 4.91 |
| Bernardino | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 19 | 1.69 |
| Martin | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 5.14 |
| Jansen BS 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 2.70 |
| Weissert | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 21 | 2.08 |
| Winckowski L 1-1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 26 | 4.63 |

**IBB**—off Bernardino (Ramírez), off Weissert (Brennan), off Winckowski (BNaylor). **WP**—Clase, Bernardino. **Umpires**—Home, Mark Ripperger; First, Roberto Ortiz; Second, Alfonso Marquez; Third, Lance Barrett. **T**—3:37. **A**—30,133 (37,755).

### HOW THE RUNS SCORED

**SECOND INNING**

GUARDIANS — Naylor to second. Naylor lined to second. Laureano walked. Brennan doubled to right, Laureano scored. Arias doubled to left, Brennan scored. Freeman struck out.

**FOURTH INNING**

RED SOX — Casas grounded to third. Abreu struck out. Valdez homered to right. Wong struck out.

**FIFTH INNING**

GUARDIANS — Arias struck out. Freeman homered to left. Kwan singled to left. Giménez singled to right, Kwan to third. Ramírez hit sacrifice fly to center, Kwan scored. Naylor singled to right, Giménez to third; on right fielder Abreu's fielding error, Giménez scored, Naylor to second. Naylor struck out.

**SIXTH INNING**

RED SOX — Casas homered to right. Abreu walked. Valdez struck out. Wong homered to left, Abreu scored. Smith pitching. Hamilton struck out. Rafaela doubled to center. Duran walked. Devers doubled to center, Rafaela and Duran scored. Yoshida popped to left.

**NINTH INNING**

GUARDIANS — Arias lined to center. Freeman doubled to left. Kwan singled to left, Freeman to third. Giménez singled to center, Freeman scored, Kwan to second. Ramírez lined to right, Kwan to third. Naylor hit fielder's choice, second to shortstop, Giménez out.

**10TH INNING**

GUARDIANS — On initial placement, Naylor to second. Rocchio running for Naylor. Naylor singled to center, Rocchio to third. Naylor stole second. Florial fouled to third. Brennan intentionally walked. Arias singled to center, Rocchio scored, Naylor to third, Brennan to second. Freeman popped to left. Kwan grounded to pitcher.

RED SOX — On initial placement, Abreu to second. Reyes grounded to shortstop, Abreu to third. Wong hit sacrifice fly to right, Abreu scored. Hamilton doubled to left. On Clase's wild pitch, Hamilton to third. Rafaela flied to center.

**11TH INNING**

GUARDIANS — On initial placement, Kwan to second. Giménez walked. Ramírez singled to center, Kwan scored, Giménez to second. Rocchio sacrificed, pitcher to second, Giménez to third, Ramírez to second. Naylor intentionally walked. Florial singled to right, Giménez and Ramírez scored, Naylor to second. Brennan grounded to second, Naylor to third, Florial to second. Arias struck out.

# Devers hurt in Red Sox loss

▶RED SOX
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said he feels his exit was more for precautionary reasons.

Regardless, Tuesday's extra-inning squabble was a loss even when it still could have produced a win.

"It sucks," manager Alex Cora said. "But we have to play better."

His team took that 6-5 lead into the ninth inning, but Kenley Jansen — who converted his first four save chances despite four walks, a hit batter, and a single — failed to finish it following an Andrés Giménez game-tying single. His struggles continue.

"At the end of the day, I got to take this one and be accountable about it," he said.

Cleveland scored three in the 11th off Josh Winckowski. Estevan Florial had the critical blow, a two-run single to extend the Guardians' lead to multiple runs for the first time since the sixth inning, when they looked to have control of a Red Sox team they shut out on three hits Monday.

Guardians starter Tanner Bibee allowed just a run on five hits and two walks, exiting after five innings with his team leading, 5-1.

That's when the Sox offense went to work, starting with a Triston Casas homer against Lawrence Academy alumnus Tyler Beede that wrapped around the Pesky Pole. After a walk and a strikeout, Connor Wong cut the deficit to 5-4 with a no-doubt, two-run shot over the Green Monster.

Feeling momentum shift with his reliever wallowing on the dusted Fenway mound, manager Stephen Vogt summoned Cade Smith. Smith struck out David Hamilton, but Ceddanne Rafaela clipped a double that split the gap in left-center before a Jarren Duran walk.

Devers then doubled, a two-run stinger that violently ricocheted off the center-field wall.

Earlier, the Sox had dug the hole through more mistakes of their own making. Casas slashed a leadoff double to begin the second inning, then took off for third with Wilyer Abreu up, thinking he could get there with the defense shifted. Bibee's teammates alerted him to step off the mound, and he threw out the below-average runner for the first out.

"Low IQ play on my part," said Casas.

Hours later, it hardly registered. At his locker, Devers slowly put his pants on, careful not to irritate his ailing parts even more. He doesn't know what hurts worse, the shoulder or the knee. All he knows, he said, is that it hurts.

After the pants came the gray hoodie. He looked up and cracked a smile for a bit, but one of extreme pain. He let out a huge sigh.

"I don't know what to think about right now," Devers said. "I don't know."

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**Ramón Laureano beat the throw to catcher Connor Wong to score the first run of the game.**

## SportsLog

# Michigan football gets three years of probation for violations

Michigan was given three years of probation, fined and hit with recruiting limits by the NCAA on Tuesday after football coaches and staff had impermissible contact with recruits and players under then-coach **Jim Harbaugh** while access was restricted during the COVID-19 pandemic. The NCAA said it had reached a negotiated resolution with the school that has been approved by the committee on infractions involving five former and current coaches and staffers, but it did not include allegations that Harbaugh failed to cooperate with investigators. That is now a separate case. Harbaugh is now coach of the Los Angeles Chargers.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

### Suns' Young is BYU coach

BYU hired Phoenix Suns associate head coach **Kevin Young** to replace **Mark Pope**, who left to coach Kentucky, the school's athletic director announced. Young will continue to coach with the Suns during the NBA playoffs before joining BYU, but he will work on retaining current players, contacting recruits and assembling a coaching staff during the playoffs.

NHL

### Sabres fire coach Granato

Seven months after general manager **Kevyn Adams** declared the Sabres' competitive window of opportunity as being open, it slammed shut on coach **Don Granato**, who was fired. Expressing his frustration and impatience, Adams launched what now stands as the team's eighth coaching search in 12 years by targeting someone with NHL experience to inspire a young but underperforming team that extended the franchise's league-record playoff drought to a 13th season.

### League sets attendance mark

The NHL said it had set a single-season attendance record with more than 22.5 million fans filling arenas and stadiums. The league said the mark of 22,560,634 was set with 18 games remaining in the regular season, saying buildings so far have been filled 97 percent to capacity. The season ends Thursday and the playoffs begin Saturday. The previous record was 22,436,532 in 2022-23.

NFL

### Browns' Watson progressing

Browns quarterback **Deshaun Watson** said he's following a conservative plan as he recovers from major shoulder surgery, but he's been able to throw at full speed. Watson played in just six games in his second season with Cleveland before suffering a fracture to the glenoid bone in his throwing shoulder. The 28-year-old said his rehab has gone according to schedule and that there haven't been any setbacks. He's been throwing pain free and without any issues. While giving a positive medical report, Watson didn't have a timetable for when he'll be 100 percent. "It can be sooner than later, it can be later than sooner," he said.

TENNIS

### Nadal breezes in return

Taking it easy after months away from competitive tennis, **Rafael Nadal** was good enough to earn a comfortable first-round win at the Barcelona Open. Nadal looked injury-free in a 6-2, 6-3 win over **Flavio Cobolli** to advance to the second round in his first tournament in more than three months. Nadal converted on his second match point to seal the victory over the 21-year-old Italian ranked 62nd in the world. The Spaniard will next face **Alex de Minaur**, who had a first-round bye. The 37-year old Nadal said it likely will be his last time playing the Barcelona Open. The Spaniard had hip surgery last summer and said 2024 will probably be his last year playing on tour.

# Baseball



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**Vladimir Guerrero Jr. helped the Blue Jays beat the Yankees, 5-4, handing New York its first series loss.**

## AL

| EAST | W | L | Pct. | GB | Div. | Last 10 | Streak |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | 12 | 6 | .667 | — | 2-3 | 6-4 | L 3 |
| Baltimore | 11 | 6 | .647 | ½ | 3-0 | 6-4 | W 3 |
| Toronto | 10 | 8 | .556 | 2 | 5-4 | 6-4 | W 4 |
| Tampa Bay | 10 | 8 | .556 | 2 | 2-2 | 7-3 | W 1 |
| Boston | 9 | 9 | .500 | 3 | 0-3 | 3-7 | L 2 |
| **CENTRAL** | **W** | **L** | **Pct.** | **GB** | **Div.** | **Last 10** | **Streak** |
| Cleveland | 12 | 5 | .706 | — | 4-1 | 7-3 | W 3 |
| Kansas City | 11 | 6 | .647 | 1 | 6-2 | 8-2 | W 1 |
| Detroit | 10 | 7 | .588 | 2 | 5-2 | 4-6 | W 1 |
| Minnesota | 6 | 10 | .375 | 5½ | 4-5 | 3-7 | L 3 |
| Chicago | 2 | 14 | .125 | 9½ | 1-10 | 1-9 | L 5 |
| **WEST** | **W** | **L** | **Pct.** | **GB** | **Div.** | **Last 10** | **Streak** |
| Texas | 9 | 9 | .500 | — | 4-6 | 3-7 | L 1 |
| Los Angeles | 8 | 9 | .471 | ½ | 0-0 | 4-6 | L 1 |
| *Oakland | 7 | 10 | .412 | 1½ | 2-1 | 6-4 | L 1 |
| *Seattle | 7 | 10 | .412 | 1½ | 0-0 | 4-6 | W 1 |
| Houston | 6 | 13 | .316 | 3½ | 4-3 | 4-6 | L 2 |

## NL

| EAST | W | L | Pct. | GB | Div. | Last 10 | Streak |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Atlanta | 11 | 5 | .688 | — | 5-4 | 7-3 | W 3 |
| Philadelphia | 10 | 8 | .556 | 2 | 3-3 | 6-4 | W 2 |
| New York | 9 | 8 | .529 | 2½ | 2-1 | 7-3 | W 3 |
| *Washington | 7 | 9 | .438 | 4 | 1-2 | 5-5 | W 1 |
| Miami | 4 | 14 | .222 | 8 | 1-2 | 4-6 | W 1 |
| **CENTRAL** | **W** | **L** | **Pct.** | **GB** | **Div.** | **Last 10** | **Streak** |
| Milwaukee | 10 | 6 | .625 | — | 2-1 | 5-5 | L 3 |
| *Chicago | 10 | 6 | .625 | — | 0-0 | 6-4 | W 3 |
| Pittsburgh | 11 | 7 | .611 | — | 0-0 | 5-5 | L 2 |
| *Cincinnati | 9 | 7 | .563 | 1 | 1-2 | 5-5 | L 1 |
| *St. Louis | 8 | 9 | .471 | 2½ | 0-0 | 5-5 | W 1 |
| **WEST** | **W** | **L** | **Pct.** | **GB** | **Div.** | **Last 10** | **Streak** |
| *Los Angeles | 11 | 8 | .579 | — | 5-3 | 4-6 | L 2 |
| San Diego | 11 | 9 | .550 | ½ | 6-6 | 7-3 | W 3 |
| *Arizona | 8 | 9 | .471 | 2 | 5-2 | 4-6 | L 1 |
| San Francisco | 7 | 11 | .389 | 3½ | 4-6 | 4-6 | L 1 |
| Colorado | 4 | 14 | .222 | 6½ | 2-5 | 2-8 | L 4 |

* — Not including late game

## RESULTS

### TUESDAY

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cleveland 10 (11 inn.) | at Boston 7 | Kansas City (ppd.) | at Chi. White Sox |
| At Detroit 4 | Texas 2 | San Diego 6 | at Milwaukee 3 |
| At Baltimore 11 | Minnesota 3 | Atlanta 6 | at Houston 2 |
| At Philadelphia 5 | Colorado 0 | Chi. Cubs | at Arizona |
| At Miami 6 | San Francisco 3 | Cincinnati | at Seattle |
| At Tampa Bay 7 (13 inn.) | LA Angels 6 | St. Louis | at Oakland |
| At Toronto 5 | NY Yankees 4 | Washington | at LA Dodgers |
| At NY Mets 3 | Pittsburgh 1 | | |

### MONDAY

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cleveland 6 | at Boston 0 | Kansas City 2 | at Chi. White Sox 0 |
| At Baltimore 7 | Minnesota 4 | San Diego 7 | at Milwaukee 3 |
| At Philadelphia 2 (10 inn.) | Colorado 1 | Atlanta 6 | at Houston 1 |
| San Francisco 4 | at Miami 3 | Chi. Cubs 3 (11 inn.) | at Arizona 2 |
| Texas 1 | at Detroit 0 | St. Louis 3 | at Oakland 1 |
| LA Angels 7 | at Tampa Bay 3 | At Seattle 9 | Cincinnati 3 |
| At Toronto 3 | NY Yankees 1 | Washington 6 | at LA Dodgers 4 |
| At NY Mets 6 | Pittsburgh 3 | | |

## WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

| | Odds | 2024 W-L | 2024 ERA | Team rec. | 2023 vs. opp W-L | 2023 vs. opp IP | 2023 vs. opp ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CLEVELAND AT BOSTON, 7:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Lively (R) | +125 | — | — | 0-0 | 1-0 | 5.2 | 0.00 |
| Houck (R) | -145 | 2-1 | 2.04 | 2-1 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **SAN FRANCISCO AT MIAMI, 12:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Winn (R) | Off | 0-3 | 5.06 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Rogers (L) | Off | 0-2 | 4.80 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 3.0 | 3.00 |
| **MINNESOTA AT BALTIMORE, 1:05 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| López (R) | -110 | 1-2 | 4.86 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Wells (R) | -110 | 0-2 | 5.87 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **PITTSBURGH AT NY METS, 1:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Falter (L) | +120 | 1-0 | 4.20 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Severino (R) | -140 | 1-1 | 3.00 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **SAN DIEGO AT MILWAUKEE, 1:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| King (R) | Off | 2-0 | 4.19 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Peralta (R) | Off | 2-0 | 2.55 | 3-0 | 0-1 | 5.0 | 9.00 |
| **TEXAS AT DETROIT, 1:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Dunning (R) | +125 | 2-1 | 4.50 | 2-1 | 0-1 | 5.0 | 5.40 |
| Skubal (L) | -145 | 2-0 | 2.08 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **ATLANTA AT HOUSTON, 2:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Fried (L) | -145 | 1-0 | 8.74 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 6.2 | 0.00 |
| France (R) | +125 | 0-2 | 8.22 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **KANSAS CITY AT CHI. WHITE SOX, 2:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Wacha (R) | Off | 1-1 | 4.00 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Fedde (R) | Off | 0-0 | 4.30 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **NY YANKEES AT TORONTO, 3:07 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Stroman (R) | -105 | 1-1 | 2.12 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Gausman (R) | -115 | 0-2 | 11.57 | 1-2 | 1-0 | 14.0 | 1.29 |
| **WASHINGTON AT LA DODGERS, 3:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Irvin (R) | Off | 0-1 | 4.24 | 0-3 | 0-1 | 5.0 | 7.20 |
| Yamamoto (R) | Off | 1-1 | 4.50 | 1-3 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **ST. LOUIS AT OAKLAND, 3:37 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Matz (L) | -150 | 1-0 | 1.80 | 2-1 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Blackburn (R) | +130 | 1-0 | 0.00 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **CHI. CUBS AT ARIZONA, 3:40 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Wicks (L) | -105 | 0-2 | 5.68 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Pfaadt (R) | -115 | 1-0 | 6.48 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **CINCINNATI AT SEATTLE, 4:10 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Abbott (L) | +110 | 1-1 | 2.60 | 2-1 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Miller (R) | -130 | 2-1 | 1.96 | 2-1 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| **COLORADO AT PHILADELPHIA, 6:05 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Feltner (R) | +185 | 1-1 | 3.38 | 1-2 | 1-1 | 7.1 | 4.91 |
| Sánchez (L) | -225 | 0-2 | 3.52 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 4.1 | 6.23 |
| **LA ANGELS AT TAMPA BAY, 6:50 p.m.** | | | | | | | |
| Detmers (L) | +105 | 3-0 | 1.04 | 3-0 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |
| Littell (R) | -125 | 1-0 | 1.17 | 2-1 | 0-0 | 0.0 | 0.00 |

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season

NOTEBOOK

# Yankees lose third straight

## Guerrero reaches base four times in Blue Jays victory

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**Vladimir Guerrero Jr.** reached base four times and had two RBIs, **Yusei Kikuchi** won for the first time this season and the Blue Jays beat the Yankees, 5-4, Tuesday night at Toronto, handing New York its third consecutive loss.

**Bo Bichette** hit an RBI single and **Justin Turner** added a sacrifice fly as the Blue Jays became the first opponent to win a series against the Yankees this year.

New York had won its first five series for the third time in franchise history, matching its starts of 1926 and 2010.

Guerrero went 2 for 3 with two walks and two singles.

Blue Jays left fielder **Davis Schneider** made a diving catch on **Anthony Rizzo's** fly ball for the final out of the New York sixth inning, stranding a runner at first. Rizzo was denied again when **Daulton Varsho** made a diving catch on his sinking liner to left opening the ninth.

Kikuchi (1-1) allowed one run and three hits in six innings with one walk and nine strikeouts, which matched his season high.

Entering Tuesday, the Blue Jays hadn't scored a run while Kikuchi was on the mound during his three prior starts this season.

## Orioles go deep against Twins

**Gunnar Henderson**, **Jordan Westburg**, and **Ryan O'Hearn** homered, **Grayson Rodriguez** pitched six solid innings, and the Orioles trounced the Twins, 11-3, at Baltimore.

**Colton Cowser** had two more hits for the Orioles, who have taken the first two games of this series. Rodriguez (3-0) allowed two runs and four hits. He walked three and struck out six.

It was the fourth straight game Baltimore homered at least three times, the first time the team has had a streak that long since 2013.

Cowser raised his average to .405. He scored the first run on **James McCann's** two-out double in the second.

## Erskine, Brooklyn legend, dies

**Carl Erskine**, who pitched two no-hitters as a Brooklyn Dodgers mainstay and was a 20-game winner in 1953 when he struck out a then-record 14 in the World Series, died in his hometown of Anderson, Ind. He was 97, and his death leaves the 88-year-old **Sandy Koufax** as the lone surviving Dodgers player from the 1955 World Series team. Obituary, C11.

## Cardinals' Herzog dead at 92

**Whitey Herzog**, the gruff and ingenious Hall of Fame manager who guided the St. Louis Cardinals to three pennants and a World Series title in the 1980s and perfected an intricate, nail-biting strategy known as "Whiteyball," died Monday. He was 92. Obituary, C11.

## Yelich, Albies head to sidelines

Brewers outfielder **Christian Yelich** has gone on the 10-day injured list with a lower back strain. His last appearance came in an 11-1 victory over the Orioles on Friday. Yelich, 32, was off to a blistering start before his injury. The 2018 NL MVP is batting .333 with a .422 on-base percentage, .744 slugging percentage, 5 homers, and 11 RBIs in 11 games . . . Second baseman **Ozzie Albies** was put on the 10-day injured list by Atlanta because of a broken right big toe. Albies was hit on his foot by a curveball from Houston rookie **Spencer Arrighetti** Monday night . . . Gold Glove third baseman **Ke'Bryan Hayes** was scratched from the Pirates' lineup because of tightness in his lower back . . . Former AL batting champion **Yuli Gurriel**, 39, finalized a minor league contract with the Braves and was assigned to Triple A . . . The Royals' game at the White Sox was postponed because of rain and rescheduled as part of a Wednesday doubleheader.

## ORIOLES 11, TWINS 3

| MINNESOTA | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Julien 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .189 |
| Jeffers dh | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .292 |
| Kirilloff 1b | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .286 |
| Buxton cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .208 |
| Camargo ph | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | — |
| Larnach lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .250 |
| Miranda 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .286 |
| Castro ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .111 |
| Margot rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .189 |
| Vázquez c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .133 |
| **Totals** | **32** | **3** | **7** | **3** | **4** | **10** | |

| BALTIMORE | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Henderson ss | 5 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 1 | .275 |
| Rutschman dh | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .292 |
| O'Hearn 1b | 5 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .333 |
| Santander rf | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .200 |
| Mullins cf | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .259 |
| Cowser lf | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | .405 |
| Bañuelos ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Hays lf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .077 |
| Westburg 3b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 1 | .316 |
| Holliday 2b | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .045 |
| McCann c | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .280 |
| **Totals** | **39** | **11** | **15** | **11** | **2** | **6** | |

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**Baltimore** .....034 101 02x — 11 15 0

**LOB**—Minnesota 6, Baltimore 7. **2B**—Jeffers (4), Westburg (5), McCann (2). **3B**—Buxton (1). **HR**—Henderson (5), off Paddack, O'Hearn (4), off Jackson, Westburg (4), off Paddack. **SB**—Mullins (3). **DP**—Baltimore 2.

| Minnesota | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Paddack L 0-1 | 5⅓ | 12 | 9 | 9 | 1 | 2 | 8.36 |
| Thielbar | ⅔ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 27.00 |
| Jackson | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 5.19 |

| Baltimore | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rodriguez W3-0 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 2.63 |
| Ramírez | 1⅔ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5.40 |
| Baumann | 1⅓ | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4.50 |

**Inherited runners-scored**—Thielbar 1-1, Baumann 1-0. **HBP**—by Paddack (Santander). **WP**—Paddack, Rodríguez, Ramírez. **NP**—Paddack 89, Thielbar 12, Jackson 38, Rodriguez 87, Ramírez 28, Baumann 25. **Umpires**—Home, Scott Barry; First, David Rackley; Second, Larry Vanover; Third, Brian Walsh. **T**—2:34. **A**—18,108 (45,971).

## PHILLIES 5, ROCKIES 0

| COLORADO | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blackmon dh | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .259 |
| Tovar ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | .284 |
| McMahon 3b | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .358 |
| Díaz c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .321 |
| Jones lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .171 |
| Montero 1b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .213 |
| Doyle cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .292 |
| Toglia rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .132 |
| Trejo 2b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .167 |
| **Totals** | **31** | **0** | **7** | **0** | **1** | **8** | |

| PHILADELPHIA | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Schwarber dh | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .217 |
| Turner ss | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .296 |
| Harper 1b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | .215 |
| Realmuto c | 4 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | .263 |
| Bohm 3b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .237 |
| Castellanos rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .169 |
| Stott 2b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .255 |
| Marsh lf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .273 |
| Rojas cf | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .167 |
| **Totals** | **30** | **5** | **6** | **5** | **1** | **8** | |

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**Philadelphia** .....200 001 02x — 5 6 0

**E**—Tovar (1). **LOB**—Colorado 5, Philadelphia 2. **2B**—Turner (5), Harper (4). **HR**—Harper (4), off Kinley, Realmuto (3), off Gomber. **SB**—Rojas (3). **CS**—Bohm (1). **DP**—Philadelphia 1.

| Colorado | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gomber L 0-1 | 5⅓ | 5 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 4.05 |
| Vodnik | 1⅔ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.00 |
| Kinley | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 12.86 |

| Philadelphia | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Suárez W 3-0 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 1.73 |

**Inherited runners-scored**—Vodnik 1-0. **NP**—Gomber 89, Vodnik 26, Kinley 18, Suárez 112. **Umpires**—Home, Brennan Miller; First, Brian O'Nora; Second, Paul Clemons; Third, D.J. Reyburn. **T**—2:07. **A**—35,010 (42,792).

## TIGERS 4, RANGERS 2

| TEXAS | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Semien 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .284 |
| Seager ss | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .283 |
| Carter rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .211 |
| Langford lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .266 |
| Smith 3b | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .304 |
| Duran dh | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .250 |
| Walsh 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .226 |
| García ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .303 |
| Knizner c | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .071 |
| Taveras cf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .214 |
| **Totals** | **33** | **2** | **6** | **2** | **1** | **10** | |

| DETROIT | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Greene lf | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | .217 |
| Torkelson 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .209 |
| McKinstry 2b | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .259 |
| Carpenter dh | 3 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .302 |
| Vierling ph-dh | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .300 |
| Urshela 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .300 |
| Pérez rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .182 |
| Báez ss | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .143 |
| Meadows cf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .056 |
| Rogers c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .100 |
| **Totals** | **29** | **4** | **5** | **2** | **4** | **10** | |

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**Detroit** .....001 001 02x — 4 5 0

**E**—Carter (1). **LOB**—Texas 5, Detroit 5. **2B**—Carpenter (3). **3B**—Carpenter (1).

| Texas | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gray | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 3.44 |
| Ureña L 0-2 | 1⅔ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4.38 |
| Latz | ⅓ | 2 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.00 |

| Detroit | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mize | 6 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 4.11 |
| Lange | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1.69 |
| Chafin W 1-0 | 1⅓ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1.42 |
| Foley S 5 | ⅔ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0.00 |

**Inherited runners-scored**—Latz 1-1. **WP**—Latz, Mize. **NP**—Gray 97, Ureña 27, Latz 11, Mize 95, Lange 9, Chafin 19, Foley 14. **Umpires**—Home, Manny Gonzalez; First, Nestor Ceja; Second, Todd Tichenor; Third, Cory Blaser. **T**—2:23. **A**—10,377 (41,083).

## AL LEADERS

Through Monday's games

BATTING

| | AB | R | H | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Altuve, HOU | 72 | 14 | 29 | .403 |
| Volpe, NYY | 59 | 14 | 22 | .373 |
| O'Hoppe, LAA | 44 | 5 | 16 | .364 |
| Turner, TOR | 47 | 7 | 17 | .362 |
| Kwan, CLE | 73 | 16 | 26 | .356 |
| Peña, HOU | 70 | 9 | 24 | .343 |
| Naylor, CLE | 53 | 11 | 18 | .340 |
| Perez, KC | 62 | 8 | 21 | .339 |
| Soto, NYY | 64 | 11 | 21 | .328 |
| Witt Jr., KC | 70 | 17 | 22 | .314 |
| Ward, LAA | 67 | 13 | 21 | .313 |
| O'Neill, BOS | 48 | 14 | 15 | .313 |
| García, TEX | 65 | 12 | 20 | .308 |
| Mountcastle, BAL | 59 | 10 | 18 | .305 |
| Seager, TEX | 56 | 10 | 17 | .304 |
| Westburg, BAL | 53 | 10 | 16 | .302 |
| Duran, BOS | 70 | 9 | 21 | .300 |
| Alvarez, HOU | 67 | 12 | 20 | .299 |
| Velázquez, KC | 54 | 8 | 16 | .296 |
| Rutschman, BAL | 61 | 10 | 18 | .295 |

HOME RUNS

| | |
|---|---|
| O'Neill, BOS | 7 |
| Trout, LAA | 7 |
| Ward, LAA | 6 |
| Paredes, TB | 5 |
| Altuve, HOU | 5 |
| Henderson, BAL | 4 |
| Witt Jr., KC | 4 |
| Casas, BOS | 4 |
| Julien, MIN | 4 |
| Alvarez, HOU | 4 |
| Stanton, NYY | 4 |
| Langeliers, OAK | 4 |
| García, TEX | 4 |
| Naylor, CLE | 4 |
| Tucker, HOU | 4 |
| Mullins, BAL | 4 |
| Perez, KC | 4 |
| Cowser, BAL | 4 |

RUNS BATTED IN

| | |
|---|---|
| Ward, LAA | 19 |
| Perez, KC | 15 |
| García, TEX | 15 |
| Soto, NYY | 15 |
| Semien, TEX | 15 |
| Santander, BAL | 13 |
| Cowser, BAL | 13 |
| Tucker, HOU | 13 |
| Mullins, BAL | 13 |
| Ramírez, CLE | 13 |
| Westburg, BAL | 12 |
| Garcia, KC | 12 |
| Alvarez, HOU | 12 |
| Paredes, TB | 12 |
| Naylor, CLE | 12 |
| Cabrera, NYY | 12 |
| Heim, TEX | 11 |
| Haniger, SEA | 11 |
| Jeffers, MIN | 11 |
| Henderson, BAL | 11 |

ON-BASE PERCENTAGE

| | |
|---|---|
| Altuve, HOU | .476 |
| Turner, TOR | .466 |
| Volpe, NYY | .464 |
| O'Neill, BOS | .459 |
| Soto, NYY | .457 |
| O'Hoppe, LAA | .451 |
| Naylor, CLE | .431 |
| Alvarez, HOU | .405 |
| Seager, TEX | .400 |
| Peña, HOU | .378 |
| Haniger, SEA | .375 |
| Kwan, CLE | .373 |
| Westburg, BAL | .373 |
| García, TEX | .370 |
| Perez, KC | .369 |
| Witt Jr., KC | .368 |
| Mountcastle, BAL | .368 |
| Semien, TEX | .367 |
| Tucker, HOU | .366 |

SLUGGING PERCENTAGE

| | |
|---|---|
| O'Neill, BOS | .750 |
| Altuve, HOU | .722 |
| Trout, LAA | .710 |
| Witt Jr., KC | .657 |
| Naylor, CLE | .642 |
| Ward, LAA | .612 |
| Turner, TOR | .574 |
| Perez, KC | .565 |
| Kirilloff, MIN | .556 |
| Mullins, BAL | .551 |
| Westburg, BAL | .547 |
| Jeffers, MIN | .545 |
| Volpe, NYY | .542 |
| García, TEX | .538 |
| Stanton, NYY | .538 |
| Paredes, TB | .534 |
| Melendez, KC | .529 |
| O'Hoppe, LAA | .523 |
| Alvarez, HOU | .522 |

## BLUE JAYS 5, YANKEES 4

| NY YANKEES | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Volpe ss | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | .349 |
| Soto rf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .324 |
| Judge cf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .182 |
| Stanton dh | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .250 |
| Rizzo 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .243 |
| Torres 2b | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | .206 |
| Verdugo lf | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .242 |
| Trevino c | 4 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | .207 |
| OCabrera 3b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .294 |
| **Totals** | **32** | **4** | **6** | **4** | **2** | **10** | |

| TORONTO | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Springer rf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .221 |
| Guerrero Jr. 1b | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | .209 |
| Bichette ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .219 |
| Turner dh | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .360 |
| Schneider lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .212 |
| Kiermaier cf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .143 |
| Jansen c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .000 |
| Clement 3b | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .289 |
| Kiner-Falefa 2b | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .260 |
| Varsho cf-lf | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .196 |
| **Totals** | **31** | **5** | **8** | **4** | **7** | **9** | |

**NY Yankees** .....010 000 201 — 4 6 1
**Toronto** .....001 202 00x — 5 8 0

**E**—Torres (3). **LOB**—NY Yankees 5, Toronto 10. **2B**—Verdugo 2 (5), OCabrera (3), Clement (3), Varsho (2). **SB**—Clement (1), Kiner-Falefa (2), Varsho (1). **CS**—Turner (2). **SF**—OCabrera, Turner. **DP**—NY Yankees 1.

| NY Yankees | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Rodón L 1-1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 3.66 |
| Weaver | 1⅓ | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 5.91 |
| Burdi | 1⅔ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0.00 |
| González | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1.29 |

| Toronto | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kikuchi W 1-1 | 6 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 9 | 2.08 |
| Richards | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 4.70 |
| García | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.04 |
| Romano S 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 9.00 |

**Inherited runners-scored**—Burdi 2-2. **HBP**—by Romano (Torres). **NP**—Rodón 101, Weaver 32, Burdi 29, González 21, Kikuchi 94, Richards 26, García 11, Romano 11. **Umpires**—Home, Chad Fairchild; First, Ryan Wills; Second, Carlos Torres; Third, Charlie Ramos. **T**—2:56. **A**—31,175 (49,286).

## MARLINS 6, GIANTS 3

| SAN FRAN. | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Slater rf | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .133 |
| Wade Jr. ph-rf | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .386 |
| Estrada ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .224 |
| Flores 1b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .250 |
| Lee cf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .257 |
| Soler dh | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .219 |
| Murphy c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .100 |
| Bailey ph-c | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .282 |
| Chapman 3b | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .205 |
| Conforto lf | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .292 |
| Ahmed ss | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .288 |
| Fitzgerald 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .333 |
| **Totals** | **35** | **3** | **9** | **3** | **3** | **13** | |

| MIAMI | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Arraez 2b-1b | 5 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .292 |
| Chisholm Jr. cf | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .242 |
| De La Cruz dh | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | .276 |
| Bell 1b | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .212 |
| Bruján 2b | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .100 |
| JeSánchez rf | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .171 |
| Anderson ss | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | .263 |
| Gordon lf | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | .226 |
| Rivera 3b | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .174 |
| Fortes c | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .097 |
| **Totals** | **32** | **6** | **8** | **6** | **6** | **7** | |

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**Miami** .....000 203 10x — 6 8 1

**E**—Fitzgerald (2), Fortes (1). **LOB**—San Francisco 8, Miami 8. **2B**—Flores (2), Chapman (3), Ahmed (2), Arraez (3), De La Cruz (4), Bell (3). **HR**—Chapman (4), off Weathers. **SB**—Fitzgerald (4), De La Cruz (1), JeSánchez (4), Rivera (1). **DP**—San Francisco 1; Miami 1.

| San Francisco | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hicks | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 1.57 |
| Walker L 1-2 | ⅔ | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 4.50 |
| TayRogers | ⅓ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3.38 |
| Avila | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6.00 |
| Miller | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6.75 |

| Miami | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Weathers W 2-1 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 10 | 2.70 |
| Smith | ⅓ | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 6.14 |
| Faucher | 1⅔ | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0.00 |
| Scott S 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4.15 |

**Inherited runners-scored**—TayRogers 3-2, Faucher 2-0. **IBB**—off Weathers (Flores). **WP**—Hicks. **PB**—Murphy. **NP**—Hicks 86, Walker 27, TayRogers 5, Avila 25, Miller 15, Weathers 90, Smith 20, Faucher 28, Scott 15. **Umpires**—Home, Tripp Gibson; First, Mike Estabrook; Second, Erich Bacchus; Third, Laz Diaz. **T**—2:41. **A**—8,076 (37,446).

## METS 3, PIRATES 1

| PITTSBURGH | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Joe 1b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .291 |
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# Connecting to Paris via their Boston legs

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did everything they could to cement their selections.

Unlike the United States, where the top three finishers at the February trials earn spots as long as they've met the Olympic qualifying standard, Kenya and Ethiopia pick their teams subjectively.

Customarily, the criteria involve time-based world rankings and victories in majors over the last year-plus. But other factors are considered, too.

"Consistency, anti-doping requirements, discipline, willingness, and championship mentality and attitude," Athletics Kenya vice president Paul Mutwii told the Daily Nation.

The Kenyan federation drew up a candidate list of 10 men and 10 women in December and narrowed it earlier this month.

Still in contention among the men are Eliud Kipchoge (the two-time Olympic champion), Benson Kipruto, Timothy Kiplagat, Vincent Kipkemoi Ngetich, and Alexander Mutiso Munyao.

The women's group includes Obiri, Olympic champion Peres Jepchirchir, Brigid Kosgei, Rosemary Wanjiru, Ruth Chepngetich, and Sharon Lokedi.

Lokedi, who won New York two years ago and was third last time, was runner-up Monday in her Boston debut. Kosgei, the former world record-holder, has won both London and Chicago twice and claimed silver at the Tokyo Olympics. Chepngetich is a former global champion with a couple of Chicago triumphs. And Wanjiru has won Tokyo and finished second in Berlin.

With such depth, the Kenyan federation can afford to wait and see what happens in London, where Jerchirchir, Kosgei, and Chepngetich will take the line.

Until Kelvin Kiptum, the world record-holder, was killed in a February auto accident, the men's choices seemed clear.

Kipchoge, despite his struggles in Boston last year and in Tokyo in March, still is the second-fastest man in history. So he's earned the right to go after an unprecedented third Olympic title.

And Kipruto, a former Boston and Chicago victor, set a course record this year in Tokyo with a personal best of 2:02:16. If the selectors go on current form, they may tap Kiplagat, who went sub-2:03 while chasing Kipruto to the line.

The Ethiopian federation hasn't issued its candidate lists, but its standards are straightforward. Win majors and run fast somewhere.

Lemma easily fulfilled the speed requirement, going 2:01:48 in Valencia to become the fourth-fastest marathoner of all time. But having done nothing in a major since winning London in 2021, he knew he needed a victory here, where he'd twice dropped out.

He went after it boldly from 6 miles onward, running so far ahead for most of the morning that his pursuers were out of camera range. And his splits were so startling that he was under Geoffrey Mutai's course record of 2:03:02 by more than a minute until well into the Newton hills.

Joining Lemma in Paris almost certainly will be Tamirat Tola, the former world champion who won New York last year and was third in London, where he'll run again Sunday.

Two of the Ethiopian women are obvious choices — Tigst Assefa, who shattered the world record in 2:11:53 in Berlin last autumn, and former Boston champ Worknesh Degefa, who won Valencia in 2:15:51.

But regardless of who is tapped for the Games, the expectations in both countries will be enormous. Kenya's men have won three of the last four gold medals, and the women the last two.

Despite their success at the World Championships, the Ethiopians have won only one Olympic women's medal since 2012 and haven't taken the men's title since Gezahegne Abera in 2000.

Last time, in Japan, all three men failed to finish amid the Sapporo sweatbath, with Lemma dropping out midway.

"The Ethiopian people were expecting a gold medal, but we were not able to do it because there was so much heat," he said. "Now in Paris we will try to redeem that."

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# Honeywill-Sykes waited 18 years, and a day, to run

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Boston is far from her longest trek.

Honeywill-Sykes set her sights on Boston some 10 years ago, when she learned that registrants had to be 18. Since then, she has finished 19 marathons, 20 half-marathons, and one run across America, from sea to shining sea.

She was 15 when she became the youngest girl on record to complete a coast-to-coast trek. So while the heat and hills tested her Monday, she hardly struggled. Besides, she has tackled this course before.

Three times, actually. When she was looking for tips on how to run across the country, she reached out to Boston Marathon race director Dave McGillivray, who invited her on his pre-race training runs.

"It really wasn't that challenging for me," said Honeywill-Sykes, who has been dealing with a leg injury the last half-year — call it growing pains — and was medically cleared to run April 1. "It was good."

Honeywill-Sykes ran her first race at age 8, in her sunny, flat hometown of Kissimmee, Fla. She was a figure skater in need of a cardio routine, so she jogged around the block with her dad, Ben Honeywill.

"We kept running more and more," she said. "Eventually I said to my dad, 'If I'm doing all this training, I want to earn some bling for this.' "

She kept hanging those shiny medals in her room. When COVID hit in 2020, races were canceled, so she hatched a plan to go cross-country. She would run from Florida to California, and be the youngest girl ever to do it.

But that route wouldn't give her the title, per the Registry of Official World Records; that organization's recognized route is from San Francisco City Hall to New York City Hall.

She added a few miles in either direction to get from the Pacific Ocean to the Atlantic Ocean, making it a true coast-to-coast run.

The family — dad, mom Kirstie Sykes, Briar-Rose, and basset hound Lilly Bell — took off in an RV on June 20, 2021.

Dad ran up to 40 miles a day with his daughter, who was attending online school. Mom drove the RV and was "pit crew, directions, cooking, everything we had going on," Ben said.

Mostly following the pedestrian paths along US-80, they passed through 14 states and experienced every kind of weather except snow. The 100-degree temperatures in California and Nevada forced them to sleep during the day and run at night. They stargazed while running through Yosemite.

In Utah, they encountered a sandstorm with 40- to 45-m.p.h. gusts.

"You couldn't see a thing," Ben said. "You'd stick out your hand and you couldn't see it."

In Colorado, a surprise storm with hail the size of ice cubes left red marks on their bodies as they scrambled to finish a 20-minute run for cover.

Somewhere around the cornfields of Nebraska and Iowa, the weather mellowed.

It turned pleasantly cool as fall arrived in the Midwest and into the Northeast.

"An amazing experience," Honeywill-Sykes said. "You get to see so much you normally wouldn't get to see, and from a different perspective."

They finished the 3,190.36-mile journey in 145 days, running 116 of those. Honeywill-Sykes jogged up the steps of New York City Hall, carrying an American flag, on Veterans Day 2021.

She was doing the run for reasons close to her heart.

Her mother has neuromyelitis optica, a degenerative disease that affects the optic nerve and spinal cord.

The family is originally from the Isle of Wight, off the southern coast of England, but they moved to Florida to be closer to doctors at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville.

When Honeywill-Sykes was 3, she saw her mom racing wheelchairs with Achilles International, which aims to make distance running accessible to those with disabilities.

"When she wanted to do [the cross-country run]," her father said, "she wanted to do it for a charity."

Achilles was an obvious choice.

Honeywill said his daughter graduated from online high school nearly a year early. She has been teaching herself American sign language. Her college plans are undecided. She is far from done running.

"What she's been telling us," her father said, "is her next big plan is the time trials for 2028 [the Olympics]."

As a stream of older, sometimes much older, runners walked past her beyond the finish line, and her own tears dried, she confirmed that she wants more bling.

"In the future, I would like to make the Olympic team," she said, well aware of the age of entry for the marathon. "You have to be 21."

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**LeBron James is in the playoffs for the 17th time after posting 23 points, 9 rebounds, and 9 assists in a 110-106 win over the Pelicans.**

### Lakers 110, Pelicans 106

**LA LAKERS**

| | Min | FG M-A | FT M-A | Reb O-T | A | F | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hachimura | 33 | 5-6 | 1-2 | 0-1 | 1 | 2 | 13 |
| James | 41 | 6-20 | 10-10 | 0-9 | 9 | 0 | 23 |
| Davis | 40 | 6-16 | 8-10 | 6-15 | 0 | 4 | 20 |
| Reaves | 36 | 5-11 | 4-4 | 0-5 | 6 | 1 | 16 |
| Russell | 37 | 7-14 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 6 | 3 | 21 |
| Dinwiddie | 5 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 0-2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Prince | 22 | 2-7 | 0-0 | 0-4 | 0 | 2 | 6 |
| Vincent | 18 | 3-6 | 1-1 | 0-4 | 1 | 0 | 9 |
| Hayes | 8 | 1-1 | 0-0 | 0-1 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Totals | | 35-84 | 26-29 | 6-41 | 24 | 12 | 110 |

FG%: .417, FT%: .897. 3-pt. goals: 14-35, .400 (Hachimura 2-2, James 1-5, Reaves 2-5, Russell 5-11, Dinwiddie 0-2, Prince 2-6, Vincent 2-4). Blocks: 7 (James 2, Davis 3, Russell, Prince). Turnovers: 8 (James 2, Davis 3, Reaves 2, Russell). Steals: 8 (Hachimura, James 3, Davis, Russell, Prince, Vincent).

**NEW ORLEANS**

| | Min | FG M-A | FT M-A | Reb O-T | A | F | Pt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ingram | 25 | 4-12 | 2-2 | 0-4 | 4 | 1 | 11 |
| Williamson | 36 | 17-27 | 6-9 | 3-11 | 5 | 3 | 40 |
| Valanciunas | 20 | 1-7 | 2-2 | 3-10 | 1 | 2 | 4 |
| McCollum | 30 | 4-15 | 0-0 | 1-3 | 6 | 2 | 9 |
| H.Jones | 35 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 4 | 10 |
| Nance Jr. | 28 | 4-7 | 1-2 | 2-12 | 5 | 5 | 10 |
| Murphy III | 31 | 5-10 | 0-0 | 0-4 | 2 | 1 | 12 |
| Alvarado | 25 | 4-7 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 7 | 4 | 10 |
| Daniels | 10 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0-4 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Totals | | 43-93 | 11-15 | 10-50 | 30 | 23 | 106 |

FG%: .462, FT%: .733. 3-pt. goals: 9-30, .300 (Ingram 1-1, Williamson 0-1, Valanciunas 0-1, McCollum 1-9, H.Jones 2-4, Nance Jr. 1-2, Murphy III 2-6, Alvarado 2-5, Daniels 0-1). Blocks: 2 (Williamson, Murphy III). Turnovers: 12 (Ingram 3, Williamson 3, McCollum 2, H.Jones, Nance Jr. 2, Alvarado). Steals: 4 (Williamson, H.Jones 2, Murphy III). Technicals: .

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LA Lakers | 26 | 34 | 23 | 27 | — | 110 |
| New Orleans | 34 | 16 | 26 | 30 | — | 106 |

A — 18,591 (16,867). T — 2:33. Officials — Scott Foster, Curtis Blair, Gediminas Petraitis.

**NBA NOTEBOOK**

# James, Lakers tip Pelicans

## Williamson has 40 but exits with injury

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**LeBron James** had 23 points, 9 assists and 9 rebounds, and the Lakers secured a playoff berth with a 110-106 victory over the Pelicans at New Orleans in the Western Conference play-in tournament Tuesday night.

**Zion Williamson** had 40 points and 11 rebounds in his NBA postseason debut. But shortly after tying the game at 95 on a driving layup with 3:19 to go, Williamson went to the locker room, throwing a towel to the floor in disgust as he walked into the tunnel with an apparent injury.

After the game, Pelicans coach **Willie Green** said Williamson had "left leg soreness."

"He's going to have some imaging on it tomorrow and we'll figure out more," Green said.

Soon after, James hit a jumper, **Anthony Davis** dunked Austin Reaves's alley-oop lob, **DeAngelo Russell** hit a three and Davis grabbed a crucial offensive rebound, after which he hit two free throws to help the Lakers hold off New Orleans.

Davis had 20 points and 15 rebounds. Russell scored 21, hitting five times from deep.

The Lakers went 14 of 35 from 3-point range. The Pelicans hit 9 of 29 from deep.

The Lakers advance to face defending NBA champion Denver in the first round in a rematch of last season's Western Conference finals, which was swept by the Nuggets. Game 1 is Saturday night.

The Pelicans will take on the winner of the other West play-in game between Golden State and Sacramento on Friday.

### Antetokounmpo up in air

The Bucks are gearing up for the postseason uncertain about the health of both of their top two players.

Bucks coach **Doc Rivers** said neither two-time MVP **Giannis Antetokounmpo** nor seven-time all-NBA guard **Damian Lillard** practiced on Tuesday. Rivers said he didn't know whether either would practice all week, but pointed out both could play Sunday in Game 1 of their Eastern Conference first-round series with the Pacers without practicing beforehand.

Antetokounmpo is recovering from a left calf strain that caused him to miss the Bucks' final three regular-season games. Antetokounmpo was attempting to run up the court during Milwaukee's victory over the Celtics on April 9 when he took a seat on the floor and grabbed his left leg, with an MRI revealing he had a strained soleus.

"He's doing well," Rivers said. "He's walking around, looks good. I can say [he's] farther than we thought he would be, but just not ready yet."

Rivers wouldn't speculate on the chances of Antetokounmpo playing Sunday.

"I'm not going to make a decision – first of all, I don't make the decision – but our medical team is saying they don't know, so I'm going to wait and see," Rivers said. "I literally don't know one way or the other."

### Embiid expected to play

It's April and the postseason looms for the 76ers, which really only means one thing in Philadelphia: **Joel Embiid** is dealing with some kind of affliction.

One of the greats in the game, Embiid has accomplished just about all there is to do in the NBA. He's an MVP. A two-time scoring champion. A seven-time All-Star. This season, Embiid scored 70 points in one game.

Yes, Embiid's season-accomplishments have made him worthy of max contracts and Olympic teams and all the other spoils that go with blossoming into one of the most must-watch players in the NBA.

But it's playoff time once more and that's the season when things get dicey for Embiid. The 7-footer has played through injuries since the day he was drafted and it's more of the same this season. He tweaked his surgically repaired left knee last week, and while coach **Nick Nurse** expected his big man to go Wednesday night in the play-in game against Miami, there's never a guarantee Embiid will be structurally sound enough to withstand a grinding postseason run.

His availability — rather, lack of it — is the most substantial reason the 76ers have failed to advance beyond the second round in the playoffs in his seven full seasons.

### Leonard's status unclear

**Kawhi Leonard's** status for the Clippers' first-round playoff series against the Mavericks remains murky.

Leonard missed the final eight games of the regular season with right knee inflammation. The Clippers were 4-4 in that stretch, having clinched their first Pacific Division title in 10 years. They earned the fourth seed in the West.

### Ex-Celtic Griffin retires

**Blake Griffin** announced his retirement after a 14-year career that included six All-Star selections, Rookie of the Year honors, and a dunk contest victory. Griffin, 35, also had stints in Brooklyn and Boston. He did not play in the 2023-24 season.

### NBA playoffs

**Eastern Conference**

**BOSTON VS. TBA**
Schedule
Sun., April 21 at Boston.....TBA

**NEW YORK VS. TBA**
Schedule
Sat., April 20 at New York.....7 p.m.

**CLEVELAND VS. ORLANDO**
Schedule
Sat., April 20 at Cleveland.....1 p.m.

**MILWAUKEE VS. INDIANA**
Schedule
Sun., April 21 at Milwaukee.....TBA

**Western Conference**

**OKLAHOMA CITY VS. TBA**
Schedule
Sun., April 21 at Oklahoma City.....TBA

**DENVER VS. LA LAKERS**
Schedule
Sat., April 20 at Denver.....8:30 p.m.

**MINNESOTA VS. PHOENIX**
Schedule
Sat., April 20 at Minnesota.....3:30 p.m.

**LA CLIPPERS VS. DALLAS**
Schedule
Sun., April 21 at LA Clippers.....TBA

### NBA play-in games

**Tuesday, April 16**
LA Lakers 110.....at New Orleans 106
Golden State.....at Sacramento
**Wednesday, April 17**
Miami at Philadelphia.....7
Atlanta at Chicago.....9:30
**Friday, April 19**
Atl./Chi. winner at Mia./Phila. loser....TBA
G.S./Sac. winner at New Orleans.....TBA

# Touching bases with Stevens

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"For a guy that is as accomplished as he is that's used to more usage, more reps, more touches, and all those other things, that never even came into play," Stevens said. "All that came into play was, 'What kind of a teammate am I being and can I help us win?'

"And I just think that when you look at the kind of player that he is, what he's capable of on any given night, but also the fact that he can play off the ball and be as effective as he's been, I just think it shows another layer of what a guy can do."

When considering the long-term future of the franchise, Stevens said it is important to fill the roster with excellent two-way performers who also can serve as role models to younger players. Holiday fits the bill.

■ **The final roster spot**

The Celtics recently filled their final roster spot by converting center Neemias Queta's two-way contract into a standard NBA deal. They could have looked to bolster the bench with a veteran presence, or even added a developmental piece for an extended look during the playoffs, much as they did when signing Justin Champagnie last April.

But Stevens said Queta impressed the Celtics while splitting time between Boston and the G League affiliate in Maine, and he is hopeful that the big man will have a role here for years to come.

"The likelihood of anybody that you sign at that 15th spot playing huge moments in a playoff run is pretty low," Stevens said. "But he's shown that he's able to do that if surrounded by the right guys in the right role.

"That was one thing. Then obviously with the contract that we signed, we think he is more than just a right-now player. We think he's a guy that can help us in the future."

■ **The latest Indiana rumors**

Longtime college basketball reporter and CBS studio analyst Seth Davis raised some eyebrows last week when he said the likelihood of Stevens returning to coach college basketball in Indiana after next season is "more possible than you think."

Stevens, of course, guided Butler to a pair of NCAA title-game appearances prior to joining the Celtics as coach in 2013. He took over as president of basketball operations for Danny Ainge in 2021, and on Tuesday, it was no surprise that he did not sound like someone who will be considering other opportunities soon.

"I don't get into the rumor stuff," he said. "I've got a heck of an opportunity here. We've been here 11 years now and gotten a chance to see this team do a lot of cool things and go a long way, and our goals have been the same since we moved here.

"We'd like to get over that hump, so I've got plenty enough to do right now rather than think about all that stuff."

■ **Jeff Van Gundy's role**

The former coach and television analyst joined the Celtics in an advisory role this season. Although he has mostly stayed out of the spotlight, he is often seen alongside Stevens at everything from Celtics games to Stevens's son Brady's high school contests.

Stevens said Van Gundy's knowledge and insight have been helpful.

"It is fun watching a game with him when he doesn't have to speak in 15-second sound bites," he quipped. "He's pretty entertaining."

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**Junior captain Skye Dupre (center), hitting .579, is a key to Joseph Case's success.**

**HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL NOTEBOOK**

# At Case, no dropoff

## No. 7 Cardinals (5-0) set sights for another title

**By Julia Yohe**
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

The message was clear from Day 1 of the preseason for the Joseph Case softball tea: this is not a rebuild.

"From the first practice, [coach **Shannon Silva**] made it very, very clear she is expecting nothing less than she expected last year, this team is still just as good," said **Skye Dupre**, a junior captain.

"When you know your coach believes in you, and when you know your coach has confidence in you, it's definitely an important thing."

The Cardinals, who cruised to a 24-1 record and the Division 4 state championship last June, the program's first title since 2001 last spring, graduated five of nine starters.

So there have been adjustments. Junior **Bre Fontes** shifted from first to behind the plate. Dupre is now at second after playing left field last year. And Case welcomed freshman **Lila Alvarez** to the circle.

Ranked seventh in this week's Globe Top 20, Joseph Case is off to a 5-0 start, the latest win a 2-1 nail-biter over Dighton-Rehoboth Monday night.

Alvarez has racked up 43 strikeouts in 29 innings, compiling a 1.18 earned run average.

The bats, which fueled a 321-57 run differential last season, are still moving.

Dupre (.579 average ), junior first baseman **Ella Preston** (.533), Fontes (.484), senior center fielder **Megan Smith** (.474), senior shortstop **Lily Picard** (.429), and junior third baseman **Nicole Rebelo** (.400) are all excelling at the plate.

The keys to that success? Consistency and familiarity.

The softball curriculum at Case is streamlined. At every varsity practice, the reserves at each position take as many reps in every drill as the starters. More often than not, the junior varsity joins the varsity at practice, which cultivates an early understanding of the expectations.

"We knew we were going to be losing a heavy amount of key players, so we started planning for this season on day one of 2023," said Silva, in her sixth season. "So while the girls are young, they definitely have experience and tons of talent."

Silva, a Case alumna, is no stranger to competitive softball in Eastern Massachusetts.

Growing up on the South Coast, Silva played travel ball for the Rebels, coached by her father, **Glen Medeiros**, then pitched Case to back-to-back state titles (1995-96), before playing collegiately at Bridgewater State and Pine Minor.

When her own daughter, **Olivia**, began to show interest in the sport, Silva revived the travel program as the South Coast Rebels, and accepted a position as pitching coach at UMass Dartmouth.

Olivia joined the Rebels at age 8 (and she and a few of her travel teammates helped fuel the championship run last spring). When Shannon was offered the varsity job at Case, she left the decisions up to her daughter, then an eighth grader.

Olivia emphatically told her mother to take the job.

"It was fantastic because all of those kids I coached [at Case], I had coached previously in travel ball. They pretty much grew up in my household, so it was awesome to coach them to a state championship in their senior year," said the coach.

After three years behind the plate at Case, Olivia is now playing as a freshman at UMass Dartmouth.

Last season, to strengthen her team's work in the circle, Silva added former Greater New Bedford ace **Madison Medeiros** as pitching coach. She had previously played for Silva's Rebels, and pitched the 2022 GNB team to a state title.

"Over the years, I have experienced her passion and knowledge of the game," Medeiros said. "Shannon strives to provide her players with the tools they need to succeed."

Silva's technical understanding of the game goes a long way toward shaping her athletes not only physically, but mentally, too.

"I've never had a coach until her that has been so smart with the game," said Smith, who has committed to play field hockey at Bryant University. "She just knows the game so well."

Though she'll attribute the Cardinals' accomplishments to the team's grit and talent, it's no doubt Silva is what makes the Case softball program tick.

"Coaching is what makes this program the way it is," Dupre said. "She knows all of our strengths, all of our weaknesses, and . . . she can see the best in everybody that plays for her."

### Globe Top 20

| No. | | Rec. | Last |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | Taunton | 5-0 | 1 |
| 2. | Central Catholic | 1-0 | 3 |
| 3. | Peabody | 2-0 | 4 |
| 4. | King Philip | 4-1 | 2 |
| 5. | Archbishop Williams | 5-0 | 5 |
| 6. | Lincoln-Sudbury | 4-0 | 6 |
| 7. | Joseph Case | 5-0 | 8 |
| 8. | Dighton-Rehoboth | 3-1 | 7 |
| 9. | Silver Lake | 3-1 | 9 |
| 10. | Bishop Feehan | 2-2 | 10 |
| 11. | Tewksbury | 3-0 | 11 |
| 12. | North Andover | 1-0 | 13 |
| 13. | Walpole | 5-1 | 12 |
| 14. | Bedford | 3-0 | — |
| 15. | Norton | 3-0 | 15 |
| 16. | Methuen | 3-2 | 16 |
| 17. | Bridgewater-Raynham | 3-1 | 14 |
| 18. | Bishop Fenwick | 1-2 | 19 |
| 19. | Middleborough | 4-1 | 18 |
| 20. | Milton | 3-0 | — |

### Extra bases

■ A 3-0 start with wins over Bay State Conference power Walpole and last year's Division 2 semifinalist, Somerset Berkley, have cemented what first-year coach **Charlie Drane** thought was possible for 20th-ranked Milton.

With a large contingency of the team playing for the Milton Monarchs or the Bay State Thunder, Drane knew the talent was there.

"This is a good group," said Drane. "I'm very fortunate to come into this group."

The senior pitching duo of **MK Maloney** and **Abby Hunt** have combined to allow just seven runs, throwing a large percentage of strikes with quality velocity.

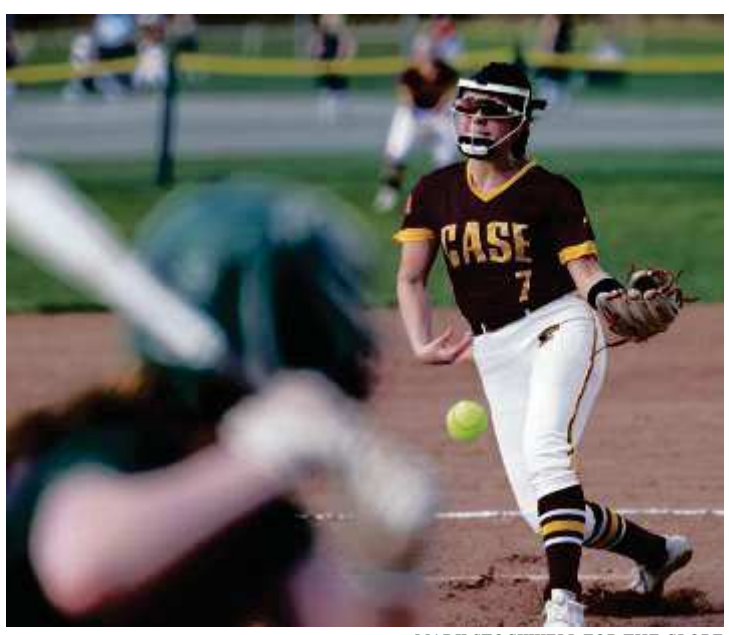
"I want Milton softball to be contending in Division 2 every year," said Drane.

■ No. 19 Bishop Fenwick scheduled a grueling stretch to start the season.

The Crusaders (1-2) dropped the opener, a nine-inning loss to No. 10 Bishop Feehan, 1-0. Senior standout **Gigi Aupont**, a Central Connecticut State commit, helped earn a 4-2 victory over St. Mary's, pitching opposite her step-sister, Spartans' freshman standout **Aliza Crean-Oviedo**. No. 5 Archbishop Williams outlasted the Crusaders, 6-5, in 10 innings. Up next after a gauntlet of Catholic Central League foes? No. 3 Peabody.

"It was a nice set up, the way it fell because of what we did last year, what we have in Gigi [Aupont], and most of the core coming back," said Bishop Fenwick coach **Brian Seabury**.

*Globe correspondents Eli Cloutier and Cam Kerry contributed to this report.*



MARK STOCKWELL FOR THE GLOBE

**Freshman Lila Alvarez has been impressive for the No. 7 Cardinals with 43 strikeouts in 29 innings and a 1.18 ERA.**

# Scoreboard

## Schools

### BASEBALL

**CAPE ANN**
Georgetown 13, Amesbury 2
Ham.-Wenham 10, Rockport 2
Lynnfield 15, Essex Tech 0
Manchester 4, Ipswich 2
N. Reading 8, Pentucket 7
**CATHOLIC CENTRAL**
Arlington Cath. 13, Bp. Fenwick 0
**COMMONWEALTH**
Mystic Valley 9, KIPP Academy 4
**DUAL COUNTY**
Waltham 4, Cambridge 1
Westford 2, Acton-Boxboro 1
**ISL**
St. Mark's 11, BB&N 5
**MERRIMACK VALLEY**
Andover 7, Tewksbury 5
Billerica 9, Chelmsford 7
Haverhill 13, Lowell 4
Lawrence 4, Dracut 0
N. Andover 10, Methuen 4
**MID-WACH**
Marlborough 7, Hudson 3
**MIDDLESEX**
Belmont 11, Arlington 8
**NORTHEASTERN**
Salem 3, Peabody 0
**PATRIOT**
Plymouth North 11, Silver Lake 1
**SOUTHEAST**
Dartmouth 5, Bridge.-Raynham 1
**NONLEAGUE**
Bellingham 2, Bp. Feehan 1
BC High 2, Barnstable 1
Braintree 8, Dennis-Yarmouth 4
Charlestown 11, Salem Academy 8
Digh.-Rehoboth 10, Oliver Ames 3
Duxbury 9, Nauset 2
Framingham 6, Holliston 1
Hopedale 7, Bourne 2
Keefe Tech 14, Muniz Academy 4
Lynn Tech 15, Nashoba Tech 5
Melrose 4, Latin Acad. 1
Middleboro 4, Abp. Williams 3
Milford 22, Westboro 1
Millbury 7, St. Paul 6
Nauset 4, Duxbury 2
Newburyport 8, Marblehead 1
Northbridge 6, Weston 4
Norton 5, Joseph Case 3
Norwood 9, Natick 4
Rockland 7, South Shore 3
Saugus 9, Northeast 1
Stoughton 6, Brockton 1
Tantasqua 2, Shrewsbury 1
Wellesley 10, Concord-Carlisle 0
Weymouth 7, Hingham 5
Whit.-Hanson 4, New Bedford 1
**PATRIOT**
**Sully Tournament**
N. Quincy 9, Quincy 1
Milton 8, Foxboro 0

### LACROSSE

**BOYS**
Lenox 17, St. Mary (Westfield) 4
Monson 12, Pittsfield 2
**GREATER BOSTON**
Malden 9, Lynn 6
Somerville 7, Revere 6
**NORTHEASTERN**
Swampscott 18, Gloucester 3
**NONLEAGUE**
Abington 16, Old Colony 2
Barnstable 13, Plymouth North 6
Boston Latin 17, Watertown 10
Bourne 23, New Bedford 3
Foxboro 6, Natick 5
Franklin 18, Wakefield 1
Grafton 7, Ipswich 5
Hull 11, Falmouth Acad. 6
Malden Cath. 12, Tewksbury 9
Manchester 14, Woburn 4
Medfield 14, Wellesley 4
Methuen 5, Triton 4
Milford 13, Bellingham 5
Nauset 11, Central Cath. 8
Pentucket 13, Westford 11
Reading 11, BC High 10 (OT)
St. John's (S) 14, Minnechaug 5
St. John's Prep 10..Bp. Guertin (N.H.) 7
Wachusett 8, Oakmont 3
Walpole 10, Nashoba 4
Westwood 11, Norwell 10
Weymouth 8, Silver Lake 6
**Beantown Classic**
Dracut 6, Burlington 5
**Chowda Cup**
Falmouth 12, Cohasset 7
**PATRIOT**
**Chowda Cup**
**First round**
Scituate 19, Hanover 8
Mansfield 18, Marshfield 8
**Coaches Cup**
Hingham 7, Concord-Carlisle 4
**Players Cup**
Acton-Boxboro 11, Needham 8
Duxbury 11, Xaverian 10
N. Andover 11, Melrose 8
**GIRLS**
**CAPE & ISLANDS**
Cape Cod Acad. 21...St. John Paul II 13
**GREATER BOSTON**
Malden 17, Revere 5
Somerville 7, Medford 4
**HOCKOMOCK**
Mansfield 16, Oliver Ames 9
**MID-MASS.**
Nipmuc 18, Auburn 6
**MID-WACH**
Oakmont 18, Marlborough 1
**PATRIOT**
Plymouth North 9, Silver Lake 6
**NONLEAGUE**
Andover 14, Lexington 9
Arlington 16, Dracut 8
Billerica 9, Burlington 4
Central Cath. 16, Weymouth 8
Chelmsford 22, Wachusett 12
Falmouth 13, Dartmouth 10
Ipswich 18, Danvers 2
Lowell 5, Lowell Cath. 3
Milford 14, Bellingham 10
N. Andover 12, Winchester 4
Notre Dame (H) 7, Wellesley 3
Reading 15, Acton-Boxboro 8
St. Bernard's 19, Fitchburg 0
Shepherd Hill 14, Bay Path 7
Walpole 18, Grafton 6
Waltham 10, Wakefield 9
Woburn 16, Tewksbury 5

### SOFTBALL

**HOCKOMOCK**
Taunton 14, Mansfield 0
**MERRIMACK VALLEY**
Billerica 5, Haverhill 3
Chelmsford 22, Lawrence 2
N. Andover 9, Methuen 2
Tewksbury 14, Andover 2
**NORTHEASTERN**
Saugus 16, Winthrop 4
**NONLEAGUE**
Arlington Cath. 10, Medford 2
Bay Path 9, Notre Dame (W) 6
Bp. Stang 2, Apponequet 1
Central Cath. 16, Geneva (Fla.) 1
Concord-Carlisle 16, Beverly 12
Dedham 15, Stoughton 3
English High 12, Excel Academy 2
Hopedale 10, Millis 9
Lincoln-Sudbury 8, Hopkinton 7
Milford 7, Wellesley 4
Norton 9, Foxboro 2
Swampscott 14, Manchester 4
Triton 11, Malden Cath. 1
Wachusett 16, Doherty 0
Walpole 10, Franklin 0
Weymouth 12, Nantucket 1

### VOLLEYBALL

**BOYS**
**NONLEAGUE**
Natick 3, St. John's (S) 0
New Bedford 3, Cath. Memorial 0

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## Tennis

### BARCELONA OPEN

**At Real Club de Tenis Barcelona 1899, Barcelona**
**Men's singles**
**First Round**
Luca Van Assche def. Zhizhen Zhang, 7-5, 6-2; Roberto Carballes Baena def. Hugo Grenier, 6-2, 6-4; Dusan Lajovic def. Diego Schwartzman, 6-1, 6-2; Jaume Munar def. Yoshihito Nishioka, 6-3, 6-1; Tomas Machac def. Shang Juncheng, 6-4, 6-4; Daniel Altmaier def. Alexei Popyrin, 6-3, 7-6 (4); Rafael Nadal def. Flavio Cobolli, 6-2, 6-3.
**Second Round**
Facundo Diaz Acosta def. Borna Coric (15), 6-2, 7-5; Brandon Nakashima def. Andrey Rublev (2), 6-4, 7-6 (6); Matteo Arnaldi def. Sebastian Baez (8), 5-7, 7-6 (8), 6-2; Tomas Martin Etcheverry (13) def. Nick Hardt, 7-5, 6-2.

### BMW OPEN

**At MTTC Iphitos, Aumeisterweg, Munich**
**Men's singles**
**First Round**
Jurij Rodionov def. Aleksandar Vukic, 6-2, 6-3; Cristian Garin def. Dominik Koepfer (7), 7-6 (3), 6-3; Taro Daniel def. Christopher O'Connell, 6-3, 6-4; Daniel Elahi Galan def. Camilo Ugo Carabelli, 7-6 (2), 6-4; Felix Auger-Aliassime (5) def. Maximilian Marterer, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (6), 7-6 (3); Botic Van De Zandschulp def. Ivan Gakhov, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; Yannick Hanfmann def. Alexander Shevchenko (8), 6-7 (6), 6-3, 7-5; Marc-Andrea Huesler def. Marko Topo, 3-6, 6-1, 6-3.

### PORSCHE TENNIS GRAND PRIX

**At Porsche Arena, Stuttgart, Germany**
**Women's singles**
**First Round**
Jasmine Paolini, def. Sara Errani, 6-1, 6-0; Qinwen Zheng (5), def. Sorana Cirstea, 6-2, 6-3; Marketa Vondrousova (6), def. Donna Vekic, 6-4, 6-3; Elise Mertens, def. Tatjana Maria, 6-1, 4-6, 6-0; Linda Noskova, def. Jelena Ostapenko (8), 6-3, 6-1.

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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| Celtics | | | | | TBA (playoffs) | | |
| Revolution | | | | TOR 7:30 AppleTV | | | |
| Wizards | | TOR 7:00 NESN | | NY 3:30 NESN+ | | | |

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**BASEBALL**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 12:10 p.m. | San Francisco at Miami | MLB |
| 3 p.m. | Triple A: Durham at Worcester | NESN+ |
| 3:07 p.m. | NY Yankees at Toronto | MLB |
| 6:50 p.m. | LA Angels at Tampa Bay | MLB |
| 7:10 p.m. | Cleveland at Boston | NESN |

**PRO BASKETBALL**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 7 p.m. | Miami at Philadelphia | ESPN |
| 9:30 p.m. | Atlanta at Chicago | ESPN |

**BOWLING**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 7 p.m. | PBA: Shark Championship | FS1 |

**FUTSAL**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 3:55 p.m. | CONCACAF quarterfinal: Panama-US | FS2 |

**PRO HOCKEY**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 7 p.m. | Toronto at Tampa Bay | TNT |
| 9:30 p.m. | St. Louis at Dallas | TNT |

**MEN'S SOCCER**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 3 p.m. | Champions: Real Madrid vs. Man City | CBS |

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## ECHL

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**
**North Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Adirondack | 43 | 18 | 7 | 4 | 97 |
| Norfolk | 41 | 21 | 7 | 0 | 89 |
| Maine | 32 | 32 | 8 | 0 | 72 |
| Worcester | 32 | 32 | 5 | 3 | 72 |
| Trois-Rivieres | 31 | 30 | 5 | 3 | 70 |
| Newfoundland | 28 | 28 | 8 | 2 | 66 |
| Reading | 29 | 34 | 6 | 2 | 66 |

**South Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Greenville | 44 | 23 | 4 | 1 | 93 |
| Jacksonville | 42 | 23 | 6 | 1 | 91 |
| Florida | 40 | 23 | 7 | 2 | 89 |
| Orlando | 38 | 24 | 7 | 3 | 86 |
| South Carolina | 39 | 26 | 4 | 3 | 85 |
| Savannah | 30 | 34 | 7 | 1 | 68 |
| Atlanta | 23 | 45 | 3 | 1 | 50 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**
**Central Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Toledo | 48 | 14 | 4 | 5 | 105 |
| Indy | 39 | 25 | 6 | 2 | 86 |
| Wheeling | 38 | 28 | 4 | 1 | 81 |
| Kalamazoo | 37 | 30 | 4 | 0 | 78 |
| Fort Wayne | 35 | 30 | 3 | 4 | 77 |
| Cincinnati | 31 | 34 | 7 | 0 | 69 |
| Iowa | 27 | 37 | 6 | 2 | 62 |

**Mountain Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Kansas City | 53 | 12 | 4 | 2 | 112 |
| Idaho | 48 | 20 | 2 | 2 | 100 |
| Allen | 33 | 35 | 3 | 1 | 70 |
| Tulsa | 30 | 32 | 8 | 1 | 69 |
| Utah | 31 | 36 | 5 | 0 | 67 |
| Rapid City | 30 | 38 | 4 | 0 | 64 |
| Wichita | 27 | 35 | 9 | 1 | 64 |

**TUESDAY'S GAMES**
No games scheduled

## Premier League

| | GP | W | D | L | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manchester City | 32 | 22 | 7 | 3 | 73 |
| Arsenal | 32 | 22 | 5 | 5 | 71 |
| Liverpool | 32 | 21 | 8 | 3 | 71 |
| Aston Villa | 33 | 19 | 6 | 8 | 63 |
| Tottenham | 32 | 18 | 6 | 8 | 60 |
| Newcastle | 32 | 15 | 5 | 12 | 50 |
| Man. United | 32 | 15 | 5 | 12 | 50 |
| West Ham | 33 | 13 | 9 | 11 | 48 |
| Chelsea | 31 | 13 | 8 | 10 | 47 |
| Brighton | 32 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 44 |
| Wolverhampton | 32 | 12 | 7 | 13 | 43 |
| Fulham | 33 | 12 | 6 | 15 | 42 |
| Bournemouth | 32 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 42 |
| Crystal Palace | 32 | 8 | 9 | 15 | 33 |
| Brentford | 33 | 8 | 8 | 17 | 32 |
| Everton | 32 | 9 | 8 | 15 | 27 |
| Nottinghm Forest | 33 | 7 | 9 | 17 | 26 |
| Luton Town | 33 | 6 | 7 | 20 | 25 |
| Burnley | 33 | 4 | 8 | 21 | 20 |
| Sheffield | 32 | 3 | 7 | 22 | 16 |

**MONDAY'S RESULT**
At Chelsea 6, Everton 0

## MLS

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**

| | GP | W | D | L | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Miami | 9 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 15 |
| NY Red Bulls | 8 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 15 |
| Philadelphia | 7 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 13 |
| Columbus | 8 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 13 |
| Cincinnati | 8 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| Atlanta | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 |
| Charlotte | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 11 |
| Montreal | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 10 |
| Toronto | 8 | 3 | 1 | 4 | 10 |
| D.C. United | 8 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Chicago | 8 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| NYCFC | 8 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 8 |
| Orlando | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| Nashville | 7 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| New England | 7 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 4 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**

| | GP | W | D | L | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| LA Galaxy | 8 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 15 |
| Vancouver | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 13 |
| Houston | 7 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 13 |
| Real Salt Lake | 8 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| Colorado | 8 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| LAFC | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 11 |
| Minnesota | 7 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 |
| St. Louis | 8 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 11 |
| Sporting KC | 8 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 10 |
| Portland | 8 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| Austin | 8 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 9 |
| Seattle | 7 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| Dallas | 7 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 5 |
| San Jose | 8 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 3 |

## WNBA

### DRAFT

**First Round**
1. Indiana, Caitlin Clark, G, Iowa; 2. Los Angeles, Cameron Brink, F, Stanford; 3. Chicago, Kamilla Cardoso, C, South Carolina; 4. Los Angeles, Rickea Jackson, F, Tennessee; 5. Dallas, Jacy Sheldon, G, Ohio State; 6. Washington, Aaliyah Edwards, F, UConn; 7. Chicago, Angel Reese, F, LSU; 8. Minnesota, Alissa Pili, F, Utah; 9. Dallas, Carla Leite, G, France; 10. Connecticut, Leila Lacan, G, France; 11. New York, Marquesha Davis, G, Mississippi; 12. Atlanta, Nyadiew Puoch, F/C, Australia.
**Second Round**
13. Chicago, Brynna Maxwell, G, Gonzaga; 14. Seattle, Nika Muhl, G, UConn; 15. Indiana, Celeste Taylor, G, Ohio State; 16. Las Vegas, Dyaisha Fair, G, Syracuse; 17. New York, Esmery Martinez, F, Arizona; 18. Las Vegas, Kate Martin, G, Iowa; 19. Connecticut, Taiyanna Jackson, C, Kansas; 20. Atlanta, Isobel Borlase, G, Australia; 21. Washington, Kaylynne Truong, G, Gonzaga; 22. Connecticut, Helena Pueyo, G, Arizona; 23. New York, Jessika Carter, C, Mississippi State; 24. Las Vegas, Elizabeth Kitley, C, Virginia Tech.
**Third Round**
25. Phoenix, Charisma Osborne, G, UCLA; 26. Seattle, Mackenzie Holmes, F, Indiana; 27. Indiana, Leilani Correa, G, Florida; 28. Los Angeles, McKenzie Forbes, F, USC; 29. Phoenix, Jaz Shelley, G, Nebraska; 30. Washington, Nastja Claessens, Belgium; 31. Minnesota, Kiki Jefferson, G, Louisville; 32. Atlanta, Matilde Villa, G, Italy; 33. Dallas, Ashley Owusu, G, Penn State; 34. Connecticut, Abbey Hsu, G, Columbia; 35. New York, Kaitlyn Davis, F, USC; 36. Las Vegas, Angel Jackson, C, Jackson State.

## PWHL

| | W-L | OW-L | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Toronto | 10-6 | 3-0 | 36 |
| Minnesota | 8-4 | 4-3 | 35 |
| Montreal | 7-5 | 3-4 | 31 |
| Ottawa | 7-6 | 0-6 | 27 |
| Boston | 4-9 | 4-2 | 22 |
| New York | 3-9 | 4-3 | 20 |

**THURSDAY'S GAME**
Toronto at Boston, 7

## AHL

**EASTERN CONFERENCE**
**Atlantic Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hershey | 52 | 13 | 0 | 5 | 109 |
| Providence | 40 | 20 | 6 | 3 | 89 |
| WB/Scranton | 38 | 23 | 8 | 1 | 85 |
| Charlotte | 38 | 24 | 7 | 0 | 83 |
| Hartford | 32 | 27 | 7 | 3 | 74 |
| Lehigh Valley | 30 | 30 | 6 | 3 | 69 |
| Springfield | 30 | 35 | 3 | 2 | 65 |
| Bridgeport | 24 | 37 | 7 | 2 | 57 |

**North Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Syracuse | 38 | 23 | 4 | 4 | 84 |
| Rochester | 37 | 23 | 6 | 3 | 83 |
| Cleveland | 37 | 24 | 5 | 3 | 82 |
| Toronto | 34 | 23 | 10 | 2 | 80 |
| Belleville | 35 | 28 | 3 | 3 | 76 |
| Laval | 33 | 29 | 6 | 2 | 74 |
| Utica | 31 | 27 | 5 | 6 | 73 |

**WESTERN CONFERENCE**
**Central Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Milwaukee | 45 | 22 | 1 | 1 | 92 |
| Grand Rapids | 35 | 22 | 8 | 4 | 82 |
| Rockford | 37 | 25 | 5 | 2 | 81 |
| Texas | 33 | 31 | 4 | 2 | 72 |
| Manitoba | 32 | 34 | 2 | 1 | 67 |
| Chicago | 23 | 33 | 6 | 7 | 59 |
| Iowa | 25 | 37 | 4 | 3 | 57 |

**Pacific Division**

| | W | L | OL | SL | Pts. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Coachella Valley | 45 | 14 | 6 | 4 | 100 |
| Tucson | 41 | 23 | 3 | 2 | 87 |
| Ontario | 40 | 22 | 3 | 4 | 87 |
| Abbotsford | 38 | 25 | 5 | 2 | 83 |
| Colorado | 38 | 24 | 5 | 2 | 83 |
| Bakersfield | 38 | 27 | 2 | 2 | 80 |
| Calgary | 35 | 27 | 5 | 3 | 78 |
| Henderson | 27 | 35 | 3 | 5 | 62 |
| San Diego | 25 | 34 | 9 | 1 | 60 |
| San Jose | 23 | 33 | 10 | 4 | 60 |

**TUESDAY'S RESULT**
Colorado 6, San Diego 0
**WEDNESDAY'S GAMES**
Charlotte at Hershey, 7
Syracuse at Belleville, 7
Toronto at Rochester, 7:05
Grand Rapids at Iowa, 8
Manitoba at Milwaukee, 8
San Diego at Colorado, 9:05
Ontario at Bakersfield, 9:30
Tucson at Coachella Valley, 10

## Eastern League

**NORTHEAST**

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Hartford | 5 | 2 | .714 | — |
| New Hampshire | 6 | 3 | .667 | — |
| Portland | 4 | 3 | .571 | 1 |
| Somerset | 4 | 5 | .444 | 2 |
| Binghamton | 3 | 5 | .375 | 2½ |
| Reading | 3 | 6 | .333 | 3 |

**SOUTHWEST**

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Erie | 5 | 3 | .625 | — |
| Akron | 5 | 4 | .556 | ½ |
| Altoona | 4 | 4 | .500 | 1 |
| Bowie | 4 | 5 | .444 | 1½ |
| Richmond | 4 | 5 | .444 | 1½ |
| Harrisburg | 3 | 5 | .375 | 2 |

**TUESDAY'S RESULTS**
New Hampshire 10, at Portland 2
At Bowie 10, Altoona 4
At Binghamton 3, Reading 2
At Harrisburg 3, Richmond 2
At Akron 6, Erie 0
Hartford 5, at Somerset 1
**WEDNESDAY'S GAMES**
New Hampshire at Portland, 6
Altoona at Bowie, 11:05a
Reading at Binghamton, 6:05
Richmond at Harrisburg, 6:30
Erie at Akron, 6:35
Hartford at Somerset, 6:35

### New Hampshire, 10-2

**At Hadlock Field, Portland, Maine**

| N.H. | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Roden lf | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .325 |
| Kasevich ss | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .439 |
| Martinez dh | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .275 |
| Britton c | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .231 |
| De Jesus 3b | 3 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 0 | .276 |
| Spain rf | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | .233 |
| Nunez 1b | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | .182 |
| Brown cf | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | .167 |
| Turconi 2b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | .261 |
| **Totals** | **38** | **10** | **10** | **9** | **10** | **11** | |

| PORTLAND | AB | R | H | BI | BB | SO | Avg. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Anthony cf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .286 |
| Mayer ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .344 |
| Teel c | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .292 |
| Jordan 3b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .091 |
| Yorke lf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .233 |
| Paulino 2b | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .296 |
| Binelas 1b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .214 |
| Gasper dh | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .263 |
| Decker rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .250 |
| **Totals** | **32** | **2** | **5** | **2** | **0** | **9** | |

**N.H.** ..... **601 300 000 — 10 10 0**
**Portland** ..... **000 001 001 — 2 5 2**

**LOB**—New Hampshire 11, Portland 3. **2B**—Nunez, Roden, De Jesus, Martinez, Mayer, Jordan. **HR**—Brown, Gasper.

| N.H. | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mendoza | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1.00 |
| Melean | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6.00 |
| Hernandez | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1.59 |

| Portland | IP | H | R | ER | BB | SO | ERA |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gonzalez | ⅔ | 3 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 23.6 |
| Denlinger | 2⅔ | 6 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 5.40 |
| Olds | 2⅔ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 4.50 |
| Hoppe | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0.00 |
| Donlan | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0.00 |

**Balk**—Gonzalez. **WP**—Donlan. **T**—2:42. **A**—5,228.

## Latest line

**NBA**
**Wednesday**

| Favorite | Pts. | Underdog |
|---|---|---|
| At Philadelphia | 5 | Miami |
| At Chicago | 3 | Atlanta |

**NHL**

| Favorite | Line | Underdog | Line |
|---|---|---|---|
| At Islanders | Off | Pittsburgh | Off |
| At Tampa Bay | Off | Toronto | Off |
| At Dallas | Off | St. Louis | Off |
| At Arizona | Off | Edmonton | Off |

## Transactions

**BASEBALL**
**Atlanta:** 2B David Fletcher purchased from minors. 2B Ozzie Albies placed on 10-day IL.
**Chi. White Sox:** P Jared Shuster sent to minors. CF Tommy Pham signed to a minor league contract. P Jonathan Cannon purchased from minors.
**Houston:** P Forrest Whitley called up from minors. LF Cooper Hummel outrighted to minors.
**Milwaukee:** SS Owen Miller called up from minors.
**Minnesota:** RF Matt Wallner sent to minors. RF Trevor Larnach called up from minors. LF Tony Kemp signed to a minor league contract.
**NY Yankees:** P Josh Maciejewski outrighted to minors.
**Pittsburgh:** 2B Ji Hwan Bae sent to minors. C Yasmani Grandal sent to minors for rehabilitation. 2B Ji Hwan Bae recalled from minors rehab. 2B Ji Hwan Bae removed from 10-day IL.
**San Diego:** C Brett Sullivan sent to minors. 2B Matthew Batten called up from minors.
**Toronto:** P Nate Pearson sent to minors. P Mitch White designated for assignment. P Jordan Romano, P Erik Swanson removed from 15-day IL. P Jordan Romano, P Erik Swanson recalled from minors rehab.
**NBA**
**Phoenix:** Guard-Fo Grayson Allen resigned.
**NFL**
**San Francisco:** WR Trent Taylor signed/unrest FA.
**NHL**
**Arizona:** RW Aku Raty called up from minors.
**Boston:** RW Jayson Megna called up from minors. D Derek Forbort, LW John Beecher sent to minors.
**Buffalo:** RW Lukas Rousek sent to minors.
**Carolina:** LW Max Comtois, D Dylan Coghlan called up from minors.
**Columbus:** C Luca Del Bel Belluz called up from minors.
**Montreal:** LW Luke Tuch signed.
**New Jersey:** RW Graeme Clarke, C Shane Bowers sent to minors.
**Vancouver:** G Arturs Silovs sent to minors.
**Vegas:** LW Jonas Rondbjerg called up from minors.

## International League

| EAST | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Scranton/W-B | 10 | 4 | .714 | — |
| Buffalo | 8 | 6 | .571 | 2 |
| Syracuse | 8 | 6 | .571 | 2 |
| Jacksonville | 8 | 7 | .533 | 2½ |
| Lehigh Valley | 6 | 6 | .500 | 3 |
| Rochester | 6 | 6 | .500 | 3 |
| Norfolk | 7 | 8 | .467 | 3½ |
| Durham | 6 | 9 | .400 | 4½ |
| Worcester | 5 | 9 | .357 | 5 |
| Charlotte | 5 | 10 | .333 | 5½ |

| WEST | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Omaha | 10 | 5 | .667 | — |
| Iowa | 9 | 6 | .600 | 1 |
| Toledo | 9 | 6 | .600 | 1 |
| St. Paul | 7 | 7 | .500 | 2½ |
| Gwinnett | 7 | 8 | .467 | 3 |
| Louisville | 7 | 8 | .467 | 3 |
| Memphis | 7 | 8 | .467 | 3 |
| Nashville | 7 | 8 | .467 | 3 |
| Columbus | 6 | 8 | .429 | 3½ |
| Indianapolis | 6 | 9 | .400 | 4 |

**TUESDAY'S RESULTS**
At Worcester 7, Durham 4
At Jacksonville 4, Norfolk 3
At Indianapolis 10, St. Paul 6
Syracuse 9, at Charlotte 2
At Rochester 2, Toledo 0
At Columbus 7, Buffalo 4
Lehigh Valley 7, at Scranton/W-B 1
At Gwinnett 6, Memphis 5
Omaha 10, at Nashville 9
At Iowa 8, Louisville 7
**WEDNESDAY'S GAMES**
Durham at Worcester, 3:05

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## BOYLE, Dolores (Summa)

# LOVING, COLORFUL, GIVING AND FUN



Dolores (Summa) Boyle, of Newton, MA, formerly of Charlestown and Wayland, MA, died peacefully on April 11. For 64 years, Dolores was the devoted and loving wife of John Joseph "Jack" Boyle, Jr. whom she met in Columbus, OH, where she was working for Hanes Hosiery. On their first date, he insisted she drink beer instead of wine, something only a headstrong Irishman would have the guts to say to the glamorous Dolores Summa. Despite a marriage proposal from another suitor, she eventually chose Jack and converted to Catholicism for him. They were married in Watertown, NY, February 27, 1960.

Dolores "Dodie" was born February 22, 1931 in Watertown, NY, daughter of Italian immigrants, James Vincenzo Summa and Marianna Di Rubbo Summa. Dodie grew up in Syracuse, NY, she graduated high school from The Knox School for Girls in Cooperstown, NY and later, Syracuse University. She majored in drama, studying alongside actor Peter Falk. She waitressed in the Catskills, entered fashion shows, was one of the first model/actresses to do TV advertising, taught elementary school in Long Island and was the first woman corporate sales representative for Hanes in New York City, before relocating to Columbus, OH.

After marriage, Dodie and Jack settled down outside of New Haven, CT, where they raised four boys, never forgetting a fifth son who passed shortly after his birth. When the eldest reached school age, Dodie and Jack moved to Wayland, where they lived for 25 years. There, she made her mark: ardent cheerleader of her sons' sports, instigator of neighborhood social activity and untiring champion of the disadvantaged. She was awarded a huge "Greatest Neighbor in the World" trophy, which she cherished.

Dodie spearheaded multiple charitable efforts, helping support the Parmenter Health Center, initiating Wayland Hospice-at-Home program and supporting Life Resources outreach program serving at-risk adolescent boys. She raised money for Bay Cove/Center House, serving people with mental illness and supported SafeSpace shelter for victims of domestic violence in Stuart, FL.

Dodie's interests and talents were many. She loved the theater and performed at the Volkes Theater in Wayland. She started microbusinesses, such as selling imported Peruvian sweaters and helping her daughter-in-law start an African art business in a similar model. Dodie was proud that her family was one of the first in Wayland to host Metco students from inner City Boston. If she wasn't organizing an event, she was in the kitchen singing Broadway tunes and cooking up wonderful Italian meals for her ravenous boys. Dodie had a lot of style and loved dressing up, especially on Halloween, when she was such a convincingly hideous witch that she frightened all visitors. Nobody recognized her, even as she mischievously kissed the husbands of her best friends on her "witch hunt".

More than 25 years later, when the nest was empty, Dodie and Jack moved to the Charlestown Navy Yard, where she made a beautiful home overlooking the site of Jack's honorary Navy Discharge decades before. In her building, Flagship, she was known for starting the garden club and cooking extra food so there'd be enough for the doorman, too. And for over 25 years she volunteered three days a week as a tutor at the Boys and Girls Club of Charlestown. In the winter, Dodie and Jack would host memorable parties for friends and extended family at Harbour Ridge in Stuart, FL and in the summer at their Cape Cod home in Orleans, MA.

Dodie was small in stature but big in spirit. Not a quiet woman, she was opinionated, knew what she wanted and was always willing to make that known. She lived a long, colorful, fun life. Most of all, she made a difference. She will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved her. She was predeceased by her two brothers, Andrew and Joseph Summa. She is survived by her husband, Jack; and their four sons, John Boyle and wife, Mary, Edward Boyle and wife, Cameron, James Boyle and wife, Hanna, David Boyle and wife Oselinda; and was the "Nona" for eight grandchildren, Giovanna, Jeikson, Jack, Rocco, Elena, James, Henry and Sophia.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 19, 4 to 7pm, at Bryant Funeral Home, 56 Pemberton Rd., WAYLAND, MA. Family and friends are invited to attend a Funeral Mass on Saturday, April 20, 10:30am, at St. Ann Church, 124 Cochituate Rd., Wayland, MA.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation on Dodie's behalf to the Boys and Girls Club of Boston, at bgcb.org/donate. For more information about services, please visit www.jcbryantfuneralhome.com

## ANGIULO, Concetta E. "Connie" (Capodilupo)



Of the North End, formerly of Medford, passed away peacefully on April 14, 2024. She was 95 years old. Connie was the beloved wife of the late Michele Angiulo; cherished mother of Michael Angiulo and his wife, Michelle of Palm Bay, Florida and the late Joseph Angiulo; devoted daughter of the late Aniello and Adeline "Lily" Capodilupo. She was predeceased by her loving siblings, Daniel Capodilupo, Annette Mastrullo and Arthur Capodilupo. Connie is survived by many adoring nieces, nephews and cousins.

Connie lived her life in devotion to her Catholic faith, her family, and her friends, especially those from her treasured North End community. Born and raised in the North End, she was a lifelong parishioner of St. Leonard's Church and a proud member of the St. Lucy Society. She organized legendary spaghetti suppers and fashion show fundraisers for the Church and worked as one of the first volunteer receptionists at the community nursing home. She and her husband, Mike, raised their two boys in Medford and after Mike's passing, Connie moved back to the North End, where she lived the rest of her life among family and friends. She will always be remembered for her generosity, sharp wit, humor and unparalleled story telling. A commanding presence in a tiny frame, Connie will be forever loved and greatly missed.

Connie's family will welcome visitors on Saturday, April 20, at 9:30 AM, at St. Leonard's Church, 320 Hanover Street, North End, Boston 02113, with a Mass of Christian Burial immediately following, at 11:30 AM. Interment to follow at Holy Cross Cemetery in Malden. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Connie's memory to St. Leonard's Church. Arrangements, by

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## BOYLE, Dolores (Summa)

*See Enhanced Listing*

## CHUTE, Janet M.



Janet age 85, of Boston, MA, died peacefully on April 11, 2024, after a brief illness.

Janet was the loving daughter of the late Ernest and Ann (Harding) Chute of Milton. She grew up in Milton, graduated from Notre Dame Academy in Roxbury in 1955 and then from Newton College of Sacred Heart in 1959.

Janet was an icon in the fashion industry for over 50 years. She worked as a copywriter, fashion director, advertiser and a business owner. Jordan Marsh, Bonwit Teller, Priscillia of Boston, The Hart Agency & School, The Chute Agency and Casual Male were some of the companies that benefited from Janet's brilliance and flair.

Janet was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Kenneth Chute; and her nephew, Gregory Burke. She is survived by her sisters, Carolyn Burke of Milton, MA and Joanne Chute and her partner, Frank Pease of Marco Island, FL. Janet also leaves behind her cherished niece and nephews, David Burke of Marshfield, MA, Kenneth Burke and his wife, Deirdre; and their children, Ernest and Sean of Milton, MA; Andrea (Chute) Driscoll and her husband, Dana; and their children, Neil and Kathryn of Harwich, MA; and Adam Chute and his wife, Tara; and their children, Katelyn and Emily of Centerville, MA. Janet also leaves behind her dedicated friend and companion, Robert Conant of New York City and Maine; as well as many dear friends who brought her so much joy!

**Visiting Hours:** A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Our Lady of Visitation Parish, Saint Elizabeth Church, 350 Reedsdale Road, Milton, Saturday, April 20, at 11:30 am. There will be a Visiting Hour prior to the Mass at Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Avenue, EAST MILTON, Saturday, 10:00 to 11:00 am. Interment at a later date in Milton Cemetery.

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## DERRY, John H. M.D.



Of Sudbury, MA, passed away peacefully on April 12, 2024. Born on August 25, 1934, he was the son of Richard H. and Margaret L. (Herrick) Derry of Portland, ME, where John was raised with his brothers and sisters.

John graduated from Holy Cross College in Worcester, MA and New York Medical College in NYC. He served as a Captain and Doctor in the United States Army at Fort Hood in Texas. He was an accomplished Obstetrician and Gynecologist. Dr. Derry opened a private medical practice in Portland, ME before moving to MA, where he partnered with the renowned Dr. John Rock, later establishing the Derry Rock Clinic. He was a pioneer in the field of in-vitro fertilization.

As an avid traveler and golfer, John spent many hours on golf courses throughout the United States and abroad. At home, John was a ham radio enthusiast and had an electronics workshop where he would build tvs and radios. He and his wife, Lois, enjoyed summers in Poland Spring, Maine, where John enjoyed the beauty of the lake in his canoe and golfing with friends. In his retirement, John spent many hours volunteering as a furniture builder at Perkins School for the Blind. He was a dedicated member of Ascension Parish.

Beloved husband of the late Lois G. Schiappa; loving father of Richard and Johnathan Derry, sons from his first wife, the late Carol Corso Derry; and his daughter-in-law, Amy Wynne, all of Pawtucket, RI; proud grandfather of Celeste Derry of Pawtucket, RI; cherished brother of Thomas Derry and his wife Carole of Orleans, the late Peter Derry of Charleston, SC, Julie O'Shea and her late husband, Michael O'Shea of Holden, Susanne Hughes and her husband, James of Harwich, the late Richard L. Derry and his wife, Claire. He is also survived by his son, Richard's, partner Mary Ann Mayer; and his many nieces and nephews.

Calling Hours will be held at the Duckett–J.S. Waterman & Sons Home of Memorial Tribute, 656 Boston Post Road, SUDBURY, MA, on Sunday, April 21, from 1 to 4 pm. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Ascension Parish, 160 Concord Road, Sudbury, MA, on Monday, April 22, at 10 am. Interment with Military Honors will follow at Wadsworth Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in his memory to the Boston Food Pantry or Buddy Dog Humane Society.

## FITZPATRICK, Joan E. (Zoehler)



Of Dedham, formerly of Brookline, passed away peacefully with her loving family by her side, on April 15, 2024. Beloved wife of 65 years to the late William D. "Bubby" Fitzpatrick. Loving mother of Colonel William D. Fitzpatrick, Jr., U.S. Army (ret.) and his wife, Kathleen of Littleton, Amy Murphy and her fiancé, Gerry Berberian of Norwell and Lynsey Fitzgerald and her partner, Bob Ludvigsen of Dedham. Adored nani of Joseph and David Fitzpatrick, Ally Tracy and her husband, Paul, K.C. Murphy and his wife, Chelsea, Austin, Peter and Lily Murphy, Jaymie Ivatts and her husband, Michael and Jake Fitzgerald. Cherished great-nani of Michael, Matthew and Teddy. Dear sister of Carol Roddy of Brookline and the late Eleanor Lowe, Marie Smith and Sally Lindstrom. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Bell-O'Dea Funeral Home, 376 Washington St., BROOKLINE, on Friday morning, at 10:00, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Mary of the Assumption Church, Brookline, at 11:00. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Visiting Hours in the funeral home on Thursday, from 4:00 to 7:00. Interment in Walnut Hills Cemetery. Retired Secretary, Brookline School Dept.


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## FULLER, Martha MacLeish



Of Somerville, MA and Prudence Island, RI, died on April 10, 2024, after an extended attempt to coexist with colon and pancreatic cancer.

She was the daughter of Kenneth MacLeish and Carolyn deChadenedes. She leaves her beloved husband, Herbert Fuller; her sons, Drew Glazier and Levi Fuller (Meghan); and granddaughter, Rowan Loch Fuller. She also leaves her brother, A. Bruce MacLeish (Patricia); her sister, Ellen Zale; and her brother, Kenneth Ian MacLeish (Donna); and their children; as well as great-nieces and great-nephews.

After graduating from Radcliffe College, she spent most of her working life at Harvard University as a staff assistant to faculty members, which she found a good blend of interesting work with an ability to have a family life. She became involved in the Harvard Union of Clerical and Technical Workers and after retiring from the University she worked for the union for several years as an organizer, inspired by the union's theme, "kindness and respect". She most enjoyed helping union members and supervisors to find that they had common ground and could resolve their differences with mutual understanding.

Martha and Herb spent much of their time at their home on Prudence Island, a source of peace and renewal. Their friends there and on the mainland (in "America") have provided material and emotional support during her treatment for cancer. The physicians, nurses and staff at Beth Israel Medical Center have been skilled, kind and thoughtful, without exception.

She loved every day of her life, even the hardest ones and was grateful for them all and for the beloved people who made them a joy.

A Graveside Service will be held for Martha, at 10:45am, on Saturday, April 20, 2024, at Prudence Memorial Park, Prudence Island.

Additional information at www.memorialfuneralhome.com

## HARRINGTON, Sister Mary SC

Sister Edward Josephine, affectionately known to many as "Sister Mary Sunshine" and a beloved Sister of Charity, Halifax for 82 years, entered peacefully into eternal life with her God, on April 9, 2024, at Elizabeth Seton Residence, Wellesley, MA. Sister Mary was born in Lowell, MA, the daughter of the late Bridget J. (Glynn) Harrington and Edward S. Harrington. Along with her parents, Sister Mary was predeceased by her four-month-old sister; her aunts, Mary (Minnie), Lil Glynn, Norah (Norrie); very close cousins, Mary Johnson, Emma Whitney, Annie Wills, Dorothy Carter, Helen Couture, Sarah Purcell, Ann Purcell, Emmett Glynn; and several great-nieces and nephews and her sisters throughout the Congregation. Sister Mary's primary ministry was education as a gifted teacher of elementary school children. She spread her "sunshine" in classrooms for 45 years at Our Lady of Angels School, Brooklyn, NY, Saint Patrick School, Roxbury, MA, Saint Perer School, Lowell, MA, Academy of the Assumption, Wellesley, MA, Saint Peter School, Dorchester, MA, Saint Michael School, North Andover, MA, Saint Francis of Assisi School, Manchester, NH and Saint Paul School, Wellesley, MA. Along the way, at each of these missions, Mary additionally taught Religious Education classes, managed school supplies and served as treasurer in several local communities. After leaving the classroom, Sister Mary served in Congregational ministry as Provincial Secretary of the former Boston Province and then as part-time receptionist at Sacred Hearts Parish, Malden, MA. Sister Mary brought her "sunshine" to Marillac Residence in 2006 and then, briefly, to Elizabeth Seton Residence. Funeral Services for Sister Mary Harrington will take place on Thursday, April 18, 2024, at Mount Saint Vincent, 125 Oakland Street, Wellesley, MA. Wake at 9:30 AM, followed by a Prayer Service, at 10:15 AM, and the Mass of Christian Burial, at 10:45 AM. Interment will take place at Saint Mary Cemetery, Needham, MA, immediately following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Sister Mary Harrington may be made to the Sisters of Charity Retirement Center, 125 Oakland Street, Wellesley, MA 02481, Saint Francis House, Boston, MA or to the Disabled Veterans of America.

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## HARRINGTON, Veronica J.



March 7, 1934 to April 11, 2024

Veronica J. Harrington passed away peacefully, April 11, 2024, with friends and family at her side. She was loved by her sister, Geraldine (Harrington) Brogna and her late brother-in-law, Alexander J. Brogna of Milton, MA; and her niece, Helen Brogna of Canton, MA and her partner, Edward Goodwin. She was the beloved daughter of the late Jeremiah, J. Harrington and the late Helen W. Harrington of Milton; and the beloved sister of the late Helen W. Harrington, Jr.

Veronica grew up in Dorchester and attended Jeremiah E. Burke High School. After graduation, she went to work for the telephone company as a draftswoman, creating the schematics and drawings for the layouts of telephone lines in buildings. She quickly became the boss of her all-male team. In 1963, she moved to Milton with her mom, dad, two sisters, brother-in-law and her niece.

Veronica was a rebel in many ways, getting her driver's license as soon as she could, at a time when most women did not. She bought her first car at a young age and continued her tradition of buying a new, white Ford Thunderbird every few years. She traveled with her sister, Helen, spending a month in Europe, visiting Las Vegas and Florida and organizing family trips around New England.

Veronica was a wonderful artist and created many paintings and drawings over the years. She loved to create whimsical cards for all the holidays. She loved going out for lunch or dinner with the family or having family . She enjoyed watching her favorite TV shows, "Murder She Wrote" and "Monk". She kept her slim, trim figure, all her life, never weighing more than 100 lbs., despite the fact that her favorite foods Included Devil Dogs, chocolate bars and McDonald's hamburgers.

She loved all animals, but was particularly partial to cats. She took in many stray cats and gave them love and fabulous forever homes. She was a devout Catholic and had tremendous faith in God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit and our blessed Mother Mary. She celebrated her 90th birthday last month, enjoying great company, family, food and wine. She will be greatly missed. Visitation in the Pushard Family Funeral Home, 210 Sherman St., CANTON, Thursday, April 18, from 10 to 11 AM. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated in St. Mary of the Hills Catholic Church, 29 St. Mary's Road, Milton, at 1130. Interment in St. Micheal's Cemetery.

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**March 7, 1934 to April 11, 2024**

## KATZ, Elyse (Lipkin)



Age 96 of Newton, Wellesley, and Brookline on Sunday, April 14, 2024. Born in Detroit, MI, daughter of late George and Lenore (Siddur) Lipkin, Elyse grew up in Brookline, MA until WWII brought her family to Harlingen, TX for the duration.

Elyse was the beloved wife of the late Robert for 59 years and leaves daughter Sharyn of Easton, MA and granddaughter Samantha Katzen of Stoughton, MA; she was predeceased by son David. Survived by sister Adriane Silver, formerly of N. Miami Beach, FL and nephews Craig Coan of Los Angeles, CA and Brian Coan of Carmel, IN and their families.

There were many notable "firsts" in Elyse's life in her worlds of contract bridge and sailing. At age 90, she retired from her freelance bookkeeping practice.

Funeral Service to be held at Temple Beth Elohim, 10 Bethel Road, Wellesley, MA on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at 11:30 AM. Service available via Zoom: https://tinyurl.com/Elyse-Katz-Funeral Burial to follow at Beit Olam Cemetery, 60 Old Sudbury Road, Wayland, MA. In lieu of shiva, there will be a Memorial Observance at a later date. Please omit flowers and consider a donation to Temple Beth Elohim, Rabbi Rachel Saphire Discretionary Fund.

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## KEANEY, Christopher Mark (Ret. BPD)



Of West Roxbury & Marco Island, FL, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family, on April 13, 2024.

Chris was predeceased by his parents, Francis M. And Virginia M. (Fitzgerald) Keaney. He leaves behind the love of his life, his wife, Karen M. (Kelly) Keaney; his beautiful bonus daughters, Kayla E. & Courtney K. Churchill, who he cherished with all of his heart, all of West Roxbury. His brothers, Timothy F. Keaney and his wife Martina of Marco Island, Florida, John J. Keaney and his wife Margaret of Rocky River, Ohio, Patrick M. Keaney and his wife Nicole of Bellingham. His in-laws, William J. "Tiny" and Susan E. Kelly of Brookline. Sister-in-law Jane M. Kelly of West Roxbury. He was predeceased by his brother-in-law Kenneth W. Kelly (BPD). He leaves behind his children, Lauren, Jacquelyn, William and Mitchell. He is also survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Special cousin, Mark F. Murphy Esq. of Wellesley.

Chris will be remembered for his infectious laugh and charismatic personality, which warmed the cockles of every heart he met. Chris was a graduate of Northeastern University, with a major in Criminal Justice. In his early career, Chris was a Sergeant with the Boston Municipal Police, before joining the Boston Police Force. In honor of Chris, live life, smile, laugh and be kind.

Visiting Hours will be held at the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, April 19th, from 3-7pm. The Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, April 20th, at Holy Name Church, 1689 Centre St., West Roxbury, at 10am. Relatives and friends kindly invited (please proceed directly to the church). Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Christopher's memory to the 100 Club of MA, 25 Braintree Hill Office Park, 200 Braintree, MA 02184. For online guestbook, pemurrayfuneral.com.

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## KOEPKE, Gary Lee Koepke

Of Wayland, Massachusetts, passed away from heart failure on March 20, 2024. He was 68 years old.

Gary was born on November 14, 1955 to Earl H. and Betty L. Koepke in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In high school, he was very involved with basketball and played on the same team with his brothers, Marcus and Martin, who were twins. He graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design in 1978, and went on to forge a stellar career in graphic design, magazine publishing and advertising. He loved painting, composing music, and was also an avid fisherman.

When Gary learned graphic design, designers bent over waxing tables and used paper and Exacto knives or cutting boards to compose layouts. Gary was one of the first designers to embrace Macintosh digital technology, which gave him much more room to experiment. The result was work that was widely considered breakthrough at the time, with pages brimming with multiple fonts, font sizes and colors and replete with arresting photography and other imagery. Much of modern graphic design incorporates approaches and techniques that Gary and a handful of other designers pioneered.

Gary's work caught the attention of major publications and brands, and he was soon in constant demand. He served as founding creative director for Vibe and designed several other award-winning magazines, including 26 for AGFA, Musician, Benetton's Colors, World Tour for Dun & Bradstreet Software, SoHo Journal for the SoHo Partnership, and the Marvin music, fashion and culture magazine. Gary also designed David Byrne's book of photography, Strange Ritual, directed the "Slow Burn" music video for David Bowie, and directed the U2 music video "Window in the Skies."

Gary also worked in advertising. He served as Creative Director for Wieden+Kenney Portland, where he worked on brands such as Coca-Cola, Nike and ESPN, and he opened the agency's New York Office in 1999. A year later, he founded the ad agency Modernista! with Lance Jensen. Modernista! attracted a wide range of clients, including General Motors, Showtime, TIAA-CREF, Napster, Gap, Anheuser-Busch, MTV and Converse. It was named Regional Agency of the Year by AdWeek in 2004, was named a Top 10 Independent Agency by Campaign magazine and won many other industry and creative awards. One of its ads for Hummer, titled "Chairs," is in the permanent collection of the Museum of Modern Art.

Following that, together with Pinar Seyhan Demirdag, he cofounded the Boston-based creative and production agency Seyhan Lee, which pioneered the use of generative artificial intelligence to create startling and powerful images for brands, musicians and other artists. The company also developed an innovative software platform, called Cuebric, which has been embraced by the creative and film industries.

Along the way, Gary indulged his passion for music, co-founding the rock band Walter Ego and the Parapsychics in Kalamazoo, Michigan, and another band, The Bricks, following his move to the Boston area. Both bands performed in local clubs. Over the years, the various band members often got together to compose songs and jam, always at Gary's place.

Gary is survived by his mother Betty; his brother Marcus; his first wife, Margaret Koepke Fox, and their children, Max and Adrienne; his second wife, Alison Storry, and their daughter, Lola; and his life partner, Pinar Demirdag.

Gary's sudden departure comes as a great shock and a deep wound, and his friends and loved ones all send their prayers for the health, peace and happiness of his soul.

Memorial donations may be sent to darksky.org

## MILLIGAN, Shelley Jean



Lifelong resident of Somerville, April 14. Dear sister of Alison Carter and her husband, Steve of Easton, Dennis Milligan of Myrtle Beach, SC and his late wife, Beverly and Jodi Martin and her husband, Robert of Woburn. Loving aunt of Sean Milligan and his wife, Brittaney of Salem and Ryan Milligan and his wife Amy of Belmont. She is also survived by her great-nieces and nephew Grace, Benjamin and Ryleigh; dear family friend, Taylor Winters of Everett; and many more family friends. Funeral from the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., MEDFORD, Tuesday, April 23, at 10:30 AM, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial, celebrated in St. Benedict Church, 21 Hathorne St., Somerville, at 11 AM. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend and may Visit, with family, from 8:30-10:30 AM. Services will conclude with Burial at Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge. To leave a message of condolence please visit www.dellorusso.net

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## MULVANEY, Kevin Philip



Son of the late Thomas A. Mulvaney and Ruth (Schall) Mulvaney; husband of Catherine (Tirrell) Mulvaney; and brother of Eileen Waters, Mark Mulvaney, the late Thomas A. Mulvaney Jr. and Jane Mulvaney; left this world, April 9, 2024, leaving behind a legacy of love, laughter and profound impact. As a Vietnam veteran, Kevin exemplified bravery and dedication to his country. For over three decades, he served as a truck driver delivering the Boston Globe throughout New England.

Kevin's presence was felt wherever he went, his friendliness and laughter lighting up every room he entered. His humor, warmth and unwavering faith in God touched the lives of all who knew him, leaving lasting impressions and cherished memories.

Above all, Kevin cherished his role as a devoted husband to Catherine, his wife of 45 years; and a loving father to his children, Jennifer, Annelise, Rebekah, Ashley, Stephanie, and the late Nathan. His love for his family knew no bounds and he was the cornerstone of their lives, the glue that held them together through life's highs and lows. Kevin was also a proud grandfather of ten, whose lives he enriched with his wisdom, kindness and boundless love.

In honoring Kevin's memory, let us carry forward his spirit of love, laughter, faith and devotion to family. Though he may no longer be with us in person, his light will continue to shine brightly in our hearts forever.

Services will be held at McDonald Keohane Funeral Home – South, 809 Main Street, SOUTH WEYMOUTH, MA 02190, on April 21, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. To commemorate Kevin's time served in the United States Army, please join his family for Military Honors, following the Visitation, at 4:00 PM.

In appreciation of Kevin's exceptional team of doctors at MGH, donations can be made in his memory to support Dr. Andrew Allegretti and the Kidney Research Center at Massachusetts General Hospital. Checks can be sent to the MGH Development Office at 125 Nashua Street, Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114.

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## OPPEDISANO, Pasquale "Pat"



Lifelong resident of Arlington, Massachusetts, died peacefully at 96, of natural causes on April 15, 2024, at home, surrounded by his loving family. Pat was known to residents of Arlington, notably as owner of Decatur Market between 1958 and 1993 — a vital part of East Arlington, especially the area formally known as "the Acre". Son of Rosario and Giuseppina (Panetta); devoted husband of Elizabeth (Aucoin) (68 years); beloved father of Janet and husband, Steven O'Riordan of Arlington, Stephen and wife, Jeannine of Arlington and David of London, England; dearly loved grandfather of Caroline and husband, Ryan Shreves, Conor and John O'Riordan. Brother of the late Marie Bugden, Frances (Fran), Lee, Adeline, Dominic and Charles; and surviving sisters, Amelia (Amy) Oppedisano of Winchester and Virginia Giurleo of Arlington; and a dear uncle to many nieces and nephews. Touchdown Club president, Boston Retail Grocers Association president, Sam Nigro Charitable Scholarship Trust president, Massachusetts Food Association executive board member and Hall of Fame recipient, member of the Singing Grandpops (of the Retired Men's Club of Arlington) and for more than 50 years, member of both Knights of Columbus Arlington Council 109 and Arlington Sons of Italy 1349 (also president of the latter). World War II Navy veteran and Korean War veteran. Also a former Arlington Town Meeting member. He was a faithful fan of the New England Patriots, baseball icon Joe DiMaggio and trumpeter and band leader Harry James, whom he "booked" locally (including Arlington High School) to perform on four occasions as scholarship fund-raisers. He amassed a collection of more than 500 of James's recordings and was personally invited to his funeral in Las Vegas, which he attended. His unwavering good nature and disposition, generosity of spirit, sunny outlook and contributions to the community surely will be missed. A Funeral Mass will be held on Friday, April 19 2024, at 12 noon, at St. Eulalia, 50 Ridge St., Winchester. The Mass will be Streamed, via the St. Eulalia website, Live Stream at sainteulalia.org. A Wake will be held at Keefe Funeral Home, 5 Chestnut St., ARLINGTON, on Thursday, April 18, between 4:00pm and 7:00pm. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, a donation to local food pantry Arlington Eats would be welcome.

## POWERS, John E. Jr. "Jack"



Of Taunton, formerly of West Roxbury. Son of the late John E. and Mary P. (Prendergast) Powers. Loving brother of Nancy P. Ferris and her husband, Jack of Westwood, Paula O'Connor and her husband, Brian of Dedham, Karen Powers of West Roxbury and Sheila O'Shea and her husband, Jim of Harwich. Devoted Uncle of John and Kate Ferris, Alex and Carrie Ferris, Andrew Ferris, Justin and Lindsey Ferris, Brendan, Mary and Fr. Patrick O'Connor. Jack attended Holy Name School, Boston Latin School and Boston College. He was a phenomenal athlete with hockey being his specialty, still participating in leagues in the greater Boston area. Nothing pleased him more than spending a quiet afternoon on the beach reading. He could not be beat at Jeopardy and his knowledge of sports and 70's music was unparalleled. He was a longtime employee of the Boston Red Sox and will be sorely missed by his students and fellow staff members at Bridgewater-Raynham High School. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Monday, April 22, at 9:00 am. A Mass of Christian Burial, will be celebrated in the Holy Name Church, at 10:00 am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours, in the funeral home, on Sunday, April 21, from 2:00 to 6:00 pm. Interment, St. Joseph Cemetery. Donations may be made in his memory to House of Possibilities www.houseofpossibilities.org

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## POWERS, Alan J.

Of Lynnfield, formerly of Medford, April 14. Beloved husband of Ann (Gonnella) Powers. Loving father of Kenneth Powers and wife, Sandie of Revere, Pamela Romano and husband, John of Reading, Nancy Johnson and husband, Ed of Lynnfield, Julie Cleary and husband, Kevin of Ipswich and Jennifer Brueggemann and husband, Brian of Whtinsville. Brother of the late Chester J. and Kenneth W. Powers. Also survived by 15 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of the Assumption Church, 17 Grove St., Lynnfield, on Saturday, April 20, at 10 a.m. Visitation for relatives and friends will be held at the McDonald Funeral Home, 19 Yale Ave., WAKEFIELD, on Friday, April 19, from 4 to 7 p.m. Interment, Oak Grove Cemetery, Medford.

## ROBERTSON, Heather A.



Of Medford, April 12. Loving partner of Gerald DiMare; and cherished stepmother of Gioia DiMare and her husband, Jason Messina; and grandmother of Ellaria Messina. Dear sister of Bruce Robertson and his wife, Chris of Mashpee, Scott Robertson of Wyoming and Jamie Robertson and his wife, Meg of California. Beloved aunt of Courtney, Meagan, Daniel and Edward, Laurel and Owen Robertson. Also survived by her brother-in-law and Godfather, Joseph DiMare of Burlington; and her stepmother and sister, Catherine Robertson and Bonnie Calnan. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to visit with family in the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., MEDFORD, Wednesday, April 24, 4 to 7 PM, and again on Thursday, April 25, at 8:30 AM, followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Raphael Church, 512 High St., Medford, at 9:30 AM. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made online, at http://Mspca.org/Heather To leave a message of condolence, please visit www.dellorusso.net

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## SPEZZANO, Lucy (Marini)



Age 83, of Wellesley, passed away on April 14, 2024, surrounded by her loving family. Lucy was born in Newton and grew up in Nonantum, "The Lake". She graduated from Newton High School In 1958 and shortly after married the love of her life, Joseph, deceased, 2020. Her commitment to serving others and her unwavering Catholic faith were central to her life and her 40-year career at the Elizabeth Seton Residency. She cherished spending time with family and friends, especially around the holidays, where her kitchen was a hub of love and warmth. Lucy was predeceased by her husband, Joseph. She leaves behind her children, Joseph and wife, June of Portsmouth, NH, Donna Dennis and husband, Russell of Tucson, AZ, Karen Murphy and husband, John of West Dennis, Kevin and wife, Carol of Medway and David and wife, Diana of Needham; 12 grandchildren, Daniel, Nicolas, Julia, Kyle, Conor (Emily), Marisa, Fallon, Cameron, Alexandra, Max, Katherine and Andrew. Sister to Anne DelVecchio, Virginia Dalicandro and James Marini (Leslie). Fondly remembered by many sisters and brothers-in-law, cousins, nieces, nephews and friends. Family and friends will honor Lucy's life on Thursday, April 18, from 4 to 7 p.m., at the Magni Funeral Home, NEWTON. Her Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Paul Catholic Church, Wellesley, on Friday, April 19, at 10AM. Burial to follow at Woodlawn Cemetery, Wellesley. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Elizabeth Seton Residence in Wellesley.

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## SULLIVAN, Judith Quinn "Judi"



1962 to 2024

Remembering Judith Quinn Sullivan, known fondly as Judi, is an honor because of all the wonderful things she accomplished in her lifetime.

Her career as an architectural historian with the National Park Service was more than a job; it was her calling. Judi dedicated herself to researching, evaluating and restoring historical structures along the East Coast. Judi had a unique passion for uncovering the personal stories behind historic sites, such as the "Revolutionary Battle Road" park in Lexington/Concord. Judi didn't just see bricks and mortar; she saw these structures as vessels of history, carrying the memories and lives of the people who inhabited them.

Melrose, MA became her cherished home, where she immersed herself in her community, serving on the Historic District Commission and dedicating herself to Saint Mary's School and Church, where she served as a Eucharistic Minister and lector. For additional information for Judi, please see www.gatelyfh.com

Judi's legacy of kindness and dedication lives on through her family, her husband, Christopher J. Sullivan; her son, Christopher J. Sullivan, Jr.; and her daughters, Molly Q. Sullivan and Rowan M. Sullivan of Melrose, MA.

Judi may have left us after her long battle with cancer, but her impact on her community and the hearts she touched will remain forever.

A Wake will be held in her honor at the Gately Funeral Home, 79 West Foster Street, MELROSE, MA, on Thursday April 18, 2024, from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. A Funeral will be held at Saint Mary's of the Annunciation Church, 4 Herbert Street, Melrose, MA, on Friday April 19, 2024, at 10:00 AM.

## WEATHERBEE, Robert C.



Robert, 79 of Hudson, FL, formerly Wilmington, MA, passed away on April 9, surrounded by his family. Husband of Mary Weatherbee. Plans for a "Celebration of Life" will be held on Saturday, May 11, at the Elks Tewksbury-Wilmington, 777 South St., Tewksbury MA. Hours will be 1:00 to 5:00.

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# Obituaries

# Whitey Herzog, Hall of Fame manager for St. Louis, 92

By Hillel Italie
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Whitey Herzog, the gruff and ingenious Hall of Fame manager who guided the St. Louis Cardinals to three pennants and a World Series title in the 1980s and perfected an intricate, nail-biting strategy known as "Whiteyball," has died. He was 92.

Cardinals spokesman Brian Bartow said Tuesday the team had been informed of his death by Mr. Herzog's family. The team did not immediately have additional details about Mr. Herzog, who had been at Busch Stadium on April 4 for the Cardinals' home opener.

"Whitey Herzog devoted his lifetime to the game he loved, excelling as a leader on and off the field," Jane Forbes Clark, chair of the Hall of Fame's board of directors, said in a statement. "Whitey always brought the best out of every player he managed with a forthright style that won him respect throughout the game."

A crew-cut, pot-bellied tobacco chewer who had no patience for the "buddy-buddy" school of management, Mr. Herzog joined the Cardinals in 1980 and helped end the team's decade-plus pennant drought by adapting it to the artificial surface and distant fences of Busch Memorial Stadium. A typical Cardinals victory under Mr. Herzog was a low-scoring, 1-run game, sealed in the final innings by a "bullpen by committee," relievers who might be replaced after a single pitch or temporarily shifted to the outfield, then brought back to the mound.

The Cardinals had power hitters in George Hendrick and Jack Clark, but they mostly relied on the speed and resourcefulness of switch-hitters Vince Coleman and Willie McGee, the acrobatic fielding of shortstop and future Hall of Famer Ozzie Smith, and the effective pitching of starters such as John Tudor and Danny Cox and relievers Todd Worrell, Ken Dayley, and Jeff Lahti. For the '82 champions, Mr. Herzog didn't bother rotating relievers but simply brought in future Hall of Famer Bruce Sutter to finish the job.



ASSOCIATED PRESS

**Mr. Herzog watched during Game 7 of the World Series against the Kansas City Royals in Kansas City, Oct. 27, 1985.**

"They (the media) seemed to think there was something wrong with the way we played baseball, with speed and defense and line-drive hitters," Mr. Herzog wrote in his memoir "White Rat: A Life in Baseball," published in 1987. "They called it 'Whiteyball' and said it couldn't last."

Under Mr. Herzog, the Cards won pennants in 1982, 1985, and 1987, and the World Series in 1982, when they edged the Milwaukee Brewers in seven games. Mr. Herzog managed the Kansas City Royals to division titles in 1976-78, but they lost each time in the league championship to the New York Yankees.

Overall, Mr. Herzog was a manager for 18 seasons, compiling a record of 1,281 wins and 1,125 losses. He was named Manager of the Year in 1985 and voted into the Hall by the Veterans Committee in 2010, his plaque noting his "stern, yet good-natured style," and his emphasis on speed, pitching, and defense. Just before he formally entered the Hall, the Cardinals retired his uniform number, 24.

When asked about the secrets of managing, he would reply a sense of humor and a good bullpen.

Mr. Herzog is survived by his wife of 71 years, Mary Lou Herzog; their three children, Debra, David, and Jim, and their spouses; nine grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Dorrel Norman Elvert Herzog was born in New Athens, Ill., a blue-collar community that would shape him long after he left. He excelled in baseball and basketball and was open to skipping the occasional class to take in a Cardinals game. Signed up by the Yankees, he was a center fielder who discovered that he had competition from a prospect born just weeks before him, Mickey Mantle.

Mr. Herzog never played for the Yankees, but he did get to know manager Casey Stengel, another master shuffler of players who became a key influence. The light-haired Mr. Herzog was named "The White Rat" because of his resemblance to Yankees pitcher Bob "The White Rat" Kuzava.

Like so many successful managers, Mr. Herzog was a mediocre player, batting just .257 over eight seasons and playing several positions. His best year was with Baltimore in 1961, when he hit .291. He also played for the Washington Senators, Kansas City Athletics, and Detroit Tigers, with whom he ended his playing career in 1963.

"Baseball has been good to me since I quit trying to play it," he liked to say.

After working as a scout and coach, Mr. Herzog was hired in 1967 by the New York Mets as director of player development, with Tom Seaver and Nolan Ryan among the future stars he helped bring along. The Mets liked him well enough to designate him the successor to Gil Hodges, but when the manager died suddenly in 1972, the job went to Yogi Berra. Mr. Herzog instead debuted with the Texas Rangers the following season, finishing just 47-91 before being replaced by Billy Martin. He managed the Angels for a few games in 1974 and joined the Royals the following season, his time with Kansas City peaking in 1977 when the team finished 102-60.

Many players spoke warmly of Mr. Herzog, but he didn't hesitate to rid his teams of those he no longer wanted, dumping such Cardinals stars as outfielder Lonnie Smith and starting pitcher Joaquin Andujar. One trade worked out brilliantly: Before the 1982 season, he exchanged .300-hitting shortstop Garry Templeton, whom Mr. Herzog had chastised for not hustling, for the Padres' light-hitting Ozzie Smith, now widely regarded as the best defensive shortstop in history. Another deal was less far successful: Gold Glove first baseman Keith Hernandez, with whom Mr. Herzog had feuded, to the Mets in the middle of 1983 for pitchers Neil Allen and Rick Ownbey. Hernandez led New York to the World Series title in 1986, while Allen and Ownbey were soon forgotten.

Mr. Herzog was just as tough on himself, resigning in the middle of 1990 because he was "embarrassed" by the team's 33-47 record. He served as a consultant and general manager for the Angels in the early '90s and briefly considered managing the Red Sox before the 1997 season.

If the '82 championship was the highlight of his career, his greatest blow was the '85 series. The Cardinals were up 3 games to 2 against his former team, the Royals, and in Game 6, led 1-0 going into the bottom of the ninth, with Worrell brought in to finish the job.

Jorge Orta led off and grounded a 0-2 pitch between the mound and first base. In one of the most famous blown calls in baseball history, he was ruled safe by umpire Don Denkinger, even though replays showed first baseman Jack Clark's toss to Worrell was in time. The Cardinals never recovered. Kansas City rallied for two runs to tie the series and crushed the Cards 11-0 in Game 7.

"No, I'm not bitter at Denkinger," Mr. Herzog told the AP years later. "He's a good guy, he knows he made a mistake, and he's a human being. It happened at an inopportune time but I do think they ought to have instant replay in the playoffs and World Series."

# Carl Erskine, pitching great for Brooklyn Dodgers, 97

By Richard Goldstein
NEW YORK TIMES

Carl Erskine, who set a World Series strikeout record, threw two no-hitters and became one of the Brooklyn Dodgers' top pitchers in their glory years of the 1950s, died on Tuesday in Anderson, Ind., his hometown. He was 97.

His death, in a hospital, was reported on the Dodgers' website and confirmed by his family, according to IndyStar, the website of The Indianapolis Star.

On a July day in 1948, Mr. Erskine arrived at Ebbets Field for the first time.

"The Brooklyn fans, from reading the papers, were aware that this kid pitcher was coming up from Fort Worth," he once recalled. "I got off the subway and I had my duffel bag with me, 'Fort Worth Cats' on the side. Well, as I got near the rotunda of Ebbets Field, people spotted me. My first introduction to Ebbets Field was: 'Hey, there's Oiskine. From Fort Woith.' It was just a natural turn of the tongue in Brooklyn."

Oisk, as he came to be known by his Brooklyn fans, was among the most popular Dodgers, and over the years he was often sought out by sports writers for his insightful observations.

He teamed with pitchers like Don Newcombe, Preacher Roe, Clem Labine, Johnny Podres, Billy Loes, and Joe Black, and a lineup featuring Jackie Robinson, Roy Campanella, Pee Wee Reese, Duke Snider, Gil Hodges, Carl Furillo, and Jim Gilliam during the Brooklyn team's heyday in the early and mid-1950s.

Mr. Erskine was the last survivor of the 13 Dodger players of his time who were profiled by Roger Kahn in his 1972 book, "The Boys of Summer," telling of their exploits on the field and the lives they led when their baseball years had ended.

Although struggling with a sore pitching shoulder throughout his career, Mr. Erskine, an unimposing presence on the mound at 5 feet 10 inches and 165 pounds, employed a superb overhand curveball to help the Dodgers capture five pennants (the first in 1949 and the rest in the 1950s) and the 1955 World Series championship, the only one in their history before they moved to Los Angeles in 1958.

His 14 strikeouts in Game 3 of the 1953 World Series against the New York Yankees, a complete-game 3-2 victory, has been eclipsed only by the Los Angeles Dodgers' Sandy Koufax, who had 15 strikeouts against the Yankees in 1963, and the St. Louis Cardinals' Bob Gibson, who struck out 17 Detroit Tigers in 1968.

In the 1952 World Series, also against the Yankees, Mr. Erskine pitched an 11-inning complete game, retiring the last 19 batters in the Dodgers' 6-5 victory.

He pitched no-hitters against the Chicago Cubs in 1952 and the New York Giants in 1956, both at Ebbets Field. His best season was 1953, when he was 20-6 and led the National League in winning percentage at .769.

Soon after Mr. Erskine retired from the game, his family faced a challenge far afield from the baseball world.

Jimmy Erskine, the youngest of four children raised by Carl and his wife, Betty, was born in 1960 with Down syndrome, at a time when community resources for such children were limited.

The Erskines resisted a customary route of placing Down syndrome children in a group home. Jimmy remained with the family in Anderson, worked at an Applebee's and swam, bowled and golfed in the Special Olympics, which were founded by Eunice Kennedy Shriver for intellectually challenged young people and adults.

Carl and Betty Erskine raised funds for the games and often told of Jimmy's accomplishments. Mr. Erskine felt that there were parallels between the public's attitude toward people like Jimmy and the pioneering achievements of Jackie Robinson in breaking the modern major league color barrier with the 1947 Dodgers.

"Jackie made people look beyond race, inside their own souls, inside the depths that made them human, and see the light," Mr. Erskine wrote in "What I Learned From Jackie Robinson" (2005, with Burton Rocks). "In doing so, Jackie likewise changed the way people viewed each other."

Carl Daniel Erskine was born in Anderson, some 40 miles northeast of Indianapolis, on Dec. 13, 1926. His father, Matt, who worked for Delco Remy, a General Motors supplier, pitched semipro baseball and taught Carl to throw a curveball.



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**Mr. Erskine (center, above) celebrated with Brooklyn Dodgers teammate Duke Snider (left, above) and manager Charley Dressen after beating the Yankees 6-5 in Game 5 of the 1952 World Series. Mr. Erskine pitched an 11-inning complete game.**

Mr. Erskine pitched for his high school team and, after serving in the Navy, progressed through the Dodgers' minor league system.

After pitching briefly in relief as a Dodger rookie, he injured a muscle in his right shoulder in his first major league start. But he was gritty enough to pitch through the pain in his 10 seasons for the Dodgers in Brooklyn, and a year and a half in Los Angeles. He was the starting and winning pitcher in the Dodgers' first game at the Los Angeles Coliseum, a 6-5 victory over the San Francisco Giants on April 18, 1958.

Mr. Erskine pitched his last game in June 1959, then retired at age 32 from the effects of his shoulder injury. He had a career record of 122 victories and 78 losses.

He later coached the Anderson College (now Anderson University) baseball team in Indiana, became a partner in an insurance firm, and was a senior executive of a local bank.

He was also a director of BAT, the Baseball Assistance Team, which was founded in 1986 to provide medical, financial, or psychological assistance to former baseball figures in need.

In addition to Jimmy, he and his wife, Betty (Palmer) Erskine, had two other sons, Gary and Danny, and a daughter, Susan. Information about his survivors was not immediately available.

For all his accomplishments, Mr. Erskine liked to tell of a particular errant pitch he once uncorked. It came on the afternoon of Oct. 3, 1951, when he was warming up alongside Ralph Branca in the Polo Grounds bullpen in the ninth inning of the decisive Game 3 of the National League pennant playoff series against the New York Giants.

When the Dodger manager, Charlie Dressen, decided to remove Newcombe, his starting pitcher, with the Giants rallying but trailing by two runs, he chose Branca over Mr. Erskine, who had thrown a warm-up pitch in the dirt.

Branca infamously yielded Bobby Thomson's pennant-winning three-run homer that became the climax of the Giants' memorable pennant run, and would be known as baseball's "shot heard 'round the world."

Reflecting on having escaped the possibility of becoming Thomson's victim, Mr. Erskine would say: "Whenever I'm asked what my best pitch was, I say, 'The curveball I bounced in the Polo Grounds bullpen.'"

Mr. Erskine and Branca were among the former Dodgers at the ceremony in February 1960 when a wrecking ball delivered the first blows in the demolishing of Ebbets Field.

"I ran my 8 mm movie camera, looking through the eyepiece as the ball struck the visitors' dugout — the roof of the dugout falling sickly into the dugout pit — and I walked out of the park for the last time," Mr. Erskine remembered in "What I Learned From Jackie Robinson."

"When I boarded my plane back to Indiana, I felt incredibly sick. It was as if I had lost a member of the family."

# LivingArts

## What was in Marathon runners' headphones? Coldplay, Carrie Underwood, K-pop, and more.

By A.Z. Madonna
GLOBE STAFF

There weren't many things that Boston Marathon runners were permitted to bring to the starting line in Hopkinton on Monday morning, but one of those approved items was headphones, which were "discouraged but permitted," according to the prominently displayed signs near security checkpoints on Boston Common. And while upbeat rock, pop, and soul curated by stadium DJ TJ Connelly blared through speakers as the racers laced up their shoes, kissed loved ones goodbye, and prepared to board the school buses to the starting line, individual racers had their own plans for what would be in their ears as they ran the 26.2 miles to Copley Square.

Some of them had given the matter significant thought. Katie Lewis, from Florida, had it planned down to the minute; if she crossed the finish line at her goal time, she said, Carrie Underwood's "The Champion" would mark the moment. Lindsay Barnes, of New Jersey, who was running with the Kathrine Switzer-founded women's running network 261 Fearless, said she'd taken inspiration from 2018 Boston Marathon champion Des Linden's pump-up playlist and put Macklemore's "Glorious" in the rotation. Glenique Frank, of the United Kingdom, who incorporated a blue, pink, and white transgender pride flag into her race outfit, had DJ Paul Glazby's "Live in South Africa" cued up. "It's house music, so it has a constant beat," she explained.

Others were simply planning to hit shuffle on race-friendly mixes. Carrie Devonshire, of London, bounced to Katrina and the Waves' "Walking on Sunshine" over the PA as she prepared to board the bus. On her playlist? "Sex on Fire," by Kings of Leon, she said. What else? "Everything." Hana Nah, of New York, was listening to the comedy podcast "SmartLess" while she waited to head to the starting line, but her race mix, which was around eight hours long, included '80s hair metal and K-pop. "It sort of depends on whatever comes up," she said.

In an email to the Globe, a Boston Athletic Association spokesperson confirmed that headphones are discouraged for safety reasons. If volunteers or officials need to make an announcement, or if a runner tries to pass another, the association wants runners to be able to hear that without interference. "When you have 30,000 participants on course, we want everyone to be safe."

Many other road races, including the New York City Marathon, also take the same approach. When USA Track and Field — the governing body for long distance running and track and field events in the United States — adopted a blanket ban on headphones at its sanctioned events in 2007, the rule proved both unpopular and impossible to enforce. The following year, the rule was amended; now headphones are only against the rules for professional runners competing for medals and prizes.



A.Z. MADONNA/GLOBE STAFF

**Hana Nah, of New York, listened to a podcast on headphones at Boston Common as she waited to board a bus to the Marathon starting line.**

Can listening to music actually improve athletic performance? Much of the research on the subject has come from Costas Karageorghis, a professor of sport and exercise psychology at Brunel University, in London. Listening to the right music, whatever that is, can improve athletes' moods; it can also make them feel as if they're not exerting themselves as hard as they actually are, which accordingly leads to better performance, Karageorghis claims. In a 2012 paper with coauthor David-Lee Priest, he wrote that "music can be thought of as a type of legal performance-enhancing drug."

For optimal performance, Karageorghis recommends runners listen to songs with a strong beat in the 120-140 beats per minute tempo range, so they might synchronize their individual strides with the rhythm; a Spotify playlist he created for runners includes Michael Jackson's "Beat It" (139 bpm), Salt-n-Pepa's "Push It" (130 bpm), and Reel 2 Real's "I Like to Move It" (123 bpm). Asked about their music choices, Monday's runners were less focused on the numbers and more so on the personal significance of songs. Laura Giesler ,of Texas, planned to listen to Christian music, while Katie Lewis's playlist included songs that reminded her of her children. Capria Cole, of Hamilton, said she was planning to listen to Coldplay's "Sparks" on repeat.

"I picked one of their most depressing songs!," the 18-year-old said, giggling.

But not every runner was planning to bring music along. For Katie Martin, of Washington, D.C., the music of cheering spectators was much more appealing than anything she could have put through her headphones. "I've been told the crowd is electrifying," she said.

Whatever gets them over Heartbreak Hill.

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## New film festival aims to put New Bedford on the global artistic stage

By Adri Pray
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

The inaugural New Bedford Film Festival kicks off this week with a showcase of more than 100 films and projects from across the world.

The festival, taking place Thursday to Sunday, was made possible by local filmmaker Ethan de Aguiar, who hopes to connect creatives from all over the world while simultaneously showing off the "Whaling City" as an artistic hub.

"We're trying to not only bring outside productions or people into New Bedford to experience it, but when they're here, also showcase the talent that we have in our backyard," de Aguiar told the Globe over the phone last week. "[The festival is] very much about highlighting New Bedford, but also helping New Bedford creatives expand outside of the borders of the city."

For its first year, NBFF will screen films and other video projects at local theaters around the historic city, including Groundwork New Bedford and New Bedford Creative headquarters. The opening ceremony will be held Thursday at the New Bedford Whaling Museum's Cook Memorial Theater and the closing ceremony will be held at the Steeple Playhouse Sunday.

In addition to all of the films screening at the festival, participants are encouraged to take part in networking events, as well as attend panels with filmmakers. NBFF will also feature an awards ceremony at the end of each day, which will honor the best films in each of the respective categories.

"We want to transform the New Bedford Film Festival as an organization to become a resource and a hub for film and TV productions in the entire South Coast," de Aguiar said. "It's also about giving filmmakers the resources and support that they need to make their projects happen so that they get a solid footing and foundation in the industry."

The first night of the festival also marks the public release of de Aguiar's "Love Letters for New Bedford," a documentary short that spotlights testimonials from New Bedford residents who discuss what makes the city such a creative cultural hub.

The documentary short was filmed in 2022, after de Aguiar was brought onto a handful of city projects focused on rejuvenating New Bedford's creative sector by Margo Saulnier, the director of creative strategies and arts-based initiatives for the New Bedford Economic Development Council. "Love Letters" was completed later that year and has since been submitted to 30 film festivals across the world; it was accepted into 15 and won four awards for best short documentary, according to Saulnier.

After working on the project, de Aguiar was selected as a New Bedford Creative grant recipient, an award given by the New Bedford Economic Development Council and funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (a decision Saulnier was not involved in). This funding helped set the NBFF into motion.

Saulnier and de Aguiar both stressed that the city is a must-see destination for those looking to get a foothold in the creative sector. New Bedford is "the most ethnically diverse and racially diverse city" in the South Coast, Saulnier said, noting how its history as an urban port coupled with its large immigrant population "brought so many cultures here, and with that came a lot of creative people."

"I really want to reinstall pride in the city and show that we're a great community," said de Aguiar. "We might not all agree on everything, but I think that everybody wants to see what's best for New Bedford, and that's what connects us."

*The New Bedford Film Festival opens at 6 p.m. on April 18 at the New Bedford Whaling Museum and closes with an awards ceremony at 10:30 p.m. on April 21 at the Steeple Playhouse. More information about the festival can be found on their website at newbedfordfilmfestival.com.*

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JOSH SOUZA

**Local filmmaker Ethan de Aguiar spoke at a screening of his documentary "Love Letters for New Bedford" at the New Bedford Whaling Museum.**



## Cambridge artist's flowers to bloom at Northeastern

### Vibrant, 15-foot-tall works planting roots there next week

By Henry Bova
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Spring is in full swing, and Northeastern University is getting in on the seasonal fun by bringing a bit of flower power to campus.

Starting Monday — which also happens to be Earth Day — the university will begin installation for "Rooted," a new art exhibit on Krentzman Quad facing Huntington Avenue. The exhibit features five multi-colored flower sculptures that each stand nearly 15 feet tall and will, quite literally, be rooted on the school's Boston campus for the next three to five years.



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**Top: Artist Cicely Carew creating flower sculptures for "Rooted." Above: A partial rendering of what the sculptures will look like.**

Cicely Carew, the Cambridge-based artist behind the sculptures, considers herself a nature lover, and through a partnership with Northeastern, wanted to make something that felt connected to the surrounding natural elements while tying into the university's horticultural department. She hopes the flowers bring a feeling of wonder and enchantment to campus.

"I'm primarily just thinking about love," she said in a phone interview Tuesday from her studio in Waltham. "What's a loving gesture that I can create in the world? Can I create something that feels like what nature already gives us?"

The flowers are made of a mix of outdoor construction materials, including aluminum mesh, steel, and acrylic, and have taken nearly two months for Carew to construct. She trusts her sculptures will withstand the harshest Boston weather, but embraces the fact that some aspects of the art may physically change with the seasons.

"They are meant to be organic forms in concept, but also literally, there will be some change that will happen," she said. "That's just a natural cause [from] being outside in the elements. It's made to be protected from that, but I suspect color will change, and I think that will be kind of beautiful as other plant life changes too."

"Rooted" arrives at Northeastern as part of the university's ongoing Public Art Initiative to brighten up the Boston campus with murals, sculptures, and more from local and global artists.

"This is making this campus a growing, open museum," said Northeastern president Joseph E. Aoun. "You can access this art day and night."

Aoun wanted to install the sculptures ahead of graduation events in order to provide a vibrant backdrop for photos on Krentzman. He said he's excited for what the installation will add to campus.

"It's beautiful," he said. "It's a symphony of colors and forms."

This is Carew's largest outdoor installation and the most visible piece she's made to date. While the physical construction of the flowers differs from her previous work — for instance, she needed to build the sculptures in multiple phases — Carew said her creative process didn't change, even knowing her work would be viewed by a larger audience of students, visiting families, and passersby.

"The gift is when this reaches one person," she said. "You can work to satisfy millions or thousands, but if it resonates with one person, then I feel like I've done my job."

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# ‘If you can’t beat them, eat them.’



Amy Johnson foraged stinging nettle, hairy bittercress, and garlic mustard.

PHOTO BY DAVID L. RYAN/GLOBE STAFF

## Why foraging for *invasive plants* is good for you — and the planet.

By Jenna Perlman
GLOBE STAFF

On any spring day, donning gardening gloves and armed with shears, Amy Johnson scans her bed in the Fenway Victory Gardens.

She’s looking for specks of green between her plants. Some call them weeds. To her, it’s lunch.

“You don’t have to live in rural areas or in the suburbs in order to forage. It’s definitely doable, even in an urban place like Boston,” said Johnson, who is working toward her master’s in gastronomy at Boston University.

Johnson, 31, is specifically looking for invasive plants — plants that the USDA says compete with native species for moisture, sunlight, nutrients, and space. They’re vigorous, hearty, and aggressive, lacking natural predators and free to expand, unhindered. The Massachusetts Invasive Plants Advisory Group has identified 72 such plants in the state.

This problem, says conservation biologist Joe Roman, is completely human-made. “They were brought over often on purpose.” Roman is the editor-in-chief of Eat the Invaders, a website dedicated to explaining the foraging and consumption of invasive species. Many were introduced as landscape ornamentals or garden plants. But quickly, they took over.

So what can be done? The Native Plant Trust recommends, first and foremost, preventing the plants from entering the state. But for many invasive plants, that ship has sailed.

It’s possible to destroy these plants through traditional methods, including herbicides, but studies have shown the chemicals aren’t great for humans. So Roman and many others prefer a different approach: eating them.

“We’re not trying to make it sustainable,” said Roman. “The goal is eradication.”

The Globe asked local foragers for recipes incorporating two edible (and quite tasty) invasives: garlic mustard and Japa-

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## Traveling the world to bring *Far Out* ice cream to Boston

By Kara Baskin
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Dedham’s August Radbill, 33, worked in tech before quitting to travel the world, which included spending months in silence at a monastery and climbing Mount Manaslu in Nepal. On the advice of family friend Drew Beja, he also visited New Zealand and sampled their soft-serve ice cream blended with fresh fruit. Upon returning home, he and Beja launched Far Out, an ice cream shop that specializes in the swirly, colorful treat, served in homemade waffle cones.

They launched from a shipping container on Nantasket Beach in Hull during COVID; now, there are locations in Brookline and a brand-new spot at Time Out Market Boston in the Fenway.

**What led you down the ice cream path?**

It was a bit of a circuitous path for me, I suppose. I was in technology for five or so years, right out of school. After a while, I was getting a little stagnated. I started to question some things and make some big shifts in my life. I decided to leave tech and travel for a year. My now-business partner Drew’s daughter lives in New Zealand, and I went to a dinner party at his house. He asked me what I was doing with my life. And I said, ‘You know, I’m going to go travel in New Zealand.’ He



BRITTANY DICAPUA

Sherborn native August Radbill brings New Zealand-style ice cream to Brookline and, now, Time Out Market Boston.

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## When Indian families celebrate, it’s a feast for thousands. And for me, *a feast for the heart.*

By Sena Desai Gopal
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

YADAHALLI, India — It is a monsoon morning, which means torrential rain, breaking a dry spell that has persisted since a brutally hot summer. My family is worried that the shamiyana, a colorful cotton tent used for outdoor events, may not keep out the rain. They should be worried. They’re expecting about 3,500 guests for lunch in the shamiyana, from mid-morning to late afternoon. If the rainwater leaks through, this long-planned event will be ruined. “We should have used a waterproof tarpaulin,” my uncle announces.

The occasion is the housewarming of my family’s new residence after they were forced to leave our 300-year-old ancestral home here in South India. Yadahalli village flooded from the backwaters of a dam — The Upper Krishna Project — meant to help drought-ridden areas, and is now empty. My

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SENA DESAI GOPAL FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

A cook stirs a cauldron of curry for a feast in Yadahalli. When Indian families celebrate, they open their doors to include everyone. Often, entire villages are invited.

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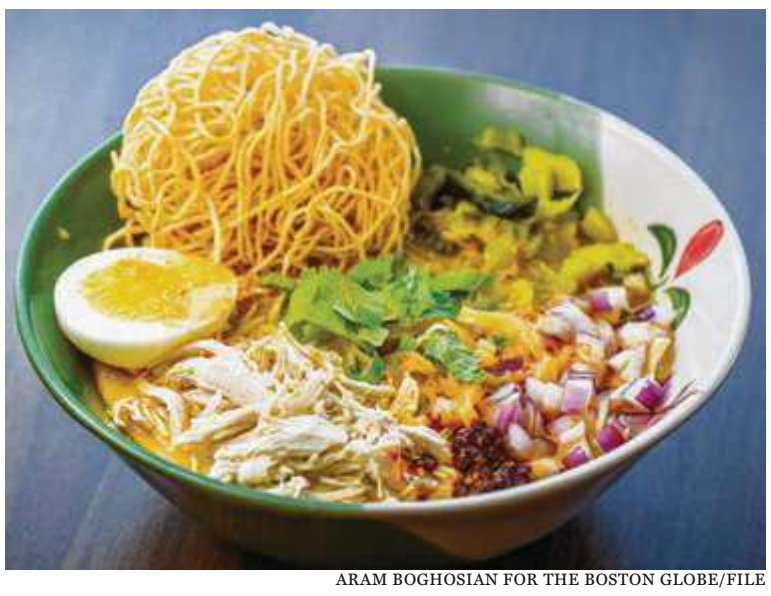
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# Insider

## Boston Asian Restaurant Week launches on May 3

The inaugural Boston Asian Restaurant Week kicks off on Friday, May 3, running through Saturday, May 11. It's part of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month. Sample food from restaurants throughout the city and beyond: An Nam, Banh Mi Oi, Banh Mi Chi Toi, Bon Me, Chalawan, Dakzen, Kimchipapi Kitchen, Love Art Sushi, Moonshine 152, Yoma Burmese Cuisine, and lots more.



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"What we're hoping to accomplish with Boston Asian Restaurant Week is to build a unified foundation for restaurants, cafes, bakeries, et cetera represented by the diverse East, Southeast, and South Asian cultures here in Boston. Since this is just the inaugural year, we envision it becoming a tradition that can continue to grow and evolve as it takes on a shape of its own. The goal is to not only support existing restaurants and the special talent we have in Boston currently, but to hopefully continue empowering the future of the industry through community and celebration," says Ronald Sh, one of the coordinators.

The restaurants will spotlight signature menu items for the week; try a special dish, and earn a digital stamp to redeem for gift cards and Asian Restaurant Week merch. Check out the full restaurant week lineup at www.naaapboston.org.

KARA BASKIN



## The Kowloon will open a spot in N.H. this summer

The Kowloon is heading north. The Saugus icon will bring its Polynesian flair to Seabrook, N.H., in a collaboration with The Brook casino complex. The new restaurant — currently known as Project Dragon, with an official name to come — will open this summer.

Expect Kowloon food and potent tiki cocktails served across several dining rooms, two bars, a late-night lounge with music, and a private event space, according to a representative. This isn't the first partnership for the pair: The Brook tested the waters this winter with two well-attended Kowloon pop-up events.

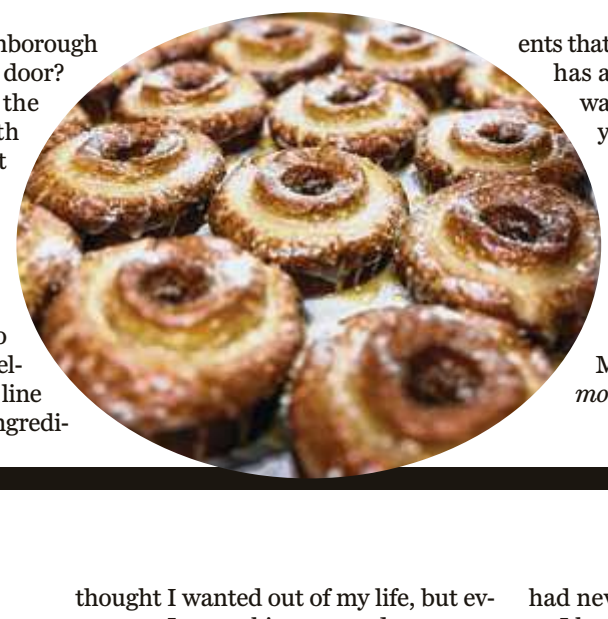
"We're so grateful for the love and support long-term patrons have shown us for decades. In a way, this new restaurant and nightlife concept is both a thank you to and a new offering just for them," the Kowloon team said in a statement.

The original Route 1 Kowloon opened in 1958, and it still serves roughly 20,000 customers per week who relish the nostalgia, chicken fingers, and Scorpion bowls.

KARA BASKIN

## The Donut Stand fills a hole in Hopkinton

Disappointed by a late-morning trek to The Donut Stand in Southborough only to find a "Sold out until next time, thank you!" sign on the door? Don't worry, there's a new location in Hopkinton. It's worth the drive. The shops are run by Mike and Hanna Lombardi, both trained chefs and bakers who honed their skills under prominent chefs like Ana Sortun, Jody Adams, and others. Mike once apprenticed at the renowned Chez Panisse. During the pandemic, the couple began selling their homemade doughnuts in the parking lot of The Vin Bin in Marlborough, a chain of wine and cheese shops owned by Mike's family. They later set up a permanent pop-up with a neon sign within Vin Bin's Southborough store. The bakers make and cut the dough by hand and use dairy and fruits from local farms to craft yeast-raised and cakey doughnuts, some filled with homemade jams and jellies, drizzled with icing; others are giants elaborately crowned with toppings. A line often snakes out the door. "We try to elevate the doughnuts and use the best ingredients that are not ultra-processed products," says Mike. Their own shop in Hopkinton has a counter and stools and a patio for indulging outside when the weather warms — and an expanded kitchen space for churning out more doughnuts. If you visit, you'll find it hard to choose between classics or a selection that changes as the Lombardis experiment with new flavors — perhaps a tender brioche circle adorned with brown butter Rice Krispie treats swathed in ganache, or an old-fashioned chocolate made with sour cream and Valrhona cocoa. Others are piped with house-made jams and jellies where the fruit flavors come through, and the pastry is surprisingly not overly sweet. If the doughnuts are sold out, alas, there are reasons to stay, for there's also a menu of soups, salads, and hearty sandwiches. "It's all comfort food," says Mike. *154 Turnpike Road, Southborough, and 22 South St., Hopkinton. For more information and hours, go to thedonutstand.com.*



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## A New Zealand treat comes to New England

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said, 'You've got to try the ice cream when you're there!'

He was really effusive about it. I'm thinking: I'm going to New Zealand, but I'm not thinking about ice cream. I had a whole list of plans and things I wanted to do. Ice cream was probably at the bottom of the list. But I kept it in the back of my head. I went to New Zealand for about four months, working on farms. Every couple of weeks, I'd go to a different farm. I was having a blast, and I ended up in this town and saw a sign: 'Real fruit ice cream served here.' So I went in and tried it, and I absolutely loved it. It was so unique. For the rest of my trip, in different towns, it was so quintessential New Zealand. In one town, they grow blueberries, and they would have blueberry real fruit ice cream. The next town would do strawberries at a little farm stand or bakery. I didn't see any real fruit ice cream stores. It was farm stands — it was very New Zealand, very quaint.

Drew works with a lot of businesses and startups, and I think he was interested in starting his own business. The goal has always been to scale this to a national brand and an international concept. That was the challenge he put in front of me coming right back from travel. I always wanted to start a business. I'd known Drew for a while. It was a no-brainer. It's been the best decision of my life thus far.

**For the uninitiated: Why is this ice cream different?**

It's super simple. I like to think of it as greater than the sum of its parts. We get really good ice cream, sourced from Maple Valley Creamery, a dairy farm in Western Massachusetts. We have a really good relationship with the farmer there, who has come all the way out from Western Mass to drop off ice cream on hot July days.

We take premium ice cream and individually quick-frozen fruit, picked at the peak of freshness. It's flash-frozen; otherwise, it comes out very soupy. And then we use a mixing cone machine from New Zealand, mixing a scoop of ice cream and a scoop of your favorite fruits. We also do premium mixing: toasted coconut flakes, dark chocolate flakes. We do sprinkles, because it's a crowd favorite.

When it churns together — we churn to order — each one comes out as this colorful, beautiful, soft-serve swirl with the premium richness of a full-fat ice cream. So it's really just a wonderful, unique experience. And each fruit provides a different structure and volume to the ice cream that's just really quite lovely.

**How would you describe your customers?**

During the day, it's a lot of families in Brookline. We have a lot of regulars who come in every single day with their kids after school, which is lovely, because we've gotten to know a lot of people. Brookline has been a really great, accepting community. We get a lot of college students. We have a great brand. We put a lot of effort and emphasis into it; we have a great marketing team. So we get a lot of people who are hearing about us through social media, and they want to come and try it for the first time, and they fall in love with it.

At Time Out Market, in the daytime, we see employees who work in the area. We're seeing a lot of Fenway Park-goers, a lot of college students as well. You know, it's a mixed bag, and we're still learning about our demographic. But everyone loves ice cream.

**Any early ice cream or childhood food memories?**

You know, I've always wanted to have my own business. To put myself through school, I had a landscaping business. ... My brother went to culinary school, and I became enamored with restaurants. This is a crazy thing to be telling a reporter, but the one thing I said was that I'd never start a restaurant. But then it fell into my lap, and it has been such a wonderful, wonderful experience. The industry itself is full of people who are looking to help. There's never been a time when I've been turned away by someone in the industry, from asking them a question. I knew nothing. I still know close to nothing, but I'm getting more and more knowledgeable by the day.

**What advice would you give to someone who's leaving what seems like a secure job and going into something that feels risky? How were you able to do that?**

It's so cliché, but: Trust your gut. What was happening with me was, I saw the direction of my life as if I had no control over it. I saw where it was going, and what was happening, and it just wasn't really what I wanted. There was kind of a juxtaposition of what I thought I wanted out of my life, but every step I was taking seemed to get me further away from that. I kept convincing myself that it was too late for me to do this. I was 27, which is hilarious, but: 'It's too late for me to travel.' When I started to take those steps and go against that grain, there was a lot of friction, but in my gut, it felt like the right move. I was unhappy and unhealthy. I wasn't tremendously overweight or anything like that. I just wasn't treating my body well. I started to eat better and do more yoga and exercise more and listen to my body, which led to me traveling.




'Each one comes out as this colorful, beautiful, soft-serve swirl with the premium richness of a full-fat ice cream. . . . And each fruit provides a different structure and volume to the ice cream that's just really quite lovely.'

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*on Far Out ice cream*

There was an equation that I used: Discomfort plus analysis leads to growth. I did two months in a Buddhist monastery; most of that was completely silent. I did over two months trekking the highest mountains in the world. I had never ridden a motorcycle before, so I bought one in Vietnam and went from the southern end of Vietnam to all the way up to the Chinese border. That was really challenging. I was on a sailboat for a couple months. It was just completely organic and completely driven by my gut. And every bit of it has gotten me to where I am now.

**Now that you're closer to home: What are your favorite restaurants in the area? What are your go-to spots when you're not working?**

Great question. There's a place in Needham called Sweet Basil. It's BYOB, no reservations, super quaint. That's kind of nostalgic for me because I grew up in the area [in Sherborn]. If I'm going out with the team: Hojoko. It's one of our co-brands at Time Out. They have nailed the concept of a Japanese tavern, and it's just fun and different, and the food is delicious. I love Eastern Standard. And I like the new restaurant as well. I think that they just do the French brasserie concept really well, and the cocktails are great. Lotus Blossom in Brookline, and Prairie Fire in Brookline, I really like. And the cocktails are great. If you're looking for decadent pasta, no frills: Daily Catch or a shout-out to our neighbor in Brookline, Club Dante. It's one of the best-kept secrets in Boston. It's so unassuming. You walk in there, and everything you eat is incredible.

**Favorite foods or restaurants growing up?**

We would go out as a family every Sunday night, and it's something I'm very grateful for now. There were four boys, and my parents, every Sunday night, would pack us into a car and take us to a nice restaurant, which is absurd to me at this point. God bless them. I'm very grateful for it. There's a restaurant called Oga's in Natick on Route 9, and it's still in existence. To this day, past the nostalgia thing, it's some of the best sushi and Japanese food in the Greater Boston area. We would go there, legitimately, every single Sunday.

This is going to sound kind of strange, but my mother used to make this swordfish with an anchovy and caper sauce for my birthday, and it was outrageously good. I haven't had that in years. And my grandmother is 100 right now. She's still cooking for us! She makes traditional red sauce meatballs, sausage, and spaghetti. No frills. She's not skimming the oil off the top of the red sauce; we put it that way. It's a lot of fat, but it reminds me of her and reminds me of growing up, and I love it.

**What was your favorite ice cream place as a kid?**

C&L Frosty's was the one in town, in Sherborn, due to proximity. I would probably say Ben & Jerry's. There was one, I think it still exists, on Route 9. We'd go out to the movies or to dinner and get Ben & Jerry's afterward. That might be a copout, but this is before they were acquired by Unilever. I imagine it was a little bit more niche when I was growing up.

**Do you have a food vice?**

Sour gummy candy. It is going to put me in the grave. I do better with it recently, but I will go on these benders where just, at night, I'll have a big bag of Haribo sour gummy bears. I don't know what it is. But there's just something about it. In my most hedonistic moments, I'm just grabbing a pack of sour gummy candy.

In terms of food vices, I'm mostly plant-based; I'd say probably 98 percent. We don't keep meat in the house. If I go out to dinner, I might eat a little bit of meat. Again, nothing crazy, but just chicken tenders or a fried chicken cutlet or some kind of schnitzel. There's just something about the breading done really well.

**What's your favorite ice cream flavor of all time — and your least favorite ice cream flavor of all time?**

Wow, what a question. Can I get two favorites, because I've got to give a nod to Far Out? At Far Out, it changes regularly. We just added cherry to our recurring menu. It's one of the fruits you can always get in Brookline; you can't get it at Time Out. And a chocolate cherry with brownie bits and a salted caramel drizzle is ungodly good. You put your head in your hands; it's so good. And this is discontinued, but Ben and Jerry's had this Dave Matthews Band flavor. It was chocolate raspberry brownie. There was probably something else in there, because they put a million things in their ice cream, but that was so good as well.

There a lot of esoteric things going on in the ice cream world today. Salt and Straw is a brand we look up to. They do pints of the month subscriptions, and they'll put out some really funky flavors like mac-and-cheese ice cream or blue cheese ice cream. You name it; there are some funky things they're doing. I wouldn't say I would never try it. I have a pretty open palate. I think, if a bunch of people like it, there has to be something to it? I've had some crazy things while traveling in Iceland or in Japan.

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WHAT SHE'S HAVING

# A love letter to restaurants of all kinds

## A family trip to New York City reinforces this writer's belief that going out to eat is fantastic



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**A satisfied customer at Patsy's, in Midtown.**



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**By Kara Baskin**
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NEW YORK — I'm in New York City and so happy. This is "What She's Having: A Postcard," but really, an appreciation of going out to dinner, anywhere. It can feel so good, so grandiose. Where else is small talk a bonus; where else is feeling special, taken care of, and eating food you wouldn't make at home the goal? Legitimized indulgence: It's fantastic.

The food here has been satisfying, but being in restaurants nonstop for three days away from home — noisy, unpredictable, bright, hot, mirrored, humid, elegant, clattering, wild, theatrical, precise restaurants — has been the best. The What She's Having column is a dispatch, and today's dispatch is one of pure pleasure: the nuance, quirk, depth, charisma, swagger, and delight of the restaurant experience outside your comfort zone.

I came down here with my kids and husband for the weekend to see a Broadway show ("Back to the Future"). We started today on Pell Street in Chinatown at Ping's, our favorite dim sum place. Manhattan lets you have a favorite place even if you've been there twice before because it belongs to everyone; It's our dim sum hangout even though we go every two years. The pull of the metal door that yields to no one, the puddles on the sidewalk, the glint of the light, the coarse white tablecloth that has seen it all, the way the pulpy chili sauce slants to the left in the saucer? So familiar; so easy to take on a new identity for a half hour.

"Hello, sir!" Our server doesn't know us, but some dignified norms persist in a world that can be so jarring and brusque. I'm "miss"; my husband is "sir"; our kids are "boys." I don't want deference; I just love the ceremony. My yoga-pant-and-sweatshirt-wearing self is worthy of something. There's pride in doing your job.

We get very fizzy Cokes in giant red Solo cups, and it's what we all wanted, little geysers of refreshing sugar. The glossy pork buns arrive fast, and my kids eat three at a time until their chins look radioactive. They could be in Manhattan or Omaha, as long as they get their buns. This is the placeless currency of satisfaction; yet here we are, where their mom can also get spicy beef tendon and a shrimp roll splashed in soy sauce and walk back out onto Canal Street and take a cab to the Strand. Who am I? I am no one. I am part of America; I am a supplicant. I am here for the food and for the communality; the accessibility and the delight. There's a rhythm to kindness.

Next up is Economy Candy on the Lower East Side, and my kids complain about walking until they get inside and become hoarders: Lines out the door and down toward Beastie Boys Square, from my grubbers to a giddy tour group to two middle-aged, bespectacled escapees from Westchester who look like Larry David to hipsters — here to bow down to the universal draw, which is cheap and iconic sweets. There are the regular favorites, but there are also Garbage Pail Kids and rarely seen Fruity Pebbles candy bars, American pop culture so accessible, on a low shelf. Everyone wants a piece; standing in line, delighted, we're all related. My Jewish great-grandparents arrived a century ago a few blocks over and now here we stand, ready with our money as good and our taste buds as similar as everyone else's.

Lunch was Urban Hawker, a Southeast Asian food stall in Midtown, near "Back to the Future" at the Winter Garden. The cashier saw the urgency in my eyes: We needed something to eat fast. I got a samosa naan roll-up. "It's so good!" the cashier cheered, like he was my personal fan, and he was right. We sat and ate curry-filled, chutney-dribbling naan rolls before seeing a classic American 1980s movie set to music. As one does.

Dinner was at Patsy's, a legendary Italian spot in Midtown. It's been around forever; the mood is big mirrors and mauve. There are pictures of "The Sopranos" cast and Florence Henderson on the walls. We were whisked upstairs next to a woman discussing her Passover plans to six attentive kids, a Billy Joel lookalike, and someone who looked like Lorraine Bracco's sister. Clams in red sauce, soft loaves of bread, orange sorbet served inside a frozen orange, an amber Manhattan splashing over the martini glass, a Caesar salad with lemon and anchovy chopped with zero creativity but maximal expertise. The servers wore white aprons; the guests were happy and loud; the room was dim and hot, and here we all were, together.

After dinner, we persuaded our (bribed, phone-equipped) teen to watch his brother so we could go downstairs to the lobby bar, which just so happened to be the iconic Gallagher's Steakhouse: trodden red carpet, lots of mahogany, big hair, big everything. Settling into that bar, Sinatra in the background and a framed picture of a beaming Dwight Eisenhower (why?) looking benignly down from a crimson wall, I could have been anyone and was everyone.

Stu the bartender took an instant liking to us, or maybe he was faking it, but I don't want to know. We sat up tall at the bar like grown-ups and got a shiny chocolate cake and a margarita like kids who were being rewarded for a long day, next to a guy who ordered a beer and a banana split. Stu wore a white suit and an apron, and he worked the room with an authenticity that reminded me what a noble and niche calling hospitality is: He was a ballet dancer, socialite, everyman. We got to talking because he gets people to talking.

His kids go to Worcester State and Clark. He lives in West Orange, N.J. He's been doing this for 38 years, starting in the Village; he pours a perfect spicy margarita. I won't ever see Stu again, but I know he exists; this safety net of happiness and deliciousness in Manhattan — this reassuring and beautiful theater. I'll say it again: Going out to eat is fantastic.

Today's dispatch is one of pure pleasure: the nuance, quirk, depth, charisma, swagger, and delight of the restaurant experience outside your comfort zone.

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# CELEBRATE PASSOVER

## RECIPES FOR THE SEDER AND ALL WEEK



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### Passover Almond Fig Torte

Serves 8

If you love almond macaroons for the Passover table, but want dessert with a little more pizzazz, try this torte. Reminiscent of an Austrian linzer torte, it's almond-y and chewy like a macaroon, with a pureed dried-fig filling. It begins with a ground almond batter that is pressed into a springform pan (you save a little batter for the top), then spread with fig puree. The extra batter, which is like a paste, goes on top of the torte and doesn't cover it completely so the figs peek out. Instead of flour, the batter is mixed with matzo meal and almond meal, also called almond flour (Bob's Red Mill is a good brand to use). Or grind your own almonds in a food processor.

FILLING

- **10 ounces dried figs (about 2 full cups)**
- **¾ cup water, and more as needed**
- **3 tablespoons honey**
- **2 teaspoons grated orange rind**

**1.** Cut off and discard the hard stems on the figs. Coarsely chop the figs. In a saucepan, combine the figs and the ¾ cup of water, honey, and orange rind. Bring to a boil, lower the heat to medium, and cover the pan. Simmer for 20 to 25 minutes, or until the figs are tender and most of the liquid has evaporated. Check the amount of water after 15 minutes; if the pan appears dry, add ¼ cup more water. Uncover and leave to cool for 10 minutes.
**2.** In a food processor, pulse the fig mixture until pureed into a thick paste. You should have about 1½ cups. (The fig paste can be made up to 2 days ahead.)

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- **Oil (for the pan)**
- **8 ounces (about 2 cups) natural almond meal or finely ground almonds**
- **1 cup sugar**
- **¼ cup matzo meal**
- **¼ teaspoon kosher salt**
- **4 egg whites**
- **2 teaspoons vanilla extract**
- **3 tablespoons unsalted butter (or margarine), melted**

**1.** Set the oven at 350 degrees. Oil a 9-inch springform pan, line the bottom with a round of parchment paper, and oil the paper.
**2.** In a bowl, whisk the almond meal, pressing out any lumps with your fingertips. Whisk in the sugar, matzo meal, and salt.
**3.** Add the egg whites and vanilla. With a rubber spatula, stir to blend the mixture. Add the melted butter or margarine. Stir until completely blended. Remove ⅔ cup of the almond mixture and reserve for the topping.
**4.** Place the remaining almond batter in the prepared pan. Use a rubber spatula or your fingers to spread the batter evenly, pressing and spreading it to reach the sides of the pan.
**5.** Add the fig paste in clumps and spread it, using your fingers or an offset metal spatula, so it covers the almond batter, leaving a ¼-inch border uncovered around the rim. Drop the reserved almond batter in clumps over the fig filling. Spread out the clumps so they're no more than ½-inch thick. The almond clumps won't cover the whole top; that's OK.
**6.** Transfer to the oven. Bake for 55 to 60 minutes, or until the torte is golden brown around the rim and top.
**7.** Set the pan on a wire rack to cool for 15 minutes. Run a knife around the rim of the torte. Unlatch the spring and lift off the sides of the pan. Slide the torte onto a flat platter. Serve at room temperature.

*Lisa Zwirn*

### Passover Cottage Cheese Pancakes

Serves 4

You can make breakfast pancakes during Passover using matzo meal in place of flour, and adding cottage cheese to the batter to give it an interesting texture. As with many matzo meal batters, this one needs to sit in the fridge for at least half an hour to let the meal, which is ground matzo, absorb the liquid in the bowl. The batter will thicken on standing; thin it with milk, a little at a time, until it has the consistency of a thick batter you can ladle into a skillet of sizzling butter. Sprinkle the pancakes with cinnamon-sugar.

- **2 eggs**
- **¼ cup whole milk, and more if needed**
- **½ cup matzo meal**
- **2 tablespoons sugar**
- **½ teaspoon salt**
- **½ cup small-curd cottage cheese**
- **2 tablespoons butter, or more if needed**
- **Cinnamon-sugar made with ¼ cup sugar and 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon**

**1.** In a bowl, whisk the eggs to break them up. Stir in the milk, matzo meal, sugar, and salt until blended.
**2.** With a rubber spatula, fold in the cottage cheese until it is incorporated. Cover the bowl and refrigerate for at least 30 minutes or for up to several hours.
**3.** Set the oven at 200 degrees. Have on hand a 12-inch baking dish.
**4.** Stir the chilled batter to break it up. Add more milk, 1 tablespoon at a time, until the batter is a thick but loose consistency. You may need to add up to 4 more tablespoons milk.



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**5.** In a large nonstick skillet, melt 1 tablespoon of the butter. Ladle the batter into the pan in mounds. Cook for 2 to 3 minutes, or until the undersides are golden brown. Turn and cook 2 minutes more. Transfer to the dish; keep warm in the oven. Cook the remaining pancakes in the same way, adding more butter to the pan when needed.
**6.** Sprinkle with cinnamon-sugar.

*Sheryl Julian*

### Lamb Tagine with Apricots, Peas, and Lemon

Serves 6

The dish tagine, a North African stew, is named after the earthenware vessel it is cooked in. A cone-shaped pot lid traps the steam as the stew cooks, resulting in a tender melding of all the ingredients. Use your favorite stew pot in a slow-braise to replicate the method. Tagines are made with many different meats and vegetables, typically not browned first, which makes the dish easy. Here, the main ingredient is lamb cut from the shoulder or leg into 2-inch pieces. Dried apricots and a plethora of warm, inviting spices (ginger, cumin, coriander, turmeric, cinnamon) cook with the meat. Peas bring a spritely and springlike feel, while lemon rind and juice balances the sweetness of apricots. Serve it at the Passover Seder, during the holiday week, or for any special spring occasion.

- **2½ pounds boneless should or leg of lamb, trimmed or fat and cut into 2-inch pieces**
- **Salt and pepper, to taste**
- **2 tablespoons olive oil**
- **2 medium onions, halved and sliced**
- **1 piece (1½ inches) fresh ginger, peeled and finely chopped**
- **3 cloves garlic, finely chopped**
- **2 teaspoons ground coriander**
- **1½ teaspoons ground cinnamon**
- **1 teaspoon ground cumin**
- **1 teaspoon ground turmeric**
- **½ teaspoon Maras or Aleppo pepper or crushed red pepper**



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- **1 tablespoon tomato paste**
- **2½ cups chicken stock**
- **6 ounces dried apricots**
- **1 cup frozen peas**
- **Grated rind and juice of 1 lemon**
- **Handful of fresh cilantro leaves (for garnish)**

**1.** Set the oven at 350 degrees.
**2.** Sprinkle the lamb all over with salt and pepper. In a large flameproof casserole or Dutch oven off the heat, combine the lamb, oil, ginger, garlic, coriander, cinnamon, cumin, turmeric, red pepper, and tomato paste. With a large kitchen spoon, stir the lamb and onions to coat them with spices.
**3.** Set the pan over medium heat and cook, stirring often, for 5 minutes to toast the spices lightly. The lamb will not be completely browned. Pour in the chicken stock.
**4.** Cover the pot with a lid and transfer it to the oven. Cook for 1 hour and 15 minutes.
**5.** Remove the pan from the oven. Stir in the apricots. Return the pot to the oven, uncovered. Continue cooking for 30 minutes, or until the lamb is tender when pierced with a skewer. (Total cooking time is 1 hour and 45 minutes.)
**6.** In a small bowl, pour hot tap water over the frozen peas. Let stand for 5 to 6 minutes, or until the peas are defrosted; drain.
**7.** Remove the pan from the oven. Stir in the peas, lemon rind, and lemon juice. Let the mixture return to a boil and simmer 1 minute, or just until the peas are hot. Taste for seasoning and add more salt and red pepper, if you like. Ladle into bowls and sprinkle with cilantro leaves.

*Sally Pasley Vargas*

# In India, a feast for the heart

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parents moved 2 miles away to higher ground.

When Indian families celebrate, they open their doors to include everyone, especially in rural areas, where entire villages are invited and several thousand guests are served a meal. The 3,500 people on today's guest list is not a small number, of course, but it's modest compared with the feasts I have attended. As a child, I went to a wedding where 25,000 people were served lunch.

With that large number comes mountains of supplies. A local caterer, Sangappa Gangappa Atani, whose team is cooking, had sent a grocery list last week, and yesterday morning the deliveries started: 660 pounds of wheat flour, 220 pounds of jaggery, an unrefined sugar, 100 pounds of potatoes, and 260 pounds of onions. By the end of the day, there were also several hundred pounds of produce, lentils, and spices, which arrived in a trailer.

At 5 a.m. today, Atani's five cooks and several dozen helpers began cooking in 500-liter-capacity cauldrons in a makeshift kitchen. Sixteen women were sitting cross-legged on wooden stools just 2 inches off the ground making chapatis, a flatbread cooked in concave cast-iron pans. I can't take my eyes off these cooks because it's fascinating to watch the speed with which they roll out the dough and make two or three flatbreads a minute. When I make chapatis back home in Massachusetts, it takes me at least three minutes to make a single round, and it doesn't taste as good.

Another cluster of women are cutting vegetables and grinding spices. There are several cooking sources: wood fires in pits dug into the ground, over which the men set gigantic cauldrons and stir the food using 4-foot steel ladles. It isn't easy and some guests cheer the cook.





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**Dishes served at the feast in Yadahalli. There were 3,500 people on the guest list.**

The elaborate menu includes three kinds of flatbread, one with wheat and two with millets, a spicy peanut chutney, lime pickle, broad bean curry made with vegetables and the Indian cheese paneer, yogurt, lentil soup, and the rice dish pulao. For dessert there's something called Broken Wheat Pudding, made with cracked wheat and jaggery, and boondi laddu, which are small sweet balls of gram flour (also called chickpea flour), cashews, and raisins.

Atani, 40, lives in a nearby village and has been in business for 20 years. He took over from his father and caters 15 to 20 events a month. He has a simple system: The host pays for all the groceries and Atani bills for labor.

I ask Shiddu Hanchinal, who I grew up with, and who is managing the event, how much the feast costs. He tells me the groceries are 165,000 rupees (about $2,000); labor is 45,000 rupees (about $550). With the price for renting the tent, chairs, and tables, the total is rupees 300,000 (about $3,500). The math works out to cost 100 rupees per person (about $1.25).

Luckily, it doesn't rain on the party.

People start arriving mid-morning. The entire village has taken the afternoon off. Schoolchildren file in with their teachers excited to be anywhere but school. They head to the dessert table first, before piling their plates with the flatbreads and curries.

I don't know most of the guests since I've lived away for more than 20 years. An aunt suggests I serve the food, which is an Indian tradition to show the guests that I'm honored they have come with their families. I have forgotten this beautiful custom.

Village feasts were a part of my childhood here. You threw an event for births, deaths, naming ceremonies, birthdays, engagements, and marriages. Twenty years ago at my wedding reception in this village, 12,000 people came to lunch.

At that event, I was delighted that several Yadahalli families who couldn't afford weddings chose that day to celebrate the marriages of their sons and daughters. They came to our wedding with their guests. It is a tradition in these parts for families to piggy-back on a planned feast whose day you know about. My grandmother was trying to convince a young woman we knew who was engaged to get married on the day of my wedding reception so her family could save some money. The young woman was refusing but, somehow, my grandmother prevailed and there she was, in her wedding finery, newly married, with her family and guests.

Two days before their village feast, my parents had a housewarming ceremony for just family and friends, about 700 people. The priest blessed the house and a lunch followed.

The menu was even more impressive than the village feast with several curries, two kinds of rice, four different flatbreads, pickles, salads, pappadum, and two desserts, one of which was a halwa, a pudding made with lentils, jaggery, cashews, and raisins. An aunt of mine, an amazing cook, had made the second dessert — flaky pastry that you dunk in kheer, milk reduced with sugar and spiced with saffron and cardamom. This dessert is exclusive to this part of the world and, knowing I would not get a chance to eat it again for a long time, I had several helpings. Making the dessert is so time-consuming that most cooks don't bother. This meal was more expensive, 350 rupees per person (about $4.25).

For the smaller reception, my 15-year-old daughter, Anya, made garlands of mango leaves, considered auspicious in India, and marigolds to decorate the front door and the windows of the new house. Some guests had driven six hours to join the celebration. I met relatives I hadn't seen since I left home. There were moments when I was overcome with emotion, greeting aunts and uncles who had aged so much that I could only see glimpses of the people they once were.

Anya and my son, Surya, 17, are sitting under a tamarind tree with their friends, kids from the village with whom they spend summers. I have to coax them to come inside the house to meet the extended family. They touch the feet of the elders (there are many), a respectful hello. Even though I raised my children in the United States, I taught them these precious customs.

All the guests leave by dusk. My local aunts and uncles who organized the housewarming are happy at how everything went, how much they liked the food and that almost all of the invitees came.

"What a great opportunity you had to meet family and friends you haven't seen since your wedding," an aunt tells me.

I am separated from my family by a few thousand miles. I'm humbled to see so many people who are part of my family, my heritage, my childhood. As a child, if I went to a big event like the one we just had, I found it tedious (not unlike my own children sitting under the tree with their friends). Now, I cherish them.

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# If you can't beat invasive plants, you could eat them

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nese knotweed. Below is a detailed identification guide and some of the best recipes, with help from certified educator Rachel Goclawski, who runs the "Cooking with Mrs. G" YouTube channel.

But before we start, some important foraging rules.

■ Do your research. Phone identification apps like iNaturalist are great but not perfect, and the consequences of choosing the wrong plant can be fatal. "You really need to do that extra little few minutes of work and check for key identifiers," said Goclawski.

■ Know your sources. Roman wants to emphasize that you need to know how the area is treated. "You don't want to go where people are using a lot of herbicides or pesticides."

■ Know how to dispose. Goclawski preaches to her students that when you're collecting invasive plants, be careful not to spread the plant around. Carry your foraged goods in a bag, be careful not to drop anything on your home, and, "don't just throw it on your compost, let it die in a plastic trash bag for a while."



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**Amy Johnson holds garlic mustard. She has a plot in the Fenway Victory Gardens in Boston and eats the invasive plants she finds growing among her intentional plants. Below: Japanese knotweed, similar to bamboo.**



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**Stinging nettle in the Fenway Victory Gardens. Below: Andrew Devine made a Japanese Knotweed crumble by following a strawberry rhubarb crumble recipe and substituting knotweed.**



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### GARLIC MUSTARD

**Tastes like:** A cross between fresh garlic and green onion. The leaves, slightly sharp and bitter, with a garlic-y twist. The flowers, spicy — like horseradish.

**How did it get here?** It was likely introduced in the state for its use in cooking, according to Mass Audubon. It's a biennial plant, meaning it lives for two years, blooming in the second year with small, white flowers.

"Incredibly prolific, it's everywhere," says Goclawski. It invades fields and woodlands, releasing a toxin that limits the growth of other plants nearby.

**How to identify:** Heart-shaped leaves with lots of veins. The first year is rosette-shaped, with scalloped edges. Nearby, you'll find the second-year plant, with a tall flower stalk.

Goclawski recommends using all five senses when identifying any plant, especially garlic mustard. "If you're in doubt, just rip a leaf. It should smell really strongly of garlic and mustard," she said.

**How to harvest:** Pull the whole thing up, root and all.

**How to eat it:** In pestos, pies, or any way you would use a green, leafy veggie, but be sure to boil it. Garlic mustard, like all mustard greens, contains a small amount of cyanide, but it is water-soluble, meaning water dissolves it.

**Pesto recipe**
*From Ryan Ralston, chef and general manager at Bread & Roses in Hyannis*

**2 cups fresh, and boiled garlic mustard leaves, or 1 cup frozen garlic mustard puree, thawed**
**2 cups fresh basil**
**1 cup sunflower seeds**
**2 to 3 cloves garlic**
**1 cup olive oil**
**2 teaspoon kosher salt**
**1 teaspoon black pepper, freshly ground**

Pour 2 cups of boiling water over 1 cup sunflower seeds. Let soak for 30 minutes, and drain well. Combine all ingredients except olive oil in a food processor and blend on high for 60 seconds. While the food processor is running, slowly drizzle the olive oil until fully combined. Season to taste.

### JAPANESE KNOTWEED

**Tastes like:** A lemony rhubarb. Tart, crunchy, and sweet.

**How did it get here?** It was brought over from eastern Asia in the late 19th century and used as an ornamental privacy barrier. It's fast-growing, up to 8 inches per day, and strong enough to break through concrete.

**How to identify:** Look for heart-shaped leaves. The stems are a distinctive green with red stripes. There may also be signs of last year's plant, which looks like wooden bamboo.

**When to harvest:** As early as possible, preferably from late March to early May.

**How to harvest:** Cut the small shoots from the base. Goclawski says they're the most delicious. If you want to dig deep, there's gold. Japanese knotweed is packed with resveratrol, the same compound in red wine that has been linked to a lower risk of inflammation and blood clotting.

**How to eat it:** Raw, substituted for celery as a dipping vessel. Sauté with butter and salt. Chop it up and pickle it. Treat it like asparagus and roast it or pan-fry it.

**Japanese knotweed crumble**

Andrew Devine of New Hampshire says he follows "a strawberry rhubarb crumble recipe and [substitutes] knotweed for the rhubarb."

**Japanese knotweed Gin recipe**
*From Scott Place, Rockport*

**750ml bottle of vodka (preferably 50 percent ABV, but 40 percent is fine). Retain the bottle.**

**2 cups of Japanese knotweed shoots, chopped into ½ inch pieces**

Seasonings: Juniper berries, crushed (or more to taste); ½ cup coriander seeds; ½ teaspoon cardamom seeds, crushed; 2 bay leaves; 1 teaspoon black peppercorns; 1 teaspoon pink peppercorns; 1 cinnamon stick; peel of two lemons.

Add all ingredients to a glass jar and leave for a week, stirring occasionally. Taste and add extra crushed juniper berries if desired. Allow to macerate for two more days. Strain through a colander lined with cheesecloth. Pour into the original vodka bottle. Gin can be enjoyed immediately but gets better after about a month.


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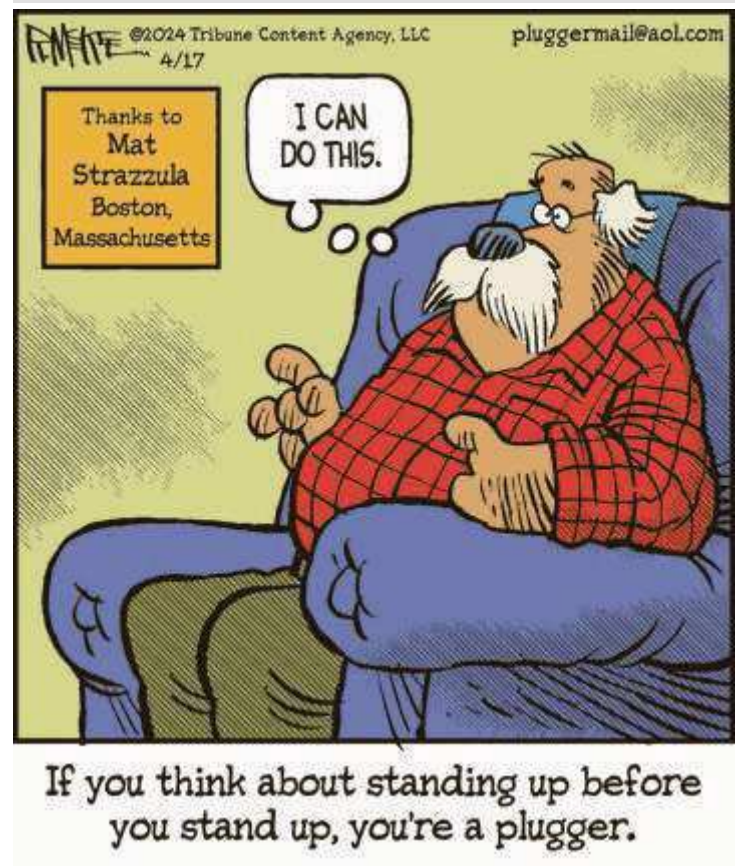
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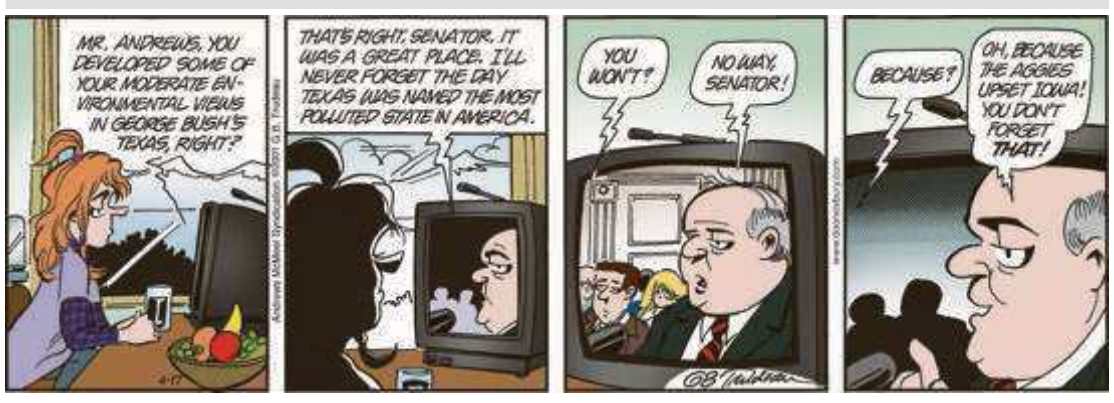

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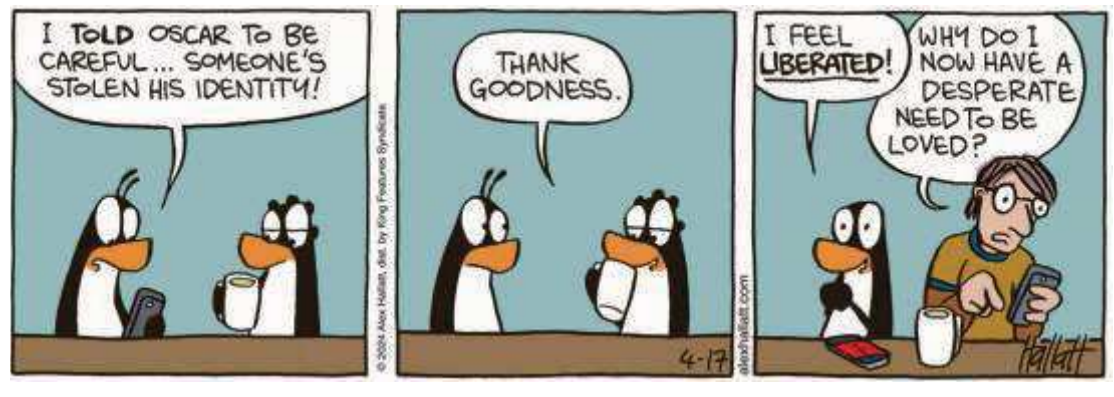

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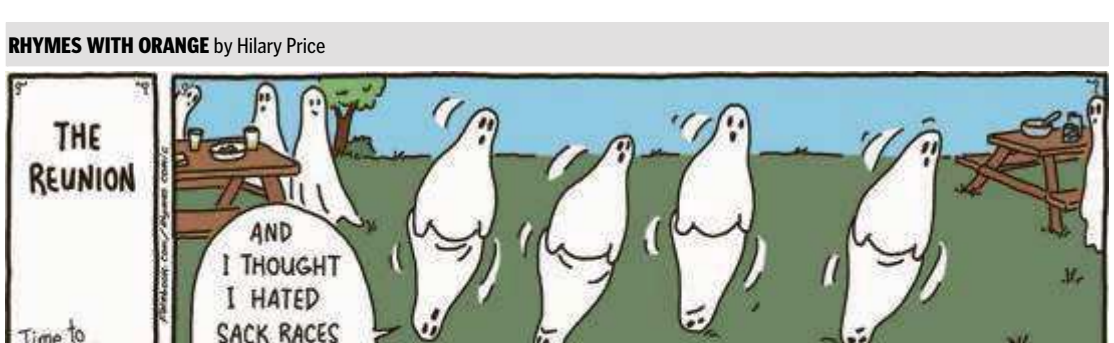

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**CURTIS** by Ray Billingsley




**RHYMES WITH ORANGE** by Hilary Price




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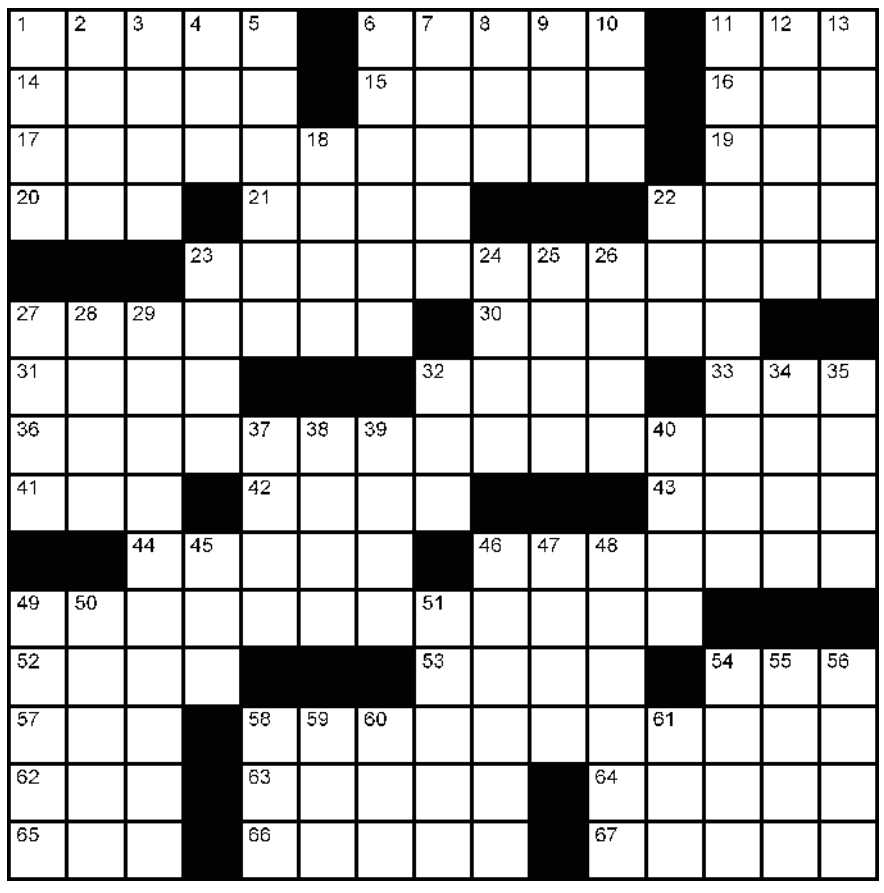
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### ACROSS

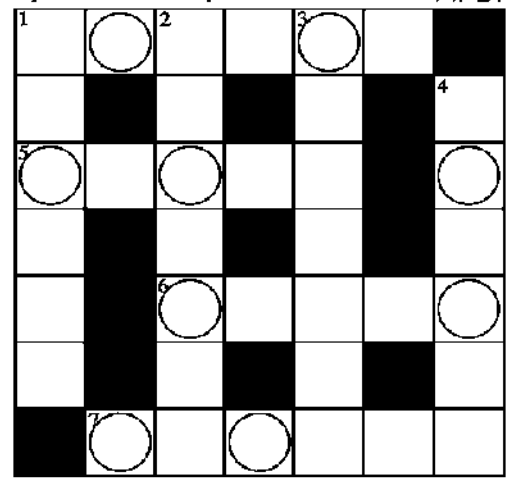
1 Kettle output
6 Legal wrongs
11 "That's funny!"
14 Major artery
15 Amazon Prime ___
16 Function
17 State park located in the San Francisco Bay
19 "2 funny!"
20 "About Me" blurb
21 "OK, got it!"
22 Kick back with friends
23 General concept
27 Pet Shop Boys and Carpenters, for example
30 Yogurt-based side dish in Indian cuisine
31 Jewish wedding dance
32 Office workspace
33 "Nothing but ___" ("Swish")
36 Inherent behaviors
41 Sunbathing result
42 Mojo Dojo ___ House ("Barbie" dwelling)
43 Prefix with "space"
44 Bangkok natives
46 Ends a career
49 Long-running singing competition show
52 Knights' titles
53 Ready for business
54 Sushi topper
57 ___ Mahal
58 Tasks to assign
62 Plane ticket info
63 "What's up?," in textspeak
64 Shout from the crowd
65 Male sheep
66 Admission of defeat
67 Reddish-brown color

### DOWN

1 Bygone Swedish automaker
2 "Un-Break My Heart" singer Braxton
3 "Therefore ..."
4 Had a snack
5 Surfing destination near Los Angeles
6 Living room fixtures
7 Edmonton hockey pro
8 Nutrition label fig.
9 Highest score for an Olympic competitor
10 Lawn covering
11 Luau performer
12 Collectively
13 "Hey Arnold!" character with pigtails
18 "Not true" retort
22 Chart-topping song
23 "Big Daddy" star Sandler
24 Half-brother of Athena
25 Group performing a play
26 Word before "bar" or "torch"
27 Rad, in '90s slang
28 "Game of Thrones" actress Chaplin
29 Problem with an office machine
32 Carrier of genetic info
34 To be, in Paris
35 General ___ chicken



37 Antioxidant-rich berry
38 Secular
39 "Insecure" actress Rae
40 Painted part of a finger or toe
45 There are 24 in a day: Abbr.
46 Remove, as old carpet
47 Perfect garden
48 Mixers with gin
49 Michaelmas daisy
50 Mazda convertible
51 Some dark crime films
54 Harvest
55 Hilton rival
56 "Como ___?"
58 Sushi tuna
59 Rank for Mustard or Sanders: Abbr.
60 Number of bars in a package of Twix
61 "In ___ Heights" (2008 Broadway musical)



**ACROSS**

| CLUE | ANSWER |
|---|---|
| 1. Cold season | EIWNTR |
| 5. Fake | BSGOU |
| 6. ____ Burstyn | NEELL |
| 7. Position | ECATNS |

**DOWN**

| CLUE | ANSWER |
|---|---|
| 1. Stagger, quake | BWBEOL |
| 2. Disregard | ENLCEGT |
| 3. Fifth Greek letter | PLOEISN |
| 4. Flinch, recoil | RGENCI |

**CLUE:** The ____ ____ roughly resembles a triangle with its apex to the north.

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.

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## Boston's forecast

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**TODAY** 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **53-58** LOW **41-46** | Cooler with some sunshine giving way to clouds. Winds NE 8-16 mph. Mostly cloudy tonight. Winds SE 7-14 mph.

**THURSDAY** 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **46-51** LOW **39-44** | Mostly cloudy and cooler. Winds E 8-16 mph. Mostly cloudy at night. Winds ESE 6-12 mph.

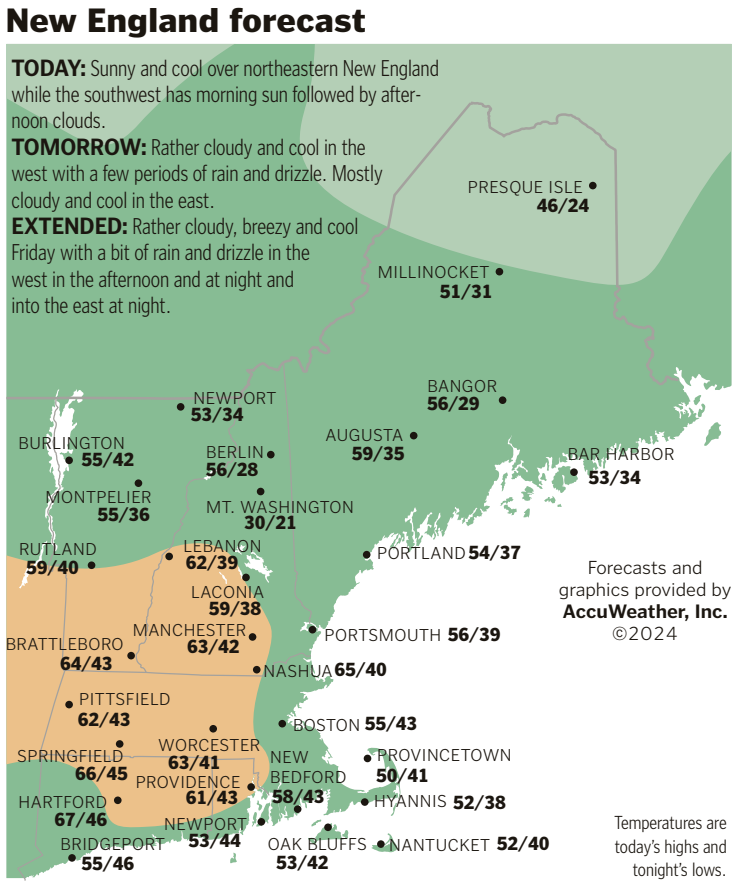
**FRIDAY** 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **51-56** LOW **44-49** | Cloudy. Winds E 8-16 mph. Cloudy at night with rain and drizzle moving in. Winds S 8-16 mph.

**SATURDAY** 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **59-64** LOW **41-46** | A passing morning shower; otherwise, mostly cloudy. Winds W 8-16 mph. Mainly clear at night. Winds WNW 8-16 mph.

**SUNDAY** 6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **56-61** LOW **42-47** | Intervals of clouds and sunshine. Winds WSW 7-14 mph. Partly cloudy at night. Winds WNW 7-14 mph.

## New England forecast

**TODAY:** Sunny and cool over northeastern New England while the southwest has morning sun followed by afternoon clouds.
**TOMORROW:** Rather cloudy and cool in the west with a few periods of rain and drizzle. Mostly cloudy and cool in the east.
**EXTENDED:** Rather cloudy, breezy and cool Friday with a bit of rain and drizzle in the west in the afternoon and at night and into the east at night.




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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

## Almanac

| | |
|---|---|
| Yesterday's high/low | 68°/50° |
| Sunrise | 5:59 a.m. |
| Sunset | 7:28 p.m. |
| Moonrise | 1:21 p.m. |

**Mount Washington** (5 p.m. yesterday)

| | |
|---|---|
| Weather | Partly sunny |
| Visibility | 90 miles |
| Wind | west-northwest at 53 m.p.h. |
| High/low temperature | 28/21 |
| Snow depth at 5 p.m. | 3.0" |

**Allergies** Source: Asthma & Allergy Affiliates, Inc.

| Trees | Weeds | Grass | Mold |
|---|---|---|---|
| High | N.A. | N.A. | N.A. |

Yesterday's mold and spore rating.

**Eastern Massachusetts air quality**

GOOD 48 MOD. UNHEALTHY HAZARDOUS
50 100 150 200 300

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 | 2.43" | Year to date | 19.66" |
| Precip days in April | 11 | Norm. month to date | 2.07" | Norm. year to date | 12.97" |

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

**Tides**

| | A.M. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Boston high | 7:11 | 7:59 |
| Height | 8.9 | 8.3 |
| Boston low | 12:50 | 1:38 |
| Height | 2.2 | 1.4 |
| **High tides** | | |
| Old Orchard ME | 7:05 | 7:54 |
| Hampton Beach NH | 7:19 | 8:08 |
| Plum Island | 7:17 | 8:00 |
| Ipswich | 7:00 | 7:45 |

| High tides | A.M. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Gloucester | 7:14 | 8:01 |
| Marblehead | 7:11 | 7:59 |
| Lynn | 7:18 | 8:06 |
| Scituate | 7:16 | 8:02 |
| Plymouth | 7:15 | 8:01 |
| Cape Cod Canal East | 7:04 | 7:52 |
| Cape Cod Canal West | 6:05 | |
| Falmouth | 6:55 | 7:43 |

| High tides | A.M. | P.M. |
|---|---|---|
| Hyannis Port | 8:14 | 9:11 |
| Chatham | 8:13 | 9:01 |
| Wellfleet | 7:25 | 8:13 |
| Provincetown | 7:17 | 8:04 |
| Nantucket Harbor | 8:15 | 9:02 |
| Oak Bluffs | 7:54 | 8:19 |
| New Bedford | 3:48 | 4:15 |
| Newport RI | 3:55 | 4:20 |

**New England marine forecast**

Small craft advisory
Gale warning Storm warning

| | Wind | Seas | Temp |
|---|---|---|---|
| Boston Harbor | E 8-16 kts. | 1-2 ft. | 55/44 |
| East Cape Cod Canal | E 7-14 kts. | 1-2 ft. | 53/41 |
| Buzzards Bay | SE 7-14 kts. | 1-2 ft. | 55/41 |
| Martha's Vineyard | E 7-14 kts. | 1-3 ft. | 56/41 |
| Nantucket | SE 7-14 kts. | 1-3 ft. | 52/41 |
| Provincetown | E 7-14 kts. | 1-3 ft. | 49/41 |

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 | 82/63 | C | 86/67 | S |
| Atlantic City | 66/50 | C | 60/45 | R |
| ● Charlotte | 82/59 | C | 90/60 | S |
| ● Chicago | 65/49 | T | 62/44 | C |
| Dallas | 86/70 | Pc | 86/59 | T |
| Denver | 74/32 | Pc | 43/32 | C |
| ● Detroit | 70/52 | T | 68/50 | C |
| Fort Myers | 89/66 | Pc | 87/67 | Pc |
| Los Angeles | 77/55 | S | 74/56 | Pc |
| ● Miami | 82/70 | Pc | 83/71 | Pc |
| New Orleans | 83/72 | C | 83/69 | C |
| ● New York City | 61/48 | Sh | 50/44 | R |
| ● Philadelphia | 66/52 | R | 56/46 | R |
| Phoenix | 93/65 | S | 95/67 | Pc |
| Salt Lake City | 61/37 | Pc | 59/43 | S |
| San Francisco | 72/50 | Pc | 68/50 | Pc |
| Seattle | 59/40 | Pc | 63/42 | S |
| Washington | 70/58 | C | 76/51 | C |
| Beijing | 84/53 | S | 81/54 | C |
| ● Cancun | 88/75 | Pc | 88/73 | Pc |
| Mexico City | 88/60 | C | 87/59 | S |
| Montreal | 53/40 | C | 54/44 | C |
| ● Toronto | 49/45 | R | 62/47 | R |
| Vancouver | 55/38 | Pc | 59/38 | S |
| Jerusalem | 87/66 | S | 79/54 | S |
| ● London | 53/39 | Pc | 56/47 | Pc |
| ● Moscow | 54/38 | Pc | 50/44 | R |
| ● Paris | 52/39 | Sh | 56/42 | Pc |
| ● Rome | 68/45 | S | 65/47 | Pc |
| ● San Juan | 86/76 | T | 86/75 | Sh |
| ● Stockholm | 43/26 | Pc | 37/26 | C |
| ● Tokyo | 74/62 | R | 68/58 | S |

## HOROSCOPE

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, April 17, 2024:
You are a resilient person with confidence and willpower. You're determined to succeed, which is likely, because you can spot opportunities for yourself and others. This year is more laid-back and slower paced. Focus on your closest relationships. Choose people who have your best interests at heart.

**ARIES** *(March 21-April 19)*
Don't be afraid to shake up the status quo today. You want to do your own thing. This will especially apply to creative projects, the arts, sports and fun activities with kids. However, do take note: Be vigilant, because this is an accident-prone day for your kids. Tonight: Surprises.

**TAURUS** *(April 20-May 20)*
Today you want to shake things up a little, which is why you might rearrange furniture, invite friends over or do something different at home. You might do or say something that surprises a family member or vice versa. You might organize a group activity, like a book club. Tonight: Be ready.

**GEMINI** *(May 21-June 20)*
You're eager for adventure and something different today. This is why travel or a short trip will please you, because you can see new places and meet new faces. In addition, you're full of original, inventive thinking. Why not share your ideas? Run them up the flagpole to see if anyone salutes. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

**CANCER** *(June 21-July 22)*
Keep an eye on your possessions and your assets today, because something unpredictable could impact them. Possibly, you will find money. Then again, you might lose money. Be smart and protect what you own against loss, theft or damage. Anything related to your wealth is unpredictable today. Tonight: Check your assets.

**LEO** *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
Today it's a bit of a crapshoot; nevertheless, you're full of big, inventive, original ideas! These might include travel plans or exploring opportunities in publishing, the media, medicine, the law or something to do with getting further training or higher education. You're stoked! Tonight: Enjoy!

**VIRGO** *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
This is a restless day for you. You have that feeling that you're waiting for the other shoe to drop. A partner or close friend might be a tad contentious or difficult to deal with. Don't take the bait; you have better things to do. Get ready for an unexpected opportunity to travel. Tonight: Privacy.

**LIBRA** *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
A friend might surprise you today or, alternatively, you might meet someone who's a real character. Either way, interactions with others won't be boring. Fortunately, the people you encounter today (including those from your past) will be interesting. Tonight: Socialize.

**SCORPIO** *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
Tread carefully, because someone in a position of authority, including the police, might catch you off guard today. ("Busted!") A boss or a parent might say or do something that you least expect. Don't react immediately. Give yourself a chance to process things. Tonight: Be courteous.

**SAGITTARIUS** *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
Surprise travel plans might happen today or, alternatively, travel plans might be canceled or changed. Stay light on your feet, because you want to socialize and have a good time today. And you want to do it on your own terms, because you feel feisty and independent. Tonight: Explore!

**CAPRICORN** *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
Make sure you know what's happening with banking matters and anything to do with shared property and inheritances, because something out of the blue could suddenly change things. Don't be caught snoozing. When it comes to your wealth, stay on top of things. Tonight: Check your finances.

**AQUARIUS** *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
Today's a bit of a crapshoot, which is why friends, partners and others might catch you off guard. Someone might say or do something you didn't expect. Nevertheless, you're up for whatever happens, because your social skills are strong and smooth. You're Teflon. Tonight: Listen.

**PISCES** *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
Your job, your work or even your health might be a challenge today. Something unusual might happen, which makes you dig in your heels. You feel independent and you want to fight for your rights. (With Mars in your sign, you will certainly have the energy and courage to do this.) Tonight: Work.

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## SUDOKU

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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**
♠ 8 7 6 4
♡ A J 10 3 2
♢ 10
♣ A Q 10

**West**
♠ A 3 2
♡ 7 6 5
♢ Q 9 8 4
♣ 9 5 2

**East**
♠ 9 5
♡ K Q 9 8
♢ 7 3
♣ 8 7 6 4 3

**South**
♠ K Q J 10
♡ 4
♢ A K J 6 5 2
♣ K J

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 ♢ | Pass | 1 ♡ | Pass |
| 1 ♠ | Pass | 3 ♠ | Pass |
| 4 NT | Pass | 5 ♡ | Pass |
| 6 ♠ | All Pass | | |

Opening lead — ♡ 7

"My husband's passions are bridge and fishing," a club player told me. "It's a mystery how he can sit in a boat for hours waiting for a bite, but when we play bridge he has no patience at all."

She was today's East, and her husband led a heart against six spades. Declarer took the ace and led a trump to his king, and West took the ace and led another heart: jack, queen, ruff.

"South cashed one high trump," East said, "then took the top diamonds, ruffed a diamond, led a club to his jack and ruffed a diamond. He returned a club to his king, drew the missing trump and won the last two tricks with good diamonds. I think my hubby should stick to fishing."

West swallowed the bait when he won the first trump. He must let South's king win.

If South leads a second trump. West wins and leads a third trump. South can ruff only one diamond in dummy and loses a diamond. If South tries to set up the diamonds without leading a second trump, East scores her nine of trumps.

**DAILY QUESTION** You hold: ♠ 8 7 6 4 ♡ A J 10 3 2 ♢ 10 ♣ A Q 10. Your partner opens one diamond, you respond one heart and he bids two clubs. What do you say?

**ANSWER:** This problem is difficult; you have enough values to invite game but no good invitational call. Some experts might try 2NT despite the lack of a spade stopper; others might stretch to bid two spades, forcing to game. I would choose a raise to three clubs, pretending I have four-card support.

**ZIPPY** "Totally Toroidal" by Bill Griffith




**ADAM@HOME** by Rob Harrell




**BIZARRO** by Wayno & Piraro



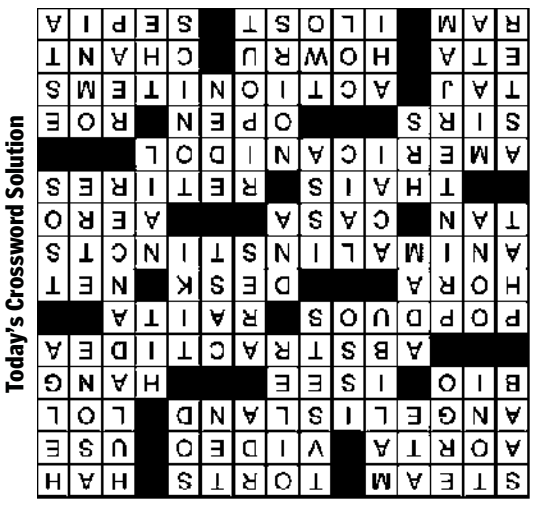

**ROSE IS ROSE** by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer




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**Today's Crossword Solution**



**Today's Sudoku Solution**

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## TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY DON AUCOIN



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**Justin Hartley as Colter Shaw in "Tracker," his follow-up to "This Is Us."**

# On CBS's 'Tracker,' this is him

As I settled in to watch the first episode of CBS's "Tracker," I got ready to roll my eyes.

I had a sneaking suspicion — call it a hunch — that the show's writers and producers had found a pretext to feature "Tracker" star Justin Hartley with his shirt off.

The answer arrived five minutes in: Yes, they had. Eyes, commence rolling.

Flaunt it if you've got it, I guess. Viewers of NBC's hit family melodrama "This Is Us" (2016-22) — in which Hartley played Kevin, one of the three Pearson siblings — can attest to the fact that the guy is ripped.

But I would argue that Hartley is also a better actor than he gets credit for. His Kevin on "This Is Us" may have been blessed with stereotypically good looks, but he was a wounded soul, and Hartley made sure we got glimpses of the vulnerability that lay underneath Kevin's shiny surface.

Something similar is going on beneath the dramatic action and gunplay of "Tracker." Hartley plays Colter Shaw, a guy whose specialty is finding missing people.

A lone wolf with echoes of Jack Reacher, Colter travels the country in an RV. (Reacher mostly walks.) Colter is clearly carrying around memories of painful episodes from his past. He blends his people-finding expertise with compassion and even a spirit of kinship for the families who are desperate to have them found.

It's always interesting to see what actors choose as a follow-up to a successful TV series. Striking while the career iron is hot can be a trickier business than it appears. (Remember the "'Seinfeld' curse?")

As they make the transition, the actors usually want a lot more money, obviously, and often an executive producer credit, and of course a much bigger share of the spotlight. On "This Is Us," Hartley was part of a large, multigenerational ensemble, not to mention the time-traveling the series did, in which Kevin was portrayed by younger actors. On "Tracker," though, everything revolves around Hartley.

As they move on to new roles and new shows, many actors strive not to alienate the fans they acquired in the show that made them famous. So there's a certain element of give-the-people-what-they-want. (Hence, perhaps, Hartley's torso-baring in "Tracker"? Just kidding. Mostly.)

CBS aired the premiere of "Tracker" after the Super Bowl, television's single best lead-in and launching pad. The ratings were strong for that debut and have subsequently remained so for the series, which is based on Jeffery Deaver's thriller novel "The Never Game." So strong, in fact, that CBS wasted no time in renewing "Tracker" for a second season.

In most respects, "Tracker" is a thoroughly formulaic procedural, rife with character inconsistencies and narrative gaps. Supporting members of the cast are thinly sketched. So it's all up to Hartley. It's a litmus test of his star power. No pressure.

## ASK AMY

# Should they 'open' their marriage?

**Q.** My wife and I have been married for five years. Each of us has brought up the topic of having an open marriage at one time or another. There is nothing wrong or missing in our marriage and our intimate life is incredible.

I am wondering: Is this a healthy curiosity on our parts, or are we just asking for trouble?

CONFUSED

**A.** Discussing having an open marriage isn't asking for trouble. Committed and intimate partners should discuss their hopes, dreams, fears, and fantasies.

Longer married people understand through experience that marriage can be very hard work. Life unfolds in its untidy way, and tests commitments. Work, family, illness, and financial issues will challenge every couple.

Wondering who your spouse is having sex with tonight adds a layer of stress that a lot of people couldn't handle.

My basic point is that if your marriage ain't broke, don't try to fix it by bringing other people into it. On the other hand, if you don't have children at home and can mutually agree to parameters that will allow you to explore your sexual and relationship curiosity with other people while still staying emotionally committed to each other, you might take the leap.

If you choose to try this, I think it would be prudent to consider or imagine what your life would be like without your spouse in it, because for many people, "opening" a marriage eventually leads to ending it.

**Q.** My brother-in-law of 20 years has always been rude, hateful, disrespectful, and in a perpetual bad mood. My sister always made excuses for his bad behavior and so my family "turned the other cheek" and treated him with love and kindness anyway.

One day at a party I overheard my brother-in-law telling his friend how he never liked me or my family. He then proceeded to make fun of us.

A few days later I confronted him and my sister about it. My brother-in-law confessed to hating me and my family. He said we had done nothing bad to him personally — he just hated us.

My sister knew how he felt all along and now she's acting like it's not a big deal.

We don't want anything to do with my brother-in-law ever again. We are all feuding, and I don't know what to do or how to save my relationship with my sister over this betrayal.

SHOCKED

**A.** Your reaction to this insult seems to blame your sister — presumably for tolerating her husband's long-standing hatred and disrespect of your family.

Your sister is not responsible for her husband's atrocious behavior. But it seems as if he has pulled the pin on a grenade and tossed it into the middle of your family.

You might look on this weird episode of brutal honesty as a liberation of sorts. You are under no obligation to spend time with him, interact with him, or worry about his estimation of you. Declining to spend time with him will relieve him of any obligation or expectation to be in the presence of people he hates.

In this context, "turning the other cheek" might translate into accepting that your sister has chosen to be with him and seems to be staying with him.

Perhaps you could adopt a loving and understanding attitude toward her. Her situation does not sound easy.

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## BIRD SIGHTINGS

*Recent sightings on Cape Cod (through April 9) as reported to Mass Audubon.*

An early summer tanager visited a yard in Chatham, while a yard in Eastham has been hosting an early indigo bunting and rose-breasted grosbeak.

A black brant was photographed in Sandwich.

At least 3 black-headed gulls continued on various beaches between Osterville and Hyannis.

Sightings at Race Point in Provincetown included a Manx shearwater, 60 razorbills, 4 common murres, 5 Iceland gulls, 125 red-throated loons, 225 Northern gannets, and a common raven.

At Bell's Neck conservation area on West Harwich, sightings included a Northern pintail, 27 green-winged teal, 4 blue-winged teal, 21 black-crowned night-herons, a clapper rail, 25 ospreys, and an early ovenbird.

A Western kingbird continued in Eastham, and other sightings around the Cape included a black vulture in West Barnstable, a continuing dickcissel in Yarmouth Port, an orange-crowned warbler in Chatham, an odd sighting of a sora on a rooftop in Provincetown, and several reports of early purple martins including 2 in Mashpee and 3 in Provincetown.

*If you have questions about these sightings, or want to report a sighting, call the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary at 508-349-2615 or send e-mail to cape.sightings@massaudubon.org.*

## Wednesday April 17, 2024

Movies | Sports | News | Specials

| | 7 pm | 7:30 | 8 pm | 8:30 | 9 pm | 9:30 | 10 pm | 10:30 | 11 pm | 11:30 |
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| 2 WGBH PBS | Greater Boston | R. Steves | Nature (N) | | History of "Once Upon a Time" (N) | | NOVA | | Amanpour and Company (N) | |
| 4 WBZ CBS | Wheel (N) | Jeopardy! (N) | Survivor "Hide 'N Seek" (N) | | | The Amazing Race "Our Alliance Strikes Again" (N) | | | News (N) | (:35) Colbert |
| 5 WCVB ABC | News (N) | Chronicle | Conners (N) | Not Dead Yet (N) | Abbott (N) | Pyramid (N) | Pyramid Matt James | | NewsCenter 5 (N) | (:35) J. Kimmel |
| 6 WLNE ABC | Hollywood | Inside Ed. | Conners | Not Dead | Abbott | Pyramid | Pyramid | | ABC6Ne.. | J.Kimmel |
| 7 WHDH | Inside Ed. (N) | Extra (N) | Family Feud | Family Feud | 7 News at 9PM (N) | | 7 News at 10PM (N) | | 7 News at 11PM (N) | (:35) Inside Ed. |
| 9 WMUR ABC | Chronicle | News (N) | Conners | Not Dead | Abbott | Pyramid | Pyramid | | News (N) | J.Kimmel |
| 10 NBC Boston | Boston News (N) | Hollywood (N) | Chicago Med | | Chicago Fire "On the Hook" | | Chicago P.D. "Split Second" | | Boston News (N) | (:35) J. Fallon (N) |
| 10 WJAR NBC | News (N) (Live) | Extra (N) | Chicago Med | | Chicago Fire "On the Hook" | | Chicago P.D. "Split Second" | | News (N) (Live) | (:35) J. Fallon (N) |
| 11 WENH PBS | Travelscope | Windows (N) | Nature (N) | | History of "Once Upon a Time" (N) | | NOVA | | Eat To Sleep | |
| 12 WPRI CBS | Wheel (N) | Jeopardy! (N) | Survivor "Hide 'N Seek" (N) | | | The Amazing Race "Our Alliance Strikes Again" (N) | | | 12 News at 11 (N) | (:35) Colbert |
| 25 WFXT FOX | ET (N) | TMZ (N) | The Masked Singer (N) | | Animal (N) | Family Guy (SF) | Boston 25 News at 10PM (N) (Live) | | News (N) (Live) | (:35) News (N) |
| 27 WUNI | Rosa "El vuelo del colibrí" (N) | | Tu vida es mi vida (N) | | Mujer (N) | | El amor no tiene receta (N) | | Noticias Univisión | SaborDe/ (:35) Noti.. |
| 36 WSBE PBS | Milk Street TV | Rhode Island | Raising Mentally Strong Kids With Daniel Amen, MD | | | | Rick Steves: Why We Travel | | PBS NewsHour (N) | |
| 38 WSBK | Big Bang | Big Bang | WBZ News 8p (N) | | News (N) | Daytime Jeopardy | 48 Hours "Decades of Deceit" (N) | | Big Bang | Seinfeld |
| 44 WGBX PBS | Test Kitchen | Antiques | My Life Is Murder "Lividity in Lycra" | | The Brokenwood Mysteries "Catch of the Day" | | | Antiques | PBS NewsHour (N) | |
| 50 WWJE | South-Homicide | | Heartland Homicide | | Dateline | | Dateline | | Almost Unsolved | |
| 56 WLVI CW | Young Sheldon | Young Sheldon | Walker (N) | | Sight Unseen "Jake" (N) | | 7 News at 10PM on CW56 (N) | | Modern Family | Modern Family |
| 64 WNAC FOX | Family Feud | Family Feud | The Masked Singer (N) | | Animal (N) | Family Guy (SF) | 12 News on Fox Pr (N) | | Seinfeld | Seinfeld |
| 68 WBPX ION | Blue Blood "Forgive Us Our Trespasses" | | Blue Bloods "Pilot" | | Blue Bloods "Samaritan" | | Blue Bloods "Privilege" | | Blue Bloods "Officer Down" | |
| **PREMIUM CABLE** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cinemax | (5:55) ★★ Bandits ('01) Bruce Willis. | | ★★★ A Most Violent Year ('14) Jessica Chastain, David Oyelowo, Oscar Isaac. | | | | (:05) Altitude ('17) Dolph Lundgren, Denise Richards. | | | (:35) New World |
| Flix | (6:30) 13 ('10) Jason Statham. (P) | | ★★★ Animal Kingdom ('10) Joel Edgerton, Guy Pearce, Ben Mendelsohn. | | | | ★★★ Drugstore Cowboy ('89) Kelly Lynch, Matt Dillon. | | | (:45) God's Po... |
| HBO | (6:25) Synanon | Jerrod Car | ★★ Terminator Salvation ('09) Sam Worthington, Christian Bale. | | | | (:55) Sympathi "Death Wish" | | (:55) ★★★ Skyfall ('12) Daniel Craig. | |
| HBO 2 | (6:10) ★★ The Last Witch Hunter ('15) | | An American Bombing: The Road to April 19th (N) | | (:45) ★★★ Good Time ('17) Jennifer Jason Leigh, Robert Pattinson. | | | | | Sympathi |
| Showtime | (5:30) Everything Everywhere All at O... | | ★★★ First Blood ('82) Richard Crenna, Sylvester Stallone. | | (:35) ★★ Rambo: First Blood Part II ('85) Sylvester Stallone. | | | | (:10) ★★ Rambo III ('88) | |
| Showtime 2 | ★★ The Whale ('22) Sadie Sink, Hong Chau, Brendan Fraser. | | | | Gentleman "The Last Rostov" (N) | | ★★ Secret in Their Eyes ('15) Nicole Kidman, Julia Roberts, Chiwetel Ejiofor. | | | |
| Starz! | Back on the Strip ('23) Tiffany Haddish, Spence Moore II, Wesley Snipes. | | | | ★★ Honk for Jesus. Save Your Soul ('22) Regina Hall. | | | (:45) ★★ Rough Night ('17) Jillian Bell, Scarlett Johansson. | | |
| TMC | (6:10) ★★ Virtuosity ('95) | | ★★★ Confessions of a Dangerous Mind ('02) Drew Barrymore, Sam Rockwell. | | | | ★★★ Seven Psychopaths ('12) Colin Farrell. | | | (:50) Friedkin ... |
| **SPORTS** | | | | | | | | | | |
| CBSSN | Inside College Football | | Inside College Basketball | | 2024 PokerGo Cup | | 2024 PokerGo Cup | | 2024 PokerGo Cup | |
| ESPN | NBA (N) (Live) | | Basketball /(:40) NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA (N) (Live) | | | | (:05) NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA (N) (Live) | | | |
| ESPN2 | Welcome/NFL | | NBA Basketball Play-In Tournament: Teams TBA (N) (Live) | | | | SportsCenter | | SportsCenter (N) (Live) | |
| Fox Sports 1 | PBA Bowling WSOB PBA Shark Championship (N) (Live) | | | | United Football League Memphis Showboats at Birmingham Stallions From Protective Stadium in Birmingham, Ala. | | | | | |
| Golf | College Golf Western Intercollegiate, Final Round (N) (Live) | | | | | | Central (N) (Live) | | College Golf | |
| NBA | GameTi.. | Ready | | Ready | | Playoff Central Live | | | | |
| NBC Sports | Early Edition | | Best of Felger & Mazz Radio | | Best of Zolak and Bertrand | | Boston Sports (N) (Live) | | Boston Sports | |
| NESN | Baseball Cleveland Guardians at Boston Red Sox (N) (Live) | | | | | | Extra (N) | Red Sox | MLB Baseball | |
| **FAMILY** | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cartoon | King/Hill | King/Hill | Burgers | Burgers | Burgers | American | American | American | American | Rick |
| Disney | Big City Greens | Big City Greens | Hailey's on It! | Hailey's on It! | Marvel's Moon Girl | Ladybug | Ladybug | Ladybug | Raven's Home | Raven's Home |
| Encore Family | (6:45) The Ladybug | | (:05) My Sweet Monster ('21) | | (:45) East Side Sushi ('14) | | | | | Movie |
| Nickelodeon | LoudHou.. | SpongeB.. | SpongeB.. | SpongeB.. | Sheldon | Sheldon | Friends | Friends | Friends | Friends |
| Nick Jr. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | PAWPatr.. | Rubble | Rubble |

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| **BASIC CABLE** | | | | | | | | | | |
| A&E | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | Court Cam | (:05) Court Cam | (:35) Court Cam |
| AMC | (4:45) The Guardian | | ★★★ The Green Mile ('99) David Morse, Michael Clarke Duncan, Tom Hanks. | | | | | | | |
| Animal Planet | The Vet Life "Dunk-A-Doctor" | | Vet Life "Wedding Day Blues" | | The Vet Life "Not So Easy Riders" | | Vet Life "California Dreamin'" | | The Vet Life "Miracle Puppies" | |
| BBC America | Bones | | Bones | | Bones | | Bones | | Bones | |
| BET | Black "Life's a Beach" | | Black "Summer Soiree" | | Black "Hot and Heavy" (N) | | Black "Hot and Heavy" | | Black "Hot and Heavy" | |
| Bravo | Below Deck "Royal Rumble" | | Top Chef "The Wright Way" | | Top Chef "Supper Club" (N) | | (:15) Watch W.. | (:45) ★★ Caddyshack ('80) Chevy Chase. | | |
| CMT | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Mama's | Gold Girls | Gold Girls |
| CNN | OutFront (N) (Live) | | Cooper 360 (N) | | The Source With (N) | | CNN (N) (Live) | | Laura (N) (Live) | |
| Comedy Central | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | The Daily Show (N) | (:35) South Pa.. |
| CSPAN | (3:30) U.S. House (N) (Live) | | | | Public Affairs Events | | | | | |
| CSPAN2 | (2:45) US.. | Public Affairs Events | | | | | | | | |
| Dest. America | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea | Flea |
| Discovery | Expedition X | | Expedition X | | Expedition | | Ghost A. (N) | | Expedition | |
| Discovery Life | Hoard-Buried | | Hoard-Buried | | Hoard-Buried | | Hoard-Buried | | Hoard-Buried | |
| E! | ★★ Shrek Forever After ('10) | | | | ★★ Shrek Forever After ('10) | | | | E! News | Sex-City |
| Encore | (:25) ★★ The Wraith ('86) Charlie Sheen. | | | | ★★ The Transporter ('02) | | | (:35) ★★ Transporter 2 ('05) | | |
| Food | Guy's Grocery Games | | Guy's Grocery Games | | Grocery "DDD Budget Battle" (N) | | Grocery "Battle of the Bacon" | | Grocery "America's Next Chefs" | |
| Fox News | Ingraham (N) (Live) | | Jesse (N) (Live) | | Hannity (N) (Live) | | Gutfeld! (N) | | Fox News (N) (Live) | |
| Freeform | (:20) ★★ The Proposal ('09) Ryan Reynolds, Sandra Bullock. | | | | | | grown-ish | grown-ish | The 700 Club | |
| FUSE | My Wife | My Wife | My Wife | My Wife | White | White | Bodied ('17) Jackie Long, Calum Worthy. | | | |
| FX | (5:30) Deadpool 2 | | ★★ Venom: Let There Be Carnage ('21) | | | | American (N) | | American | |
| FXM | (:10) ★★ The Karate Kid ('10) Jackie Chan, Jaden Smith. | | | | | | ★★ The Karate Kid ('10) Jaden Smith. | | | |
| Hallmark | Paris, Wine & Romance ('19) Jen Lilley. | | | | The Royal Nanny ('22) Rachel Skarsten. | | | | Gold Girls | Gold Girls |
| Hallmark Myst. | Hannah Swensen "Sweet Revenge" | | | | Hannah Swensen "A Zest for Death" | | | | Murder, She Wrote | |
| HGTV | House Hunters | House Hunters | House Hunters | House Hunters | House Hunters (N) | | Hunters Int'l (N) | Hunters Int'l | House Hunters | House Hunters |
| History | (6:00) Pawn Stars Do "Desert Deals" | | Pawn Stars Do America "Michigan Moolah" (N) | | | | (:05) Pawn Stars (N) | | (:05) Pawn Stars | |
| HLN | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic |
| HSN | C. Wonder (N) | | C. Wonder (N) | | Beauty Report (N) | | Beauty Report (N) | | Skinn Cosmetics (N) | |
| ID | Murder in the "The Outsider" | | Murder "Betrayal Begins With Trust" | | Murder "Living Among Liars" (N) | | On, Case "The Bitter Truth" (N) | | 48 Hours on ID "A Man With a Past" | |
| IFC | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men |
| Lifetime | Castle | | Married "Denver Reunion, Part 2" (N) | | | | (:05) Married (N) | | (:05) Castle | |
| LMN | (6:00) Danger Next ... | | Devil On My Doorstep ('23) (P) | | | | You Can Never Go Home Again ('21) | | | |
| MAGN | Fixer Upper | | In With the Old (N) | | Fixer Upper | | Fixer Upper | | Fixer Upper | |
| MSNBC | ReidOut (N) (Live) | | All In (N) (Live) | | Wagner (N) (Live) | | Last Word (N) (Live) | | 11th Hour (N) (Live) | |
| MTV | Catfish | | Teen Mom (N) | | ★ Like a Boss ('20) Tiffany Haddish. (P) | | | | Ridiculous | Ridiculous |
| National Geographic | ..Smuggler "Drugs, Guns and Money" | | Catch.. "Club Drugs and Party People" | | Catch a Smuggler "Cocaine Sausages" | | To Catch a Smuggler | | ..Smuggler "Drugs, Guns and Money" | |
| NatGeoWild | Zoo: Tampa | | Zoo: Tampa | | Zoo: Tampa | | Zoo: Tampa | | Zoo: Tampa | |
| NECN | necn NOW (N) | | Dateline | | Dateline | | HUBToday | OpenHou.. | 1st Look | Rescue |
| NewsNation | On Balance (N) | | Cuomo (N) (Live) | | Dan Abrams (N) | | Banfield (N) (Live) | | Cuomo | |
| Ovation | Doctor Blake "A Good Drop" | | | Blake "Hear the Angels Sing" | | | Doctor Blake "Family Portrait" | | | |
| OWN | Dr. Phil | | Love It or List It | | Love It or List It | | Love It or List It | | Love It or List It | |
| Oxygen | Dateline: Secrets | | Dateline: Secrets Uncovered (N) | | | | Unforgettable | | Unforgettable | |
| Paramount | Two Men | Two Men | ★★ The Equalizer ('14) Marton Csokas, Denzel Washington. | | | | | | ★★ The Equalizer | |
| QVC | Rastelli's (N) (Live) | | In the Kitchen (N) (Live) | | | | Handbags (N) (Live) | | Clarks Footwear (N) | |
| Science | Engineering | | Catastrophes | | Catastrophes | | Catastrophes | | Catastrophes | |
| Sundance | Law & Order "Guardian" | | Law & Order "Progeny" | | Law & Order "Rage" | | Law & Order "Performance" | | Law & Order "Seed" | |
| SyFy | Movie | ★★ Blade: Trinity ('04) Wesley Snipes. | | | | | Chucky (N) | | ★★ Pompeii ('14) | |
| TBS | Big Bang | Big Bang | All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) (Live) | | | | Mod Fam | Mod Fam | Mod Fam | Mod Fam |
| TCM | (6:15) Badlands | | ★★★ Guys and Dolls ('55) Marlon Brando. | | | | | (:45) ★★★★ Sayonara ('57) | | |
| TLC | Take My Tumor | | My 600-Lb. Life "Charles' Journey" (N) | | | | Take My Tumor (N) | | Dr. Pimple Popper | |
| TNT | NHL Hockey | | | | | | NHL Hockey St. Louis Blues at Dallas Stars (N) | | | |
| Travel | Paranormal Cam. | | Paranormal Cam. | | Paranormal Cam. | | Paranormal Cam. | | Paranormal Cam. | |
| TruTV | NHL Hockey | | | | | | NHL Hockey St. Louis Blues at Dallas Stars (N) | | | |
| TV Land | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | Raymond | King | King |
| TV One | CosbySh.. | CosbySh.. | Fatal Attraction | | Fatal Attraction | | Fatal Attraction | | Fatal Attraction | |
| USA | Law & Order: SVU "Remember Me" | | Law & Order: Special Victims Unit | | Law & Order: Special Victims Unit | | Chucky "Panic Room" (N) | | Law-SVU "Eighteen Wheels a Predator" | |
| VH-1 | (5:30) Karate Kid | | ★ Grown Ups ('10) Kevin James, Adam Sandler. | | | | | ★ Grown Ups 2 ('13) | | |
| WE | NCIS "Chimera" | | NCIS "Requiem" | | NCIS | | NCIS | | NCIS | |

**Content Ratings:** **TV-Y** Appropriate for all children; **TV-Y7** For children age 7 and older; **TV-G** General audience; **TV-PG** Parental guidance suggested; **TV-14** May be unsuitable for children under 14; **TV-MA** Mature audience only **Additional symbols:** **D** Suggestive dialogue; **FV** Fantasy violence; **L** Strong language; **S** Sexual activity; **V** Violence; **HD** High-Definition; **(CC)** Close-Captioned